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Why is standards alignment so critical?

- It is an **OBJECTIVE** method of teaching
- Keeps standards at the core of all planning and instruction
- Provides continuity K-12
- Makes instruction meaningful and purposeful
- Supports appropriate pacing of instruction
- Works hand in hand with systematic collaboration
- Breaks planning and implementation of standards manageable pieces

Defining Standards Alignment

Curriculum Mapping:

- Tool for establishing a meaningful connection between state standards and classroom instruction
- Brings focus and alignment to state standards
- Encourages on-going reflection of best practices

Curriculum Pacing:

- Charts the course for a yearly time frame and encourages on-going reflective and collaborative communication
- Provides instructional consistency from one grade



State Standards

- Narrows the focus of state standards to specific content areas / skills deemed necessary for students to be academically successful
- Standards align to curriculum at every grade level
- State testing aligns to state standards
- State standards can be found online



Components

- Narrows the focus of state standards into specific content areas and skills
- Uses state adopted text to align with standards
- Breaks up the "Big Rocks"

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Specific Skills

- Spotlights the major skills used while targeting each component of the standard
- Simplifies your focus, "The Cliff's Notes" of the component/sub-standard

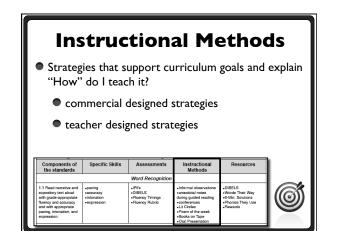
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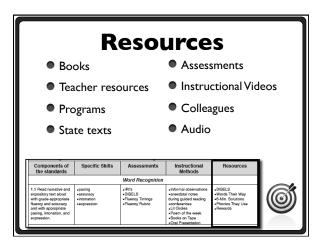
Assessments

- Driven by state standards / components
- Utilize state / district adopted text assessments
- Seek both assessments **of** and **for** learning

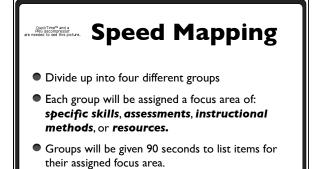
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What now?

- No Shortcuts! The process is more valuable than the outcome. Staff participation in the mapping process is a must. Copying from one another won't create the same results.
- This is a multi-level and comprehensive undertaking.
- Considerable conversation and communication among staff members must be provided.
- There are lots of great resources out there about curriculum mapping.



