



The New Illinois Learning Standards

Incorporating the Common Core

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The Illinois State Board of Education adopted new Math and ELA standards for K-12 education aligned to college and career readiness.



Illinois State Board of Education

Agency Goal #1:

Every student will demonstrate academic achievement and be prepared for success after high school.



Why are a Common Set of Standards Important?

- **Preparation:** designed for students to be college and career ready upon completing secondary education.
- **Quality:** flexibility to teach standards in depth and across disciplines that can be tailored to fit the student's needs.
- **Skilled Workforce:** emphasize skills and application, in addition to content, to prepare students for the workforce.

Why are a Common Set of Standards Important?



- **Clarity:** designed to help teachers, students, and parents understand what is expected of them to be ready to enter the workforce or college
- **Consistency:** levels the playing field so all students will be held to the same rigorous expectations
- **Global Society:** internationally benchmarked to high performing countries

College and Career Readiness

- They demonstrate independence.
- They build strong content knowledge.
- They respond to varying demands of audience, task, purpose discipline.
- They comprehend as well as critique.
- They value evidence.
- They use technology and digital media strategically and capably.
- They come to understand other perspectives and cultures.



Overview of Math Standards

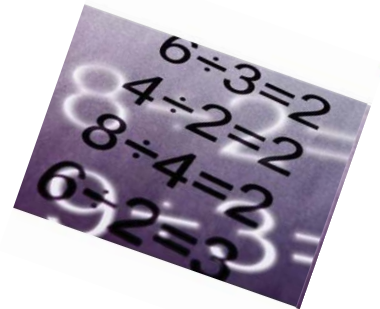


The K-8 Math Standards are organized by **Domain, Clusters, and Standards.**

- **Domain:** Overarching ideas that connect topics across the grade levels.
- **Clusters:** Demonstrate the grade by grade progression of task complexity.
- **Standards:** Define what a student should be able to know and do at that grade level.

Math Standards – Key Points

- Focus on numeracy in the early grades
- Basic algebraic readiness by eighth grade
- Geometric concepts in the middle grades
- Emphasis on solving real world problems
- No specific high school course sequence or structure recommended



CCSSO content analysis of the new common core standards



What about Assessment?

- There were no changes for 2011 Spring ISAT and PSAE assessments. There may be pilot questions in 2012.
- Illinois is a governing state in the 26 state PARCC (Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers) Consortium



Assessment System Design

- **More Meaningful Standards:** consistent across states, clear to the public and on track for college.
- **Higher Quality Tests:** assessments will include performance tasks to measure critical thinking, strategic problem solving, research and writing.
- **Through-Course Testing:** Students will take parts of the assessment at key times during the school year, closer to when they learn the material.



Assessment System Design

- **Maximize Technology:** PARCC assessments will be computer based.
- **Cross-State Comparability:** States in PARCC will adopt common assessments and common performance standards.

PARCC Timeline



What work is underway?

- ❖ Details regarding Assessment
- ❖ Teacher developed activities based on the Gap analysis
- ❖ Grade by grade report from gap analysis





Evolution not a revolution

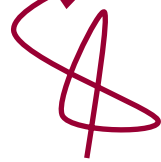
- The transition process begins with local review and discussion
- New assessment system in place 2014-2015.
- You need to get started sooner rather than later!



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