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Tuttle Public Schools and Yukon Public Schools Recognized for Reducing Diesel Emissions

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) announced today that Tuttle Public Schools and Yukon Public Schools will be recognized during ceremonies for reducing diesel emissions and improving the state's air quality. Ceremony information is as follows:

Tuttle Public Schools - The ceremony will be held at 10:00 a.m., September 2, 2011. The event will take place at the administration building located at 303 S.W. 2nd Street, Tuttle, Oklahoma.

Yukon Public Schools - The ceremony will be held at 1:00 p.m., September 2, 2011. The event will take place at the administration building located at 600 Maple Street, Yukon, Oklahoma.

Tuttle Public Schools and Yukon Public Schools participated in the Oklahoma Clean Diesel Program. Through this program, Tuttle Public Schools used approximately \$77,081 in grant funds to replace two older model buses with new 2010 emission standard buses. Yukon Public Schools used approximately \$110,157.71 in grant funds to retrofit 39 buses to meet 2010 emission standards.

In addition, the Oklahoma Clean Diesel Grant Program required these schools to implement a policy that limits the amount of time a school bus idles. Unnecessary vehicle idling pollutes the air, wastes fuel, and causes excess engine wear.

More information on the Oklahoma Clean Diesel Grant Program is available at <http://www.deq.state.ok.us/aqdnew/cleandiesel/index.html>.

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