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Colorado Model Content Standards Stakeholders Meet Friday, Oct. 17 in Denver

Key stakeholders will gather for a fourth time on Friday, Oct. 17 as part of the ongoing process to review and revise the state's model content standards—descriptions of what every student is expected to learn by subject and grade.

The meeting will be held from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Director's Row H at the Sheraton Denver Hotel, 1550 Court Pl., in downtown Denver.

The agenda includes:

- 8 a.m. – Welcome
- 8:30 a.m. – Draft Definitions
 - Timeline for definitions
 - Introduce results of survey and regional tour
 - Discuss and draft definitions
- 11:00 a.m. - Subcommittee selection and training
 - Subcommittee work for building 13th grade
 - Discuss training dates and procedures
 - Small work groups planning and scheduling
- 12:30 p.m. – Showcase Project

- 12:45 p.m. – Finalize template
 - Presentation of template designs
 - Agreement on template for all content areas
- 1:30 p.m. – Final agreements on articulation and/or course sequencing
- 2:30 p.m. – WestEd Update
- 3:00 p.m. – Commitments and meeting dates for 2009

The Colorado State Board of Education and the Colorado Department of Education have launched a comprehensive revision of all thirteen Model Content Standards. These standards are the expectations of what students in kindergarten through twelfth grade must know and be able to do. They were first created and adopted beginning in 1993. This work to modernize state standards will review the current standards with an eye to incorporate 21st century skills, postsecondary readiness, career/workforce skills and early school readiness.

For more information on the standards review process, visit http://www.cde.state.co.us/cdeassess/documents/OSA/stand_rev.html.

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