

OFFICE OF INSTRUCTIONAL ENHANCEMENT AND INTERNAL OPERATIONS
Summary of State Board of Education Agenda Items
February 20-21, 2014

OFFICE OF CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

13. Approval to establish the 2014 Mississippi College- and Career-Readiness Standards for English Language Arts
(Has cleared the Administrative Procedures Act process with public comments)

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**

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

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

Current 2006 Mississippi English Language Arts Framework, Revised	Proposed 2014 Mississippi College- and Career- Readiness Standards for ELA
Introduction to Journalism Broadcast Journalism Journalism Laboratory I Journalism Laboratory II Journalism Laboratory III	Foundations of Journalism Broadcast Journalism Print Journalism Task force recommended combining the 5 journalism courses into 3 journalism courses aligned with CCSS for ELA.
Public Speaking Oral Communication I Oral Communication II	Oral Communication Task force recommended combining 3 courses into a single course aligned with CCSS for ELA.
Technical and Work Place Writing	Technical and Work Place Writing Task force recommended revising course to align with CCSS for ELA.
Twentieth Century Literature	Survey of Twentieth Century Writing Task force recommended changing title and revising course to align with CCSS for ELA.
World Literature	World Literature Task force recommended revising course to align with CCSS for ELA.
	SREB Literacy Ready * 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
- Survey of African American Writing
- Survey of Twentieth Century Writing
- Technical and Work Place Writing
- World Literature

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.