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**March 27, 2018**

Below are highlights of the March 26, 2018, State Board of Education meeting. The entire meeting can be viewed on the Board's [YouTube](#) page.

### **Science and History and Social Science Standards**

The Arizona Department of Education (ADE) presented initial drafts of the Science Standards and the History and Social Science Standards for review. ADE will accept public comment on the drafts until May 28, 2018 and is hosting two public/community meetings from 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 5, 2018 (History and Social Science standards) and Friday, April 6, 2018 (Science standards) at the State Board of Education Board Room at 1535 W Jefferson in Phoenix, Arizona. The meetings will also be livestreamed and archived on the Board's [YouTube](#) page.

To view the standards, submit public comment or find other information, please visit ADE's [K-12 Standards](#) page.

### **Brief 2016-2017 A-F Letter Grades Update**

At the January meeting, the Board made refinements to the 2016-2017 A-F Accountability System. Pursuant to the timeline presented at the February 26, 2018 Board meeting, ADE is still on schedule to complete updates to the ADEConnect portal by the end of March or the first week of April and the Board anticipates finalizing the 2016-2017 A-F Letter Grades at the April meeting.

### **Move on When Reading (MOWR) Exemption – Collection of Assessments**

Third grade students that do not meet the cut score on the reading portion of AzMERIT are retained in the third grade unless they meet certain statutory exemptions. One of those exemptions, beginning in the 2017-2018 school year, is if the student demonstrates sufficient reading skills or adequate progress towards sufficient reading skills as evidence through a collection of reading assessments approved by the Board.

In order to ensure all schools have access to appropriate assessment materials for Spring 2018 testing, the Board approved [criteria for valid literacy assessments](#), in addition to the currently [approved vendors list](#). More information on MOWR, including the exemptions, can be found [here](#). ADE will also provide guidance to local education agencies and may be contacted at [moveonwhenreading@azed.gov](mailto:moveonwhenreading@azed.gov) or 602-364-2355.

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### **Board Materials**

The Board is excited to announce its new e-board solutions system, a web-based portal used to deliver Board meeting details and materials. The new system allows for easier access and navigation of meeting materials and is aligned with newer technologies that Educational Boards across the country use. In effect, the new system replaces the Board's prior method of delivering Board materials in a single PDF document. If you have questions pertaining to utilizing this system, please contact Board staff at (602) 542-5057 or [inbox@azsbe.az.gov](mailto:inbox@azsbe.az.gov).

### **Discipline**

As a reminder, the Board has made available a tool that allows users to search discipline action taken against a certified educator in the last five years. The tool provides publicly available information and supporting documents on the action taken against the certified individual, including suspensions, revocations and denials. To use the tool please go to <https://azsbe.az.gov/teacher-certification-ppac> and click on the link on right labeled "Discipline Search".

### **Future Meetings**

At its next meeting on April 23, 2018, the Board anticipates finalizing the 2016-2017 A-F Letter Grades and refining the policies and procedures governing the Menu of Assessments.

The Certification Advisory Committee is meeting on April 3, 2018 and the Professional Practices Advisory Committee is meeting on April 10, 2018. Notices and agendas for all Board and Committee meetings can be found [here](#).

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