



Part I: Data Sheet

SCHOOL NAME: _____

PRINCIPAL: _____

CONTACT PERSON (for questions regarding this information):

 Name Phone Email

1. Summary Data

Please respond to Items 1-5 as indicated on the State Dept. of Ed. report as of October 2009 (or most recent data available).	School Total
1. Number of classroom teachers (FTE)	
2. Number of arts teachers (FTE)	
3. Number of other certified staff (FTE)	
4. Number of students	
5. Number of bilingual students	
Please respond to Items 6-10 with end-of-the-year data from 2008-2009.	
6. a. Title I school b. Free/reduced lunch percentages	a. Yes / No b.
7. Number of discipline referrals	
8. Student attendance rate	
9. Number of student tardies	
10. Teacher attendance rate	

2. Please report the following test data (if available for your school):

Oklahoma School Testing Program <i>Please provide data for grade levels at your school</i>	Regular Ed. Percentage scoring satisfactory or higher in 2008-2009						
	3 rd Grade	4 th Grade	5 th Grade	6 th Grade	7 th Grade	8 th Grade	Secondary (End of Instruction tests as available)
Math (or Algebra I)							
Reading (or English II)							
Science (or Biology I)							
Social Studies (or US History)							
Writing							

3. Please attach a copy of the most recent *Oklahoma School Accountability Data Report* with API Index from the State Department of Education.

OKLAHOMA A+ SCHOOLS®
APPLICATION FORM

Application Due Date: February 19, 2010

If you have any questions, please contact Rosalynn Wade at (405) 974-3777, or email rwade@uco.edu.

Part II. School Information

1. School name: _____

2. School address: _____

3. School phone: _____ School fax: _____

4. What grades does your school serve? _____

5. School designation: public charter private

6. School community (*primarily*): rural suburban town urban

7. Email address of principal: _____

8. Alternate contact information for principal: (*Needed for summer contact.*)

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

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9. School district: _____ County: _____

10. Name of superintendent: _____ Telephone: _____

11. Total number of students in district: _____

12. Number of schools in district serving same grade levels as the school making application: _____

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13. Race: Asian-Pacific Islander _____% African-American _____% Hispanic _____%
Native American or Alaskan Native _____% White _____%

14. Percentage of students classified as gifted: _____%

15. Percentage of students classified as having special needs: _____%

16. Total number of non-certified staff members (*full and part time*): _____

17. Average amount of preparation time per week provided to faculty members: _____

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18. Students receive regular instruction from an art specialist in:
art dance drama music other
(Please specify.)

19. Current use of technology includes:
 Internet connections for every classroom
 classroom computers
 video conferencing
 technology-based student projects
 digital photography
 other *(Please explain.)*

20. How did your school learn of the Oklahoma A+ Schools[®] network?

Part III. School Programming Information

1. What academic or special programs are currently under way, and what is the impact to date? *(Ex.: Great Expectations, Core Knowledge, specific reading initiatives, teacher training programs, etc.)*

2. What special challenges does your school face? *(Please check all that apply.)*

Lack of arts teachers:

Music

Visual Arts

Drama

Dance

High % of at-risk learners

Minimal parent involvement

Overcrowded instructional spaces

Need to improve student performance on measures of accountability

Other *(Please identify.)*

3. How does your school's curriculum and programming reflect commitment to creativity, innovation and inclusion, as well as excellence?
4. Does your school district have an approval process for research to be done on a school site?
Yes No
5. Have you requested and received permission from your district for your school's participation in the research component?
 Requested: permission received
 Requested: permission pending
 Not requested (*Please explain.*)

Part IV. School Commitment and Readiness

1. a. Do you have 85% of your certified staff in favor of participation in the network? Yes No
 b. Does the school principal agree to attend and participate fully in the Summer Institute, in on-site workshops, and other A+ events with the staff? Yes No
2. Participation in the A+ Network requires a high degree of on-going commitment on the part of the school. If selected, does your school commit to:
- Attending network professional development meetings, including a fall and spring overnight retreat for the principal, coordinator, and new teachers; networking opportunities; and Summer Institute/Conference for the whole school staff?
 - Designating a staff member as A+ coordinator to serve in your school?
 - Utilizing up to 2 on-site professional development sessions provided at your request?
 - Providing daily arts experiences to all students through either arts specialists or classroom teachers?
 - Adjusting planning time and teacher responsibilities to support your commitment, as needed?

3. If selected, how will your school facilitate data collection?

- Provide access to researcher
- Permit visiting teachers to observe
- Help procure parental consent for student interviews
- Participate in student/parent/ teacher/community surveys

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4. What is the school's learning philosophy, how is it being implemented, and how does it complement A+ philosophy?

5. What do you hope to achieve by being part of the Oklahoma A+ Schools[®] network?

6. What strengths/attributes does your school have to share with the A+ network?

7. If you are selected to participate, how will you measure your success with this endeavor?

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8. What community partnerships do you currently have, and what future partnerships do you envision for support of your school's philosophy?

9. If chosen as an Oklahoma A+ School, what type of support will your school provide to facilitate on-site implementation? (*Ex.: facilities, equipment, arts specialist, funding for teacher stipends, etc.*)

10. If your school is selected, what types of resources will your district provide?

Part V. Attachments

It is important to get a sense of the level of support your school has secured for this endeavor.

The following one page letters are required:

- Principal
- Two teachers in your school
- A parent
- A community member

The following one page letters are desired, but not required:

- Superintendent
- President of the PTA or PTO
- Area arts council representative
- The college of education with which you will work the most
- Any additional letters of support (*Ex.: business or community leaders, partners, etc.*)

Part VI. Signatures – All signatures are required.

The undersigned individuals support this application for membership in the Oklahoma A+ Schools® network, verify that the responses are accurate, and commit to uphold agreements contained herein, pending acceptance by Oklahoma A+ Schools®. By virtue of signatures below, it is agreed that if selected the school intends to participate in the network. In the unlikely event that an A+ school initially accepts and then withdraws from the network after summer planning has commenced, expenses incurred to that point for the support of the school's five-day summer institute may be billed back to the school.

Name of Principal

Signature

Name of Faculty Representative

Signature

Position / Title

Name of Parent

Signature

Position / Title

Name of Superintendent

Signature

Completed applications must be **received** in the office of Oklahoma A+ Schools® by **5:00 p.m. on February 19, 2010**. Applications may be faxed or emailed if necessary and followed by delivery of originals; however, all letters of support must be included with faxed or emailed applications.

Please mail your completed application to:

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