

# Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislation

## Last Session of Fall 2023

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Representative Wier (NSU), Representative Seals (ECU)



Representative Hassebroek (OU), Representative Jimenez (OSU), Representative Gregory (SWOSU)

Friends have been made, life bonds have been forged and it all ends today. The last day of Fall 2023 Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislation is upon us. There will be speeches filled with tears from the members who will no longer be attending Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislation in the coming years.

Delegates in the house spend the morning planning to stay in touch and continue to be friends no matter the distance. During the morning, the delegates continue about their work just as normal, but everyone knows that the afternoon holds many tears and long goodbyes between friends made here within the 5 days delegates have been here.

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Representative Gregory (SWOSU)

Representative Phillip Stewart is a Zero Star House Representative attending from Southwestern Oklahoma University. SWOSU only has two delegates in attendance and they are one of the smallest delegations in attendance. Representative Stewart says, "it's crazy how big some of these delegations are, compared to me and Representative Gregory. I'm so grateful that even with us being from a small school we still get the opportunity to attend Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislation."

## SWOSU-502 PASSED

The first bill that was brought in front of the house was by Representative Faith Gregory. The bill's goal was to bring more physical activity to children in school, effectively making time for physical activity change from 60 minutes to 150 minutes of required physical activity. This bill was amended with a friendly amendment so that the bill will become effective at the beginning of the 2024-2025 school year instead of the ninety days the original had. Representative Gregory says "It was very exciting to have two bills passed in the house this week, especially coming from a small school that hasn't attended a session in over ten years is a really big achievement."