**State’s Science Standards Face Changes**

By Joel Heimes

PIERRE — The state Board of Education that governs the South Dakota Office of Education will be asked Monday at its regular meeting to receive a presentation on a framework for Common Core standards. The Board will also consider adopting the standards for science and social studies next month.

The presentation will begin at 10 a.m. Monday, the state Office of Education said in a news release.

Each legislative attempt this year has failed to put the Common Core standards into practice in South Dakota, and the initiative should be adopted in South Dakota, according to Steven Wortmann, the assistant secretary for education and loan officer for the state’s Department of Education. Wortmann said in a news release.

The Board will make the final decision after reviewing the presentation, according to the state Office of Education.

**Milk Production For June Up 5 Percent**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture said Thursday that milk production in South Dakota increased 5 percent in June.

Milk production per cow averaged 1,825 pounds in June, compared with 1,730 pounds in May. June was the fifth consecutive month that milk production per cow increased.

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