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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Members of the State Board of Education

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SUBJECT: Social Studies Standard Setting

In 2012 the Oklahoma C3 Standards for Social Studies were approved, and this school year students have taken tests based on these new standards for the first time. These standards and assessments require that new Performance Level Descriptors (PLDs) are developed and new cut scores established for the grade 5 Social Studies, grade 8 Social Studies, and high school U.S. History exams.

This presentation will provide the Board with an overview of the process that will be used to create the PLDs and the Bookmark Standard Setting process that will establish the achievement that students will need to demonstrate to be placed in the *Advanced, Proficient, Limited Knowledge or Unsatisfactory* categories. The Board will be asked to approve a policy that would phase in the implementation of the new Social Studies cut scores across the assessments for the 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 school years.

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Attachments



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