

Wyoming Department of Education
Chapter 10
Wyoming Content and Performance Standards

Section 1. Authority.

(a) These rules and regulations are promulgated pursuant to the Wyoming Education Code of 1969 (as amended - 2002) [W.S. 21-2-304 (a) (i) (ii) (iii) and (iv)].

Section 2. Applicability.

(a) These rules and regulations pertain to the uniform student content and performance standards for the common core of knowledge and the common core of skills specified under W.S. 21-9-101(b).

Section 3. Promulgation, Amendment, or Repeal of Rules.

(a) These rules and any amendments thereof shall become effective as provided by the Wyoming Administrative Procedures Act. (W.S. 16-3-101 through 16-3-115).

Section 4. Definitions.

(a) Common Core of Knowledge. Areas of knowledge each student is expected to acquire at levels established by the state board of education. [W.S. 21-9-101 (b)(i)]

(b) Common Core of Skills. Skills each student is expected to demonstrate at levels established by the state board of education. [W.S. 21-9-101 (b)(iii)]. These skills may be integrated into the uniform student content and performance standards for the Common Core of Knowledge.

(c) Content and Performance Standards. Standards which include the K-12 content standards, benchmark standards, and the performance standards level descriptors established for the Common Core of Knowledge and Common Core of Skills. [W.S. 21-2-304 (a)(iii)] The grade levels for benchmark standards for each content area are listed below:

- (i) ELA – grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9-10, 11-12
- (ii) Math – grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, HS
- (iii) Science – grades 4, 8, 11
- (iv) Social Studies – grades 2, 5, 8, 12
- (v) Health – grades 2, 4, 6, 8, 12
- (vi) Physical Education – grades 2, 5, 8, 12
- (vii) Foreign Language – no grade levels; benchmarked among 6 performance level
- (viii) Career & Vocational Ed. – grades 5, 8, 11
- (ix) Fine & Performing Arts – grades 4, 8, 11

(d) Wyoming Standards Extensions. Standards for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities that show a clear link to the content standards for the grade in which the student is enrolled, although the grade-level content may be reduced in complexity or modified to reflect pre-requisite skills.

Section 5. Wyoming Statutes.

(a) All public school districts, and the schools and personnel within those districts, must comply with the applicable statutes of the State of Wyoming.

Section 6. Wyoming State Board of Education Policies and Regulations.

(a) All public school districts, and the schools and personnel within those districts, must comply with applicable state board policies and regulations. (W.S. 21-2-304)

Section 7. Uniform Student Content and Performance Standards.

(a) Uniform student content and performance standards, including standards for graduation, are hereby incorporated by reference pursuant to W.S. 16-3-103(h) and include the following:

(i) Wyoming Language Arts Content and Performance Standards as approved by the Wyoming State Board of Education on June 8, 1998, amended on July 7, 2003, amended on November 19, 2008, and amended on April 27, 2012;

(A) Wyoming Language Arts Content and Performance Standards amended on April 27, 2012 shall be fully implemented on or before the first day of the 2015-2016 school year.

(B) The 2014 Language Arts Performance Level Descriptors, as incorporated by reference, shall be the Wyoming Language Arts Performance Standards for the 2012 Wyoming Language Arts Content Standards.

(C) The 2014 Wyoming Language Arts Standards Extensions for students with significant cognitive disabilities, as incorporated by reference, shall be fully implemented on or before the first day of the 2017-18 school year.

(D) The Wyoming Language Arts Content and Performance Standards, Performance Level Descriptors, and Standards Extensions are available at <http://edu.wyoming.gov/educators/standards>.

(ii) Wyoming Mathematics Content and Performance Standards as approved by the Wyoming State Board of Education on June 8, 1998, amended on July 7, 2003, amended on November 19, 2008, and amended on April 27, 2012;

(A) Wyoming Mathematics Content and Performance Standards amended

on April 27, 2012 shall be fully implemented on or before the first day of the 2015-2016 school year.

(B) The 2014 Mathematics Performance Level Descriptors, as incorporated by reference, shall be the Wyoming Mathematics Performance Standards for the 2012 Wyoming Mathematics Content Standards.

(C) The 2014 Wyoming Mathematics Standards Extensions for students with significant cognitive disabilities, as incorporated by reference, shall be fully implemented on or before the first day of the 2017-18 school year.

(D) The Wyoming Mathematics Content and Performance Standards, Performance Level Descriptors, and Standards Extensions are available at <http://edu.wyoming.gov/educators/standards>.

(iii) Wyoming Science Content and Performance Standards as approved by the Wyoming State Board of Education on June 9, 1999, amended on July 7, 2003, and amended on November 19, 2008;

(A) The Wyoming Science Content and Performance Standards are available at <http://edu.wyoming.gov/educators/standards>.

(iv) Wyoming Social Studies Content and Performance Standards as approved by the Wyoming State Board of Education on June 9, 1999, amended on July 7, 2003 amended on November 19, 2008, and amended on October 9, 2014;

(A) Wyoming Social Studies Content and Performance Standards amended on October 9, 2014 shall be fully implemented on or before the first day of the 2017-2018 school year.

(B) The Wyoming Social Studies Content and Performance Standards are available at <http://edu.wyoming.gov/educators/standards>.

(v) Wyoming Health Content and Performance Standards as approved by the Wyoming State Board of Education on June 6, 2000, amended on July 7, 2003, amended on November 19, 2008, and amended on April 27, 2012;

(A) Wyoming Health Content and Performance Standards amended on April 27, 2012 shall be fully implemented on or before the first day of the 2015-2016 school year.

(B) The Wyoming Health Content and Performance Standards are available at <http://edu.wyoming.gov/educators/standards>.

(vi) Wyoming Physical Education Content and Performance Standards as approved by the Wyoming State Board of Education on June 6, 2000, amended on July

7, 2003, amended on November 19, 2008, and amended on October 9, 2014;

(A) Wyoming Physical Education Content and Performance Standards amended on October 9, 2014 shall be fully implemented on or before the first day of the 2017-2018 school year.

(B) The Wyoming Physical Education Content and Performance Standards are available at <http://edu.wyoming.gov/educators/standards>.

(vii) Wyoming Foreign Language Content and Performance Standards as approved by the Wyoming State Board of Education on June 6, 2000, amended on July 7, 2003, amended on November 19, 2008, and amended on May 8, 2013;

(A) Wyoming Foreign Language Content and Performance Standards amended on May 8, 2013 shall be fully implemented on or before the first day of the 2016-2017 school year.

(B) The Wyoming Foreign Language Content and Performance Standards are available at <http://edu.wyoming.gov/educators/standards>.

(viii) Wyoming Career/Vocational Education Content and Performance Standards as approved by the Wyoming State Board of Education on June 6, 2001, amended on July 7, 2003, amended on November 19, 2008, and amended on October 9, 2014;

(A) Wyoming Career/Vocational Education Content and Performance Standards amended on October 9, 2014 shall be fully implemented on or before the first day of the 2017-2018 school year.

(B) The Wyoming Career/Vocational Education Content and Performance Standards are available at <http://edu.wyoming.gov/educators/standards>.

(ix) Wyoming Fine and Performing Arts Content and Performance Standards as approved by the Wyoming State Board of Education on June 6, 2001, amended on July 7, 2003, amended on November 19, 2008, and amended on May 8, 2013.

(A) Wyoming Fine and Performing Arts Content and Performance Standards amended on May 8, 2013 shall be fully implemented on or before the first day of the 2016-2017 school year.

(B) The Wyoming Fine and Performing Arts Content and Performance Standards are available at <http://edu.wyoming.gov/educators/standards>.

(b) The above-referenced content and performance standards are available at the Wyoming Department of Education website or at cost from the Wyoming Department of Education, 2300 Capitol Avenue, Hathaway Building, 2nd Floor, Cheyenne, WY, 82002.

(c) The above-referenced content and performance standards dated November 19, 2008, April 27, 2012, May 8, 2013, and October 9, 2014 are the most current editions.

(d) The above performance standards that are incorporated by reference do not include any amendments to or editions of the standards since the effective date of this rule.