SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF EDUCATION STANDARDS

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING ACADEMIC CONTENT STANDARDS

A public hearing will be held at the Dakota Events Center, 720 Lamont St., Aberdeen, South Dakota, at 9:00 a.m. CT, Sept. 16, 2024, to consider the adoption and implementation of the following: academic content standards for Computer Science, English Language Arts, and Oceti Sakowin Essential Understandings and Standards. This is the first of four public hearings regarding these standards.

**Computer Science:** The goal of the Computer Science standards is to support students in the study of computers and algorithmic processes, including their principles, their hardware and software designs, their implementation, and their impact on society.

**English Language Arts:** The goal of the English Language Arts standards is to guide students in mastering reading, writing, speaking, listening, and language skills.

**Oceti Sakowin Essential Understandings and Standards:** The goal of the Oceti Sakowin Essential Understandings and Standards is to support students in the study of the seven Oceti Sakowin essential understandings and the applications of those understandings through the standards.

Persons interested in presenting oral testimony may do so by appearing at the hearing. Register in advance to testify; registration opens 14 days prior to the public hearing and closes 72 hours prior to the hearing. Register to testify at: <https://doe.sd.gov/ContentStandards/review.aspx>

Interested persons may also submit written public comment to the Department of Education, ATTN: Public Comment, 800 Governors Drive, Pierre, South Dakota, 57501. Written public comment may also be submitted electronically, by clicking on the appropriate link at: <https://doe.sd.gov/contentstandards/review.aspx>. Written public comment for this hearing must reach the department no later than 9:00 a.m. CT, Sept. 13, 2024, to be considered at this hearing.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify the Department of Education at least 48 hours before the public hearing if you have special needs for which special arrangements must be made. The telephone number for making special arrangements is (605) 773-5669.

Copies of the proposed standards may be obtained at the following website: <https://doe.sd.gov/contentstandards/review.aspx>.

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