In response to the “open comments” period for the ME DOE Science and Technology standards.

I am a Maine Science Teacher, with many years background as a working scientist. I currently teach science (Life, Physical, Earth) to grades 6-8 at the Peninsula School in Prospect Harbor.

My curriculum is based on the NGSS Standards. District wide our proficiency-based assessment system is set up to assess students in the NGSS Standards. That means that ALL teachers in our District who teach any science use these Standards.

The NGSS Standards are the “standard” (pardon the pun) in our professional field nationwide. The Standards are clear and relevant to preparing our students with a proficient background in all of the STEM areas. The Maine Learning Results are outdated and not aligned with current practices.

I would hope that Maine would (finally!) jump on board with adopting the NGSS standards as part of our Science and Technology education.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

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