

Essential Learning Objectives

It is vital that teachers, parents and students be clearly focused on the essential learning objectives during each successive grade in school. Like all schools in Oklahoma, Bartlesville Public Schools base our curriculum and instruction on the Oklahoma Priority Academic Student Skills (PASS) objectives.

The PASS objectives are used to develop the state testing documents. Oklahoma Core Curriculum Tests are given in math and reading to 3rd, 4th and 5th grade students. Fifth graders also are assessed by the state in writing skills, science and social studies.

In response to national and state evaluation standards, the Bartlesville elementary staff has worked to identify core curriculum objectives. The following pages summarize the essential skills and objectives to be taught in each core subject area from pre-kindergarten through fifth grade. While all of the PASS objectives are important, those marked with an * are identified as essential end-of-year objectives. Objectives so marked will consume the major part of the instructional program in our classrooms. The content of other PASS objectives will be utilized to enhance and enrich the learning experiences of our students.

It is important to note that essential objectives mastered in any given year will continue to be used and refined in all succeeding years. It is our expectation that students will exhibit continual improvement in rate, fluency and accuracy with a broad spectrum of essential skills throughout their elementary school years.

A complete listing of the Oklahoma Priority Academic Skills (PASS) and detailed information relating to state testing are available on the State Department of Education web site at <http://sde.state.ok.us>.