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Standards Town Hall

The City of Cambridge is considering abandoning the Massachusetts defined standards in favor of locally controlled standards and assessment. You will form six groups (government/community, parents/students, teachers/administrators all both for and against) to debate this issue in Town Hall style.

Each group will have 5 minutes to present their case, followed by 5 minutes of Q&A from the town representatives and audience. At the end will be an additional 10 minutes of discussion. You should come to the debate equipped with evidence and reasons for your position. Reading some of the linked articles from the syllabus page will be a good place to start.

10 points for oral presentation and participation.