Thank you for attending our ELA Webinar update on November 7th. Here’s a recap of the main points of the webinar and links to important information, documents and sites we discussed. Please be sure to share this with colleagues at your school who were unable to attend and spread the word about all of the great resources that will be available in January 2018!

The webinar began with sharing the Virtual Implementation Kit (VIK), where all of the resources that the Digital Support Writers created for the new standards will be housed. See the list of resources [here](http://elascos.ncdpi.wikispaces.net/Ways+to+Share+Information). The Instructional Practices materials and resources have been created and included in a [LiveBinder](http://www.livebinders.com/play/play?id=2212650) as well as in our [wiki](http://elascos.ncdpi.wikispaces.net/Instructional+Practices+Resources).

We mentioned the challenges in designing ELA aligned lessons and walked participants through an example of a standards-based lesson. Participants were shown how easily a standards-based lesson can be adapted to include a specific text. Click [here](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BzJLbX2Flui2M3Y5Z1QyMTNTZTA/view) to download the Lesson Plan template. Lesson design materials and resources are being refined and developed into a Canvas course.

Integrating the ELA standards effectively can often be a challenge. We provided strategies on how to integrate the standards effectively in a lesson, suggestions for using them in a PLC, and how to review and reflect on your lessons to ensure they are truly meeting the expectations of the standards chosen.

We offered a sneak peek of the format for the adopted 2017 standards. We shared information about the four guides that will be included in the VIK: a text selection guide; an independent sustained reading guide for K-5, 6-8 and 9-12; a the language continuum guide for K-5, 6-8, and 9-12; and a parent guide for each grade level. Click [here](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BzJLbX2Flui2c3V4THFsNVZHcDQ/view) to view an example of a Continuum Guide.

We also shared where to go to find more information about the major changes to the standards and the changes specific to your grade-band. Click on “[Learn more about the Changes](http://elascos.ncdpi.wikispaces.net/Adopted+2017+ELA+Standards)” icon to view screencasts on the changes by strands. Share this tinyurl with others interested in the changes: <http://tinyurl.com/y7jfklj2>

We ended the webinar by introducing 3 courses we have developed to support learning about and using the adopted 2017 ELA standards; an ELA SCoS Self-Study course, Designing Aligned Instruction course, and ELA Instructional Practices course. These courses will be available January 2018. Download or share this [infographic](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BzJLbX2Flui2MHYybnRhUHlKVnM/view) of the 3 courses and share it with colleagues.

Ways to stay up to date on everything NC ELA:

* NCDPI K-12 [ELA Wiki](http://elascos.ncdpi.wikispaces.net/HOME+ELA)
* Join our [Listserve](http://elascos.ncdpi.wikispaces.net/listjoin)
* Follow us on [Twitter](https://twitter.com/ncdpielateam) and/or [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/NCDPIELA)
* The [ELA SCOOP](http://elascos.ncdpi.wikispaces.net/The+SCOOP)

Click [here](http://elascos.ncdpi.wikispaces.net/Additional+Resources+for+the+Adopted+Standards) for the recorded November 7th webinar.

Please forward this email to colleagues!

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