

# FAILURE is NOT an Option®

## OKCEC 47th Annual Conference

**When:** Monday, February 27 (Registration 5:00 – 5:30; Conference 5:30 – 7:30)

Tuesday, February 28 (Registration 8:00 - 9:00; Conference 9:00 – 3:30)

**Where:** Moore Norman Technology Center, 13301 S. Penn, OKC, OK 73170

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## Keynote Speakers

### Monday & Tuesday



**Alan M. Blankstein** is the author of *Failure Is Not an Option*® and 9 volumes of the Soul of Education Leadership series. Mr. Blankstein, a former “high risk” youth, began his career in education as a music teacher and has worked in youth-serving organizations since 1983, including the March of Dimes, Phi Delta Kappa, and Solution Tree, which he founded in 1987 and directed for 12 years. He is Founder and President of the HOPE Foundation (Harnessing Optimism and Potential through Education), a not-for-profit organization. The HOPE Foundation has a more than decade-long track record of helping leaders create school cultures where “failure is not an option” for any student. For more information about Alan Blankstein, visit <http://www.hopefoundation.org/about-us/alanblankstein>

### Tuesday



**Andrea R. Kunkel Esq.**, We are pleased to have Andrea Kunkel return to our conference. Andrea Kunkel earned her bachelor of arts and juris doctorate degrees from the University of Tulsa. Ms. Kunkel worked for 24 years as an attorney at Rosenstein, Fist & Ringold, where she practiced special education and education law on behalf of Oklahoma public schools. As of July 1, 2011, Ms. Kunkel became the staff attorney for CCOSA, the Cooperative Council of Oklahoma School Administrators, where she advises and trains school administrators concerning special education and education law issues and serves as the liaison to the ODSS group. She is currently completing a master's degree in special education at Oklahoma State University- Tulsa.

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