

Iowa Core Literacy Standards Review Team Meeting
Fairmeadows Room
West Des Moines Learning Center
3550 Mills Civic Parkway
West Des Moines, IA 50265

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9:30-10:30 Guest Presenter David Chivers, President and Publisher, Des Moines Register
Topic: Digital Communications

Purpose: To arm team members with the information needed to ensure that the Iowa Literacy Standards prepare students with the digital communications skills needed in college and careers.

Discussion: What changes, if any, are needed to bring the language of the Iowa Literacy Standards up-to-date relative to digital communications?

11:30 Lunch

12:10 Issues with the English Language Arts Standards from the Literature

Purpose: To inform team members with the issues related to the Common Core in ELA identified through a review of literature

Jigsaw Reading and Gallery Walk:

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1:45	Iowa-Specific Standards Purpose: To review and revise the Iowa-specific standards Individual reflection and small group work
3:10	New glossary terms Purpose: To continue to expand our common vocabulary related to the Iowa Literacy Standards Group consensus
3:30	Dismiss