## Dear Oklahoma Family,

The Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE) is continuing the statewide virtual tutoring initiative. The Oklahoma Math Tutoring Corps will provide students in the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades with real-time, virtual tutoring support from live tutors beginning on October 6, 2024. Participating students will meet virtually with a tutor for 50 minutes three times a week over a period of ten weeks. All tutoring will occur outside of school hours. The goal of the Math Tutoring Corps is to give students opportunities for individualized, targeted learning of math processes and content needed for success in their current and future math coursework.

We want to offer previous participants the opportunity to join the Oklahoma Math Tutoring program again this fall. This year, we are accommodating approximately 600 students in grades 7 and 8. The program will run from October 6 – December 14, 2024. If you wish to enroll in Math Tutoring for Algebra Readiness, please sign up <a href="here">here</a>.

Tutors will be certified teachers who have received training for this initiative. The OSDE will make every effort to group tutors and students from the same geographical area. To provide focused and consistent attention to your student, each tutor will work with no more than four students. Students will remain together with the same tutor throughout the ten weeks. Families and guardians will be copied on all communication from the tutor to the student.

The OSDE is asking participating students and families to agree to the following:

- Student will attend at least 80% of the 30 tutoring sessions.
- Student will have a quiet place to join the sessions virtually.
- Student will actively participate with the tutor during tutoring sessions.

Once the OSDE receives your information, they will work with you to determine any technology needs to ensure your student can participate successfully.

Learn more about the Oklahoma Math Tutoring Corps program by accessing this <u>OSDE</u> <u>webpage</u>. If you have questions about this program, contact Shanda Finnell, Administrative Assistant, (<u>Shanda.finnell@sde.ok.gov</u>).

If you would like for your 7<sup>th</sup> or 8th grade student to participate, <u>fill out this form to enroll</u>. The Math Tutoring Corps has the potential to strengthen math skills quickly, equipping students for long-term success in math coursework. The OSDE hopes you will join them in this important work.