

**You are invited** to join fellow stakeholders as SST-9 conducts a **Regional Focus Group** to collect feedback on the draft **Ohio Academic Content Standards- Extended (OACS-E)**; more commonly known as the Extended Standards.

**February 16th - 3:30 pm-5:30 pm**

**R.G. Drage Career Center** (sign-in will begin at 3:00)

**The content area of focus during this meeting will be English Language Arts**

**Registration is in STARS- please search the date: 02/16/12**

**Host: Region 9 State Support Team**

**(Should you need assistance with registration, please contact Sue**

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Background information: The extended standards help to ensure that students with significant cognitive disabilities are provided with multiple ways to learn and are given opportunities to demonstrate knowledge, while retaining the rigor and high expectations of the Ohio academic content standards. In June 2010, Ohio adopted the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) for English language arts and Mathematics as well as the Ohio Science and Social Studies revised standards. Recognizing the need to make the academic content standards accessible for all students, Ohio developed extensions to both the Common Core and Ohio revised standards.

ODE greatly values the input of Ohio's educators, as well as other stakeholders interested in this project.

The Ohio Academic Content Standards - Extended (OACS-E) have been posted. Please forward to all who might be interested in reviewing. Go to the ODE web page and click on *Students with Disabilities* under *Learning Supports* or follow the link below:

<http://www.ode.state.oh.us/GD/Templates/Pages/ODE/ODEDetail.aspx?page=3&TopicRelationID=967&ContentID=119791&Content=120508>

<https://owa.education.ohio.gov/owa/redir.aspx?C=26f83be6d70d465e975018d5273296a8&URL=http%3a%2f%2fwww.ode.state.oh.us%2fGD%2fTemplates%2fPages%2fODE%2fODEDetail.aspx%3fpage%3d3%26TopicRelationID%3d967%26ContentID%3d119791%26Content%3d120508>

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