

# Common Core State Standards



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# Why are the CCSS important to the NEA?

We believe that this initiative is a critical step in state efforts to provide every student with a comprehensive, content rich education. These standards can support the collaboration across states and stakeholders in providing programs, resources and policies that will help overcome the weaknesses and inequities in our schools today.”

— Dennis Van Roekel, NEA President



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Ensuring Success for Every Student  
Through Great Public Schools

# Raise Your Hand:

*Ensuring Success for Every Student  
Through Great Public Schools*

1. Successful Students
2. Accomplished Professionals
3. Empowered Leaders
4. Dynamic Collaboration

# Be Informed, Engaged and “Demand a Plan”

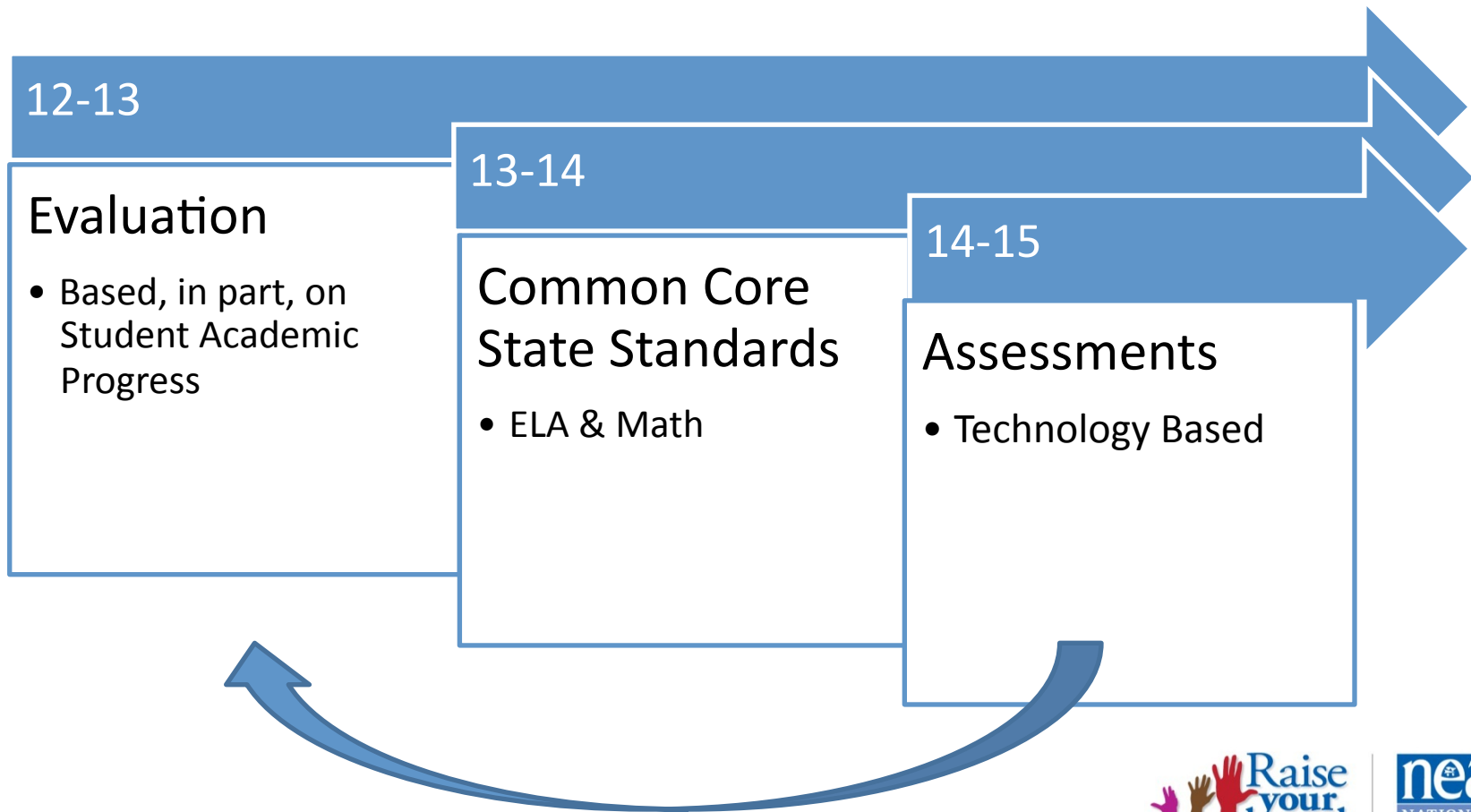
- ✓ Focus on Solutions for Kids
- ✓ Ensure Equity of Opportunity
- ✓ Ensure High Standards with  
Common-Sense Accountability

*“Let’s get this right”*



# Alignment for High Stakes Decisions

(for students, teachers & schools)



# Greatest Implementation Challenge

## Time

To learn, collaborate, plan & prepare

To revise & align curriculum,

To develop/modify materials

*“The best time to plant a shade tree was 20 years ago...”*



# ESP Recommendations:

1. All education staff need to be included in the CCSS training

Basic Understanding

Identified Role in Implementation

2. Get involved

Part of the School Community





# NEA in Partnership

- NNSTOY – Ignite Show
- Better Lesson – Master Teacher Program, Sample Lessons, Gates
- Teaching Channel – Videos
- TeachPlus – Assessment Advisor, Fellows
- Helmsley – Student Achievement Partners



# Resources

[www.nea.org/commoncore](http://www.nea.org/commoncore)

Toolkit, Parent Guides, Videos, Poll Results, Articles



[www.gpsnetwork.org](http://www.gpsnetwork.org)

[www.achievethecore.org](http://www.achievethecore.org)

“Steal These Tools”



# Thank you

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# The CCSS to College and Career Ready

## Common Core State Standards Video

