

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1437

By: Pugh

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; directing the State Department of Education to establish certain guidelines to administer certain physical fitness test; directing guidelines to be based on certain recommendations; providing for contents of guidelines; requiring school districts to administer certain test beginning in certain school year; directing school districts to use student performance results in certain manner; providing for promulgation of rules; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 11-103.9c of Title 70, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The State Department of Education shall establish guidelines for school districts in this state to assess the overall fitness of students and encourage physical activity and healthy habits by administering the Presidential Fitness Test. The physical fitness test guidelines shall be based on the recommendations of the President's Council on Sports, Fitness, and Nutrition, which was

1 reconstituted by Executive Order 14327. The guidelines shall  
2 include:

- 3 1. Training for personnel to administer the test;
- 4 2. Exemption guidelines for students with disabilities, medical  
5 conditions, or other factors that would impact their ability to  
6 complete the test; and
- 7 3. An option for a parent or legal guardian of a student to opt  
8 the student out of the test.

9 B. Beginning in the 2026-2027 school year, school districts in  
10 this state shall administer the Presidential Fitness Test to  
11 students using the guidelines established pursuant to subsection A  
12 of this section.

13 C. School districts shall utilize student performance results  
14 on the Presidential Fitness Test to:

- 15 1. Promote the physical and mental benefits of daily movement,  
16 exercise, and good nutrition;
- 17 2. Modify physical activity opportunities offered to students;  
18 and
- 19 3. Encourage participation in physical activities available to  
20 students inside and outside the school setting.

21 D. The State Board of Education may promulgate rules to  
22 implement the provisions of this section.

23 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2026.  
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1       SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
2 of the public peace, health, or safety, an emergency is hereby  
3 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
4 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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