



STATE OF NEW JERSEY

# DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

Date: June 29, 2022  
To: Local Educational Agency Leads  
Route To: Principals, Assistant Superintendents of Curriculum and Instruction, Supervisors, Instructional Coaches, Teachers  
From: Jordan Schiff, Ed.D., Acting Assistant Commissioner  
Division of Teaching and Learning Services  
Deadline: July 11, 2022

## NJDOE Seeks Input on English Language Arts and Mathematics Standards

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:8-2.1(a)4, the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) is required to review the New Jersey Student Learning Standards (NJSLS) every five years. The English Language Arts and Mathematics NJSLS are currently open for review and re-adoption in 2022. The NJDOE is committed to engaging stakeholders in collaborative efforts to ensure the NJSLS are rigorous, research-based and appropriate to prepare students to be college and career ready.

To conduct this comprehensive review, the Division of Teaching and Learning Services seeks to establish a highly qualified and diverse committee with broad stakeholder representation. A self-nomination process will be used to identify educators, content experts, and other qualified stakeholders to serve on one of four separate committees during different points in the review process based on candidate qualifications and experience.

### Committee Eligibility and Dates

The four committees, their intended functions, qualifications, and anticipated time commitments are as follows:

- **Expert Review Committee**
  - 3 full day, virtual meetings will be held on July 25, 27, and 29, 2022.
  - The expert review committee will include **up to 15** English language arts and mathematics educators (including curriculum supervisors) with extensive classroom experience and ELA- and math-specific degrees, ELA and math assessment experts, and higher education faculty with ELA/Literacy content area expertise.
- **Draft Writing Committee**
  - 6 semi-weekly, full day, virtual meetings will be held on August 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, and 18, 2022.
  - The writing committee will be comprised of **up to 25 active K-12 educators, instructional coaches, or curriculum supervisors/specialists** who possess teaching experience in English language arts and mathematics at various grade levels.
- **College and Career-Ready Review Committee**
  - 2 half-day, virtual meetings will be held on September 20 and 29, 2022.
  - The college- and career-ready panel will include **up to 50 representatives** from local school boards, higher education faculty, community groups, and business and industry. Well-qualified candidates will have extensive knowledge of post-secondary outcomes for students. School counselors and career coaches may also apply.
- **Implementation Supports Committee**
  - 2 half-day, virtual meetings will be held on September 22 and 27, 2022.

- The implementation panel will include **up to 50 members**, active and retired K-12 educators, representatives from local school boards, higher education faculty, students, and parents.

### **How to Apply**

Individuals interested in being considered for the review process should complete a committee participation form for [English Language Arts](#) or [Mathematics](#) by **July 11, 2022**. Previous committee participation does not preclude individuals from applying. Candidates may state their interest in participating on more than one committee if they have all necessary qualifications.

If a prospective committee member is actively employed by a Local Educational Agency (LEA), they must obtain Chief School Administrator (CSA) approval via the [CSA Attestation Document](#) at least one week prior to participation. LEA employees will not be able to participate without CSA attestation.

All applicants will be notified by email of their selection status by **July 20, 2022**. Committee members will be awarded professional development hours for committee meetings.

### **Contact information**

For questions regarding the process, please contact Lisa Haberl, Director of the Office of Standards, at [standards@doe.nj.gov](mailto:standards@doe.nj.gov).

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