Computer Science, Library Media, and Technology Integration Standards
Negotiated Rulemaking Committee Agenda

When: February 24, 2020
Time: 9:00 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Where: Capitol Building, Rm 137, Helena, MT 59601
Lunch: On your own

Committee members are welcome to arrive at 8:30 a.m. to check computer or device connectivity.
Lunch break, on your own, at approximately 12:00 p.m.
The Committee will move through the agenda as needed.

9:00 a.m. Introductions
Call to Order
Review Negotiated Rulemaking roles, responsibilities, and process
Proposed rule changes
  • Complete Library Media/Information Literacy Proposal Review
Overview of Economic Impact Surveys and Timelines
Set Next Meeting Date (if necessary)
Public comment

4:00 p.m. Adjourn

All comments received become part of the official public record of the Negotiated Rulemaking Committee proceedings in accordance with §2-3-212, MCA.
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Remote participants are joining this meeting via conference call.
CALL TO ORDER
## MEETING AGENDA

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HOUSEKEEPING

- Restrooms and Breaks
- Connectivity Check/ Device Setup
- Committee Agenda Packet
- Lunch break at 12 p.m.
- Work Session concludes at 4 p.m.
ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Committee Members

• review drafts prepared by the revision team to provide feedback and a recommendation to the Superintendent on the draft
• assist in determining the economic impact of the draft

OPI and BPE Staff

• support the work of the committee
PROCESS

Montana Constitution

Montana Code Annotated (Legislature)

Administrative Rules of Montana (OPI ▶ NR Committee ▶ OPI ▶ BPE)

Policy (School Trustees)

Procedure (School Administrator)

Where are WE?
The Board of Public Education sets forth the following guidelines for content standards revision:

- Standards will define what all students should know and be able to do;
- Standards will be challenging and rigorous;
- Standards will be clear, understandable, and free of jargon;
- Standards will be measurable;
- Standards will address diversity, specifically fulfilling the commitment to implementing Indian Education for All;
- Standards will be consistent with the grade level and grade band structures in ARM Chapter 53; and
- Content standards will be consistent with the program delivery standards described in ARM Chapter 55.
BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT FOR RULE CHANGES TO LIBRARY MEDIA

Current Library Media/Information Literacy content standards were adopted in 2008

- Program delivery standards (Ch 55) were not updated in 2008

Organized by grade level for K-5 and by grade band for 6-8 and 9-12

- Grade level standards for K-5 clarify learning expectations for elementary teachers who teach in all content areas
- Grade band standards for 6-8 and 9-12 clarify expectations and allow for flexibility of program delivery

Integration of Indian Education for All

Emphasis on the skills students need to be information literate in any information or problem solving environment
Comment Summary
Library Media/Information Literacy  (n=40)

- 2 additional comments received on 2/21/2020
- comments are from school librarians
Comment Summary

Library Media/Information Literacy (n=40)

Summary of “Does Not Support” Comments (n=38)
- Adopt AASL standards with IEFA additions
- Add a standard that emphasizes reading for pleasure and personal interest

Summary of “Supports” Comments (n=2)
- Need more concise standards
- Need more flexible standards

No comments were received that specifically addressed proposed changes to ARM 10.55.1801 Library Media Program Delivery Standards
PROPOSED RULE CHANGES

A thumb held up indicates that I understand and am in agreement with the proposal.

A thumb held sideways indicates that I do not understand the proposal.

A thumb held down indicates that I understand and do not agree with the proposal.
DRAFT PROPOSALS

• ARM Chapter 53 and 54

• ARM Chapter 55
DIGGING IN

Review and Consensus Process

- Library Media/Information Literacy
COMPUTER SCIENCE NRC REVISED TIMELINE

- NRC meets December 5, 2019
- Economic Impact Analysis Survey opens December 18, 2019
- Economic Impact Analysis Survey closes January 31, 2020
- Negotiated Rulemaking Comment period ends January 31, 2020
- NRC meets February 12, 2020
- NRC recommendation due to Superintendent February 14, 2020
- Economic Impact Analysis delivered to BPE by March 12, 2020
- Economic Impact Analysis due to Education Interim Committee May 18, 2020
2-4-405. Economic impact statement.

(2) Except to the extent that the request expressly waives any one or more of the following, the requested statement must include and the statement prepared by the committee may include:

(a) a description of the classes of persons who will be affected by the proposed rule, including classes that will bear the costs of the proposed rule and classes that will benefit from the proposed rule;

(b) a description of the probable economic impact of the proposed rule upon affected classes of persons, including but not limited to providers of services under contracts with the state and affected small businesses, and quantifying, to the extent practicable, that impact;

(c) the probable costs to the agency and to any other agency of the implementation and enforcement of the proposed rule and any anticipated effect on state revenue;

(d) an analysis comparing the costs and benefits of the proposed rule to the costs and benefits of inaction;

(e) an analysis that determines whether there are less costly or less intrusive methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule;

(f) an analysis of any alternative methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rule that were seriously considered by the agency and the reasons why they were rejected in favor of the proposed rule;

(g) a determination as to whether the proposed rule represents an efficient allocation of public and private resources; and

(h) a quantification or description of the data upon which subsections (2)(a) through (2)(g) are based and an explanation of how the data was gathered.
What school size do you represent?

20 responses

- 35% Small School (fewer than 126 students)
- 20% Class C
- 15% Class B
- 20% Class A
- 10% Class AA
- 10% Multiple districts represented (approximately 12,200 students)
Do you anticipate that your district will be able to implement the proposed standards with existing resources?
20 responses

70% Yes
30% No
If no, what are the two most significant challenges to implementation?

15 responses

- Instructional Materials: 5 (33.3%)
- Personnel: 12 (80%)
- Professional Development: 6 (40%)
- Curriculum Development: 6 (40%)
- Time, this does not fit into the school...: 1 (6.7%)
- Scheduling: 1 (6.7%)
What year would your district implement these standards?
11 responses
ECONOMIC IMPACT SURVEY

Will your district have difficulty finding instructional materials to implement the proposed standards?
19 responses

- Yes: 42.1%
- No: 21.1%
- Maybe: 36.8%
ECONOMIC IMPACT SURVEY

Will your district have a shortage of teachers endorsed to teach computer science?
19 responses

- Yes: 78.9%
- No: 21.1%
What increase in total dollars would be required to cover the cost associated with Instructional Materials? (best estimate)
Answer Range: $1,200- $1,000,000

"$100 per grade K-6 and potentially much more than that in a junior high or high school class."
"About $25K for equipment and supplies to start a Business Ed. program."
"$800k to 1 million. We don't have difficulty in finding the materials, we need funding to support the purchase of updated and ongoing consumables for CTE"

What increase in total dollars would be required to cover the cost associated with professional development?
Answer Range: $500 to $100,000*
*$100,000. this includes paying the teacher for their time to attend the training, any certifications associated with the training and CTE field, travel, lodging, etc.

What increase in total dollars would be required to cover the cost associated with curriculum development?
Range: $400- $100,000
*That would depend on the interest of the teacher and willingness to learn new areas of application.
TECHNOLOGY INTEGRATION NRC REVISED TIMELINE

- NRC meets December 6, 2019
- Negotiated Rulemaking Comment period ends January 31, 2020
- NRC meets February 12, 2020
- NRC recommendation due to Superintendent February 14, 2020
- NRC meets February 24, 2020
- Economic Impact Analysis Survey opens end of February 2020
- Economic Impact Analysis Survey closes March 29, 2020
- Economic Impact Analysis delivered to BPE by May 7, 2020
- Economic Impact Analysis due to Education Interim Committee May 18, 2020
LIBRARY MEDIA/INFORMATION LITERACY NRC REVISED TIMELINE

1. NRC meets December 5, 2019
2. Negotiated Rulemaking Comment period ends January 31, 2020
3. NRC meets February 12, 2020
4. NRC meets February 24, 2020
5. NRC recommendation due to Superintendent February 28, 2020
6. Economic Impact Analysis Survey opens end of February 2020
7. Economic Impact Analysis Survey closes March 29, 2020
8. Economic Impact Analysis delivered to BPE by May 7, 2020
9. Economic Impact Analysis due to Education Interim Committee May 18, 2020

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MAPA PROPOSED TIMELINE

- Introduction of work on rule changes to BPE: March 12, 2020
- Proposed new rules to BPE: May 7, 2020
- Proposed notice of hearing to BPE for approval of publication: May 2020
- Education Interim Committee reviews Economic Impact Analysis: June 2020
- Rule change notice to SOS for publication in MAR: June 2020
- Public Hearing date in July/August 2020
- Final Public Input deadline: August 2020
- Adoption Notice to BPE for adoption of rules: August 2020
- BPE Adopts Rules: September 2020
- Effective Date of Rules: July 1, 2021
WRAP UP FOR COMMITTEE

Next Meeting: TBD
Please introduce yourself and spell your last name.

If you are speaking on behalf of an organization, identify the organization and your association with the organization.
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Thank you for your commitment to Montana Public Education.

Safe Travels!
This revised draft reflects the consensus decisions of the Computer Science, Library Media/Information Literacy, and Technology Integration Negotiated Rulemaking Committee, held on February 12, 2020.

The committee reviewed the draft through page 5 of this document. The committee will resume its work at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, February 24, 2020, starting on page 6.

Please visit the OPI K-12 Content Standards and Revision webpage for meeting agenda, minutes, video recording, and other meeting materials.
When a district incorporates or integrates library media and information literacy content into district curriculum or offers an elective course in library media and information literacy, the following standards apply:

1. build new knowledge by inquiring, thinking critically, identifying problems, and developing strategies for solving problems
2. demonstrate an understanding of and commitment to inclusiveness and respect for diversity in the learning community, including the distinct and unique cultural heritage of American Indians
3. work effectively with others to broaden perspectives and work toward common goals
4. make meaning by collecting, organizing, and sharing resources of personal relevance
5. exercise freedom to read and demonstrate the ability to pursue personal interests
6. demonstrate safe, legal, and ethical creating and sharing of knowledge products
LIBRARY MEDIA AND INFORMATION LITERACY STANDARDS FOR KINDERGARTEN

1. Build new knowledge by inquiring, thinking critically, identifying problems, and developing strategies for solving problems
   a. Form simple, factual level questions and begin to explore ways to answer them
   b. Ask “I wonder” questions about topic, question, or problem

2. Demonstrate an understanding of and commitment to inclusiveness and respect for diversity in the learning community, including the distinct and unique cultural heritage of American Indians
   a. Share knowledge and ideas with others through discussion and listening.
   b. Formulate questions related to content presented by others

3. Work effectively with others to broaden perspectives and work toward common goals
   a. Listen respectfully and, when appropriate, offer information and opinions in group discussions

4. Make meaning by collecting, organizing, and sharing resources of personal relevance
   a. Express feelings and ideas about a story in different formats

5. Exercise freedom to read and demonstrate the ability to pursue personal interests
   a. Routinely select picture, fiction, and information books
   b. Explore new genres
   c. Select books at the appropriate reading level, to be read aloud, or challenging books for browsing and enjoyment

6. Demonstrate safe, legal, and ethical creating and sharing of knowledge products
   a. With guidance and support, maintain safe behavior when using the internet
LIBRARY MEDIA AND INFORMATION LITERACY STANDARDS FOR FIRST GRADE

1. Build new knowledge by inquiring, thinking critically, identifying problems, and developing strategies for solving problems
   a. Form simple, factual level questions and begin to explore ways to answer them
   b. Ask “I wonder” questions about topic, question, or problem

2. Demonstrate an understanding of and commitment to inclusiveness and respect for diversity in the learning community, including the distinct and unique cultural heritage of American Indians
   a. Share knowledge and ideas with others through discussion and listening.
   b. Formulate questions related to content presented by others.

3. Work effectively with others to broaden perspectives and work toward common goals
   a. Listen respectfully and, when appropriate, offer information and opinions in group discussions

4. Make meaning by collecting, organizing, and sharing resources of personal relevance
   a. Express feelings and ideas about a story in different formats

5. Exercise freedom to read and demonstrate the ability to pursue personal interests
   a. Request, choose, and share a variety of materials from various genres related to personal interests
   b. Select books at the appropriate reading level, to be read aloud, or challenging books for browsing and enjoyment

6. Demonstrate safe, legal, and ethical creating and sharing of knowledge products.
   a. With guidance and support, acknowledge the work of others
   b. With guidance and support, maintain safe behavior when using the internet
LIBRARY MEDIA AND INFORMATION LITERACY STANDARDS FOR SECOND GRADE

1. Build new knowledge by inquiring, thinking critically, identifying problems, and developing strategies for solving problems.
   a. With guidance and support, generate questions about a topic and select a focal question to explore

2. Demonstrate an understanding of and commitment to inclusiveness and respect for diversity in the learning community, including the distinct and unique cultural heritage of American Indians
   a. Share knowledge and ideas with others through discussion and listening
   b. Formulate questions related to content presented by others

3. Work effectively with others to broaden perspectives and work toward common goals
   a. Listen respectfully and, when appropriate, offer information and opinions in group discussions

4. Make meaning by collecting, organizing, and sharing resources of personal relevance.
   a. Make connections between literature and personal experiences

5. Exercise freedom to read and demonstrate the ability to pursue personal interests
   a. Select books at the appropriate reading level, to be read aloud, or challenging books for browsing and enjoyment
   b. Begin to recognize that different genres require different reading, listening, or viewing strategies

6. Demonstrate safe, legal, and ethical creating and sharing of knowledge products.
   a. With guidance and support, acknowledge the work of others
   b. With guidance and support, maintain safe behavior when using the internet
LIBRARY MEDIA AND INFORMATION LITERACY STANDARDS FOR THIRD GRADE

1. Build new knowledge by inquiring, thinking critically, identifying problems, and developing strategies for solving problems
   a. Ask “why” questions
   b. With guidance, formulate a question about a topic

2. Demonstrate an understanding of and commitment to inclusiveness and respect for diversity in the learning community, including the distinct and unique cultural heritage of American Indians
   a. Articulate and identify one’s own place in the cultural fabric of the global community and respect others’ cultural identities
   b. With guidance, seek sources written by authors with diverse backgrounds

3. Work effectively with others to broaden perspectives and work toward common goals
   a. Reflect at the end of the inquiry process and identify new or related ideas that would be interesting to pursue
   b. Explore print, digital, and other resources to find information on a topic of personal interest
   c. Work in teams to produce original works or solve problems

4. Make meaning by collecting, organizing, and sharing resources of personal relevance
   a. Make a list of all the possible sources of information that will help answer the questions or an information need
   b. Use text features and illustrations to decide which resources are best to use and why

   Discover and innovate through experience and reflection
   a. Create learning products for a variety of audiences and purposes
   b. Use technology tools for independent and collaborative publishing activities

5. Exercise freedom to read and demonstrate the ability to pursue personal interests
   a. Read, listen to, and view a range of resources for a variety of purposes (e.g., live the experiences of a character, answer questions, learn something new, explore personal interests)
   b. Recognize features of various genres and use different reading strategies for understanding
   c. Connect personal feelings to emotions, characters, and events portrayed in a literary work
   d. Set reading goals
   e. Demonstrate knowledge of favorite authors and genres

6. Demonstrate safe, legal, and ethical creating and sharing of knowledge products
   a. With guidance and support, use technology appropriately by avoiding plagiarism and citing information
   b. Articulate personal consequences of inappropriate use of information, technology, and media
   c. With support, use digital tools responsibly by protecting personal information and respecting the privacy of others
LIBRARY MEDIA AND INFORMATION LITERACY STANDARDS FOR FOURTH GRADE

1. Build new knowledge by inquiring, thinking critically, identifying problems, and developing strategies for solving problems
   a. Ask “why” questions
   b. With guidance, formulate a question about a topic

2. Demonstrate an understanding of and commitment to inclusiveness and respect for diversity in the learning community, including the distinct and unique cultural heritage of American Indians
   a. Articulate and identify one’s own place in the cultural fabric of the global community and respect others’ cultural identities
   b. With guidance, seek sources written by authors with diverse backgrounds

3. Work effectively with others to broaden perspectives and work toward common goals
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   c. Connect personal feelings to emotions, characters, and events portrayed in a literary work
   d. Set reading goals
   e. Demonstrate knowledge of favorite authors and genres

6. Demonstrate safe, legal, and ethical creating and sharing of knowledge products.
   a. With guidance and support, use technology appropriately by avoiding plagiarism and citing information
   b. Articulate personal consequences of inappropriate use of information, technology, and media
   c. With support, use digital tools responsibly by protecting personal information and respecting the privacy of others
LIBRARY MEDIA AND INFORMATION LITERACY STANDARDS FOR FIFTH GRADE

1. Build new knowledge by inquiring, thinking critically, identifying problems, and developing strategies for solving problems
   a. Ask “why” questions
   b. With guidance, formulate a question about a topic

2. Demonstrate an understanding of and commitment to inclusiveness and respect for diversity in the learning community, including the distinct and unique cultural heritage of American Indians
   a. Articulate and identify one’s own place in the cultural fabric of the global community and respect others’ cultural identities
   b. With guidance, seek sources written by authors with diverse backgrounds

3. Work effectively with others to broaden perspectives and work toward common goals
   a. Reflect at the end of the inquiry process and identify new or related ideas that would be interesting to pursue
   b. Explore print, digital, and other resources to find information on a topic of personal interest
   c. Work in teams to produce original works or solve problems

4. Make meaning by collecting, organizing, and sharing resources of personal relevance
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   c. Connect personal feelings to emotions, characters, and events portrayed in a literary work
   d. Set reading goals
   e. Demonstrate knowledge of favorite authors and genres

6. Demonstrate safe, legal, and ethical creating and sharing of knowledge products
   a. With guidance and support, use technology appropriately by avoiding plagiarism and citing information
   b. Articulate personal consequences of inappropriate use of information, technology, and media
   c. With support, use digital tools responsibly by protecting personal information and respecting the privacy of others
LIBRARY MEDIA AND INFORMATION LITERACY STANDARDS FOR SIXTH THROUGH EIGHTH GRADE

1. Build new knowledge by inquiring, thinking critically, identifying problems, and developing strategies for solving problems
   a. Write questions independently based on key ideas or areas of focus
   b. Refine questions based on the type of information needed
   c. Pose questions that focus on “How do we know what we know?”

2. Demonstrate an understanding of and commitment to inclusiveness and respect for diversity in the learning community, including the distinct and unique cultural heritage of American Indians
   a. Offer information and opinions at appropriate times in group discussions
   b. Encourage others to share ideas and opinions
   c. Accurately describe or summarize the ideas of others

3. Work effectively with others to broaden perspectives and work toward common goals
   a. Ask questions of others in a group to elicit their information and opinions
   b. Seek more than one point of view by using diverse sources
   c. Read with purpose to investigate new ideas for classroom learning and personal exploration

4. Make meaning by collecting, organizing, and sharing resources of personal relevance
   a. Determine what information is needed to support an investigation and answer questions
   b. Refine questions depending on the type of information needed (e.g., overview, big idea, specific detail, cause and effect, comparison)
   c. Seek opportunities to explore personal interests and questions

Discover and innovate through experience and reflection
   a. Create products that incorporate writing, visuals, and other forms of media to convey message and main points.
   b. Experiment with various types of technology tools for artistic and personal expression.
   c. Share reading, listening, and viewing experiences in a variety of ways and formats.

5. Exercise freedom to read and demonstrate the ability to pursue personal interests
   a. Independently locate and select information for personal, hobby, or vocational interests
   b. Read, listen to, and view an increasingly wide range of genres and formats for recreation and information
   c. Respond to images and feelings evoked by a literary work

6. Demonstrate safe, legal, and ethical creating and sharing of knowledge products
   a. With support, provide reference citations for all direct quotations and cite sources
   b. With support, select and use digital tools and websites appropriately
   c. Avoid plagiarism by rephrasing information in one’s own words
LIBRARY MEDIA AND INFORMATION LITERACY STANDARDS FOR NINTH THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE

1. Build new knowledge by inquiring, thinking critically, identifying problems, and developing strategies for solving problems
   a. Formulate essential questions through reading, constructing hypotheses, research questions, and thesis statements
   b. Refine questions to provide a framework for an inquiry and to fulfill the purpose of the research
   c. Design questions that systematically test a hypothesis or validate a thesis statement
   d. Develop questions that require making connections between ideas and events

2. Demonstrate an understanding of and commitment to inclusiveness and respect for diversity in the learning community, including the distinct and unique cultural heritage of American Indians
   a. Share relevant information to contribute to the learning of others through discussions and presentations
   b. Contribute opinions and supporting evidence to group deliberations
   c. Listen to opinions and evidence of others
   d. Ask and respond to questions in group exchanges of ideas
   e. Identify the value of and differences among potential resources and differing points of view
   f. Actively seek the opinions of others and contribute positively to an environment in which all participants’ ideas are shared and valued

3. Work effectively with others to broaden perspectives and work toward common goals
   a. Seek ideas and opinions from others
   b. Describe ideas of others accurately
   c. Participate in discussions to analyze information problems to suggest solutions
   d. Work with others to select, organize, and integrate information and ideas from a variety of sources and formats
   e. Seek consensus from a group, when appropriate, to achieve a stronger product
   f. Apply conclusions or decisions to new situations
   g. Model social skills that advance a team’s ability to identify issues and problems and work on solutions
   h. Work with others to solve problems and make decisions on issues, topics, and themes being investigated

4. Make meaning by collecting, organizing, and sharing resources of personal relevance
   a. Review the initial information need to clarify, revise, or refine the questions
   b. Recognize that the purpose of an inquiry determines the type of questions and thinking required (e.g., defend a position in an historical context, design questions to test a hypothesis)
   c. Generate specific questions to focus the purpose of the research
   d. Refine questions to provide a framework for the inquiry and to fulfill the purpose of the research
   e. Independently pursue answers to self-generated questions
   f. Explore problems or questions for which there are multiple answers
Discover and innovate through experience and reflection

1. Assess emotional impact of specific works on the reader or viewer.
2. Express ideas through creative products in multiple formats using a variety of technology tools.
3. Select presentation format to effectively communicate and support a purpose, argument, point of view, or interpretation.
4. Connect universal themes and ideas presented in various formats to the human experience.
5. Create original products using a variety of technology tools to express personal learning.
6. Use the most appropriate format to clearly communicate ideas to targeted audiences.

5. Exercise freedom to read and demonstrate the ability to pursue personal interests

a. Select print, non-print, and digital materials based on personal interests and knowledge of authors.
b. Read, listen to, and view information in a variety of formats to explore new ideas, form opinions, solve problems, and to connect to real-world issues.
c. Routinely read, view, and listen for personal enjoyment, in order to learn, solve problems, and explore different ideas.
d. Read widely to develop a global perspective and understand different cultural contexts.
e. Actively preserve the rights of self and others to express ideas freely and pursue the right to read, view and listen.

6. Demonstrate safe, legal, and ethical creating and sharing of knowledge products

a. Follow fair use guidelines for text, visuals, and music in generating products and presentations.
b. Practice responsible use of technology and describe personal consequences of inappropriate use.
c. Demonstrate understanding of plagiarism by paraphrasing information or noting direct quotes.
d. Credit all sources properly.
e. Respect privacy of others.
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<td>(a) 5 FTE for schools with 126-250 students;</td>
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<td>(b) 1 FTE for schools with 251-500 students;</td>
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<td>(c) 1 5 FTE for schools with 501-1000 students;</td>
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<td>(d) 2 FTE for schools with 1001-1500 students;</td>
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<td>(e) 2 5 FTE for schools with 1501-2000 students;</td>
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<td>(f) 3 FTE for schools with 2001 or more students</td>
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<td>(2) Schools of fewer than 126 students shall employ or contract with a licensed and endorsed school library media specialist</td>
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LIBRARY MEDIA PROGRAM DELIVERY STANDARDS 10.55.1801

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<td>(1) In general, a basic program in library media shall:</td>
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<td><strong>(a) meet the following conditions:</strong></td>
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*Note: This is a summary of the Economic Impact Survey. Not all questions or written responses are included.*
Survey Demographics (n=20*)

*many of the questions were optional

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<td>6 (30%)</td>
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<td>8 (40%)</td>
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Personnel was the most significant challenge to implementation with all 12 voting “no” to the program delivery standards selecting personnel as one of the most significant challenges to implementation. Additional concerns are:

“this does not fit into the school day for teachers or students”
"We have a small school with a small, unique populations, due to factors beyond student control, many are below grade level and much of our time as teachers is spent not only teaching current core standards, but attempting to fill gaps students have. I struggle with finding enough time in the day to teach the current standards, I will not be able to teach additional standards due to time and achievement gaps from my students previous years in education."

### Instructional Materials

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<td>Will your district have difficulty finding instructional materials to implement the proposed standards? n=19</td>
<td>8 (42.1%)</td>
<td>7 (36.8%)</td>
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"There is plenty on the market available for CS both free and inexpensive. The question will be if those resources are ongoing digital subscriptions based on number of students or site licenses."

"Cost is the technology: code.org is free and meets all these but we don't have the time to add it to the day at the K-5 level, and 6-12 we can't afford FTE"

"We are using and will continue to use PLTW as a mechanism for computer science"

"Finding will not likely be a problem. Affording is very likely to be. Also, some of the standards appear to require hardware and programming tools and materials that no one on my team is prepared to use."

"It may be challenging to find materials that cover these standards specifically because they are so general and do not include a progression of skills such as keyboarding proficiency levels and being able to use specific programs at various grade levels."

"1500 per year Code HS" and "300,000 every three years to rotate out Chromebooks. We have 16,000 students and they would each need access to technology of some sort."
**Personnel**

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<td>Does your district have a shortage of teachers endorsed in computer science?</td>
<td>15 (78.9%)</td>
<td>4 (21.1%)</td>
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Summary of if answered “no” or “maybe” feedback:
“Computer Science is not currently an endorsement in MT. It is my understanding that all can teach it.”

“This is a difficult question that needs further clarifications at both K-8 and High School. High school we can use business and tech-ed teachers but we have shortages in both those areas as well. If we are adding a CS program of study in the K-8, what are the requirements?”

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**Professional Learning**

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<td>Will your district have difficulty finding professional development opportunities for computer science educators?</td>
<td>6(35.3%)</td>
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Summary if answered “yes”
“The UM/MSU summer CS PD will be ending this summer. No opportunities after that.”

“Rural location makes it difficult to receive professional development in this area.”

“We need to train teachers in computer science to deliver the content and assess learning”

“There are numerous professional development opportunities on the Learning Hub, Region III and Region I.”

“The problem wouldn't necessarily be finding PD for computer science educators, it would be finding computer science educators. My instinct is that people with CS degrees will not likely be in the education field.”

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What professional development would be needed?
"code.org can provide the K-12 support. It will be up to the district to decide the system but it could be fulfilled with code.org"

"Train the trainer model through PLTW"

"There are a lot of options online for Professional Development. We currently use the online system."

"First, we would establish curriculum materials, hardware, and software, then there would be the task of teaching our current educators how to use it and how to instruct with it. Assessment would be very difficult because establishing a baseline for showing mastery of each individual standard would be difficult to pioneer."

"Level 1 Awareness on new standards and the pedagogy required to implement them. Level 2 Resources and implementation of new curriculum Level 3 Proficiency Based Assessments towards those standards."

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Curriculum Development

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<td>Would the proposed standards, if adopted, require your district to substantially revise its current curriculum?</td>
<td>9(47.4%)</td>
<td>4(21.1%)</td>
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Summary if answered “yes”
“This would require a great deal of time. Time would need to come from within the school year with PIR time allowed to work on this.”

“At the K-5 level we do not have time or money to implement. 6-8 this is doable.”

“Because it has been a long time since many of our districts worked on computer science curriculum, it is possible that these standards would cause substantial revisions. Some districts I represent would likely not have to make changes, while others would.”

“We are a small school. We do not have Computer Science as a part of our curriculum at this time, nor do we foresee adding this course to our course offering here at the school.”

“Regardless of how we integrate the standard, time will be a major fact. If we had a devoted computer science teacher it would mean sacrificing another elective (music, art, etc.) . If we taught it with our current staff, it would steal minutes from core classes.”

“The area of greatest impact will be the K-5 level, but even middle and high school teachers will need to meet and revise what we are currently doing for computer programming. These new standards go above and beyond that.”

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General Feedback

“The addition of these new CS standards will help to delineate the grade-level requirements, but the overlap to the forthcoming Technology and Media Literacy standards revisions need to be looked over as a whole.”

I am unable to answer many of the questions as we do not have computer science as a course and do not plan on adding in the near future. If students are interested in this topic area, we offer MDA Computer Science online.

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There are no teachers endorsed in this area, nor is there room in the master schedule for adding another course. We are struggling with maintaining our core courses, electives (to include CTE varieties).

“These standards do not address a progression of skills at developmental age levels (with a few exceptions); therefore, districts will have a greater economic impact in developing and implementing local curriculum guides than they would if these provided more specific guidance. It would be better if these standards more closely aligned with national level expectations for things such as keyboarding proficiency and working knowledge of word processing programs, etc. “

“This is going to be a difficult position for any smaller Class C school to fill. We do the best we can with other subjects and including aspects where applicable and we readily use MTDA and Odysseyware whenever possible to help our students with this area of study. “

“I love computer science and hope all children are computer literate but an unfunded mandate will be nearly impossible to fulfill. Additionally, at the K-5 level our kids and teachers have very limited time to add anything to the day with testing and behavior issues eating up the majority of extra time. “

“Teachers have limited time available to work on this. Districts are hesitant to give time for this to happen, which means that teachers either have to use their personal time or choose not to complete the work. Time must be allocated during the school year.”

“Teaching CS is not a PD thing, no more that the training to be a math or science teacher can be done with PD. There needs to be content courses and methods courses offered at the universities. It cannot be a point at a willing teacher and say “your it”. Course work needs to be developed to train CS teachers. None of the universities in Montana seem inclined to do so. No teachers qualified to teach CS means this whole curriculum is sort of a dead end. Qualified teachers cannot be made with just PD.”
Montana Computer Science Cost Estimate from Code.org

This spreadsheet below approximates the one-time cost of expanding access to computer science to offer a basic K-12 pathway in every school in a state. This does not model teacher attrition or long-term costs. Once teachers are established, existing state/federal funding streams should address this issue.

Assumptions/limitations:
-- The cost to establish a computer science program is based on preparing an in-service teacher, NOT hiring a new teacher.
-- The major grade bands where teachers will be established are K-6 (elementary), 7-8 (middle school), 9-12 (high school) and uses NCES data (school year '14/'15, which is the most recent year) to determine how many unique schools each state has in these grade bands
-- This model assumes establishing one teacher per grade major grade band at a school using NCES data for number of unique schools at each grade band. For example, if a school has both K-6 grades and middle school grades, then the model will assume establishing two teachers. It also assumes that one K-6 teacher (such as technology teacher that reaches all students or a librarian) will be established per school. This figure may need to be adjusted (which is supported below) if states/districts want to establish more than one elementary school teacher per school.
-- Only Public and Public Charter School Districts would be eligible for this funding.
-- The model assumes some cost overhead compared to the work of private organizations such as Code.org

Approximate number of public/charter elementary schools | 449
Approximate number of public/charter middle/high schools | 503
Approximate % of schools that don't teach CS | 55%
Assumption of number of teachers/elementary school | 1
Assumption of number of teachers/middle/high school school | 1
Number of new elementary school CS teachers needed | 247
Number of new middle/high school CS teachers needed | 277
Cost to an elementary school to establish a CS teacher | $500
Cost to establish a middle or high school CS teacher | $6,000
Total cost: elementary school | $123,475
Total cost: middle/high school | $1,659,900
TOTAL COST | $1,783,375
Total new CS classrooms | 524

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Updates

- The state began development of K-12 computer science standards in July 2018.
- The state passed a permissive and encouraging policy to allow computer science to count as a science, mathematics, elective, or CTE graduation requirement. Alternatively, a district may increase the local requirements in math, science, or career and technical education and allow a computer science course to fulfill one of the required credits, or require all students to complete a computer science credit.
- Governor Steve Bullock is a member of the Governors’ Partnership for K-12 Computer Science.

Data

- In the 2018-2019 school year, 45% of high schools taught at least one computer science course, compared to 40% in 2017-2018.
- 6 schools (6% of schools with AP programs) offered an audited AP computer science course in 2017-2018, which is 4 more schools than the previous year.
- 7 female students (18%) took an AP CS exam in 2018, compared to 2 (15%) in 2017.
- 1 underrepresented minority student (3%) took an AP CS exam in 2018, compared to 2 (15%) in 2017.
- 99 bachelor’s degrees in computer science were earned in 2017; 11% were female.

Refer to advocacy.code.org for additional up-to-date information.
Montana Computer Science Coding Endorsement and Core Graduation

Frequently Asked Questions: Computer Science in High School Graduation Requirements - March 5, 2019
Computer Science Opportunities to Satisfy a Core Graduation Requirement - March 5, 2019

Question: What are the teacher licensure requirements for a student to fulfill a credit requirement in another subject area through a computer science course? Must the teacher hold a licensure or endorsement in the subject area AND computer science?

Answer: If a district chooses to allow a computer science course to fulfill a mathematics, science, CTE or technology credit, the district must ensure the course is taught by an appropriately licensed teacher. For example, if a computer science course is assigned a mathematics course code, the teacher must hold current grade-level and subject area licensure in mathematics.

The Montana Board of Public Education recently created a high-quality pathway to certification in teaching computer science content. Specifically, ARM 10.57.421, as amended by 2018 rulemaking, permits an individual to obtain an endorsement on the Class 4 license to teach the following courses if s/he holds the qualifications below:

**10.57.421 CLASS 4 ENDORSEMENTS**

For health science education, engineering, computer information systems, computer coding, teacher education, EMT, or fire and disaster services, an alternative to the above requirement of 10,000 hours of work experience may be substituted as recognized by the Office of Public Instruction and the Board of Public Education as follows:

(c) For computer information systems an individual may provide verification of completion of an approved technical program in a recognized training institution and hold a professional license or industry standard certificate recognized by the Office of Public Instruction and the Board of Public Education.

(d) For computer coding:

(i) hold a Class 1 or 2 license; and

(ii) provide verification of successful completion of a blended learning professional development course of at least 80 hours by a provider recognized by the Office of Public Instruction and the Board of Public Education.

Question: What credit requirement(s) may a local board of trustees allow a computer science course to fulfill?

Answer: A computer science course that is assigned the appropriate course code and taught by an appropriately credentialed instructor may fulfill any of the following:

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1. A credit requirement in mathematics
2. A credit requirement in science
3. A local elective requirement
4. A local career and technical education (or technology) requirement
5. A stand-alone computer science credit requirement.

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Question: What course code requirements apply if a computer science course fulfills a local credit requirement in another subject, such as mathematics, science, or career and technical education?

Answer: Per ARM 10.55.911, a student’s high school transcript must include the course code and credits earned for each course taken. This means that if a district chooses to allow a computer science course to fulfill a mathematics, science, CTE or technology credit, the school or district must:

- Assign an appropriate course code for the subject area to which graduation credit will be applied (i.e., assign a math course code if the computer science course will be allowed to fulfill a math credit requirement).
- Denote on the student transcript that the student has met the applicable subject area requirement by completing a computer science course.
Who Can Teach Computer Science Courses in Montana

Elementary Endorsed Teacher?

Yes
- You can teach Computer Science

No
- Are you a Secondary Math endorsed (02S MAT)

Yes
- You can teach Computer Programming (10152) or Visual Basic (VB) Programming (10153)
- Would you like to teach other CS courses not listed above?

No
- Do you have a CTE-related endorsement?

Yes
- There are a number of CTE endorsements that can teach a variety of CS courses.

No
- Would you like to teach a computer science course?

Yes
- If you are a Class 1 or 2 license teacher you can receive you Computer Coding (10S CC) endorsement and teach a variety of coding courses.

CTE endorsements
Variety of CS courses (p.42)
Computer Coding section 4d
# 2018-2019 Computer Science Course Data (TEAMS)

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**Montana course codes** are a subset of the NCES (National Center for Education Statistics) Standard Codes. Along with the course code, a content description for each course is provided.

*Highlighted Green* are courses that can be taught by Computer Coding endorsed teachers (10S CC)

*Highlighted Blue* are courses that can be taught, right now, by Mathematics endorses teachers (02S MAT).

* As of 19-20 New course code: 71009 (PTS)/21009 (Secondary) Robotics, this is an open endorsement course so it can be taught be any grade-level appropriately endorsed teacher

**No longer available for Montana Schools as of 19-20.

DRAFT SUMMARY Updated: February 21, 2020
AP Computer Science Course

During the 2018-2019 school year two AP Computer Science courses were offered in Montana, **AP Computer Science A** and **AP Computer Science Principles**. 140 students from 16 high schools comprised of 15 school districts, including one Catholic school, offered an AP Computer Science course. Of those 16 high schools, 7 schools offered the course through Montana Digital Academy (MTDA).

Costs for offering the MTDA AP Computer Science course for 25 students is $15,000 ($7,500 per semester). Historically this course has not been full with only 10 students enrolled during the 2018-2019 school year.

This summer there is one, four day, AP Computer Science professional development training occurring in Montana hosted by School Services of Montana. The cost for this professional development is $775.

Additional funds would need to be allocated in promotion to students and training for teachers to increase the number of students enrolled in AP Computer Science courses.