

A.C.A. § 6-15-404

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Title 6 Education  
Subtitle 2. Elementary And Secondary Education Generally  
Chapter 15 Educational Standards and Quality Generally  
Subchapter 4 Arkansas Comprehensive Testing, Assessment, and Accountability Program  
Act

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**6-15-404. Program implementation.**

**(a) (1)** The State Board of Education shall establish clear, specific, and challenging academic content standards which define what students shall know and be able to do in each content area.

**(2)** Instruction in all public schools shall be based on these academic content standards.

**(b)** The state board shall establish a schedule for periodic review and revision of academic content standards to ensure that Arkansas academic content standards are rigorous and equip students to compete in the global workforce.

**(c)** The state board shall include the following elements in the periodic review and revision of Arkansas academic content standards:

**(1)** External review by outside content standards experts;

**(2)** Review and input by higher education, workforce education, and community members;

**(3)** Study and consideration of academic content standards from across the nation and the international level as appropriate;

**(4)** Study and consideration of evaluation from national groups or organizations as appropriate;

**(5)** Revisions by committees of Arkansas teachers and instructional supervisor personnel from public schools, assisted by teachers from institutions of higher education; and

**(6)** Public dissemination of revised academic content standards at the state board meeting and Department of Education website.