

The Oklahoma Symbols trunk is an interpretive lesson that features hands-on objects representing official and unofficial state symbols. With the hands-on approach, the student will gain the information necessary to recognize the various symbols significant to the state of Oklahoma.



Philosophy

The student will find three dimensional objects that they can touch and examine to enhance their knowledge of the lesson and learn more about the state's well known, and not so well known, symbols.

Grade Level

These items and activities are developmentally appropriate for students as young as kindergarten. Classroom teachers know the strengths and limitations of students' physical and mental abilities and can appropriately modify activities for classroom use. Elementary students enjoy and benefit from learning about these objects.

Activities Include:

- Flash Cards
- Coloring Sheets
- Story of Oklahoma's Flag
- Symbols Quiz
- Crossword Puzzle
- Word Search

Trunk Contents Include:

- Activity Guide
- Oklahoma State Flag
- Rose Rock
- Buffalo
- Cotton Bale

The Oklahoma Symbols is designed to meet the following PASS Skills and others:

These activities satisfy numerous PASS objectives. They specifically satisfy objectives on motor skills and lifetime activity development, health-enhancing activity development, and personal and social skills development.

- Build connections with social studies content and help students develop an understanding of human history.
- Describe major events of Oklahoma's past, such as settlements by Native Americans, cattle drives, land runs, statehood, and the discovery of oil.
- Identify how choices in behavior and action are related to consequences and have an impact upon the student and others.
- The student will participate in activities that involve large motor skills. Demonstrate basic locomotor movements (e.g., galloping, hopping, jumping, running, skipping, sliding).
- The student applies movement concepts and principles to the learning and development of motor skills.
- The student understands that physical activity provides opportunities for enjoyment, challenge, self-expression, and social interaction.

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