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Statement of Support

The Council of State Science Supervisors (CSSS) expresses its full support for the Next Generation Science Standards.

The Council of State Science Supervisors is the only professional science organization whose members have direct accountability to the government agencies given the constitutional authority for education. Within their own jurisdictions, each of these supervisors plays a key role in directing effort at improving school science and to ensure excellence and equity in science education.

The Next Generation Science Standards mark a historic watershed moment for science education in the United States. CSSS recognizes that this new set of science standards, which are based upon years of research on teaching and learning, fully support the vision set forth by the National Research Council's *Framework for K-12 Science Education*. The standards provide a coherent integration of the Science and Engineering Practices, Disciplinary Core Ideas, and Cross Cutting Concepts and a platform for the development of aligned curricula, assessments, and instructional materials.

We believe that these standards provide all students with the skills and knowledge they need to make informed science and technical decisions about the world around them, and better prepare them for college and careers.

Sincerely,

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