



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

DATE: February 17, 2023

TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Jillian Balow, Superintendent of Public Instruction

SUBJECT: **Call for Applications for the English Education Advisory Board**

On February 2, 2023, the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) presented to the Board of Education the [review and revision process of the 2017 *English Standards of Learning*](#). A [Timeline for the Review and Revision of the *English Standards of Learning*](#) is included.

The VDOE is seeking applications from stakeholders interested in serving on the English Education Advisory Board (EEAB), a new advisory board supporting the revisions of the K-12 *English Standards of Learning*.

The role of the English Education Advisory Board will be to regularly review public comment and advise on various topics related to the review and revisions of the standards.

The English Education Advisory Board is anticipated to be a short-term advisory board, with the establishment of the board taking place in April 2023, and the conclusion of the board taking place on or before December 2025. The first meeting will take place virtually in May 2023, with the expectation that there will be quarterly meetings going forward. All meetings will be hosted virtually.

Individuals with expertise in English Language Arts education, education leadership, science-based literacy research and instruction, and standards development may apply. Please note that the members of the English Education Advisory Board are expected to reflect the diversity of Virginia's public education system and the businesses, industries, higher education systems, military branches, and organizations and regions that make up the commonwealth. Membership categories include:

- Representative from an approved Educator Preparation Program with expertise in Science-Based Reading Research from a college or university in Virginia

- Representative of a community based organization
- Representative of elementary school teachers working in public schools
- Representative of middle school teachers working in public schools
- Representative of high school teachers working in public schools
- Representative of reading specialists working in public schools
- Representative of parents of students in public elementary, middle, and high schools
- Representative of the business/industrial community
- Representative of the Virginia Community College System
- Representative of Chief Academic Officers (or similar position) with experience in standards development within the public schools
- Representative of educators of students with disabilities and/or dyslexia
- Representative of educators of students who are English learners
- Representative of educators of students who are gifted learners
- Representative of military or Department of Defense
- Representative of science-based literacy research and instruction

In addition to the above listed members, the English Education Advisory Board will include:

- 1) at least one representative appointed by the Virginia Superintendent of Public Instruction, and
- 2) at least one representative appointed by the Virginia Board of Education.

Applications may be submitted by completing [this form](#).

All applications must be received by **Friday, March 17, 2023**. Notification of committee selection is anticipated the second week of **April 2023**. Selected members will serve without compensation.

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