



**COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA
Department of Education**

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TO: Division Superintendents

FROM: Steven R. Staples, Superintendent of Public Instruction

SUBJECT: Public Hearings on the Proposed Revised *English Standards of Learning*

The Virginia Board of Education will hold two public hearings to solicit comments on the proposed revised *English Standards of Learning*. The Standards of Learning identify the essential knowledge and skills for each grade level. The proposed revised *English Standards of Learning* can be accessed on the Virginia Department of Education's website. Public comment regarding the proposed revised Standards of Learning may be offered through public hearings or public comment through the Virginia Department of Education's website.

The public hearings will begin at 7 p.m. Registration of speakers will begin at 6:30 p.m. Speakers will have three minutes to speak and should bring copies of their comments for the Board of Education. The two public hearings will be held at the following locations:

- **December 7, 2016 – 7 p.m.**
Chesterfield Career and Technical Center @ Hull
13900 Hull Street Road
Midlothian, VA 23112
Directions to this location may be found at:
<https://sites.google.com/a/ccpsnet.net/ctc/>
- **December 14, 2016 – 7 p.m.**
Albemarle High School
2775 Hydraulic Road
Charlottesville, VA 22901
Directions to this location may be found at:
<https://www2.k12albemarle.org/school/AHS/Pages/default.aspx>

The Virginia Department of Education requests that this information be shared with members of your education community and local board of education. For additional information about the proposed revised *English Standards of Learning*, please contact Tracy Fair Robertson, English Coordinator, by email at Tracy.Robertson@doe.virginia.gov, or by telephone at (804) 371-7585.

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