

### ***Linda Hampton, President***

Linda Hampton assumed the presidency of the Oklahoma Education Association on April 1, 2011, after Becky Felts left office for health reasons. Hampton becomes the 96th president of the state's largest education professional association representing nearly 40,000 teachers, support professionals, administrators, retired educators and education majors at Oklahoma colleges and universities.

Hampton was elected vice president of the OEA in 2009. For six years, Hampton represented OEA members in Washington, D.C., as a member of the NEA Board of Directors while continuing to teach in the classroom. Hampton has also served the Association as a local president, vice president and secretary as well as a member of the OEA Board of Directors.

She taught elementary students for 34 years in Pleasant Grove, a dependent school district west of Seminole. She is a former Pleasant Grove Teacher of the Year and Seminole County Teacher of the Year. Hampton's former students also nominated her in five different years for Who's Who Among American Teachers.

In 2008, Hampton was awarded the Sapulpa Dedication to Teachers award and is a past recipient of the OEA's Kate Frank Meritorious Service award.

Hampton will complete Felts' term, which expires in July 2012.