

OEA Members

Fighting for Education



Leading the Walkout

OEA members across Oklahoma led the way in the walkout — calling on districts to shut down schools by partnering with superintendents and school boards, facilitating and funding logistics like transportation and security, negotiating with lawmakers for better funding, and more. OEA members were all in all the way.



Securing Pay Raises

OEA members secured the largest teacher pay raise in the history of Oklahoma. Members also secured a raise for support employees — only the second state-mandated support raise ever. Not only did OEA members secure raises, but they secured the revenue to pay for them.



Securing Funding for Students

OEA members are relentless advocates for our students, and we know what improved education funding means for them. Even after our pay was secure, we kept pushing for tens of millions of dollars to begin restoring what our students have lost. And we aren't done yet.



Winning in the Supreme Court

When an anti-tax group tried to strip away pay raises, OEA took them to court and **WON**. Two groups filed challenges, and OEA led the only challenge that was upheld when the Supreme Court invalidated the veto referendum petition, which would have eliminated the funding for pay raises and education dollars. OEA and our partners are the reason the petition died.

OEA v. Coburn. Supreme Court of the State of Oklahoma. 2018.

OEA members stand up for public education in Oklahoma because **it's the right thing to do. Not for publicity. Not to take credit. Not when the work is already done. We stand up for ourselves and our students because we believe in **the power of education and the future of Oklahoma**.**