

**OFFICE OF INSTRUCTIONAL ENHANCEMENT AND INTERNAL OPERATIONS**  
**Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items**  
**January 16-17, 2014**

**OFFICE OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

18. Approval to begin the Administrative Procedures Act process: To establish the 2014 Mississippi College- and Career-Readiness Standards for English Language Arts

**Executive Summary**

In an effort to closely align instruction for students who are progressing toward postsecondary study and the workforce, the *2014 Mississippi College- and Career-Readiness Standards for English Language Arts* include grade- and course-specific standards for K-12 English Language Arts.

The primary purpose of this document is to provide a basis for curriculum development for K-12 English Language Arts teachers, outlining what students should know and be able to do by the end of each grade level and course. Courses for grades K-12 are based on the *Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts* and also include the *PARCC Model Content Frameworks*.

The following secondary Mississippi-specific courses were revised to align with the *Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts*.

- Broadcast Journalism
- Creative Writing
- Debate
- Foundations of Journalism
- Mississippi Writers
- Oral Communication
- Print Journalism
- Survey of African American Writing
- Survey of Twentieth Century Writing
- Technical and Workplace Writing
- World Literature

The new Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) Literacy Ready course is included as a transition to college English course.

Recommendation: Approval

Back-up material attached

**Mississippi Department of Education  
English Language Arts (ELA) Secondary Course Crosswalk**

<b>Current 2006 Mississippi English Language Arts Framework, Revised</b>	<b>Proposed 2014 Mississippi College- and Career- Readiness Standards for ELA</b>
<b>MS English I</b>	<b>CCSS English I</b> Course includes CCSS for ELA.
<b>MS English II</b>	<b>CCSS English II</b> Course includes CCSS for ELA.
<b>MS English III</b>	<b>CCSS English III</b> Course includes CCSS for ELA.
<b>MS English IV</b>	<b>CCSS English IV</b> Course includes CCSS for ELA.
<b>Accelerated MS English I Accelerated MS English II Accelerated MS English III Accelerated MS English IV</b>	Since the course content is embedded in the CCSS for ELA courses, it is recommended that these standalone courses no longer be offered.
<b>The American Novel</b>	Since the course content is embedded in the CCSS for ELA courses, it is recommended that this standalone course no longer be offered.
<b>Mythology</b>	Since the course content is embedded in the CCSS for ELA courses, it is recommended that this standalone course no longer be offered.
<b>Short Story</b>	Since the course content is embedded in the CCSS for ELA courses, it is recommended that this standalone course no longer be offered.
<b>Written Communication</b>	Since the course content is embedded in the CCSS for ELA courses, it is recommended that this standalone course no longer be offered.
<b>African American Literature</b>	<b>Survey of African American Writing</b> Task force recommended changing title and revising course to align with CCSS for ELA.
<b>Creative Writing</b>	<b>Creative Writing</b> Task force recommended revising course to align with CCSS for ELA.
<b>Debate I Debate II Debate III</b>	<b>Debate</b> Task force recommended combining 3 courses into a single course aligned with CCSS for ELA.
<b>Mississippi Writers</b>	<b>Mississippi Writers</b> Task force recommended revising course to align with CCSS for ELA.

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English Language Arts (ELA) Secondary Course Crosswalk**

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<b>Introduction to Journalism</b> <b>Broadcast Journalism</b> <b>Journalism Laboratory I</b> <b>Journalism Laboratory II</b> <b>Journalism Laboratory III</b>	<b>Foundations of Journalism</b> <b>Broadcast Journalism</b> <b>Print Journalism</b> Task force recommended combining the 5 journalism courses into 3 journalism courses aligned with CCSS for ELA.
<b>Public Speaking</b> <b>Oral Communication I</b> <b>Oral Communication II</b>	<b>Oral Communication</b> Task force recommended combining 3 courses into a single course aligned with CCSS for ELA.
<b>Technical and Work Place Writing</b>	<b>Technical and Work Place Writing</b> Task force recommended revising course to align with CCSS for ELA.
<b>Twentieth Century Literature</b>	<b>Survey of Twentieth Century Writing</b> Task force recommended changing title and revising course to align with CCSS for ELA.
<b>World Literature</b>	<b>World Literature</b> Task force recommended revising course to align with CCSS for ELA.
	<b>SREB Literacy Ready *</b> This <u>new</u> course is being added to support students in the transition to college.

Note: As in the past, Advanced Placement courses, International Baccalaureate courses, and dual credit courses are available options that districts may use to enhance ELA course offerings.

The course marked with an asterisk (\*) is a new course in the *2014 Mississippi College- and Career-Readiness Standards for ELA*.

**Mississippi Department of Education**  
**2014 Mississippi College- and Career-Readiness Standards for English Language Arts**  
**Proposed Secondary Courses**

**Common Core State Standards (CCSS) Courses for ELA Credit**

- CCSS English I (required for graduation)
- CCSS English II (required for graduation)
- CCSS English III
- CCSS English IV

**Mississippi-Specific Courses aligned to the CCSS for ELA Credit**

- Broadcast Journalism
- Creative Writing
- Debate
- Foundations of Journalism
- Mississippi Writers
- Oral Communication
- Print Journalism
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**Transition to College Course for ELA Credit**

- SREB Literacy Ready

**Advanced Placement (AP) Courses for ELA Credit**

- AP English Language and Composition
- AP English Literature and Composition

**International Baccalaureate Courses for ELA Credit**

**Dual Credit Courses for ELA Credit**

**Compensatory English Courses for Elective Credit Only**

Note: Four English Language Arts (ELA) credits are required for graduation, including CCSS English I and CCSS English II.