

# NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION NEWS RELEASE

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## NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SEEKS PUBLIC COMMENT ON STATE SCIENCE STANDARDS

In an effort to involve the public in the development of learning standards for Nebraska public school students, the Nebraska Department of Education is seeking comments from the public and educators on the revised state science standards. All comments may be entered through a web survey available between April 26 and May 10.

A draft of the revised Nebraska Science Standards and the survey are available at [www.education.ne.gov/science/documents/StandardsSurveyHomepage.html](http://www.education.ne.gov/science/documents/StandardsSurveyHomepage.html).

In addition to the draft science standards that state what students should know and be able to do at specific grade levels, the website includes the following:

- A video explaining the design format of the draft science standards.
- A power point that accompanies the explanatory video.
- A link to the survey for comments.

Individuals or groups may complete the survey. Individuals who do not have internet access may receive a hard copy of the survey by contacting: Donlynn Rice, Nebraska Department of Education, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE, 68509. All comments must be received by May 10.

The Nebraska State Board of Education and a committee editing the standards will consider comments submitted through the survey. Final approval of the revised science standards is tentatively scheduled for this fall.