

STANDARDS-ALIGNED CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

ILLINOIS STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION WEBSITE RESOURCES

The following websites provide access to a wide range of resources related to the Illinois Learning Standards for K-12 students. These resources are just a sampling of the items available through the State Board of Education website to assist Illinois educators with the development and refinement of a standards-aligned curriculum.

These web-based resources have been identified to assist districts and schools with the development and implementation of a State standards-aligned curriculum, in addressing instructional practices, and assessing student learning.

Illinois Learning Standards: Linking Tools for Curriculum Development

http://www.isbe.net/ils/html/linking_tools.htm

Resource tool to help districts and schools compare and align the local curriculum content with the Illinois Learning Standards (ILS). Local goals should compare to State goals, the local outcomes should compare to the State standards (ILS), and the local objectives to the ILS benchmarks.

Illinois Assessment Frameworks

<http://www.isbe.net/assessment/IAFIndex.htm>

The frameworks clearly define the elements of the Illinois Learning Standards in the areas of reading, mathematics, writing, and science that are considered suitable for the Illinois state tests.

Teacher's Guide to Classroom Assessments

http://www.isbe.net/ils/html/teacher_guide.htm

Resource to help classroom teachers determine the local performance expectations for meeting the Illinois Learning Standards at each grade level, including the performance standards, assessments and evaluation procedures, rubrics, and sample student work.

Standards-Aligned Classroom Lesson Samples

http://standards.isbe.net/vision/standards/standards_search.asp

Resource to help classroom teachers at all grade levels design lessons that are aligned with the Illinois Learning Standards.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Standards-Alignment with Career and Technical Curriculum

http://www.isbe.net/ils/career_develop/cte.htm and <http://www.ilcte.org>

Resources to help educators align the Career and Technical curriculum in the areas of agriculture; business, marketing and management; family and consumer sciences, health occupations; and industrial technology with the Illinois Learning Standards.

Illinois State Assessments

<http://iirc.niu.edu/tests.aspx?tsource=about>

Information and resources regarding the content of the state assessments, including the Illinois Standards Achievement Test (ISAT), Prairie State Achievement Examination (PSAE), ACCESS for English Learners, Illinois Alternative Assessment (IAA), and the Illinois Grade 2 Assessment of Reading and Mathematics. The site provides information and resources for administrators, teachers, and parents.

NATIONAL RESOURCES

Assessment and Accountability

<http://www.aacompcenter.org/cs/aacc/print/htdocs/aacc/home.htm>

Resources and information to help districts and states develop, implement, and evaluate assessment and accountability systems based on status and growth; and to develop skills in using data, large-scale and formative assessments, and statewide data systems.

Innovation and Improvement

<http://www.centerii.org/>

Resources for innovation, such as parental options and parent choice, charter and magnet schools, and supplemental educational services (SES). Resources for school improvement, such as restructuring, statewide issues of support, and practices, policies, and components to successfully move schools forward.

Instruction

<http://www.centeroninstruction.org>

Resources and information on scientifically based research and practices for grades K-12 instruction in the subject areas of reading, mathematics, and science, with attention to the needs of special education students and English language learners (ELLs).

Teacher Quality

<http://www.tqsource.org/>

Resources and information relating to teacher preparation, recruitment and retention, and certification and licensure. This area also includes distribution of highly qualified teachers in at-risk and hard-to-staff schools.

High School

<http://www.betterhighschools.org/>

Information and resources in the areas of high school curriculum and instruction, transition into high school, graduation, dropout prevention, high school design and equity, and access to learning.

What Works Clearinghouse

<http://whatworks.ed.gov/>

Research results are provided for a variety of interventions including early reading and elementary and middle grades math to English Language Learners and others.