



Resources for Engaging Parents and the Public about Common Core

- **Common Core State Standards Initiative**
(<http://www.corestandards.org>)
CoreStandards.org is the official website for the Common Core State Standards. The site includes general information, resources, and news on the CCSS.
- **The Common Core State Standards: An Introduction for Families and Other Stakeholders**
(<http://www.aspeninstitute.org/publications/common-core-state-standards-introduction-families-other-stakeholders>)
This two-page flyer—available in both English and Spanish—was developed by the Aspen Institute to explain what the CCSS are and why they are important for improving public education.
- **Council of the Great City Schools Three-Minute Videos**
(<http://www.commoncoreworks.org/domain/157>)
The Council of the Great City Schools developed a three-minute video—available in English and Spanish—that gives a brief introduction to the CCSS and explains how the standards will help students prepare for college and careers. The style and accessible language make these videos well suited for presentations to community and parent groups.
- **Common Core State Standards Videos by the James B. Hunt, Jr. Institute for Educational Leadership and Policy and the Council of Chief State School Officers**
(http://www.ccsso.org/Resources/Digital_Resources/Common_Core_Implementation_Video_Series.html)
The Hunt Institute and the Council of Chief State School Officers developed this series of videos featuring the authors of the standards discussing the development process and how the standards impact students.
- **Council of the Great City Schools Parent Roadmaps for English Language Arts and Literacy and for Mathematics**
(<http://www.commoncoreworks.org/domain/114>; <http://www.commoncoreworks.org/domain/149>)
The Council of the Great City Schools developed parent roadmaps that provide grade-by-grade information for parents about the expectations of the CCSS, including examples of topics and content at each grade level and tips on supporting learning at home.
- **PTA Parents' Guide to Student Success**
(<http://pta.org/parents/content.cfm?ItemNumber=2583>)
The National PTA created guides in English and Spanish for grades K-12 to inform parents about the CCSS and support their children's success. The guides outline the key concepts that students should be learning in each grade in English language arts/literacy and mathematics, methods for building relationships with teachers, and tips for planning for college and careers.
- **The Foundation for Excellence in Education and the Fordham Institute**

<http://highercorestandards.org/>.

The Foundation for Excellence in Education and the Fordham Institute launched a new website on the Common Core State Standards (CCSS), which highlights support from prominent conservative leaders. You can view the website here: