



A Special way of looking at Common Core Standards for Students with Disabilities

A Newsletter for Special Education Teachers Addressing Common Core Challenges
Educational Equity For All

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Common Core Standards

20 Instructional Strategies for Teaching the Common Core Standards

[Streaming Media from CTA Summer Institute](#)

Listen to keynote speaker Dr Marcia Tate speak about creating a "brain-compatible" environment and delivering a "brain-compatible" lesson.



NEA Common Core Standards Toolkit
Information compiled by
This toolkit provides general background and links to pertinent information about the CCSS, as well as practical assistance and planning.
<http://www.nea.org/home/ccss-toolkit.htm>



CCSS Video Series

View the Hunt Institute on YouTube

The Hunt Institute offers a wealth of video resources dedicated to getting educators up to speed with the Common Core Standards.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/TheHuntInstitute>



5 Ways to Implement CCSS Right

Plans must be fair to students and understandable to families. CCSS have the potential to offer every student, no matter where they live, the same high academic standards. However, proper implementation and the creation of fair, appropriate assessments is critical to success.

<http://www.cta.org/Issues-and-Action/Testing-and-Standards/Common-Core-State-Standards.aspx>

Math Supports and Strategies



Math Tutorials,
Worksheets,
Online Quizzes

<http://www.mrmaisonet.com/>



English Supports and Strategies Common Core in Action: 10 Visual Literacy Strategies

Visual literacy is a staple of 21st century skills, which state that learners must "demonstrate the ability to interpret, recognize, appreciate and understand information presented through visible actions, objects and symbols, natural or man-made." Putting aside the imperative to teach students how to create meaningful images, the ability to read images is reflected in the following standards.

Common Core State Standards (CCSS)

- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.7:** "Integrate visual information (e.g., in charts, graphs, photographs, videos or maps) with other information in print and digital texts."
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.CCRA.R.7:** "Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words."
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.CCRA.R.6:** "Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text."
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.CCRA.SL.1:** "Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively."
- National Council of Teachers of English Standards (NCTE)
- **Standard 1:** Students read a wide range of print and non-print texts.

<http://www.edutopia.org/blog/ccia-10-visual-literacy-strategies-todd-finley>

Universal Design for Learning



Universal Design for

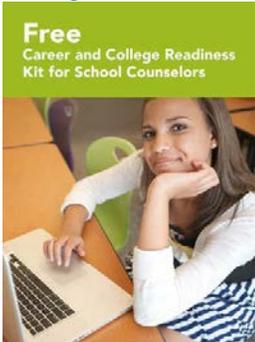
Learning (UDL) recognizes that every learner is unique and processes information differently.

UDL provides a framework to create and implement lessons with flexible goals, methods, materials, and assessments that support learning for all students. <http://lessonbuilder.cast.org/explore.php>

Common Core College and Career Readiness



College and Career Readiness Curriculum for School Counselors



In this free College and Career Readiness Kit, we offer a sampling of our school counseling resources, including:

1. Special introduction by Dr. Lawrence K. Jones, NCC
2. Choose a college major based on your personality: what does the research say? (*PDF eBook for students and parents*)

3. Personality-College Major Match™ and Student Success: Professionals' Guide (*PDF eBook for school counselors, teachers, administrators*)
4. Career Key Guide to Meeting ASCA National Standards Using the Career Key
5. Common Core State Standards: a challenge and opportunity for school counselors (*PDF eBook*)
6. ASCA and Common Core Standards Addressed in a Career Key Test Taking Scenario
7. Learning Activities Combining Common Core and ASCA National Standards

<https://www.careerkey.org/professional-resources/college-and-career-readiness-kit.html#.VrFZe7IrLnC>



Individual Educational Plan Connections

NASET's IEP Goals and Objectives with Common Core State Standards An Example Case John is a 6th grade boy who was recently evaluated for special education. His evaluation results indicated deficits in the following areas:

- 1- John has difficulty in learning how to gather and organize information for a report or an assignment in a clear and coherent manner.
- 2- John has difficulty planning, revising, and rewriting his assignments.
- 3- John has difficulty applying division and multiplication facts in order to solve fractions.
- 4- John has great difficulty understanding and integrating information in areas like science when it comes to charts and diagrams.
- 5- John has great difficulty and gets confused when determining the meaning from multiple meaning words and phrases.

[https://www.naset.org/fileadmin/user_upload/App-Stuff/An Example Case for IEP Goals and Objectives with Comm](https://www.naset.org/fileadmin/user_upload/App-Stuff/An_Example_Case_for_IEP_Goals_and_Objectives_with_Comm)

Websites And Resources

<http://achievethecore.org/page/969/instructional-practice-guide-list-pg>

<http://www.brookings.edu/research/papers/2015/05/14-chalkboard-common-core-instruction-loveless>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tBkQAx1JXA>

Professional Development

<http://www.cgcs.org/Page/345>

Mathematics Videos

From the Page to the Classroom: Implementing the Common Core State Standards in Mathematics

The CGCS-developed video "From the Page to the Classroom: Implementing the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) in Mathematics" provides the background of the CCSS, emphasizes the three instructional shifts inherent in the standards, and features Jason Zimba one of the lead writers of the Common Core. The video has start and stop points to allow for discussion to build a shared understanding of the shifts.

English Language Arts and Literacy Videos

From the Page to the Classroom: Implementing the Common Core State Standards- English Language Arts and Literacy

The CGCS-developed video "From the Page to the Classroom: Implementing the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) in English Language Arts and Literacy" provides the background of the CCSS and the three shifts that are inherent in these standards. David Coleman and others who helped develop the standards. The video includes New York City classroom footage taped by Lily Wong-Fillmore showing how ELL kindergarten students are engaged in reading and discussing ideas from complex text in English. The video has start and stop points to allow for discussion to build a shared understanding of the shifts.



Welcome to our Common Core website!

On this site you will find:

- Lesson videos illustrating the Common Core key shifts
- Videos of teachers discussing their lessons
- Editable lesson plans
- PD on assessing the quality of resources
- Links to great websites

There are new videos and lesson plans on our site!

- Math and ELA in Grades K-2
- Elementary and Middle School materials
- Expanded High School resources

<http://commoncore.americaachieves.org/>