



Standards and Curriculum

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Aiken County Curriculum

- Virtual collection of materials
- Created by Aiken County teachers
- Addresses the Common Core Standards
- Continual review and adjustment based on the needs of Aiken County students
- Evidenced-based best teaching practices



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- Yearly Overviews
- Pacing Guides
- Priority and supporting standards
- Unit Organizers
- Vertical alignment of priority standards
- Formative Assessments
- Model Lessons
- Links to resources



What's Next?

- South Carolina's standards for ELA and math are Common Core State Standards.
- Aiken County will be in the final year of our four-year plan to implement our new standards and curriculum.
- Our expectations have not changed – Our teachers will be implementing Aiken County's standards-based curriculum.



Time Line

2011-12	2012-2013	2013-2014	2014-2015
<p>K & 1st Implement Common Core 100%</p>	<p>100% Pre-K-12 ELA Common Core Implementation</p> <p>100% ELA Standards for Literacy in History/Social Studies, Science, and Technical Subjects Implementation 6-12</p> <p>100% K-7 Math Common Core Implementation</p>	<p>100% Pre-K-8 Math Common Core Implementation</p> <p>Grades 9-12 SC Academic Math Standards</p>	<p>100% Pre-K-12 Common Core Implementation</p> <p><i>SC College and Career Ready Standards</i></p>
<p>District Curriculum Specialists and teachers begin development of a district wide curriculum.</p>	<p>Continue building district curriculum. **</p>	<p>Continue building district curriculum. **</p>	<p>Continue building and revising district curriculum</p>
<p>District-wide Early Release professional development centered on Common Core begins.</p>	<p>District-wide professional development continues.</p>	<p>District-wide professional development continues.</p>	<p>District-wide professional development continues</p>



What's Next?

- The current standards will be reviewed beginning no later than January 2015, with new standards in place for the 2015-16 school year.
- *“[A] task force of parents, business and industry persons, community leaders, and educators, to include special education teachers, shall examine the standards and assessment system to determine rigor and relevancy.”*
- Current time line has standards complete and approved by March 2015.



What's Next?

- We will provide teachers and administrators with professional development on the curriculum, formative assessment, and data-based decision making.
- South Carolina will contract with an assessment developer for an accountability test. (No later than September 30, 2014)
- We will provide teachers with training and support for whatever that test might be.



Professional Development

- Formative assessment
- Instructional practices
- Instructional content
- Instructional technology
- STEM
- Administrator professional development
- HSTW and MMGW



Support

- Highly skilled teachers
- Principals and academic officers
- District staff
- Conference opportunities
- MAP and other formative assessment options
- Early release
- Contracted support



Questions?

