



**The Catholic Diocese of Salt Lake City**  
**Statement of Support for the Common Core Standards**  
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The Catholic Schools in the Catholic Diocese of Salt Lake City support the Common Core Standards in Language Arts and Mathematics. The Catholic Schools recognize the need to raise the standards in these critical areas in order to prepare students for rigorous academic endeavors in post-secondary education and the workforce. Implementing the Common Core Standards ensures that students receive the same high quality education from school to school and state to state.

**The Standards are:**

- \*Researched based
- \*Clear, understandable and consistent
- \*Aligned with college and career expectations
- \*Based on rigorous content and application of knowledge through higher-order thinking skills
- \*Informed by other top performing countries in order to prepare all students for success in our global economy and society