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NEW SITE LAUNCHES TO HELP PARENTS HELP THEIR KIDS

www.DoYourHomeworkArizona.org

Phoenix, Arizona - Parents across Arizona now have a new tool when helping their elementary school students with math and English homework. The Web site www.DoYourHomeworkArizona.org was created by Stand for Children Arizona to assist parents with understanding Arizona's College and Career Ready Standards.

In 2010, Arizona adopted new, more rigorous academic standards to help prepare students for future success. Now that public schools across the state have aligned their teaching with these standards, many parents have found themselves struggling to understand the new approach.

As an organization that works with parents every day in Arizona schools, Stand understands that it is challenging for parents who were taught math and English in a different way to help their children understand approach concepts in a new way.

However, while the approach is new, it is not bad. In fact, a majority of Arizona teachers support it. The goal of these standards is to challenge our students to do more with what they learn. It's about teaching kids the "why" and not just the "how."

"Arizona parents help their children with a lot of things, but sometimes parents need help, too," stated Rebecca Gau, Executive Director for Stand for Children Arizona. "At Stand, we know that parents may also need some help with the how. We hope this site does just that and while it will not answer every question a parent might have, we hope it answers a few and helps ease some of the frustration that comes along with learning new things."

For information about the work of Stand for Children Arizona, visit www.stand.org/arizona.

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Stand for Children is a nonprofit advocacy organization that focuses on empowering and educating parents, teachers and community members to become active leaders who will serve as a voice for children at the state and local level. Our mission is simple: to ensure that all children, regardless of their background, graduate from high school prepared for, and with access to, a college education. For more information, visit www.stand.org/arizona or call 602-595-6944.