Looking Ahead - AVID and the Common Core State Standards

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Content

• Overview of Common Core State Standards

• Connections between AVID and CCSS

• Implications as we move forward
My Journey with the Common Core

- “What’s this all about?”

- “Huh, this is pretty exciting!”

- “Stop the noise!”

- “I’m glad to be with all of you today!”

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The CCSS Initiative

Led by: National Governors Association and Council of Chief State School Officers

K-12 Learning Progressions developed

Multiple rounds of feedback from states, teachers, researchers and higher education

College and Career Readiness Standards (2009)

Final CCSS released June 2010

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Standards Adoption Status

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## Implementation Timeline (CA)

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<td><strong>Implementation of Common Core State Standards and Common Assessments</strong></td>
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Characteristics of the Common Core State Standards

- Fewer
- Focused/coherent
- Aligned with college and career expectations
- Rigorous/application of knowledge
- Built upon strengths and lessons from current standards
- Internationally benchmarked
- Researched Based

“What students should know and to be able to do”

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Importance

Equity

Competitiveness

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Key Considerations

**CCSS**
- Anchored in College and Career Readiness Standards
- Goals reflect C&CR and preparation to succeed in a global society

**AVI D**
- AVI D prepares students to be college ready
- AVI D’s mission: To close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society.

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Key Considerations cont.

**CCSS**
- Rigorous content requiring higher-order thinking and application of knowledge
- Internationally benchmarked

**AVID**
- Curriculum is based on rigorous standards and requires students to use higher level thinking skills throughout
- An international College Readiness System

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ELA Standards Organization

College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards (total of 32)

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Literacy Standards in History/Social Studies and Science and Technical Subjects

| Reading | Writing |

from Santa Clara County Office of Education, Curriculum and Instruction Department
Also...

Three Appendices

• **A**: Research and evidence; glossary

• **B**: Reading text exemplars; sample performance tasks

• **C**: Annotated student writing samples
K-12 standards

- Grade specific end-of-year expectations
- Developmentally appropriate/progression of skills
- One-to-one correspondence with CCR standards
**College and Career Readiness Standard for Writing #7**

Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects based on focused questions, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.

**Grade 1-** Participate in shared research and writing projects.

**Grade 4-** Conduct short research projects that build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic.

**Grade 7-** Conduct short research projects to answer a question, drawing on several sources and generating additional related, focused questions for further research and investigation.

**Grades 11/12-** Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.

**With a partner:**

Compare/contrast two standards.

Discuss the skills /PK involved.

What are the connections to AVID curriculum/strategies?
# Integrated Model of Literacy (Grade 7)

## Reading for Informational Text Standard 6

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<td>Determine an author’s point of view or purpose in a text and analyze how the author distinguishes his or her position from that of others.</td>
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<td>Identify aspects of a text that reveal an author’s point of view or purpose (e.g. loaded language, inclusion or avoidance of particular facts).</td>
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<td>Analyze the author’s purpose in providing an explanation, describing a procedure, or discussing an experiment in a text.</td>
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from SCCOE, C and I Department
Integrated Model of Literacy

Reading and writing are not the same in every content area, but always serve specific purposes.

Partner Talk:

• Discuss the specific types of reading and writing found in History/SS or Science courses.
• How does AVID assist students in these courses when they are being asked to read and write?

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Deep Reading Strategies

- Pre-Reading
- Marking the Text
- Charting the Text
- Writing in the Margins
- Organizing Information

Writing to Learn
- Writing Process
- Timed Writing
- Analyzing Prompts
- Expository Writing

Levels of Thinking
- Skilled Questioning
- Tutorials
- Socratic Seminar

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- Socratic Seminar
- Philosophical Chairs
- Peer Editing
- Focused Note Taking

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Areas of emphasis - Writing

**CCSS**
- Focus on writing arguments, explaining and conveying real and imagined events and drawing evidence from sources
- Research

**AVI D**
- Writing as a powerful tool to develop higher level thinking skills
- Writing for different purposes
- The writing process

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More Expository Writing

- Three mutually reinforcing writing capacities:
  - To persuade
  - To explain/inform
  - To convey real or imagined experience

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# Writing Standard Alignment

## CCSS

**College and Career Readiness Anchor Standards for Writing**

1. Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.

## AVI D

**High School Writing Teacher Guide**

Unit 7: Exploring Persuasive Writing

7.3: Argument

- 7.3b- A Look at Logical Reasoning
- 7.3c- Analyzing an Argument
- 7.3e- Traditional Pattern for Organizing the Argument (evidence)

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More Informational Reading

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Percentages do not imply that high school ELA teachers must teach 70% informational text; they demand instead that a great deal of reading should occur in other disciplines.

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Area of emphasis- Reading

CCSS
- Reading a broad range of high quality, increasingly challenging text
- Emphasize analysis of informational texts
- Focus on text complexity

AVI D
- Explicit instruction of deep reading strategies to improve literacy.
- Making meaning of complex, expository texts.

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Reading Standard Alignment

**CCSS**

College and Career Readiness Anchor Standard for Reading

#2 Determine central ideas of themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.

**AVI D**

Critical Reading: Deep Reading Strategies for Expository Texts Teacher’s Guide Grades 7-12

2.2 Predicting the main idea
4.3 Rereading: Clarifying and Summarizing
5.5 Marking the Text: non-fiction
8.2 Charting the Text: analyzing the micro-structure
10.1/10.2 Summarizing sections of an argument

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Area of emphasis - Speaking and Listening

CCSS
- Inclusion of formal and informal talk
- Rich, structured conversations with different audiences

AVI D
- Formal and informal speaking and listening opportunities including: Socratic Seminar, Philosophical Chairs, tutorials, speeches, presentations, poems

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Collaborative Conversations

Speaking and Listening Standard #1

Engage effectively in collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups and teacher-led) building on others’ ideas and expressing their own clearly.

a) Come prepared
b) Follow agreed-upon rules
c) Pose and respond to questions
d) Elaborate on the remarks of others
e) Review key ideas and draw conclusions

GRADE 5

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Collaboration Alignment

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<td><strong>Socratic Seminar</strong>-a structured discourse in which participants seek deeper understanding of complex ideas through thoughtful dialogue.</td>
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<td>#1 Prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, building on others’ ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.</td>
<td><strong>Before</strong>-Prepare by reading the text, marking the text, make connections.</td>
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<td><strong>During</strong>- ask questions, gain clarification, discuss ideas of the text, cite the text for evidence</td>
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<td><strong>After</strong>- reflect on the process as a group</td>
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Inquiry Alignment

**CCSS**

Higher Level thinking skills are found throughout the College and Career Readiness Standards

- Analyze appears 9 times
- Evaluate appears 4 times
- Reason appears 4 times
- Infer, Summarize, Apply, Reflect, Compare, Adapt

**AVI D**

The AVI D Tutorial

**Before tutorial**- Students engage in Pre-work using critical thinking skills and their Cornell Notes to determine their Point of Confusion in the form of a higher level question.

**During tutorial**- Students use questioning skills to assist the student presenter identify their background knowledge, process information and make connections and apply their knowledge.

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Inquiry is Found Throughout

Inquiry

- Writing
- Reading
- Collaboration

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Card Activity
College and Career Readiness Standards

Pair Up
Read the card given to you that states one of the C&CR standards

Think
• “Unpack” the standard (identify the tasks)
• What aspects of AVID support this standard?
• When and where would you see this standard practiced in college, careers, the real world?

Share/Listen
Take turns and share/discuss with your partner.

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AVID College Readiness: Working with Sources Grades 11-12

Essential Skill 2- Selective and Purpose-Driven Reading

Step 2: Consider the historical and rhetorical context for the texts.

C&CR standard #6- Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the context and style of a text.

Step 7: Increase your understanding of the reading.

C&CR standard #2- Determine central ideas or themes of a text and analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.

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Media and Technology

• Skills related to media use (both critical analysis and production of media) are integrated throughout the standards.

Grade level standard example:

Grades 9/10- Reading for Informational Text #7
Analyze various accounts of a subject told in different mediums (e.g., a person’s life story in both print and multimedia), determining which details are emphasized in each account.

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Co-Chairman-- CCSS Validation Committee

“Building on the Common Core” article Educational Leadership March 2011

“Reaching the Goal: The Applicability and Importance of the Common Core State Standards to College and Career Readiness” by (EPIC) October 2011

• Instructors in two- and four-year colleges and universities representing 1,897 courses rated the CCSS for applicability and importance to their courses

• 96% of instructors agreed the standards sufficiently challenged students for college level work

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The College Board

- Key partner in the process of designing the CCSS
- Endorsed the CCSS in June 2010
- Published alignment reports:
  1. on CCSS and the PSAT and SAT (Nov. 2010)
  2. on CCSS and AP courses (June 2011)
Common Assessments

**PARCC**
Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers

- Measure mastery of CCSS
- Taken on computer/mixed items
- Constructive response and Performance tasks
- Interim and Summative assessments
- Timely scores

**SMARTER Balanced**
SMARTER Balanced Assessment Consortium
What tools would an 11th grade AVID student have when approaching and completing these tasks successfully?

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You may work in small groups to study and discuss a common set of texts, but you must complete the written portions of the task individually.

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## Task Overview

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Design of Mathematics Standards

Mathematical Practices (8)
- Behaviors exhibited by successful mathematics students
- Conley’s Key Cognitive Strategies

K-12 Standards for Mathematical Content
- Organized by domains (K-8)
- Balance of conceptual understanding and procedural skills

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Mathematical Practices and the AVI D Tutorial

**MP #1**
Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.

**MP #6**
Attend to precision

**Tutorial**
Pre-work on TRF
Arriving at a solution with help of tutor and group members

**Tutorial**
Communication of student presenter
Use of resources

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Math Course Pathways
CCSS for Mathematics: Appendix A

**Traditional**
- Algebra I
- Geometry
- Algebra II

**Integrated**
- Mathematics I
- Mathematics II
- Mathematics III

Each course includes number, algebra, geometry, probability and statistics

Courses in higher level mathematics: Pre-Calculus, Calculus, Advanced Statistics, Discrete Mathematics, Advanced Quantitative Reasoning

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Implications for AVID
Teacher Level

- Awareness/transition/implementation
- Adjustment to instruction
- AVI D teachers- see connections to CCSS and what they are teaching in AVI D/level of rigor
- Greater opportunities for collaboration/leadership

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Site Team Level

- Stronger collaboration and school-wide implementation around writing and reading—more Level 3 (Institutional) scores on CSS indicators
- Opportunity to expand AVI D by sharing knowledge and practices from those who have been Path trained

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School Site and District Level

- AVID Site Team as models/leaders/resources in the transition and implementation of the CCSS
- Use alignment/correlations with CCSS to promote AVID
- Leverage AVID as the academic elective that supports CCSS

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Region and State

- Opportunities to join colleagues in providing Professional Development
- Encourage AVID growth in districts
- Collaboration with other college/career readiness programs/Career Technical Ed
- Highlight Path trainings and Writing and Critical Reading strands as beneficial to teachers as they approach the CCSS
- Promotion of AVID as a system of strategies that support the CCSS

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Reality Check

• Mastery of the Common Core State Standards does not make a college ready student make.

• Challenges—fiscal, technical, curricular, philosophical
Going forward

These standards are not intended to be new names for old ways of doing business. They are a call to take the next step. It is time for states to work together to build on lessons learned from two decades of standards based reforms. It is time to recognize that standards are not just promises to our children, but promises we intend to keep.

From CCSSO and NGA webinar- June 2010
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Thank you for your presence and participation!

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