

**North Dakota Social Studies Content Standards Writing Committee  
March 25-26, 2026  
Coteau Room, Bismarck State Capitol  
AGENDA**

**Day 1: March 25, 2026**

- 7:45 Registration and networking
- 8:00 Introductions
- 8:30 Introduction to standards development (D. Eldredge, NDDPI)
- 9:10 ND Social Studies requirements (D. Eldredge, NDDPI)
- 9:50 Break
- 10:05 ND Studies (Madison Milbrath, ND Historical Society)
- 10:50 Civics, Constitution, and Founding documents (Bryan Pechtl, ND Supreme Court, and Shannon Sorenson, NDDPI)
- 11:35 Lunch
- 12:20 Tribal History in ND (Lucy Frederick, NDDPI; Dr. Scott Simpson, BHSSC; Sharla Steever, BHSSC; and Sashay Schettler, NDDPI)
- 1:05 Key takeaways from presentations
- 1:35 Review and discuss North Dakota Learning Continuum section on Social Studies
- 2:00 Break
- 2:15 Review and discuss survey results
- 3:00 Read and discuss the Fordham Institute Review of the 2019 North Dakota Social Studies Content Standards
- 3:30 Review Characteristics of Well-written Standards and the AI Analysis of ND Social Studies Standards
- 4:00 Compare and reflect on the review information and survey results
- 4:30 Summary of Day 1, planning for Day 2
- 4:45 Adjourn

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### **Day 2 – March 26**

- 8:00 Network with colleagues
- 8:15 Welcome back and reflect on Day 1, announcements
- 8:30 Reflection on discussions and presentations from previous day; discuss implications for revising the standards
- 9:00 Group Discussion: Identify What Students Need to Know When They Enter Your Grade/ Course
- 9:45 Break
- 10:00 Review state and national standards
- 11:00 Share and discuss patterns and information learned from the standards review
- 11:30 Discuss connections between the presentations, discussions, standards review, survey results, and the analysis of the 2019 North Dakota Social Studies Content Standards
- 12:00 Lunch
- 12:45 Finalize paperwork and continue discussions
- 1:00 Superintendent Bachmeier's Welcome/Presentation
- 1:35 Reflection on the Superintendent's presentation
- 2:00 Break
- 2:15 Group discussion to set the focuses for the standards work
- 3:15 Discuss social studies practices/skills
- 4:15 Reflect on Day 2, plan for April meeting
- 4:30 Adjourn