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Below are highlights of the Board's meeting on May 20, 2019. The entire meeting can be viewed on the Board's [YouTube](#) page. Please note all future Board meetings will begin at 10:00 A.M.

Menu of Assessments

Following the Board's adoption of updated guidance, policies and procedures governing the high school Menu of Assessments, the Arizona Department of Education will post the high school Menu list, notification form and guidance [here](#).

These actions are in alignment with the Board's [5-Year Assessment Plan](#). Remember that based on that plan, all schools must administer the statewide assessment in English language arts and mathematics to their 10th grade students and *may* select an assessment from the Menu to administer to their 11th grade cohort students.

Other important things to note:

- School districts and charter schools must use the notification form by July 1, 2019 if they wish to select an assessment from the Menu for 11th grade.
- Selecting an assessment from the Menu in the 11th grade is optional.
- If a school district or charter school does select an assessment from the Menu for its high schools, those schools must still administer the statewide assessment in 10th grade. The selected assessment from the Menu must be administered to the 11th grade cohort.

Equality Arizona Lawsuit

The Board adopted the proposed rule change to R7-2-303 to align sex education requirements with recent changes in state law. The rule change removes language that courses must "promote honor and respect for monogamous heterosexual marriage."

This is the final step in settling Equality Arizona vs. Hoffman, which challenged a state law banning AIDS/HIV instruction that "promotes a homosexual lifestyle." Superintendent Kathy Hoffman and each member of the Board of Education are named as defendants.

At the Department's request, the Board will holistically review the Sex Education rule this summer.

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English Language Standards

The Board adopted the English Language Proficiency Standards. The standards are aligned to the revised English Language Arts Standards adopted in 2017 and, in tandem with the new AZELLA, will be fully implemented in 2021-2022. For more information, visit the Arizona Department of Education's Standards Division or OELAS.

Future Meetings

The 2019 Board schedule is posted online. The next meeting is June 24, 2019. Please note that moving forward, Board meetings will begin at 10:00 A.M. Meeting materials may be found [here](#). You can also follow us on Twitter @AzBoardEd and on Facebook @azstateboard.

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