

## Math Standards

The K-5 standards provide students with a solid foundation in whole numbers, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions and decimals-which help young students build the foundation to successfully apply more demanding math concepts and procedures, and move into applications.

Having built a strong foundation K-5, students can do hands on learning in geometry, algebra and probability and statistics. Students who have completed 7th grade and mastered the content and skills through the 7th grade will be well-prepared for algebra in grade 8.

The high school standards set a rigorous definition of college and career readiness, by helping students develop a depth of understanding and ability to apply mathematics to novel situations, as college students and employees regularly do.

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## English Language Arts Standards

The CCSS for English/Language Arts is a culmination of an extended, broad-based effort to fulfill the charge issued by the states to create the next generation of K-12 standards in order to help ensure that all students are college and career ready in literacy no later than the end of high school.

These Standards set requirements in reading, writing and literacy, not only for English Language Arts (ELA), but also for literacy in history/social studies, science, and technical subjects. Just as students must learn to read, write, speak, listen and use language effectively in a variety of content areas, so too must the Standards specify the literacy skills and understanding required for college and career readiness in multiple disciplines

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## Common Core State Standards



## Parent Information



## Where can I get more information?

**The state website for common core can be located at:**

<http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=4754>

**You may also locate the national website at:**

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

## Strengths of the Common Core State Standards

1. Aligns with expectations for College and Career Readiness
2. Provides consistency from state to state
3. Includes both content and application knowledge through high-order skills
4. Addresses the math skills needed by students to succeed in the global economy and society
5. Includes fewer, clearer and superior standards to current ones



## Q & A

### How is instruction in my child's classroom going to change?

Teachers will be using a new set of standards that will direct instruction. This will guide the academic growth that is expected of students in each grade level.

### Will the expectations in the classroom change for my child?

Expectations of growth may have changed due to the changes in standards. Teachers will be diligent in making sure that students are prepared to progress to each grade level.

### When will the new standards start in my child's school?

Each district may have a different timeline for transition to the Common Core State Standards. Ask your child's administrator about your district transition timeline.

### How can I help my child?

Ask your child about what they are learning in school each day. Have regular conversations with your child's teacher about what you can work on at home to improve learning.