



NSDAR Educational Resources Committee

Oklahoma Pride: Exploring our Oklahoma State Flag and
Pledge

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1. Standards to Be Addressed

Pre-K, K-1st – Oklahoma–State Standards

Social Studies Standard 1.2: Identify and explain the significance, including the state of Oklahoma flag and pledge.

2. Statement of Objective

Students will be able to recognize and identify the Oklahoma state flag.

Students should demonstrate an understanding of the meaning and significance of the Oklahoma flag. Students will be able to recognize the Oklahoma pledge.

3. Materials and Resources

Materials, resources and technology to be used by teacher/students:

Reciting pledge: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dLZ3YUu0_f8

Print Awareness and Colors Used on Flag: <https://usflags.design/oklahoma/>

Coloring page of State flag: <https://designerysigns.com/colorbook/state-flag-bw-printing.html?var=Oklahoma>

4. Introduction to topic

Teachers will display the Oklahoma flag in their classroom and say the pledge: "I salute the flag of the State of Oklahoma. Its symbols of peace unite all people".

Teachers will discuss who designed the flag: The flag was designed by Louise Funk Fluke when she entered and won the Daughters of the American Revolution flag contest.

Teachers will discuss the meaning of the flag and point to the symbols on the flag and discuss what they represent-

Meaning of flag: The flag's meaning is to unite all people by peace.

Symbols of the Oklahoma flag: The shield in the middle of the flag symbolizes the Native American heritage, the seven eagle feathers hanging off of the shield represent courage, the olive branch and peace pipe crossed over the shield represent peace between Native Americans and early colonists, the

blue field surrounding the flag represents devotion and loyalty, the six crosses on the shield represent high ideals, and the word "Oklahoma" is stitched in white below the shield to represent the identification of our state.

5. Procedure for Instruction

Teachers will utilize this video as a way for students to recite the Oklahoma pledge and see the Oklahoma flag while they recite the pledge: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dLZ3YUu0_f8

Teachers will have the Oklahoma flag on display for students to see and recognize.

Teachers will utilize this website before handing out coloring page to show what colors are used on the Oklahoma flag and what each symbol represents: <https://usflags.design/oklahoma/>

Teachers can print out the Oklahoma flag coloring page (using the appropriate colored crayons) for students to color the flag as a way to understand print awareness and identify the flag:
<https://designersigns.com/colorbook/state-flag-bw-printing.html?var=Oklahoma>

6. Lesson Closure

Students will discuss what their favorite part of the Oklahoma flag.

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Students will be instructed to complete the coloring page of the state flag as a way to identify the Oklahoma flag, its symbols, and its meaning.

7. Assessment

Students should be able to identify the colors and symbols on the Oklahoma state flag. Students should explain the meaning of the state flag. Students should be able to recognize the Oklahoma pledge when it is being said.