

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 2141

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to public health and safety; creating
8 the Oklahoma Certified Healthy Schools Act; providing
9 short title; directing the State Department of Health
10 to establish and maintain certain certification
11 program; creating the Oklahoma Healthy Schools
12 Advisory Committee; specifying membership of certain
13 advisory committee; providing for three levels of
14 certification; providing for the development of
15 certain criteria; specifying minimum criteria;
16 authorizing certain monetary rewards; specifying use
17 of certain funds; directing the Department to develop
18 certain online application form; directing the State
19 Board of Health to promulgate rules; providing for
20 codification; and providing an effective date.

21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

22 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
23 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 2061 of Title 63, unless there
24 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma
Certified Healthy Schools Act".

B. The State Department of Health shall establish and maintain
a program for the voluntary certification of schools that promotes

1 wellness, encourages the adoption of healthy behaviors, and
2 establishes safe and supportive environments.

3 C. There is hereby created the Oklahoma Healthy Schools
4 Advisory Committee. The advisory committee shall be composed of
5 members appointed by the State Commissioner of Health and, at a
6 minimum, shall include:

7 1. Representatives from a statewide nonprofit and nonpartisan
8 organization that seeks to foster collaboration and encourage
9 community and legislative action;

10 2. Representatives from an organization that seeks to involve
11 communities and consumers in creating a healthier future;

12 3. Representatives from a statewide business organization;

13 4. A statewide association of parents, teachers, and students;
14 and

15 5. A statewide association that provides training and
16 information services to school board members.

17 D. The program shall recognize three levels of certification as
18 follows:

19 1. Basic certification;

20 2. Merit certification; and

21 3. Excellence certification.

22 E. The Department, in collaboration with the Oklahoma Healthy
23 Schools Advisory Committee, shall develop criteria for

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1 certification, which, at a minimum, shall include the following for
2 each level of certification:

3 1. Basic certification: The school shall meet at least two (2)
4 criteria in each of the components of the Center for Disease Control
5 and Prevention's Coordinated School Health Program model;

6 2. Merit certification: The school shall meet at least three
7 (3) criteria in each of the components of the Center for Disease
8 Control and Prevention's Coordinated School Health Program model;
9 and

10 3. Excellence certification: The schools shall meet at least
11 four (4) criteria in each of the components of the Center for
12 Disease Control and Prevention's Coordinated School Health Program
13 model.

14 F. Subject to available funding appropriated for this purpose,
15 the Department may provide a monetary reward to schools that earn
16 certification as follows:

17 1. Basic certification: Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars
18 (\$2,500.00);

19 2. Merit certification: Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00); and

20 3. Excellence certification: Ten Thousand Dollars
21 (\$10,000.00).

22 G. Schools that obtain a reward pursuant to subsection F of
23 this section shall use the funds for the enhancement of wellness
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1 activities and the promotion of healthy environments. Such
2 activities may include, but are not limited to:

- 3 1. Improving playgrounds;
- 4 2. Purchasing sports equipment; and
- 5 3. Equipping school kitchens for healthy cooking.

6 H. The Department shall develop an online application form for
7 schools seeking to become an Oklahoma Certified Healthy School.

8 I. The State Board of Health may promulgate rules as necessary
9 to implement the provisions of this act.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2010.

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