

**FY 2026 Budget Performance Review
27500 - Office of Educational Quality & Accountability**

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Agency Mission

Our mission is to inform, improve and innovate. We do this by developing and sustaining a well-prepared professional teacher workforce, improving P20 school efficiency and effectiveness, and providing comprehensive statistical information for all stakeholders.

Division and Program Descriptions

Note: Please define any acronyms used in program descriptions.

Division or Program Number and Name

Division or Program Description

1000001 - Administration/OEQA

Administration Services: Executive Director, Business/HR Manager (vacant), and Executive Assistant (vacant) salaries plus misc. expenses.

OEQA: Deputy Director, Director of Assessment, Director of Program Review and Accreditation, Director of Data and Analytics (vacant), Qualitative Researcher, Quantitative Researcher Programs: Carrying out duties of statutory programs.

8800001 - ISD Data Processing

Mainly services provided by OMES for our applications, hardware, and software.

FY'25 Budgeted Department Funding By Source

Dept. #	Department Name	Appropriations	Federal	Revolving	Local ¹	Other ²	Total
1000001	Administration/OEQA	\$2,032,467		\$264,367			\$2,296,834
8800001	ISD Data Processing	\$64,742					\$64,742
Total		\$2,097,209	\$0	\$264,367	\$0	\$0	\$2,361,576

1. Please describe source of Local funding not included in other categories:

2. Please describe source(s) and % of total of "Other" funding if applicable for each department:

Balances of Appropriated Funds from Prior Fiscal Years

3-digit Class Fund #	Class Fund Name	GA Bill # and Section #	Fiscal Year of Original Appropriation	Original Appropriation Amount (\$)	Total Expended Amount as of 8/31/2024 (\$)	Balance as of 8/31/2024 (\$)
192	GRF Duties	HB1004X	FY24	\$500,000	\$313,430	\$186,570
193	GRF	SB1040	FY23	\$807,359	\$85,453	\$721,906
194	GRF Duties	HB1004X	FY24	\$1,127,209	\$738,986	\$388,223
						\$0
Total remaining prior year appropriation balance:						\$1,296,699

Report appropriations that have existing balances from all prior fiscal years at the 3-digit class fund number (i.e. 193, 194). Do not report carryover class funds separately. Include appropriations located in disbursing funds. Report PREP, but not ARPA/SRF, appropriations.

What changes did the agency make between FY'24 and FY'25?

1.) Are there any services no longer provided because of budget cuts?

No

2.) What services are provided at a higher cost to the user?

None

3.) What services are still provided but with a slower response rate?

No

4.) Did the agency provide any pay raises that were not legislatively/statutorily required?

No, but as some staff left and we had to backfill on the open labor market, we had to pay some positions at higher rates than they were previously paid at.

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Appropriation Increase Review					
Appropriation Increase Purpose	Appropriation Increases <i>(Additional to Agency Base Appropriation)</i>			Expenditures	
	FY 2023	FY 2024	Total Amount Received FY 2023-2024	Total Expenditure of Increase as of 6/30/2024	If funds have not been spent, please explain why.
Appropriation Increases		\$300,000	\$300,000	\$0	
Total:	\$0	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$0	

List appropriation increases that the agency has received in the prior two years. List amounts received in each year. Include PREP, but not ARPA/SRF, appropriations.

FY'26 Requested Funding By Department and Source							
Dept. #	Department Name	Appropriations	Federal	Revolving	Other ¹	Total	% Change
1000001	Administration/OEQA	\$3,091,633	\$0	\$264,367	\$0	\$3,356,000	46.11%
8800001	ISD Data Processing	\$92,442	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$92,442	42.79%
Total		\$3,184,075	\$0	\$264,367	\$0	\$3,448,442	46.02%

1. Please describe source(s) and % of total of "Other" funding for each department:

FY'26 Top Five Operational Appropriated Funding Increase Requests				
Request by Priority	Request Description	Is this a Supplemental Request? (Yes/No)	Timeframe (One-Time or Recurring)	Appropriation Request Increase Amount (\$)
Request 1:	Legislatively Mandated Program Support	No	Recurring	\$380,166
Request 2:	Increases in Staffing Costs and Shared Services	No	Recurring	\$175,000
Request 3:	Dashboarding, AI, and GenAI Tools	No	Recurring	\$27,700
Request 4:	Office Cost Increases	No	Recurring	\$24,000
Request 5:	Education Organization Membership Dues Paid as Pass-Through (SREB, ESC, NASDTEC, etc.)	No	Recurring	\$350,000
Request 6:	Teacher Certification Test Scholarships			\$130,000
Top Five Request Subtotal:				\$956,866
Total Increase above FY-25 Budget (including all requests)				\$1,086,866
Difference between Top Five requests and total requests:				\$130,000

What are the agency's top 2-3 capital or technology (one-time) requests, if applicable?		
Description of requested increase in order of priority	Needed State Funding for Project (\$)	Submitted to LRCPC or OCAMP? (Yes/No)
Priority 1		
Priority 2		
Priority 3		

List any requests for new construction from the Legacy Capital Fund		
Description of requested increase in order of priority	Needed State Funding for Project (\$)	Submitted to LRCPC? (Yes/No)
Priority 1		
Priority 2		
Priority 3		

Does the agency have any costs associated with the Pathfinder retirement system and federal employees?

Yes, we had one employee on Pathfinder.

How would the agency be affected by receiving the same appropriation for FY '26 as was received in FY '25? (Flat/ 0% change)

In the event that our agency receives the same appropriation for FY '26 as was received in FY '25, it would necessitate a thorough review and potential restructuring of our operations. We would face significant challenges in maintaining our current programs and services at the same level of efficiency and effectiveness. Given these financial constraints, we would likely need to make the difficult decision of discontinuing some of our current programs and would have to strategically reprioritize our headcount to focus on duties and areas of highest importance and impact. Another feasible option would be to explore the transfer of certain responsibilities to another agency, such as SDE. However, it's essential to understand that such significant operational changes would require legislative action and entail collaboration with other stakeholders in government. Additionally, without additional funds to support the redevelopment and modernization of our School Indicators Program, we would not be able to deliver a dashboard as effectively or efficiently that would allow stakeholders to access high quality accountability information or would have to repurpose these funds from other programs, such as the School Performance Reviews.

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How would the agency handle a 2% appropriation reduction in FY '26?

The agency would encounter the same issues noted above. The reduction would require us to reduce our services and operations.

Is the agency seeking any fee increases for FY '26?

Description of requested increase in order of priority	Fee Increase Request (\$)	Statutory change required? (Yes/No)
Increase 1		
Increase 2		
Increase 3		

Federal Funds

CFDA	Federal Program Name	Agency Dept. #	FY 25 budget (\$)	FY 24 actuals (\$)	FY 23 actuals (\$)	FY 22 actuals (\$)	FY 24 budgeted FTE (#)

Federal Government Impact

1.) How much federal money received by the agency is tied to a mandate by the Federal Government?

N/A

2.) Are any of those funds inadequate to pay for the federal mandate?

N/A

3.) What would the consequences be of ending all of the federal funded programs for your agency?

N/A

4.) How will your agency be affected by federal budget cuts in the coming fiscal year?

N/A

5.) Has the agency requested any additional federal earmarks or increases?

N/A

FY 2025 Budgeted FTE

Division #	Division Name	Supervisors	Non-Supervisors	\$0 - \$35 K	\$35 K - \$70 K	\$70 K - \$100K	\$100K+
1000001	Administration	3	8		3	5	3
Total		3	8	0	3	5	3

FTE History by Fiscal Year

Division #	Division Name	FY 2025 Budgeted	FY 2025 YTD	FY 2024	FY 2023	FY 2022	FY 2016
1000001	Administration	10.8	6.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	12.0
Total		10.8	6.8	10.0	10.0	10.0	12.0

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Performance Measure Review					
	FY 2024	FY 2023	FY 2022	FY 2021	FY 2020
Measure I - Educator Assessments					
Number of candidates taking PPAT	6803	7038	1,650	764	319
Number of Scholarships provided through revolving fund	200	200	200	0	0
Measure II - Program Review					
Number of programs recognized through state process	21	21	16	12	0
Measure III - Profiles					
Number of web requests per year	2,836,384	1,496,132	1,496,132	1,203,973	1,140,889
Measure IV - Performance Reviews					
Number of reviews per year	0	1	2	2	2
Measure V - Education Leadership Oklahoma					
Number of new NBCTs produced	14	8	13	3	12

Revolving Funds (200 Series Funds)			
	FY'22-24 Avg. Revenues	FY'22-24 Avg. Expenditures	June '24 Balance
20000: OEQA Revolving Fund			
Data analysis and performance reviews performed, OSPR	\$2,632	\$12,069	\$250,802
20500: Edu Leadership Okla Rev Fund			
Appropriation of \$180,000 used for ELO scholarships, salaries, and related services.	\$1,370	\$236,483	\$154,985
21000: Donations Funds			
	\$17	\$0	\$3,939
22000: Teachers' Comp Exam Rev Fund			
\$10 per certification test given; used for test redevelopment; contract with psychometricians; 1 OEQA Staff member	\$134,210	\$318,618	\$47,126
23000: Teaching Cert Scholar Rev Fund			
Appropriation of \$60,000 used for teacher certification scholarships.	\$100	\$60,000	\$100,300

FY 2025 Current Employee Telework Summary						
List each agency physical location (not division), then report the number of employees associated with that location in the teleworking categories indicated. Use "No specified location" to account for remote employees not associated with a site. Use actual current employees (headcount), not budgeted or actual FTE.			Full-time and Part-time Employees (#)			
Agency Location / Address	City	County	Onsite (5 days onsite, rarely remote)	Hybrid (2-4 days onsite weekly)	Remote (1 day or less weekly onsite)	Total Employees
5400 N. Grand Blvd, Oklahoma City, OK 73112	Oklahoma City	Oklahoma		11	0	11
						0
						0
Total Agency Employees						11