2014 Legislative Priorities



THE FOLLOWING REPRESENT THE CLAY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD'S PRIORITIES FOR 2014:

ACCOUNTABILITY

• Design a school grading system to recognize student performance which focuses on growth in a way that is easily understood by the public, parents, and students.

INSTRUCTIONAL

• Repeal the requirement to develop an EOC exam for those courses and grade levels not covered by statewide assessment and give districts the flexibility to utilize national assessments.

PERFORMANCE PAY

- ♦ Base performance pay on an evaluation system that is flexible and utilizes assessments that accurately and fairly measure student performance.
- ♦ Authorize districts to define growth in student achievement.

FUNDING

- ♦ Allow FTE to be generated to reflect a student's full schedule.
- Repeal the requirement that school districts pay tuition for dual enrollment and authorize school districts to share the costs within the articulation agreements at the local level.
- Restore the authority for school boards to levy, by simple majority vote and without a referendum, up to an additional .50 mills for either critical operating needs or capital outlay needs, or to be split between both.
- ♦ Appropriate sufficient funding, in addition to the FEFP, that will fully fund technology needs, including funds necessary for infrastructure, hardware, software, training, online testing, virtual instruction, digital textbooks, data management, and other technology needs..
- Restore an appropriate share of PECO dollars at 2007/08 levels for 2014/15 and beyond and prevent the imposition of required tax levies to fund capital enhancement for charter and traditional public schools.

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VISION STATEMENT

The School District of Clay County exists to prepare life-long learners for success in a global and competitive workplace and in acquiring applicable life skills.

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to work collaboratively with all stakeholders to provide public education experience that is motivating, challenging and rewarding for all children. We will increase student achievement by providing students with learning opportunities that are rigorous, relevant and transcend beyond the boundaries of the school walls. We will ensure a working and learning environment built upon honesty, integrity and respect. Through these values, we will maximize student potential and promote individual responsibility.



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