



Mary Fallin
Governor

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OKLAHOMA SECRETARY
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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
EXECUTIVE ORDER 2017-39

To the Honorable Members of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, the Honorable Members of the Oklahoma State Senate, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and the State Board of Education:

I, Mary Fallin, Governor of the State of Oklahoma, pursuant to the power and authority vested in me by Sections 1 and 2 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution hereby direct as follows:

1. By September 1, 2018, and every year thereafter, the State Board of Education, with the assistance of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, shall compile a list of every public school district that spends less than sixty percent (60%) of their budget on instructional expenditures.
2. The State Board of Education, with the assistance of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, shall consider and make recommendations for administrative consolidation or annexation of school districts described in Paragraph 1. The State Board of Education, with the assistance of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, shall notify school districts that are designated for administrative consolidation or annexation by July 1, 2019.
3. In order to strengthen public confidence in the efficient use of state education dollars, no later than January 1, 2020, school districts designated for administrative consolidation or annexation shall submit a plan for administrative consolidation or annexation to the Superintendent and State Board of Education. If a plan is not submitted by the school district, the State Board of Education, with the assistance of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, shall determine a plan for administrative consolidation or annexation, and all plans shall be implemented beginning with the 2020-2021 school year.

4. The following administrative services shall be consolidated or annexed including but not limited to: functions of the school district superintendent, budgeting for schools, facility maintenance, equipment, nutrition programs, curriculum and instruction, textbooks, professional development resources, payroll, legal, human resources, federal programs, purchasing, technology, federal and state reporting and bonding and infrastructure.
5. Funds saved as a result of administrative consolidation or annexation shall be retained by the school district and reallocated for instructional expenditures.
6. The State Board of Education, with the assistance of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, this 21 day of November, 2017.

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA



MARY FALLIN

ATTEST:



DAVE LOPEZ, SECRETARY OF STATE



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