

# Kansas College & Career Ready (Common Core) Standards

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# Standards Adoption Process

- K.S.A. 72-6439 “The state board shall establish curriculum standards which reflect high academic standards for Kansas Education in the core academic areas of **mathematics, science, reading, writing and social studies.**”
- The curriculum standards shall be reviewed at least every **seven years.**
  - Mathematics and Reading were up for revision in **2010**
- Nothing in this section shall be construed in any manner so as to impinge upon any district’s authority to determine its own curriculum.



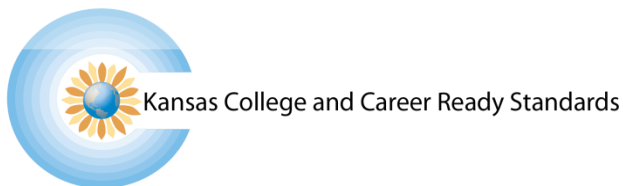
# A Review

## What is the Common Core Standards Initiative?

Beginning in the spring of 2009, Governors and state commissioners of education from 48 states, 2 territories and the District of Columbia committed to developing a common core of state K-12 English-language arts (ELA) and mathematics standards.

The **Common Core State Standards Initiative (CCSSI)** is a state-led effort coordinated by the National Governors Association (NGA) and the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO).

The Kansas State Board of Education formally adopted the Common Core State Standards for mathematics and English language arts on October 12, 2010.



# Criteria for the Standards

- Fewer, clearer, and higher
- Aligned with college and work expectations
- Include rigorous content and application of knowledge through high-order skills
- Build upon strengths and lessons of current state standards
- Internationally benchmarked, so that all students are prepared to succeed in our global economy and society
- Based on evidence and research
- **Kansas College & Career Ready standards are significantly different than other states that have adopted Common Core, as Kansas has emphasized and added additional standards.**





# Reviewing the Standards

- Curriculum Review Committees for Math and ELA
  - November 2009
  - Math
  - ELA
- Alignment with College and Career Expectations
  - Gap Analysis Committee
  - SMARTER Balanced Assessment Consortium
  - KBOR Letter of Intent
  - Public Meetings
  - P-20
  - Kansas Education Commission
- Standards Comparability
  - Committee work
  - Survey of Enacted Curriculum
  - The Achieve Common Core Comparison Tool



# Estimated Cost HB2289

- Estimated cost of \$150-\$200 Thousand to write new Math and ELA standards. 2 year process.
- Estimated cost of \$9-\$30 Million, with a probable cost of \$22.4 Million, to design new Assessments to measure College & Career Readiness in Math and ELA.
- Unknown but potentially significant costs for resources and professional development.
- Estimated \$100 Thousand to re-write other standards that are aligned to Common Core.
  - History/Government, Science, English Language Learners



# Estimated Effects of HB2289

- Kansas is in its 3rd full year of transitioning to College & Career Ready Standards.
- This would put Kansas 5 years behind all other states.
- Many of the Career and Technical Education Standards are aligned to the Math and ELA Common Core Standards. Multiple revisions would have to be made.
- Would move Kansas back to NCLB, AYP and 20<sup>th</sup> Century Standards.

