

Ohio's Learning Standards



Facts about Standards Revision



Ohio's Learning Standards outline the skills and knowledge that will help students become ready for success in college and careers. Ohio educators have gained valuable experience with the standards since they began teaching with them several years ago. With their help and the public's, the Ohio Department of Education is fine-tuning Ohio's standards in several areas of study.

We began with public review of the English language arts and mathematics standards in 2016. The State Board of Education approved suggested improvements to those standards in February 2017. The Department also is working with educators to update Ohio's Learning Standards in science, social studies and financial literacy. We want to make sure the standards still promote the knowledge and skills colleges and employers tell us are most important.

How is the public involved? Each time the Department begins a review of standards, we ask for public feedback through a survey to guide the work. Later, we also ask for public comment on proposed changes.

What happens to the submitted suggestions? Advisory committees of representatives from several statewide education associations select standards to be updated, based on the survey suggestions. Working groups of teachers with expertise in the various areas then draft proposed changes. Finally, the Ohio Department of Education asks the State Board of Education to adopt these updates.

Timeline	
English Language Arts and Mathematics	
The State Board of Education approved revised standards.	February 2017
Educator writing teams update model curriculum.	2017
Educators learn about and begin using revised standards.	Spring 2017-Spring 2018
Ohio's State Tests are based on revised standards.	2018-2019
Science, Social Studies and Financial Literacy	
Survey sought educator and public feedback on standards.	November 2016 – January 2017
Advisory committees identify standards to revise. Working groups of educators propose changes to the standards.	Jan. – Summer 2017
Survey #2 asks for educator and public feedback on proposed updates.	May-June 2017
Revised standards presented to State Board of Education for final approval.	December 2017 – Winter 2018
Educators begin using updated standards.	Spring 2018-Spring 2019
Standards reviews conducted in other areas.	Beginning in 2018

More information: At education.ohio.gov, see: *standards revision*. Direct questions to standardsrevision@education.ohio.gov.