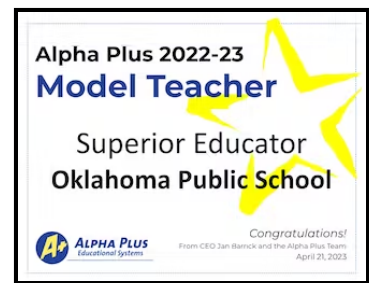


April 2024 - How to be an “A” school: **Celebrate success with OAS!**



At spring assemblies in most schools, awards will be handed and out photos taken of many students and educators. Even in friendly competition not every deserving person “wins,” yet one finds success where one looks for it. Any growth from one school year to the next deserves celebration!

In 2016-17, we learned that schools were giving awards based on Alpha Plus data. So, in 2017-18, we started what are now called “Success with OAS Awards.” These celebrate those going above and beyond using the Alpha Plus Model of School Improvement to improve student success. **THANK YOU for all you do!**

For the 2022-23 school year, we celebrated:

- 207 classes with “Greatest Growth” from Fall 2022 to Spring 2023 in each Alpha Plus Partner School completing fall and spring benchmarks by mid-April;
- 264 classes qualifying for “OAS Goals Met!” awards by taking all OAS Objective quizzes with a 70% or higher proficiency rate (formative data);
- 338 classes achieving at least 50% of students proficient on “OAS Benchmarks” (summative data); and
- **74 Model Educators who qualified for both the formative- and summative-proficiency awards by March 31, 2023.** Forty-eight Model Educators achieved these goals by April 2022.

“We celebrate Alpha Plus Partner Schools’ success every chance we get, but this is not a popularity contest,” explained Alpha Plus CEO Jan Barrick last year. “These awards are based on student performance this school year and nothing else.”

Educators and students at 83 schools qualified for last year’s awards from among 116 schools in 99 districts statewide. More than 21,075 students completed Alpha Plus Online interim assessments this school year. While Alpha Plus’s primary focus is on state-tested grades (3-8), the Oklahoma City school-improvement firm is also honoring top first- and second-grade and science classes last year as well.

[SEE LISTS OF 2023 AWARDS HERE!](#) We will let you know via email as soon as we have the 2023-24 awards ready.

CONGRATULATIONS TO SCHOOLS MAKING THE ALPHA PLUS HONOR ROLL FOR 2022!

The Alpha Plus Honor Roll was finally available last April following release of the 2022 Oklahoma School Report Card overall scores and letter grades on the oklaschools.com platform hosted by the State Department of Education.

Thirty-three schools that use the Alpha Plus Model received A or B grades compared to 26 on the honor roll in 2019 (the most recent state report cards available).

All Alpha Plus Partner Schools receiving “A” grades from the state either improved or maintained the grade over the last three school years.

Some schools such as Balko, Bennington, Flower Mound and Geronimo have used Alpha Plus tools for more than five years; others such as Fargo-Gage, Morrison, and Roff have been trained in the model over the last couple of years.

“This is the only empirical data that reflects performance by most students in Oklahoma schools in a comparable way,” explains Alpha Plus CEO Jan Barrick.

“No matter opinions of state tests, they are required by state and federal law so we continue doing all we can to help schools beat the odds and support strategies that can move Oklahoma into the Top Ten nationally.”

[More info here!](#)

We will be sharing the good news about the 2023 Honor Roll as soon as possible. Hope to “see” you in the social medias!

School Site (Grade Span Served)	OSRC 2022 Letter Grade
Balko ES (K-8)	A
Bennington ES (1-8)	A
Fargo ES (K-8)	A
Flower Mound PS (1-5)	A
Geronimo ES (K-6)	A
Parker Intermediate (5-6)	A
Morrison ES (1-8)	A
Roff ES (1-8)	A
Stonewall ES (3-4)	A
Velma-Alma ES (3-6)	A
Achille ES (K-8)	B
Big Pasture ES (1-8)	B
Butner ES (3-8)	B
Carney ES (K-8)	B
Cherokee ES (1-5)	B
Darlington PS (2-8)	B
Deer Creek-Lamont ES (K-8)	B
Denison PS (3-8)	B
Dibble MS (6-8)	B
Ft. Gibson MS (6-8)	B
Fox ES (K-8)	B
Grandfield ES (3-8)	B
Hollis ES (3-5) [Sallie Gillentine]	B
Okay ES (2-8)	B
Paoli ES (K-8)	B
Prue ES = PK-8 (3-8)	B
Ringwood ES (1-8)	B
Rocky Mountain PS (K-8)	B
Ryan ES (3-8)	B
McLish MS = (5-8)	B
Tipton ES (K-5)	B
Vanoss ES (K-8)	B
Watonga ES (1-5)	B

Thanks, again, and let us know how we can help you more!

If you need help planning for 2024-25, call your Facilitator or (405) 842-8408, or email admin@alphaplus.org. ~ The Alpha Plus Team

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