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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND KEY FINDINGS

INTRODUCTION

In this report, Hanover Research identifies and analyzes Common Core (CC) implementation tools available through national developers and vendors, as well as state departments of education. Nationally, various education initiatives, organizations, and vendors have developed guides, frameworks, templates, and resource repositories to assist with CC implementation. State departments of education also facilitate implementation of the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) through a distinct arsenal of CC-aligned tools. The remainder of this discussion proceeds in three sections:

- National Common Core Implementation Tools presents CC-aligned implementation tools in three categories: English language arts (ELA); mathematics; and ELA and mathematics. To the extent possible, Hanover Research provides details on each tool's developer and distributor, format and features, alignment with the CCSS, target student population(s), current usage, and cost. Information regarding the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation's tools, the Literacy Design Collaborative (LDC) and the Mathematics Design Collaborative (MDC), is included for comparative purposes.
- State Common Core Implementation Tools catalogues 16 state-developed sets of tools, including the nature of the resources provided, any efforts to "crosswalk" the CCSS with the state's prior standards, and any references to nationally-available CC-aligned implementation materials. We also indicate the first year of a state's full CCSS implementation, in an attempt to observe whether the availability of state-level resources changes as full implementation nears. We further note that many states that did *not* design "homegrown" CC implementation tools refer educators to CC-aligned resources developed by other organizations.
- Common Core Implementation Tool Matrices offers a series of tables summarizing key information on national and state CC-aligned implementation tools referenced in the previous two sections.

KEY FINDINGS

- Hanover Research identified a similar number of open source CC implementation tools developed and disseminated by national developers and state departments of education. Hanover Research found 18 major national, open source CC-aligned lesson planning and delivery tools in three categories: English language arts (ELA) (four tools); mathematics (seven tools); and ELA and mathematics (seven tools). Sixteen states have developed open source resources to assist educators with the implementation of the CCSS.
- Hanover Research identified 26 states that reference the LDC, making it the most frequently cited ELA-specific tool, and 25 states that reference the MDC, tying Inside Mathematics for the second most frequently cited mathematics-specific tool.

Overall, the most commonly cited CC implementation tools were the mathematics tool Illustrative Mathematics (referenced by 36 states) and the ELA and mathematics tool Student Achievement Partners Resources (also referenced by 36 states). Behind the LDC, the second most commonly cited ELA-specific tool was the Basal Alignment Project (12 states).

- Numerous developers, publishers, and vendors make a variety of non-open source CC implementation resources available to educators, albeit at a cost. Depending on the tool, non-open source resources are sold at the district, building, or teacher level.
- Most CC implementation tools support teachers working with the general student population. Fewer resources address the needs of special student populations (e.g., English language learners and students enrolled in career and technical education programs). Most tools offer at least some guidance for teachers of students at all levels (elementary, middle, and high school). In the case of non-open source tools, however, resources for different grade levels may need to be purchased separately.
- Limited information exists about the scale of current usage for most national CC implementation tools; however, 15 of the 16 states with "homegrown" CC implementation tools also refer educators to various nationally-available CC implementation tools. The national tools referenced most often by these states include: Student Achievement Partners Resources, Illustrative Mathematics, EQuIP/Tri-State Quality Review Rubrics, Model Content Frameworks (PARCC), and the LDC. States rarely direct educators to non-open source tools.
- None of the national open source CC implementation tools reviewed by Hanover Research have had their CCSS alignment verified by an independent third party. However, nearly all of the national open source tools reviewed provide at least some evidence of their alignment with the CCSS.
- "Crosswalk" tools represent a unique feature of state-developed CC implementation tools. "Crosswalks" demonstrate how the CCSS differ from previous state standards. By contextualizing the CCSS, "crosswalks" assist efforts to implement the CCSS in a local setting. At least nine of the 16 states with "homegrown" CC implementation tools also offer "crosswalks."
- Collaboration was a common theme across national and state open source CC implementation tools. Many of the national open source CC implementation tools were developed through collaborations of two or more organizations. State departments of education also demonstrated the spirit of collaboration by including references to national open source tools on agency websites. Some states (e.g., Illinois and Indiana) even relied on national open source resources such as PARCC's Model Content Frameworks to develop state model frameworks.

COMMON CORE IMPLEMENTATION TOOLS

NATIONAL COMMON CORE IMPLEMENTATION TOOLS

TARGET STUDENT POPULATIONS AND SUBJECTS

A majority of CC implementation tools target the general student population. With respect to special populations, we detected only two open source ELL resources (English Language Proficiency Development Framework and the Understanding Language Project) and two open source resources for career and technical education programs (CCSS-CTE Classroom Tasks and CCSS Transition Think Tank). Of the 18 open source CC implementation tools reviewed, 17 indicated the grade levels covered. Resources intended for students at all levels (elementary, middle, and high school) proved most common (nine tools), followed by resources for middle and high school students (six tools).¹ With respect to the subject(s) addressed, Hanover Research identified prominent open source CC implementation tools in three categories: ELA (four tools);² mathematics (seven tools);³ and ELA and mathematics (seven tools).⁴ The relative distribution of subject-specific open source CC implementation tools suggests a slightly higher concentration of mathematics resources.

CURRENT USAGE

Limited information exists about the scale of current usage for most CC implementation tools. Hanover Research derived indirect indicators of the dissemination of these resources through measures such as registered site users, number of state members, and evidence of formal teacher training.

CCSS ALIGNMENT

None of the reviewed open source implementation tools have had their alignment with the CCSS verified by an independent third party. However, nearly all of the open source CC implementation tools examined by Hanover Research provided at least some evidence of their alignment with the CCSS. In some cases, a well-known education organization (e.g., The Council of Chief State School Officers) has endorsed specific instruments or sites: EduCore, English Language Proficiency Development Framework, EQuIP, Model Content Frameworks (PARCC), Student Achievement Partners Resources, Understanding Language Project, Basal

¹ Two additional open source tools target a narrower range of grades: the Basal Alignment Project (grades 3-5 – elementary only) and the CCSS-CTE Classroom Tasks (high school only). The Understanding Language Project is currently targeting "several different grade spans," though the specific grades were not indicated on its website. See: "Understanding Language – Frequently Asked Questions." Stanford University. http://ell.stanford.edu/about/faq

² ELA-specific, open source tools include Anthology Alignment Project, Basal Alignment Project, LDC, and National Writing Project Resources.

³ Mathematics-specific open source tools include CCSS-CTE Classroom Tasks, CCSS Transition Think Tank, Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, Mathematics Common Core Toolbox, Mathematics Curriculum Materials Analysis Tools, and MDC.

⁴ ELA and mathematics combined open source tools include Curriculum Review Tools (AFT), EduCore, ELP Development Framework, EQuIP/ Tri-State Quality Review Rubrics, Model Content Frameworks (PARCC), Student Achievement Partners Resources, and Understanding Language Project.

Alignment Project, Literacy Design Collaborative (LDC), CCSS-CTE Classroom Tasks, CCSS Transition Think Tank, Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, and the Mathematics Common Core Toolbox. Yet, an opportunity clearly exists for the establishment of an explicit set of criteria to be applied to implementation tools to enable developers and users alike to assess the extent of their CCSS alignment accurately.

The following table details the rating system used to determine evidence of CCSS alignment along with the number of open source CC implementation tools reviewed by Hanover Research that received each rating.⁵ Hanover Research did not review the CCSS alignment of any non-open source implementation tools included in this report, due to a lack of available information and documentation.

RATING	DESCRIPTION	TOOLS
3	The developer of the CC implementation tool provides explicit details about its alignment process, including product formation and review.	13
2	The developer provides some evidence of alignment with the CCSS. However, it does not offer explicit details about the alignment process.	4
1	The tool appears widely-used or available. However, the developer does not provide any evidence of its alignment with the CCSS.	1

CCSS Alignment Evidence Scale for Open Source Tools

DEVELOPERS

Most of the open source CC implementation tools reviewed by Hanover Research were developed by collaborations involving two or more organizations. For example, Student Achievement Partners collaborated with the Council of the Great City Schools to launch both the Basal Alignment Project and the Anthology Alignment Project. Similarly, the National Writing Project, with its own set of initiatives, is also a member of the Literacy Design Collaborative (LDC).⁶

Hanover Research also identified numerous developers, publishers, and vendors of non-open source CC implementation tools (i.e., resources available for purchase). Vendors, in turn, often sell a large number and a wide range of implementation tools developed by third parties. For example, Teachers Pay Teachers, which allows users to sell instructional resources online, currently lists over 80,000 non-open source implementation tools associated with the CCSS.

The specific non-open source tools referenced in this report (see "Select Non-Open Source Common Core-Aligned Implementation Tools") represent only a small sample of those available nationwide. We identified major non-open source tools produced by non-profit and for-profit entities, as well as best-selling products available through multiple online vendors, including Teachers Pay Teachers, Lakeshore Learning Materials, Really Good Stuff, and

⁵ Hanover Research did not review evidence of CCSS alignment for non-open source CC implementation tools.

⁶ "What's happening around the NWP with the Common Core?" National Writing Project.

http://connect.nwp.org/lcc/p/7547

Amazon.com. While our sample demonstrates the diversity of non-open source tools available to educators, it is not intended to serve as a comprehensive or representative list.

STATE COMMON CORE IMPLEMENTATION TOOLS

PREVALENCE OF STATE-DEVELOPED CC IMPLEMENTATION TOOLS

As of January 2012, 17 states had completed plans for curriculum guides and instructional materials facilitating implementation of the CCSS.⁷ Meanwhile, in 18 states, such resources remained in development. Appendix C provides a comprehensive listing of states by CC-implementation planning status as of January 2012.

Hanover Research recently reviewed department of education websites for all signatories to the CCSS Initiative, including 45 states and the District of Columbia. As a result, we determined that 16 states had developed and distributed resources intended to facilitate CC implementation. At present, a majority of those states have yet to fully implement the CCSS. Nine states are scheduled for full implementation in 2013-2014, with an additional four states scheduled in 2014-2015. Only three states fully implemented the CCSS in 2012-2013.

CCSS ALIGNMENT

Several states, including Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois, and Missouri, offer curriculum frameworks and maps. Districts either use the resources as provided or adapt the resources to meet local needs. A few states, including Indiana, Massachusetts, New Jersey, and New York, remain in the process of either updating curriculum frameworks or subjecting such frameworks to field testing. Appendix D contains additional information about the CC alignment of various state-developed implementation tools.

CROSSWALK TOOLS

Nine of the 16 states with "homegrown" CC implementation tools also offer "crosswalks." "Crosswalks" demonstrate how the CCSS differ from previous state standards. For some states, such as Maryland and Missouri, "crosswalks" appear embedded within the actual model curriculum frameworks. For other states, however, "crosswalks" prove decidedly less formal. For example, the Ohio Department of Education cautions that the "crosswalk" is "[n]ot intended to be an exact match, rather to be used as a tool for orienting educators as they work on implementation."⁸

REFERENCES TO NATIONAL CC IMPLEMENTATION TOOLS

The frequency with which state departments of education and other state educational organizations reference a national CC implementation tool perhaps serves as an informal

⁷ Porter, W., et al. "Preparing for Change: A National Perspective on Common Core State Standards Implementation Planning." Education First and EPE Research Center, January 2012, p. 7. http://www.edweek.org/media/preparingforchange-17standards.pdf

⁸ "Ohio's New Learning Standards: K-12 English Arts Standards." Ohio Department of Education, Slide 28. http://education.ohio.gov/getattachment/Topics/Academic-Content-Standards/English/Website_ELA_Standards_10121-2.pptx.aspx

indicator of the tool's reputation. The following figure notes the national tools cited most often by departments of education and other education organizations, such as educator associations and professional development organizations, in states with and without "homegrown" CC implementation resources. Our review examined state educational agencies' and related organizations' websites, educator newsletters, and presentation materials for references to national CC implementation tools.

With the exception of Common Core 360, each of the tools presented in the following table is open source. Beyond the 16 open source tools listed below, we also searched for references to the CCSS Transition Think Tank (National Secondary Transition Technical Assistance Center) and the Curriculum Review Tools (American Federation of Teachers). However, we did not find any states referencing these tools in the materials we reviewed.

	NUMBER OF	References	TOTAL
NATIONAL TOOL	"Homegrown" CC	ALL OTHER CC	NUMBER OF
	STATES	STATES	REFERENCES
Illustrative Mathematics	12	24	36
Student Achievement Partners Resources	12	24	36
LDC	9	17	26
MDC/MAP*	8	17	25
Inside Mathematics	7	18	25
Model Content Frameworks	9	16	25
EQuIP/Tri-State Quality Review Rubrics**	10	11	21
Basal Alignment Project	5	7	12
EduCore	5	7	12
Mathematics Common Core Toolbox	4	7	11
National Writing Project Resources	2	8	10
Understanding Language Project	2	4	6
Mathematics Curriculum Materials Analysis Tools	2	4	6
Anthology Alignment Project	1	3	4
CCSS-CTE Classroom Tasks	2	1	3
Common Core 360 ⁹	0	1	1
ELP Development Framework	0	1	1

National CC-Aligned Implementation Tools Referenced by States

* Includes states citing the "MDC" or "MAP."

** Includes states citing the "Tri-State Quality Review Rubrics" or "EQuIP." See the following table, National Common Core-Aligned Implementation Tools, for additional detail.

COMMON CORE IMPLEMENTATION TOOL MATRICES

The first matrix displays information about nationally-available open source and non-open source CC implementation tools. The second matrix describes national non-open source tools in greater detail. The third matrix notes state-developed tools, and the fourth matrix catalogs references to national tools made by states without "homegrown" tools or resources.

⁹ The Kentucky DoE provides all classrooms with Common Core 360, the only non-open source tool we reviewed and referenced by a state. See: "How Kentucky Plans to Integrate Common Core Training." School Improvement Network. http://www.schoolimprovement.com/common-core-360/blog/How-Kentucky-Plans-to-Integrate-Common-Core-Training/

TOOL NAME	FEATURES	Indicators of Usage	Target Student Population	Delivery Format	Evidence of CCSS Alignment	Developer Name (and Type)	State References to Tool
	•	ELA AND MATH	HEMATICS IMPLEME	NTATION TOOLS			
Atomic TechCore ⁵	Professional development videos and workshops for teachers and classroom lessons to prepare students for CCSS technology demands	Unknown	K-12	Online, video	-	Atomic Learning (for-profit)	None
Common Core 360 ⁶	Implementation guidance, lesson plans, alignment tools, and community membership	Registered users (822,000)	K-12	Online, video, webinars, PDF	-	School Improvement Network (for-profit)	KY
Common Core Assessment and Remediation Tool ⁷	Assessments, instructional materials, and remediation tools	Unknown	K-8 ⁸	Online	-	Odysseyware (for-profit)	None
The Common Core Institute Products ⁹	Deconstructed standards, lesson planning tools, and curriculum building tools	Unknown	K-12	Online, PDF, print, interactive template	-	The Common Core Institute (partnership involving for- and non- profit organizations) ¹⁰	None
Common Core Standard Reference Kit ¹¹	Official and "kid-friendly" descriptions of the CCSS for reference and display	Unknown	K-5	Print	-	Edupress (publisher); Really Good Stuff (vendor)	None
The Complete Common Core State Standards Kit ¹²	CCSS display for the classroom	Unknown	K-5	Print	-	Carson-Dellosa Publishing (publisher); Really Good Stuff (vendor)	None
Curriculum Review Tools ¹³	Curriculum review tools in ELA and mathematics that align to CC as well as other key curricular standards	Registered users (1.5 million members)	K-12	PDF	1	AFT (labor union)	None
EduCore ¹⁴	Implementation resources including module examples, LDC modules and examples, and MAP lessons	Membership in ASCD (150,000 educators globally) ¹⁵	Middle and high school students	Online or PDF, webinar, web resources, videos	3**	ASCD*** (non-profit)	AZ, AR, CA, CT, IN, KS, MA, NV, NC, OR, UT, VT

National Common Core-Aligned Implementation Tools

TOOL NAME	Features	INDICATORS OF USAGE	Target Student Population	Delivery Format	Evidence of CCSS Alignment	Developer Name (and Type)	State References to Tool
ELP Development Framework ¹⁶	Implementation guide (framework, alignment protocol, sample models aligned to ELP framework)	Unknown	K-12 ELL students	PDF	3**	CCSSO (non-profit)	OR
EQuIP ¹⁷	Quality Review Rubrics and Response Forms	Cross-state EQuIP conventions (22)	Mathematics (K-12); ELA/Literacy (3-12); Draft ELA/Literacy (K-2)	PDF	2**	Achieve*** (non-profit; built on outcome of tri-state collaborative process with MA, NY, and RI)	AL, AZ, AR, CA, CT, DE, GA, IL, IA, MA, MI, NJ, NY, NC, NV, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, VT*
Model Content Frameworks ¹⁸	Model content frameworks	State network (22)	3-11	PDF, frameworks browser	3**	PARCC*** (non-profit)	AL, AZ, AR, DE, DC, FL, IL, IN, KY, LA, MD, MA, MS, NJ, NM, NY, ND, OH, OK, PA, RI, TN, WA, WI, WY
Next Navigator ¹⁹	Lesson and task alignment tools, as well as sample assessments and scoring guides	Unknown	K-12	Online	-	Successful Practices Network (non-profit)	None
Student Achievement Partners Resources ²⁰	Professional Development Modules for CC implementation, Publisher's Criteria for CCSS alignment, sample tasks, assessments, lessons, and alignment tools	Unknown	K-12	PDF, PowerPoint presentations, video, web resources	3**	Student Achievement Partners*** (non-profit)	AL, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, LA, ME, MA, MT, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OR, PA, RI, TN, UT, VT, WA, WV, WI, WY
Understanding Language Project ²¹	Units in ELA, mathematics, and science	Unknown	Several grades (expanding); ELL students	PDF	2**	Stanford University and other partners*** (nonprofit)	CA, FL, ME, NJ, NC, OR
		ELA	IMPLEMENTATION T	OOLS			
Anthology Alignment Project ²²	Revised lessons for nine common Anthologies (in development)	Unknown	6-10 Urban	Online library through Edmodo	3	CGCS and SAP*** (non-profit)	CA, HI, LA, MO
Basal Alignment Project ²³	Replacement lessons for Basal reading series/resource bank	Registered users (Over 10,000 educators) ²⁴	3-5 Urban	Online library through Edmodo	3**	CGCS and SAP*** (non-profit)	AL, CA, DE, DC, GA, HI, KS, ME, MO, MT, NY, ND

TOOL NAME	FEATURES	INDICATORS OF USAGE	Target Student Population	Delivery Format	EVIDENCE OF CCSS Alignment	Developer Name (and Type)	State References to Tool
CCSS Language Arts Literacy Assessments and Online Workbooks 25	Assessments and online workbooks	Unknown	3-8	Online, print	-	Lumos Learning (vendor)	None
Chit Chat Morning Messages ²⁶	Literacy activity packets	Up to 3,254 ratings per set	Pre-K-1	PDF	-	Deanna Jump (developer); Teachers Pay Teachers (vendor)	None
The Common Core Companion ²⁷	CCSS descriptions, lesson ideas, instructional techniques, student prompts	Amazon best seller in 'Curricula' ²⁸	6-12	Print	-	J. Burke and R. James (authors); Corwin Literacy (publisher); Amazon (vendor)	None
Common Core Comprehension Book ²⁹	Lessons, passages, text- dependent questions	Unknown	1-6	Print	-	Newmark Learning (publisher); Really Good Stuff (vendor)	None
The Common Core Guidebook ³⁰	CCSS instructional techniques	Amazon best seller in 'Curricula' ³¹	3-8	Print	-	R. Linder (author); The Literacy Initiative (publisher); Amazon (vendor)	None
Common Core Reproducible Comprehension Activities ³²	Reproducible activity books	Lakeshore Learning Materials best seller ³³	1-5	Print	-	Newmark Learning (publisher); Lakeshore Learning Materials (vendor)	None
The Common Core Lesson Book ³⁴	Description of the CCSS and instructional techniques	Amazon best seller in 'Educational Professional Development' ³⁵	K-5	Print	-	G. Owocki (author); Heinemann (publisher); Amazon (vendor)	None
Daily Comprehension Common Core Practice Journal ³⁶	Passages and comprehension activities	Lakeshore Learning Materials best seller ³⁷	1-5	Print	-	Lakeshore Learning Materials (publisher and vendor)	None
Language Arts 4 Today ³⁸	Activities, exercises, and assessments	Amazon best seller in 'Instruction Methods' ³⁹	K-5	Print	-	Carson-Dellosa Publishing (publisher); Amazon (vendor)	None

TOOL NAME	FEATURES	INDICATORS OF USAGE	Target Student Population	Delivery Format	EVIDENCE OF CCSS ALIGNMENT	Developer Name (and Type)	State References to Tool
Language Teaching Centers for Common Core Standards ⁴⁰	Lessons, writing prompts, and hands-on activities in five centers (foundational skills, language skills, reading informational text, reading literature, and writing)	Lakeshore Learning Materials best seller ⁴¹	K-1	Print	-	Lakeshore Learning Materials (publisher and vendor)	None
LDC ⁴²	Template-based approach (framework) with sample modules in: ELA; science and technical subjects; history and social studies	State network (about 25) Training (2,706 teachers in 19 states) ⁴³	Middle and high school students	PDF	3**	LDC*** (non-profit)	AR, CA, CO, CT, DE, FL, GA, ID, IL, IA, KY, LA, ME, MA, NV, NJ, NM, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, UT, VT, WA
National Writing Project Resources ⁴⁴	Teaching models for classroom teachers in writing instruction	193 national university sites, 100,000 teacher participants, 3,000 districts	6-12	Resources and online spaces	2	National Writing Project*** (non-profit)	AR, FL, ID, IN, KS, KY, NV, NC, RI, WI
Research & Respond Comprehension Center ⁴⁵	Interactive reading materials	Lakeshore Learning Materials best seller ⁴⁶	2-5	Print	-	Lakeshore Learning Materials (publisher and vendor)	None
The Wheatley Portfolio ⁴⁷	Unit sequences and text studies	Over 100,000 users	K-12	Online, print	-	Common Core, Inc.*** (non-profit)	None
		Матнема	TICS IMPLEMENTAT	ION TOOLS	ſ	1	
CCSS Math Assessments and Online Workbooks ⁴⁸	Assessments and online workbooks	Unknown	3-8	Online, print	-	Lumos Learning (vendor)	None
Common Core Math 4 Today ⁴⁹	Tasks and assessments	Amazon best seller in 'Instruction Methods' ⁵⁰	K-5	Print	-	E. McCarthy (author); Carson-Dellosa Publishing (publisher); Amazon (vendor)	None
Common Core Mathematics Book ⁵¹	Lessons, tasks, and assessments	Unknown	1-6	Print	-	Newmark Learning (publisher); Really Good Stuff (vendor)	None

TOOL NAME	Features	INDICATORS OF USAGE	Target Student Population	Delivery Format	EVIDENCE OF CCSS ALIGNMENT	Developer Name (and Type)	State References to Tool
Common Core Reproducible Math Activities ⁵²	Reproducible activity books	Lakeshore Learning Materials best seller ⁵³	1-5	Print	-	Newmark Learning (publisher); Lakeshore Learning Materials (vendor)	None
CCSS-CTE Classroom Tasks ⁵⁴	CCSS-CTE Classroom Tasks and Workshop Planning Tools	ADP state network (35)	High school CTE	PDF, video, webinar, PowerPoint	3**	Achieve and NASDCTEc (non-profit)	GA, IL, LA
CCSS Transition Think Tank ⁵⁵	Provides reviewer-approved lesson examples for each CC standard (not all standards yet represented)	Unknown	6-12; CTE Students	PDF	3**	NSTTAC (non-profit)	None
Eureka Math ⁵⁶	Modules, demonstration videos, tools for differentiating instruction	Unknown	Pre-K-12	Online, PDF, video	-	Common Core, Inc.*** (non-profit)	None
Illustrative Mathematics ⁵⁷	Illustrations, practice standards, content standards, and fractions progressions	Registered users (Nearly 8,000 in September 2012) ⁵⁸	K-12	PDF, interactive online tool	3**	Institute for Mathematics and Education (University of Arizona)*** (non- profit)	AL, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, HI, ID, IL, IN, IA, KS, LA, ME, MD, MA, MO, MT, NV, NH, NM, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, SC, TN, UT, VT, WA, WV, WI, WY
Inside Mathematics ⁵⁹	Mathematical Practice Standards videos, exemplary lesson videos, tasks and assessment resources	Unknown	K-12	PDF lessons, standards- correlated videos	2**	Noyce Foundation (non-profit)	AL, AZ, AR, CA, FL HI, ID, IA, KS, ME, MD, MA, MT, NV, NH, NY, NC, ND, OH, OR, PA, SC, UT, WA, WI
Interactive Math Journal ⁶⁰	Mathematics journal activities, checklists, reflection pieces, and assessment ideas	3,790 ratings	4-8	PDF	-	J. Runde (developer); Runde's Room Blog (publisher); Teachers Pay Teachers (vendor)	None

TOOL NAME	Features	INDICATORS OF USAGE	Target Student Population	Delivery Format	Evidence of CCSS Alignment	Developer Name (and Type)	State References to Tool
MDC ⁶¹ /MAP ⁶²	Formative Assessments Lessons (FALs), summative tasks and tests, and professional learning modules	Training (2,706 teachers in 18 states) ⁶³	Middle and high school students	Online, PDF, videos	3	MDC, University of California, Berkeley, and Shell Center for Mathematical Education (University of Nottingham)*** (non-profit)	MDC Only: CO, CT, FL, KY, NM, NC, OH**** MAP Only : AL, AZ, HI, ID, IA, KS, MS, MT, OR, PA, WI, WY**** MDC and MAP: AR, CA, GA, LA, MA, NV****
Mathematics Common Core Toolbox ⁶⁴	Teacher study materials and sample curriculum frameworks	Unknown	K-12	PDF	3**	Charles A. Dana Center (University of Texas at Austin) and Agile Mind, Inc.*** (partnership involving non- and for-profit organizations)	AZ, CA, IL, IA, KS, MT, NV, NY, TN, VT, WA
Mathematics Curriculum Materials Analysis Tools ⁶⁵	Mathematics Standards, Mathematics Practices, and Overarching Considerations (Equity, Formative Assessments, Technology), User's Guide	Piloted at three national locations	K-12	Word document, PowerPoint presentation	3	Committee of educators (on behalf of CCSSO and NCSM) (non-profit)	CA, DE, MA, NH, RI, SC
TenMarks ⁶⁶	Tools for practice, instruction, assessment, and intervention	Unknown	Elementary, middle, and high school students	Online, video	-	TenMarks Education, Inc. (for-profit)	None
Transition Tasks for Mathematics ⁶⁷	Task collection with implementation suggestions and strategies	Unknown	6-8	Print	-	Walch Education (publisher); Really Good Stuff (vendor)	None

*The 21 states listed as citing "EQuIP" reference either the Achieve EQuIP Quality Review Rubrics or the Tri-State Quality Review Rubrics. According to Achieve, "EQuIP builds on a collaborative effort of education leaders from Massachusetts, New York and Rhode Island that Achieve facilitated. The outcome of that effort was the development of the 'Tri-State Rubrics' and a quality review process designed to determine the quality and alignment of instructional lessons and units to the CCSS." Given EQuIP's grounding in the Tri-State Quality Review Rubrics, we include references to either tool in this cell.⁶⁸

**Denotes the CCSSO has endorsed this instrument in its "Common Core State Standards: Implementation Tools and Resources" guide⁶⁹

Denotes the organization received at least partial funding from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to support creation of its Common Core implementation tool *While MAP and MDC reflect the same tools, 19 states referenced either MAP or MDC, and six states referenced both MAP and MDC. ⁸ Odysseyware. Phone correspondence. 21 October 2013.

- ¹⁰ "About the Common Core Institute." The Common Core Institute. http://commoncoreinstitute.org/about.aspx
- ¹¹ "Search filter: 'Common Core Standard Reference Kit'." Published by Edupress. Sold through Really Good Stuff.

¹³ "Common Core State Standards." American Federation of Teachers. http://www.aft.org/issues/standards/nationalstandards/

¹⁴ "About the Common Core State Standards." EduCore. http://educore.ascd.org/channels/02d1bb32-0584-4323-908e-df822f4fc68f

¹⁵ "About ASCD and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation." EduCore. http://educore.ascd.org/resource/Content/8c4b3234-6861-407c-a0a0-08cf8302a212

¹⁶ "Framework for English Language Proficiency Development Standards corresponding to the Common Core State Standards and the Next Generation Science Standards."

Council of Chief State School Officers, 2012. http://www.ccsso.org/Documents/2012/ELPD%20Framework%20Booklet-Final%20for%20web.pdf

¹⁷ "Educators Evaluating Quality Instructional Products." Achieve. http://www.achieve.org/EQuIP

¹⁸ "PARCC Model Content Framework." Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers. http://www.parcconline.org/parcc-model-content-frameworks

¹⁹ [1] "Next Navigator." Successful Practices Network. http://nextnetwork.org/spn/page/Next-Navigator

[2] "How should teachers adapt instruction for the more rigorous Next Generation Assessments?" Scholastic Achievement Partners.

http://teacher.scholastic.com/products/scholastic-achievement-partners/next.htm

²⁰ "Steal These Tools." Student Achievement Partners. http://www.achievethecore.org/

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Organization/ Vendor	Product	TARGET STUDENT POPULATION	Delivery Format	UNIT OF SALE	Соѕт
	The Common Core Companion ⁷¹	6-12	Print	Per grade levels (6-8 and 9-12)	\$30.95
Amazon** ⁷⁰	The Common Core Guidebook ⁷²	3-8	Print	Per grade levels (3-5 and 6-8)	\$32.95
	Language Arts 4 Today ⁷³	K-5	Print	Per grade level unit	\$9.99
	The Common Core Lesson Book ⁷⁴	K-5	Print	Per unit	\$36.56
	Common Core Math 4 Today ⁷⁵	K-5	Print	Per grade level unit	\$9.99
Atomic Learning ⁷⁶	Atomic TechCore	К-12	Online, video	Per district or building ⁷⁷	Varies by site ⁷⁸
Common Core, Inc. ⁷⁹	The Wheatley Portfolio ⁸⁰	K-12	Online, print	Per unit or user	\$30.00 (one-year partial access) \$90.00 (one-year complete access) \$125.00 (lifetime partial access) \$375.00 (lifetime complete access) \$29.95 (per school-level volume)
	Eureka Math ⁸¹	Pre-K-12	Online	Per unit or user	\$150.00 (one-year partial access) \$275.00 (one-year complete access)
	Deconstructed Common Core State Standards ELA/Mathematics	K-12	PDF	Per building or user	\$2,000.00 (per building) \$100.00 (per user, per grade level)
	Deconstructed Common Core State Standards for BuildYourOwnCurriculum (BYOC)	K-12	Online	Per district	\$1,500.00
The Common Core Institute ⁸²	Expert Lesson Planning Tools	K-12	Interactive template	Per user	\$30.00 per user (51 or more users)
	Common Core Lesson Planner for Math & ELA	K-12	Print	Per unit	\$25.00 (with five quantity minimum)
	Benchmarks and Goals for Implementing Common Core Standards	K-12	Print	Per unit	\$20.00 (with five quantity minimum)
	Common Core Reproducible Comprehension Activities ⁸⁴	1-5	Print	Per grade level (1, 2, 3, 4, and 5)	\$19.99
	Common Core Reproducible Math Activities ⁸⁵	1-5	Print	Per grade level unit	\$19.99
Lakeshore Learning Materials** ⁸³	Daily Comprehension Common Core Practice Journal ⁸⁶	1-5	Print	Per unit or set	\$3.99 (per unit) \$37.50 (per set of 10)
	Language Teaching Centers for Common Core Standards ⁸⁷	K-1	Print	Per unit	\$139.00
	Research & Respond Comprehension Center ⁸⁸	2-5	Print	Per grade levels (2-3 and 4-5)	\$69.99

Select Non-Open Source Common Core-Aligned Implementation Tools

Organization/ Vendor	Product	TARGET STUDENT POPULATION	Delivery Format	UNIT OF SALE	Соѕт
Lumos Learning ⁸⁹	CCSS Language Arts Literacy Assessments and Online Workbooks ⁹⁰	3-8	Online, Print	Per grade level; per building or user	Varies by site
Lumos Learning	CCSS Math Assessments and Online Workbooks ⁹¹	3-8	Online, Print	Per grade level; per building or user	Varies by site
Odysseyware ⁹²	Common Core Assessment and Remediation Tool	K-8 ⁹³	Online	Per building	Varies by site
	Common Core Standard Reference Kit ⁹⁵	K-5	Print	Per grade level unit	\$39.92
	The Complete Common Core State Standards Kit ⁹⁶	K-5	Print	Per grade level unit	\$19.99
	Common Core Comprehension Book ⁹⁷	1-6	Print	Per grade level unit	\$19.99
Really Good Stuff ^{**⁹⁴}	Common Core Mathematics Book ⁹⁸	1-6	Print	Per grade level unit	\$19.99
	Transition Tasks for Mathematics ⁹⁹	6-8	Print	Per grade level unit	\$25.00 (grade 6) \$21.00 (grade 7) \$17.00 (grade 8)
School Improvement Network ¹⁰⁰	Common Core 360	K-12	Online, video, webinars, PDF	Per district, building, or user ¹⁰¹	Varies by site
Successful Practices Network ¹⁰²	Next Navigator	K-12	Online	Per building	Varies by site
Teachers Pay	Chit Chat Morning Messages ¹⁰⁴	Pre-K-1	PDF	Per user	\$8.00-\$9.00 per set
Teachers ^{**103}	Interactive Math Journal ¹⁰⁵	4-8	PDF	Per user	\$14.99
TenMarks Education, Inc. ^{*106}	TenMarks Premium	Elementary, middle, and high school	Online	Per student	\$20.00

*Denotes the provision of some resources at no cost

**Products listed for these vendors represent best-sellers or recommended selections, not a comprehensive listing of all CCSS implementation tools

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Arizona ¹⁰⁸	Educator Instructional Tool Box	Lessons/tasks and units (Also, references to materials developed by other states and districts: literacy content framework (Chicago Public Schools), curriculum map (Georgia DOE), curriculum map (Maryland DOE), curriculum development (Colorado DOE))	EduCore, EQuIP, Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, MAP, Model Content Frameworks, Student Achievement Partners Resources, Mathematics Common Core Toolbox	2013-2014	Ν
Colorado ¹⁰⁹	District Sample Curriculum Project	Non-content specific blank curriculum templates, content and grade-level blank curriculum templates, teacher-created curriculum samples, standards graphic organizers	Illustrative Mathematics, LDC, MDC, Student Achievement Partners Resources	2013-2014	Y
Connecticut ¹¹⁰	Units of Study	K-12 ELA and mathematics curriculum design unit planning organizer, unit correlation, pacing guides, sample lesson plans	EduCore, EQuIP, Illustrative Mathematics, LDC, MDC, Student Achievement Partners Resources	2013-2014	Ν
Delaware ¹¹¹	Curriculum Development Tools	Literacy concept organizers (reading and writing, history/social studies, science and technical subjects), mathematics learning progression organizer	Basal Alignment Project, Tri-State Quality Review Rubrics, Illustrative Mathematics, LDC, Mathematics Curriculum Materials Analysis Tools, Model Content Frameworks, Student Achievement Partners Resources	2012-2013	N
Georgia ¹¹²	Curriculum Maps and Planning Templates	K-12 ELA and mathematics curriculum maps and grade-level templates for lesson planning (four nine-week units)	Basal Alignment Project, CCSS-CTE Classroom Tasks, EQuIP, LDC, MAP, MDC**, Student Achievement Partners Resources	2012-2013	Y
Illinois ¹¹³	ELA Teaching and Learning Strategies; Mathematics Curriculum Model Units	For ELA (K-12): Suggested strategies/lessons and assessments for each grade-level standard; Not intended to be used as a model curriculum For mathematics (6-12): Curriculum units based on the PARCC Model Content Frameworks that districts may adopt or adapt	CCSS-CTE Classroom Tasks, EQuIP, Illustrative Mathematics, LDC, Mathematics Common Core Toolbox , Model Content Frameworks, Student Achievement Partners Resources	2013-2014	N
Indiana ¹¹⁴	Curriculum Maps	Teachers build their own curriculum using Indiana's curriculum-mapping templates and grade-level learning targets for ELA (K-9), mathematics (K-9), and science (K)	EduCore, Illustrative Mathematics, Model Content Frameworks, National Writing Project Resources, Student Achievement Partners Resources	2014-2015	Y
Maryland ¹¹⁵	Common Core Curriculum Frameworks	Frameworks for ELA (PK-12), mathematics (PK-12), literacy in history/social studies (6-12), literacy in science and technical Subjects (6-12), and braille	Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, Model Content Frameworks	2013-2014	Y

State Common Core-Aligned Implementation Tools

State	Τοοι	FEATURES	NATIONAL TOOLS REFERENCED*	FULL CCSS IMPLEMENTATION ¹⁰⁷	CROSSWALK DOCUMENTS
Massachusetts ¹¹⁶	Curriculum Frameworks, Units, and Templates	PK-12 curriculum frameworks for ELA and mathematics that incorporate the CCSS and additional state requirements with accompanying model curriculum units and templates	EduCore, Tri-State Quality Review Rubrics, Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, LDC, MAP, MDC**, Mathematics Curriculum Materials Analysis Tools, Model Content Frameworks, Student Achievement Partners Resources	2013-2014	Y
Missouri ¹¹⁷	Model Curriculum Units	K-12 ELA and mathematics units with instructional strategies and activities, supportive resources, and formative and summative assessments	Anthology Alignment Project, Basal Alignment Project, Illustrative Mathematics	2014-2015	Y
Montana ¹¹⁸	Curriculum Resources	For ELA: Unpacking standards, alignment guides and templates, gap analysis documents For mathematics: Grade-level suggested scope and sequence documents, units of study, pacing, lesson plans, other resources	Basal Alignment Project, Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, MAP, Mathematics Common Core Toolbox, Student Achievement Partners Resources	2013-2014	Ν
New Jersey ¹¹⁹	Model Curriculum	K-12 ELA and mathematics model curricula organized into five six-week units per grade; Units demonstrate student learning objectives and include formative assessments	Tri-State Quality Review Rubrics, LDC, Model Content Frameworks, Student Achievement Partners Resources, Understanding Language Project	2013-2014	Ν
New York ¹²⁰	Curriculum Maps and Modules	PK-12 curriculum maps and modules for mathematics and ELA	Basal Alignment Project, Tri-State Quality Review Rubrics, Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, Model Content Frameworks, Student Achievement Partners Resources, Mathematics Common Core Toolbox	2013-2014	Ν
North Carolina ¹²¹	Instructional Support Tools	Unpacking standards, ELA graphic organizers (e.g., argument, compare and contrast, dialectic response, inquiry, synthesizing, vocabulary), mathematics graphic organizers (e.g., number lines)	EduCore, Tri-State Quality Review Rubrics, Inside Mathematics, LDC, MDC, National Writing Project Resources, Student Achievement Partners Resources, Understanding Language Project	2012-2013	Y
Ohio ¹²²	Model Curriculum	K-12 ELA, mathematics, science, and social studies frameworks that provide instructional strategies and resources to help design CC-aligned lessons	Tri-State Quality Review Rubrics, Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, LDC, MDC, Model Content Frameworks	2014-2015	Y
South Dakota ¹²³	Standards Checklists	Checklists for standards review and lesson planning	None	2014-2015	Y

*Sites may list additional resources. These are strictly CC-aligned tools previously listed in the "National Common Core Implementation Tools" section.

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	Basal Alignment Project, Tri-State Quality Review Rubrics, Illustrative	INPLEMENTATION	DOCOMENTS	
Alabama ¹²¹	Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, MAP, Student Achievement	2013-2014	Y	
	Partners Resources, Model Content Frameworks	2013-2014	I	
	EduCore, Tri-State Quality Review Rubrics, Inside Mathematics, LDC,			
Arkansas ¹²²	MAP, MDC**, Model Content Frameworks, National Writing Project	2013-2014	Y	
AIKalisas		2013-2014	T	
	Resources Anthology Alignment Project, Basal Alignment Project, EduCore,			
	EQuIP, Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, LDC, MAP,			
California ¹²³	MDC**, Mathematics Curriculum Materials Analysis Tools, Student	2013-2014	Y	
California	Achievement Partners Resources, Mathematics Common Core	2013-2014	I	
District of	Toolbox, Understanding Language Project			
District of Columbia ¹²⁴	Basal Alignment Project, Illustrative Mathematics, Model Content	2012-2013	Y	
Columbia	Frameworks, Student Achievement Partners Resources			
Florida ¹²⁵	Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, LDC, MDC, Model	2014 2015	N	
Florida	Content Frameworks, National Writing Project Resources, Student	2014-2015	Ν	
	Achievement Partners Resources, Understanding Language Project			
126	Anthology Alignment Project, Basal Alignment Project, Illustrative		Y	
Hawaii ¹²⁶	Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, MAP, Student Achievement	Unknown		
	Partners Resources			
Idaho ¹²⁷	Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, LDC, MAP, National	2013-2014	N ¹²⁸	
	Writing Project Resources, Student Achievement Partners Resources			
. 129	Tri-State Quality Review Rubrics, Illustrative Mathematics, Inside	2011 2015	•	
lowa ¹²⁹	Mathematics, LDC, MAP, Mathematics Common Core Toolbox,	2014-2015	N	
	Student Achievement Partners Resources			
130	Basal Alignment Project, EduCore, Illustrative Mathematics, Inside			
Kansas ¹³⁰	Mathematics, MAP, Mathematics Common Core Toolbox, National	2013-2014	N	
	Writing Project Resources, Student Achievement Partners Resources			
Kentucky ¹³¹	Common Core 360, LDC, MDC, Model Content Frameworks, National	2011-2012	Y	
	Writing Project Resources			
132	Anthology Alignment Project, CCSS-CTE Classroom Tasks, Illustrative			
Louisiana ¹³²	Mathematics, LDC, MAP , MDC**, Model Content Frameworks,	2014-2015	N	
	Student Achievement Partners Resources			
122	Basal Alignment Project, Illustrative Mathematics, Inside			
Maine ¹³³	Mathematics, LDC, Student Achievement Partners Resources,	2012-2013	N	
13/	Understanding Language Project			
Michigan ¹³⁴	EQuIP	2012-2013	Y	
Mississippi ¹³⁵	MAP, Model Content Frameworks	2012-2013	Ν	
	EduCore, EQuIP, Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, LDC,			
Nevada ¹³⁶	Mathematics Common Core Toolbox, MAP, MDC**, National Writing	2015-2016	N	
	Project Resources, Student Achievement Partners Resources			
407	Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, Mathematics			
New Hampshire ¹³⁷	Curriculum Materials Analysis Tools, Student Achievement Partners	Unknown	Y	
	Resources			
New Mexico ¹³⁸	Illustrative Mathematics, LDC, MDC, Model Content Frameworks,	2014-2015	Y	
	Student Achievement Partners Resources	2017 2015		
North Dakota ¹³⁹	Basal Alignment Project, Inside Mathematics, LDC, Model Content	2013-2014	Y	
North Dakota	Frameworks, Student Achievement Partners Resources	2013-2014		

National Tools Referenced by States without "Homegrown" CC Implementation Tools

State	NATIONAL TOOLS REFERENCED*	FULL CCSS IMPLEMENTATION ¹²⁰	Crosswalk Documents
Oklahoma ¹⁴⁰	EQuIP, Illustrative Mathematics, LDC, Model Content Frameworks	2014-2015	Ν
Oregon ¹⁴¹	EduCore, ELP Development Framework, EQuIP, Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, LDC, MAP, Student Achievement Partners Resources, Understanding Language Project	2014-2015	Ν
Pennsylvania ¹⁴²	EQuIP, Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, LDC, MAP , Model Content Frameworks, Student Achievement Partners Resources	2013-2014	Ν
South Carolina ¹⁴³	Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, Mathematics Curriculum Materials Analysis Tools	2014-2015	Y
Rhode Island ¹⁴⁴	Tri-State Quality Review Rubrics, Mathematics Curriculum Materials Analysis Tool, Model Content Frameworks, National Writing Project Resources, Student Achievement Partners Resources	2015-2016	Ν
Tennessee ¹⁴⁵	Illustrative Mathematics, Model Content Frameworks, Student Achievement Partners Resources, Mathematics Common Core Toolbox	2014-2015	Y ¹⁴⁶
Utah ¹⁴⁷	EduCore, Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, LDC, Student Achievement Partners Resources	2014-2015	Ν
Vermont ¹⁴⁸	EduCore, EQuIP, Illustrative Mathematics, LDC, Mathematics Common Core Toolbox, Student Achievement Partners Resources	2013-2014	Ν
Washington ¹⁴⁹	Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, LDC, Mathematics Common Core Toolbox, Model Content Frameworks, Student Achievement Partners Resources	2013-2014	Y
West Virginia ¹⁵⁰	Illustrative Mathematics, Student Achievement Partners Resources	2014-2015	Ν
Wisconsin ¹⁵¹	Illustrative Mathematics, Inside Mathematics, MAP, National Writing Project Resources, Student Achievement Partners Resources, Model Content Frameworks	2013-2014	Y
Wyoming ¹⁵²	Illustrative Mathematics, MAP, Student Achievement Partners Resources, Model Content Frameworks	Unknown	Y

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APPENDICES

APPENDIX A: COMMON CORE ALIGNMENT – NATIONAL TOOLS

The following list provides further evidence in support of the CC-alignment ratings indicated in the "National Common Core-Aligned Implementation Tools" matrix above. Most descriptions are taken verbatim from the sources cited:

- Achieve: All of the tasks below were developed by high school and postsecondary mathematics and CTE educators, and validated by content experts in the Common Core State Standards in mathematics and the National Career Clusters Knowledge & Skills Statements. They were developed with the purpose of demonstrating how the Common Core and CTE Knowledge & Skills Statements can be integrated into classroom learning and to provide classroom teachers with a truly authentic task for either mathematics or CTE courses.⁵³
- Anthology Alignment Project: Hundreds of teachers worked collaboratively to develop these replacement materials, following deep training on the Common Core by Student Achievement Partners. Each lesson has been authored, edited, and reviewed by a team of teachers.⁵⁴
- Basal Alignment Project: Hundreds of teachers worked collaboratively to develop these replacement materials, following deep training on the Common Core by Student Achievement Partners. Each lesson has been authored, edited, and reviewed by a team of teachers.⁵⁵
- CCSS Transition Think Tank: We will have content experts review the submissions and update the examples at least monthly.⁵⁶
- EQuIP: EQuIP builds on a collaborative effort of education leaders from Massachusetts, New York and Rhode Island that Achieve facilitated. The outcome of that effort was the development of the "Tri-State Rubrics" and a quality review process designed to determine the quality and alignment of instructional lessons and units to the CCSS.⁵⁷
- Illustrative Mathematics: Each task undergoes a vigorous alignment process through multiple reviewers, some with expertise in Mathematics and others with expertise in classroom practices.⁵⁸ Reviewers are trained.⁵⁹

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- Mathematics Assessment Project (MAP): This set of tools is equivalent to that offered through the MDC.⁶⁰ As illustrated in the tables presented in this report, many states referenced either MAP or MDC, while a handful of states referenced both MAP and MDC. Hanover Research maintained these distinctions in the "State Common Core-Aligned Implementation Tools" and "National Tools Referenced by States without 'Homegrown' CC Implementation Tools" tables to reflect how states describe the tools.
- National Writing Project: Teams of teachers from local Writing Project sites throughout California and Massachusetts, as well as from the Louisville, Boise, and Oakland (MI) Writing Projects, are creating teaching tools for teachers in grades 6-12 across content areas. Over the next year, each Writing Project site will create a model for classroom teachers in writing instruction that will support students to achieve the outcomes of the Common Core Standards. To develop the models, the Writing Project teachers will be documenting their own work and their students' work. They will also develop a plan for feedback and revision of the work.⁶¹
- PARCC: The PARCC Model Content Frameworks were developed through a state-led process that included mathematics and ELA/literacy content experts in PARCC member states and members of the Common Core State Standards writing team. Although the primary purpose of the Model Content Frameworks is to provide a frame for the PARCC assessments, they also are voluntary resources to help educators and those developing curricula and instructional materials. Users are advised to have a copy of the Common Core State Standards available for use in conjunction with the Model Content Frameworks.⁶²
- Understanding Language Project: Our team is currently developing sets of teaching resources that exemplify high-quality instruction for ELLs across three content areas. The resources will correspond to the widely-adopted Common Core State Standards in English Language Arts and Mathematics and to the Next Generation Science Standards.⁶³

⁶⁰ As noted by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, "MAP" refers to the tools' website, while "MDC" refers to the collaboration.

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APPENDIX B: ABBREVIATIONS

- ADP: American Diploma Project
- **AFT:** American Federation of Teachers
- ASCD: Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development
- CC: Common Core
- CCSS: Common Core State Standards
- CCSSO: Council of Chief State School Officers
- CGCS: Council of the Great City Schools
- **CTE**: Career and technical education
- DOE: Department of Education
- ELA: English language arts
- ELL: English language learner
- **ELP**: English Language Proficiency
- EQuIP: Educators Evaluating the Quality of Instructional Products
- FiMC: First in Mathematics Consortium
- LCC: Literacy in the Common Core
- LDC: Literacy Design Collaborative
- MAP: Mathematics Assessment Project
- MDC: Mathematics Design Collaborative
- NASDCTEC: National Association of State Directors of Career Technical Education
- NCSM: National Council of Supervisors of Mathematics
- NSTTAC: National Secondary Transition Technical Assistance Center
- PARCC: Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers
- SAP: Student Achievement Partners
- SVMI: Noyce Foundation's Silicon Valley Mathematics Initiative

APPENDIX C: STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLANS

Status of CCSS Implementation Plans for Curriculum Guides or Instructional Materials, January 2012

Status	States	
Completed	California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Utah, West Virginia, Wisconsin	
In Development	Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Vermont	
No Planning Activity Reported	Arizona, District of Columbia, Kansas, Maine, Minnesota, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, South Dakota, Washington, Wyoming	
Not Available	Montana	
CCSS Not Adopted	Alaska, Nebraska, Texas, Virginia	

Source: Education First and EPE Research Center⁶⁴

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APPENDIX D: COMMON CORE ALIGNMENT – STATE-LEVEL TOOLS

The following list provides further evidence in support of the CC alignment of specific state implementation tools. All descriptions are taken verbatim from the sources cited.

- Arizona: Arizona resources have been created, revised and/or evaluated through committees using the EQuIP rubric.⁶⁵
- Colorado:
 - Creation (and refinement) of Colorado's district sample curriculum template To accomplish these aims, the content specialist team in the Office of Standards and Instructional Support consulted internationally respected concept-based curriculum developer Dr. Lynn Erickson. Working with Dr. Erickson, the team produced a template designed to address the requirements of the CAS and the needs of Colorado's districts/schools. Here is the current iteration of the template with explanations of its course-at-a-glance and unit overview sections. We also have a crosswalk document that compares template vocabulary with other popular curriculum frameworks. Continuous refinement of both the template and crosswalk will occur throughout the Sample Curriculum Project as the content specialists work with Colorado educators to create curriculum materials and processes that best support the implementation of the CAS.
 - Teacher-created curriculum samples: This fall, over 500 Colorado educators, representing 61 school districts, participated in curriculum design workshops that resulted in the creation of 670 curriculum samples based on the Colorado Academic Standards (CAS). Utilizing a Colorado-designed and refined template, the samples provide organizing structures for addressing the grade-level expectations (GLEs), evidence outcomes (Eos) and 21st Century Skills that build students' mastery of the standards at each grade level.⁶⁷
- Georgia: Frameworks are "models of instruction" designed to support teachers in the implementation of the Georgia Performance Standards (GPS). The Georgia Department of Education, Office of Standards, Instruction, and Assessment has provided an example of the Curriculum Map for each grade level and examples of Frameworks aligned with the GPS to illustrate what can be implemented within the grade level. School systems and teachers are free to use these models as is; modify them to better serve classroom needs; or create their own curriculum maps, units and tasks.⁶⁸
- Illinois: The curriculum units were created so districts may choose to adopt or adapt the models in lieu of developing their own mathematics curriculum. Twenty-four (24) middle and 28 high school unit outlines were developed in accordance with the information from the November 2012 PARCC Model Content Frameworks. Each middle school grade level and high school course contains a sequence of units designed to address all standards for that level in a cohesive manner.⁶⁹

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- Indiana (e.g., Kindergarten): This curriculum map includes the Common Core State Standards which have been deconstructed into learning targets and grouped into quarters to create a learning progression for the standards. Written by teams of kindergarten teachers and literacy specialists, the learning targets provide a shared meaning of what needs to be taught to meet the full expectations of each standard and the steps it will take to achieve the standard. This work was then reviewed by other state departments of education and the PARCC consortium to ensure that all states share the same definition of the standards.⁷⁰
- Maryland: Since the adoption of the standards, educators from around the state have met to determine the Essential Skills and Knowledge associated with these standards. The draft frameworks that follow are the result of this work. It is important to view these frameworks in color. The Common Core State Standards appear in black and the Essential Skills and Knowledge added by Maryland educators appear in red. These draft frameworks were introduced to teachers and administrators at the Educator Effectiveness Academies this past summer. Over the next several years, the Maryland Common Core State Curriculum will be developed by Maryland educators to support the implementation of these new standards.⁷¹
- Massachusetts: Through the Race to the Top Initiative, teams of educators from across the state will develop more than 100 pre-k to grade 12 model curriculum units in English language arts and literacy, history/social science, mathematics, and science and technology/engineering. Four of these draft model curriculum units are now released to the public and all districts for try-out and feedback...⁷²
- Missouri: These units were created by Missouri educators during late winter/early spring, 2012. Those teachers worked to create draft units as a basis for the curriculum. Each unit contains an alignment to the Missouri Learning Standards and to Grade-level and Course-level Expectations. Career and Technical Education units will contain alignment to national standards where appropriate. The units also include instructional strategies, instructional activities, supportive resources, and both formative and summative assessments. Use of the units during the 2012-13 school year by Missouri districts will be essentially a field test for the writers and Department content consultants. Feedback and suggested revisions and additions from those who use the units will enable the Department to approach the goal of a comprehensive document.⁷³

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- New Jersey: The work on the following pages has been the collaborative effort of the Department of Education with teachers, principals, district leaders, higher education faculty, and other experts in New Jersey and from around the country. We invite you to review the documents and look forward to your feedback both positive and constructive.⁷⁴
 - ELA: ELA writers have assembled units aligned to the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) in English Language Arts & Literacy in History/Social Studies, Science and Technical Subjects. They are presented here for your review and feedback and we look forward to your responses. The department will use your responses to inform the work as we continue to develop student learning objectives (SLOs) and assessments to measure those SLOs.⁷⁵
- Ohio: The Ohio Department of Education has worked with teams of teachers across Ohio to develop a model curriculum of teaching strategies and resources aligned to the College and Career Ready Standards. The State Board of Education adopted the model curriculum in March 2011.⁷⁶

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