

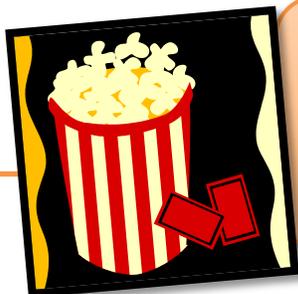
Oklahoma Elementary Math Happenings

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PreK Standards Coming Soon!

On my first day of work, I was introduced to Kayla, the Early Education Director. She told me they were working on the Pre-K standards and there would be a meeting really soon. The next week I found myself in a room full of Early Education experts from OSDE, Oklahoma State Department of Health, Oklahoma State Department of Human Services, Smart Start Oklahoma, Center on Enhancing Early Learning Outcomes, and South Central Comprehensive Center from the University of Oklahoma. Yes, it was as intimidating as it sounds; I learned so much from these ladies!

The standards had been created by teachers and are now in the hands of these experts to make sure they were developmentally appropriate for 4-year-olds. We also agreed we wanted to make them teacher friendly and that they support PreK's ultimate goal of socialization and fostering of a positive attitude for learning while laying a bedrock foundation of mathematical skills. The Math standards were then sent back to the original Oklahoma teachers, who created them, for their feedback and we are still getting emails from them. They have made some great suggestions. Once the committee is finished, we will be able to start the process of releasing them for Public Comment.



SNEAK PEEK: If you are interested in taking a sneak peek at the math standards before then, I will be taking them with me to the REAC3H Regional Meetings to have the Pre-K and Kindergarten teachers who attend have a look and give their feedback on how to improve them. Come join us.

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REAC3H Regional Meetings

We are gearing up for the Spring REAC3H Regional Meetings. I am very excited! These meetings are a great way to connect teachers and their ideas, resources, and skills; that's how we grow and learn! The Elementary math session has been divided into 2 parts. Half of the session will focus on skill building for primary and intermediate math. The other half will be network building, where you will share your ideas with each other.

If you have already signed up, AWESOME! Bring your favorite resources and classroom ideas! We will keep track of all the information teachers share and make sure all teachers in our state have access to it. If you haven't signed up and are interested in collaborating with us, we have a meeting coming to your area. [Click here to sign up](#), or visit us at OKmathteacher.com

