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CDE News and Announcements

Apply for Standards Revision Committee Membership

The Office of Standards and Instructional Support is now accepting applications for standards revision committee membership in the following content areas: social studies, visual arts, music, dance and drama/theatre arts.

Applications are open until 11:59 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 11. <u>Access the</u> <u>application here</u>. Selected applicants will be notified in March 2021.

State Board Extends Deadline for Read Act Teacher Training

The State Board of Education agreed today to provide educators an additional six months to complete the teacher training required by the READ Act. K -3 teachers will now have until Jan. 31, 2022 to complete their training requirements on evidence-based reading instruction.

The Board directed districts to communicate the requirement to all K-3 teachers by Dec. 1, 2020, and ensure teachers meet the new January 2022 deadline. Districts, BOCES and charters that do not meet the requirements will be ineligible for READ Act funds for the 2022-23 school year.

<u>Teachers have various avenues for completing</u> <u>the requirement</u>, including a no-cost option

provided by the Colorado Department of Education.

For more information about the training requirement, check out the CDE website, or contact Andreia Simon, in the P-3 Office, at Simon A@cde.state.co.us.

Setting the Standard Webinar Series with CDE's SIS Office

The Office Standards and Instructional Support hosts ongoing virtual webinars called *Setting the Standard*.

October Webinars:

- 12/4: Best, First Instruction Part III
- 12/18: Stories from the Field

<u>Join the team</u> to stay up-to-date on high impact instructional strategies, CDE resources for teaching, and Colorado Academic Standards implementation updates.

Message from the Colorado Language Arts Society (CLAS)

Nominations for 2021-2022 leadership positions are open!

Are you or do you know someone interested in running for an elected volunteer position in our organization? Nominate yourself or a capable colleague to serve as Vice President, Recording Secretary, Member At-Large (2), or Auditor. More information on each of the roles may be found on our <u>Descriptions of Elected Positions</u> page.

For more information or to make a nomination, contact mhoffman.teaching@gmail.com

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