

## Local Certified Healthy Oklahoma Annual Award Winners Announced

The Bryan County Health Department announced that they, along with Choctaw Nation Day Care, Computer Services of Durant, First United Bank-Bokchito, Durant Madill, Colbert, The Medical Center of Southern Oklahoma-Durant, Mickle and Rainbolt Law, Nautilus Fitness of Durant, REI Oklahoma, Texoma Broadcasting Inc.-Silo, Achille Elementary School, Achille High School, Bennington Elementary School, Bennington High School, Colbert High School, Colbert Middle School, Colbert Public School, Durant High School, Durant Intermediate School, Durant Middle School, Northwest Heights Elementary School, Robert E. Lee Elementary School, Rock Creek Elementary School, Rock Creek High School, and Washington Irving Elementary School have all been selected as winners of one of the five Certified Healthy Oklahoma award programs.

The Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH), the Oklahoma Academy, the State Chamber of Oklahoma, and the Oklahoma Turning Point Council recently announced the annual award winners for the state Certified Healthy Oklahoma programs. This year, 1,346 applications were submitted from groups throughout the state, and 1,146 award winners received the "Certified Healthy" status.

The five award programs are: Certified Healthy Businesses, Certified Healthy Restaurants, Certified Healthy Schools, Certified Healthy Campuses, and Certified Healthy Communities. There are three award levels for the Certified Healthy Oklahoma programs: Basic, Merit and Excellence.

For a list of award winners statewide, visit the OSDH website at [www.health.ok.gov](http://www.health.ok.gov). (<http://www.health.ok.gov/>)

Interested organizations can prepare now to become certified in 2014. Online applications will be available on Aug. 1, 2014. Criteria for certification can be found on the Oklahoma Turning Point Council website at (<http://www.health.ok.gov/>) or [www.okturningpoint.org](http://www.okturningpoint.org). (<http://www.okturningpoint.org/>)

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