Common Core Connections:

Schools & Libraries = Successful Partnerships

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Common Core: what is it?
Common Core State Standards

Implementing the Common Core State Standards

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The National Governors Association (NGA) and the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) oversaw the development of the standards. They are not mandated or written by the federal government.

Internationally benchmarked K-12 educational standards to ensure every student’s college and career readiness in English language arts and mathematics.

Increase rigor in every school, and provide clarity and consistency

Common Core Frequently Asked Questions
Six Key Instructional Shifts

- vocabulary
- nonfiction materials
- text complexity
- literacy across content areas
- increased rigor
- producing evidence vs. opinion

Common Core Confusion

States choose CCSS voluntarily

Common Core State Standards
NECAP out, Smarter Balanced in

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College and Career Ready

- Demonstrate independence
- Build strong content knowledge
- Respond to varying demands of audience, task, purpose, discipline
- Comprehend as well as critique
- Value evidence
- Use technology and digital media strategically and capably
- Come to understand other perspectives and cultures
- Read and write across the curriculum
Genre Breakout

To build a foundation for college and career readiness, students must read widely and deeply from among a broad range of high-quality, increasingly challenging literary and informational texts.

Elementary School: 50% nonfiction

Middle School: 55% nonfiction

High School: 70% nonfiction
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Could you use it in an incomplete sentence please?

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Text Complexity

(1) **Qualitative** dimensions of text complexity: levels of meaning or purpose, structure, language conventionality, knowledge demands (best measured by a human reader).

(2) **Quantitative** dimensions of text complexity: word length or frequency, sentence length, text cohesion (best measured by computer software).

(3) **Reader and task considerations**: specific to the student and the task (motivation, knowledge, experiences, purpose, complexity of task, questions posed, best assessed by teachers)

http://www.corestandards.org/assets/Appendix_A.pdf
Writing

1. Argument

2. Informational/Explanatory

3. Narrative
CCSS = A Librarian’s Dream

**CCW11-12.1.a** Introduce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence. **CCW11-12.8** Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the strengths and limitations of each source in terms of the task, purpose, and audience; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and overreliance on any one source and following a standard format for citation.

**CCSL11-12.2** Integrate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) in order to make informed decisions and solve problems, evaluating the credibility and accuracy of each source and noting any discrepancies among the data.

**CCRH11-12.7** Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., visually, quantitatively, as well as in words) in order to address a question or solve a problem.
How can we collaborate?

- Library cards K-12, interlibrary loan, **Overdrive**
- Database instruction, citation, primary sources, and local collections assistance
- Summer/advance reading/literary canon copies
- **↑**nonfiction in story hour, **use interactive read-alouds**
- Coordinate purchases with schools (title swaps, book clubs, required assignments)
- Add Common Core and Lexile to your marc records
- Nonfiction and fiction author visits and companion texts
- Recommend books by text complexity, various versions
- Homework alerts from the school
- Reserve some computers for student use after school
- Joint public library/schools early literacy projects
How Can Public Libraries Foster Literacy?

- Classroom visits to the public library
- Librarians attending information nights at the schools
- Librarians visiting schools
- Collaboration between library and schools to work on common projects
Finding Common Core Resources

- Common Core Appendix B (exemplars, read-alouds, Children’s Literature Comprehensive Database
- Scoop It: Common Core or Pam’s Scoop.it
- NCTE Orbis Picturs
- Horn Book Stars
- Robert F. Sibert Informational Book Medal
- NCSS Notable Social Studies Trade Books FYP
- NSTA Outstanding Science Trade Books
- Ink Think Tank/Authors on Call
- Yalsa Award for Excellence in Nonfiction
- Cooperative Library Instruction Project
Additional Resources

- Scholastic Common Core Lists
- Candlewick Press
- School Library Journal Outstanding Nonfiction Books
- Diamond Graphic Novel Common Core list
- Blogs: The Uncommon Core - Marc Aronson
- Pinterest
- Novelist Plus Common Core Lists (upgrade)
- LiveBinders.com and LibGuides.com
- iSail
- ALA -ALSC Common Core Resources

Thank you
for helping our students go off the deep end!