



**Utah State Board of Education Standards Revision
Sample Timeline for Full Social Studies Revision**

Under the provisions of HB 312, updated standards must be implemented by fall 2028 school year.

Step	Brief Step Description	Projected Timeline <i>Shortest</i>	Projected Timeline <i>Typical</i>
1. Review Cued	Using the Utah State Board-adopted standards revision timeline , revision checklist, or due to a legislative mandate, the need for a standards review is cued.	May 2026	May 2026
2. Board Approval for Standards Review	Staff submits an action item requesting the full Board's approval to: A. Start the Standards Review Process B. Delay revision timeline	June 2026	June 2026
3. Standards Review Committee Identification	Staff submits a written request to the Utah State Board Chair to appoint members to the standards review committee consisting of: (a) seven individuals, with expertise in the subject being reviewed, including teachers, business representatives, faculty of higher education institutions in Utah and others as determined by the Utah State Board Chair. The Utah State Board shall notify the speaker of the House of Representatives and the president of the Senate at least 30 business days before establishing a standards review committee to request as described in 53E-4-203(2)(b): (a) five parents of public education students appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives; and (b) five parents of public education students appointed by the president of the Senate.	June-July 2026	June-August 2026

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	The Utah State Board Chair may appoint a parent of a public education student to a standards review committee in place of the House or Senate if not received within 30 days of request.		
4. Standards Review Committee Work	Staff organizes the standards review committee based on received appointments. At least two meetings are convened to review the standards and make initial recommendations. Initial comments and recommendations may include research updates, suggestions for adding/eliminating content, format amendments, suggestions for clarity, and insights based on the standards revision cueing rubric, in accordance with laws related to curriculum. <u>Note:</u> Follow-up meetings must be held within three months of the initial meeting; a member of the standards review committee may not receive compensation or benefits for the member's service on the committee.	August-September 2026	September-November 2026
5. Report of Standards Review Committee and Board Recommendations	The standards review committee will present a summary of the standards review committee's comments and recommendations to the full Board. The Utah State Board will vote to accept, modify, or reject each of the committee's recommendations to provide initial guidance to staff as well as vote on additional recommendations for overarching ideas from Utah State Board Members to be considered by the writing committee.	October 2026	December 2026
6. Writing Committee Organization and Standards Drafting	Staff organizes the writing committee according to the standard operating procedure approved by the Superintendent. The writing committee meets to review the Utah State Board's approved recommendations and uses those approved provisions in revisions of the standards.	November 2026 – May 2027	January 2026 – August 2027 <i>Presumes summer availability for writing</i>

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	Staff provides bimonthly progress submissions to the Standards and Assessment Committee, including progress being made and timely updates.		
7. Draft Standards Presented for Board Review and Feedback	Staff submits a draft of the standards to the Utah State Board for review and feedback. Staff will email Utah State Board Members to submit their feedback in a provided template to the writing committee for consideration within 30 days of email notification. If feedback is received outside of the 30 days, it will be included as public comment. The writing committee will make recommendations based on the individual Utah State Board member's feedback by providing a rationale document that categorizes each amendment submitted into one of three categories (i.e., yes, acceptable, or no) and a 1-2 sentence rationale, as necessary.	June 2027 – 30-Day Review	September 2027 – 30-Day Review
8. Board Amendments and Public Review	When the writing committee completes revisions based on the Utah State Board's feedback and rationale documentation, staff submits a new draft. The updated draft will include a request to release the amended draft for public review.	July-August 2027 – Draft Updates September 2027 – Submit to Board Meeting	October-November 2027 – Draft Updates December 2027 – Submit to Board Meeting
9. 90-Day Public Review	- Staff posts the approved draft for at least a 90-day public review period. - Staff plans and facilitates three public hearings in different regions of the state, including at least one virtual convening. - Staff provides monthly updates to the Utah State Board on the location, numbers of attendees, the modes of delivery of the public hearing, and general themes from public review. - Staff will hold ongoing meetings with the writing committee to incorporate public feedback as appropriate into the draft.	September 2027 – December 2027 – Public Review Period January-February 2028 – Update Draft based on Comments	December 2027 – March 2028 – Public Review Period April-May 2028 – Update Draft Based on Comments
10. Revised Draft of Standards Submitted for	Staff submits to the Utah State Board the amended version of the publicly released draft standards that incorporates the feedback from the public for a 30-day comment period. Board Members shall submit their	February-March 2028 – 30-Day Review Period	June-July 2028 – 30-Day Review Period

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Final 30-Day Amendment Review	amendments in a staff provided template to staff within 30 days of receipt of the request. The writing committee will review and respond to each Board Members amendments submitted within the 30-day period. The potentially amended document will be sent to the Standards and Assessment Committee with the associated rationale document for consideration.	March-April 2028 – Writing Committee Updates	July-August 2028 – Writing Committee Updates
11. Final Amendments Review and Approval in Standards & Assessment	The Standards and Assessment Committee will review the amendments compiled from the Utah State Board Members with the writing committee rationale document and shall evaluate whether to review each or pass the amendments onto the full Board for review.	May 2028	September 2028
12. Final Amendments Review and Approval in Full Board	The full Board will review the amendments compiled from the Utah State Board Members in Step 10 and 11 and shall evaluate the proposed amendments to finalize the approval of the standards.	June 2028	October 2028
13. Report Implementation Plan and Provide Updates	Staff provides a written implementation plan. An update is included in the Superintendent’s Annual Report.	July 2028	November 2028

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