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Standards Review & Revision Updates



December 5, 2025

English Language Arts

ELA STANDARDS REVISION TIMELINE 25-26 SY

Please note dates are tentative and subject to change.

On May 2, 2024, the North Carolina State Board of Education (SBE) voted to approve the ELA Data Review Committee's recommendation to revise the current 2017 Standard Course of Study.

A timeline of activities related to this work is presented to the right with the Revision Phase slated to be completed in January 2026. Should the NC State Board of Education approve Draft 4 of the proposed ELA Standards and 3-year installation, public school units (PSUs) are not required to implement until the 2027-2028 school year. The current 2017 ELA Standard Course of Study would remain in place for classroom instruction for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school years.

VIEW UPDATES ON THE DPI WEBSITE

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SEPTEMBER 2025

- Draft 3 complete (Timeline delayed)
- Standards Update Release #1
- Draft 3 events release
- Regional focus groups held

OCTOBER 2025

- Draft 3 review closes
- Draft 3 items released
- Draft 3 revisions begin

NOVEMBER 2025

- Standards Update Release #2
- Draft 4 complete

DECEMBER 2025

- Draft 4 presented to SBE for discussion
- Consensus complete

JANUARY 2026

- Draft 4 presented to SBE for action
- Installation begins

SPRING 2026

- New resources released
- Registration open for regional PD

Monthly Standards Update

In May 2024, the NCDPI ELA Team began revision of the current 2017 ELA Standard Course of Study (SCOS). In an effort to keep stakeholders informed during the [Revision Phase](#), the NCDPI ELA Team will provide standards updates that contain the latest announcements and current news regarding the ELA SCOS. These updates will be sent the first Friday of every month. [View the updated revision timeline](#) for an overview of the revision process. Updates on the revision process can also be viewed on the [Office of Teaching and Learning webpage](#), as well as the [ELA Virtual Implementation Kit \(VIK\)](#) on the [Standards Review, Revision, & Implementation page](#).

Proposed 2026 ELA Standard Course of Study on January State Board of Education Agenda

Meeting Dates: January 7-8, 2026

The Proposed 2026 English Language Arts Standard Course of Study was presented to the North Carolina State Board of Education for discussion on December 3, 2025. [View the recording](#) for a recap of the presentation content. PSU and community stakeholders are encouraged to tune in to the January 2026 North Carolina State Board of Education meeting during which the board will take action on the Proposed 2026 English Language Arts Standard Course of Study.

[Visit the State Board of Education webpage](#) to view meeting agendas and access the livestream. Consider sharing the link with colleagues who might be interested in tuning in!



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ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS STANDARDS UPDATE WEBINARS

Join the NCDPI ELA Team throughout the 25-26 academic year to learn more about the proposed English Language Arts Standard Course of Study.

Webinars will allow participants to:

- ✓ Gain a greater understanding of the proposed standards
- ✓ Explore proposed revisions from the 2017 SCOS
- ✓ Dive deeper into the proposed SCOS organization and structure
- ✓ Receive updates on the installation timeline and supporting resources

Join us by registering below!

Thursdays from 3:45-4:45 PM

- September 11, 2025
• Slides | Recording
- November 20, 2025
• Slides | Recording
- February 5, 2026
• Registration
- June 11, 2026
• Registration

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ELA Standards Update Webinar Series

Mark your calendars for the 2025-2026 school year [ELA Standards Update Webinars!](#)

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Upcoming Webinars

Register today for the remaining hour-long learning opportunities, and consider sharing [the flyer](#) with colleagues who would be interested in joining!

- **February 5, 2026** | 3:45 - 4:45 | [Webinar Registration](#)
- **June 11, 2026** | 3:45 - 4:45 | [Webinar Registration](#)

Previous Webinars

View recordings of previous webinars to catch up on information you may have missed or share the recordings with colleagues to keep them in the loop! Recordings to previous webinars are available in the [ELA Virtual Implementation Kit \(VIK\)](#) on the Professional Learning Page under [On-Demand Resources](#).

- Standards Update #1: [Webinar Recording](#) | [Webinar Slides](#)
- Standards Update #2: [Webinar Recording](#) | [Webinar Slides](#)



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