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Colorado Model Content Standards Stakeholders Meet Monday, March 16 in Denver

Key stakeholders will gather for the eighth time on Monday, March 16 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. at the Grand Hyatt Hotel (Pinnacle Club), 1750 Welton St., Denver.

The agenda includes:

- 8 a.m. Welcome
- 8:30 a.m. Revisit Roles and Responsibilities are Working
- 9:00 a.m. Purpose 1: Phase 1 Content Review Update
 - 1. Content Update Angela Norlander
 - a. Math Melissa Colsman
 - b. Music Karol Gates
 - c. Reading & Writing Gena Wienke
 - d. Science Barry Cartwright
 - 2. Structure and Nomenclature
 - 3. Financial Literacy Brenda Barr and Melissa Colsman
- 11:00 a.m. Purpose 2: Regional Tours
 - 1. Phase I

- Dates and locations
- Design and messaging
- Stakeholders needed

2. Phase II

- 11:45 a.m. Lunch
- 12:30 p.m. Showcase project
- 1:00 p.m. Purpose 3: Physical Education and Wellness
 - 1. Directive from the State Board of Education
 - 2. Subcommittee Composition
 - 3. Controversial Topics
- 2:00 p.m. Purpose 4: English Language Development and Special Needs
 - 1. Introduction
 - 2. Timelines
 - 3. Subcommittee Applicants

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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