



# 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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## California Department of EDUCATION

### California Alternate Assessments

California's statewide alternate assessments for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities.

#### Administration of the CAAs

Each CAA is administered in a one-to-one setting by the student's teacher. Teachers and students have an opportunity to use the CAA training tests to gain experience with different types of questions and performance tasks. In January, new grade-specific practice tests will be available for ELA and mathematics which will allow teachers and students to become familiar with using the various embedded and non-embedded resources to establish the best possible setting for the student's testing experience.

#### Science Pilot Test

The CAA for Science pilot will be given to all eligible students in grades five and eight and once in high school. The new CAA for Science pilot test is a performance task assessment designed to be delivered in conjunction with an instructional activity. For this pilot test no student scores will be collected or reported.

#### Core Content Connectors

- [Connectors, Prioritized ELA CCCs, and Essential Understandings: Reading](#) (DOC)
- [Connectors, Prioritized ELA CCCs, and Essential Understandings: Writing](#) (DOC)
- [Connectors, Prioritized Mathematics CCCs, and Essential Understandings](#) (DOC)

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/altassessment.asp>

### Math Supports and Strategies



Get Personalized Learning Path Fit for Catching up, Enrichment or Regular Practice



<https://www.splashmath.com/?gclid=CKfvn5fFndECFZKBFgodQj4DSA>



### English Supports and Strategies



# StoryboardThat

Bring the world's best storyboard creator into your classroom!

From first grade to graduation, Storyboard That engages students with digital storytelling in the classroom.



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# Universal Design for Learning



CAST Professional Learning is committed to providing free UDL resources for educators, administrators, designers, parents and anyone and everyone who is passionate about UDL. See our resources below and check back often for updates!

## CAST Professional Learning's UDL Tips Series

- Top 10 UDL Tips for Developing Learning Goals
- Top 10 UDL Tips for Assessment
- Top 10 UDL Tips for Designing an Engaging Learning Environment
- Top 5 UDL Tips for Reducing Stereotype Threat
- Top 5 UDL Tips for Learning Environments

<http://castprofessionallearning.org/free-udl-resources-and-tips/>

## WEBSITES AND RESOURCES

- <http://www.mobymax.com/>
- <http://www.ncscpartners.org/Media/Default/PDFs/Resources/NCSCEBrief3.pdf>
- <https://goo.gl/Fd6pXH>
- <http://planbookedu.com/>

## Professional Development



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## Curriculum Areas

Professional development for teachers, principals, paraprofessionals, and other staff in selected curriculum areas.

## "SUPER SKILLS" OF THE 21ST CENTURY

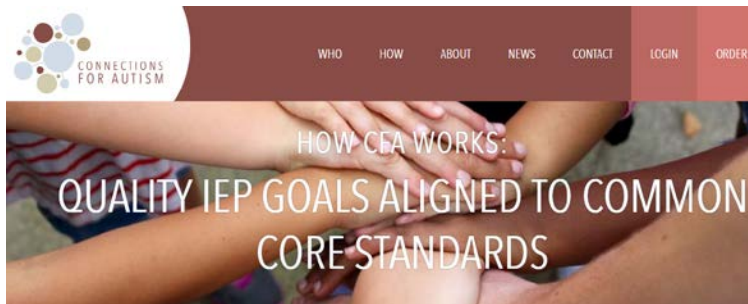
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7KMM387HNQk>



Today's students are moving beyond the basics and embracing the 4C's — "super skills" for the 21st century!



## Individual Educational Plan Connections



<http://www.connectionsforautism.com/how-cfa-works/quality-iep-goals-and-common-core-standards>

## English Language Arts

Resources for professional development to improve classroom instruction and to achieve educational excellence for transitional kindergarten through grade twelve students.

## History-Social Science

History-Social Science resources for administrators, educators, parents, and students.

## Mathematics

Resources and information for enhancing the content knowledge and teaching skills of classroom teachers and links to foundational documents which guide California's mathematics instruction.

## Physical Education

Physical Education resources for administrators, educators, parents and students on credentialing, physical education courses, exemptions and athletic insurance.

## Science

Resources and information for enhancing the content knowledge and teaching skills of classroom teachers and links to foundational documents which guide California's science instruction.

## Visual & Performing Arts

Guidance for implementing and improving visual and performing arts programs.

## World Language

Information that focuses on developing the highest levels of world language proficiency (also referred to as foreign language) in California students.

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/pd/ca/>