

Common Core Resources for Parents

This document highlights some of the resources available on the EngageNY website to help parents better understand the Common Core State Standards. Please talk with your child's teacher, counselor, and principal for more specific information on how the Common Core is being implemented in your child's classroom and how you, as a parent, can support your child.

EngageNY website – a repository of resources for educators, parents, and community members. This site continues to grow on a weekly basis and includes information about all aspects of New York State's Reform Agenda, including the Common Core State Standards. All other links highlighted in this document are also accessible from EngageNY.

<http://www.engageny.org/>

A parent-friendly, three minute video explaining the Common Core:

<http://www.commoncoreworks.org/site/default.aspx?PageID=239>

Working with the Shifts: This document gives an overview of the six shifts for English/Language Arts and the six shifts for mathematics called for by the Common Core State Standards and what these shifts will mean for students as well as how parents can help support each shift.

http://www.engageny.org/sites/default/files/resource/attachments/parent_workshop_what_parents_can_do_handout.pdf

Parent Roadmaps: The site provides individual road maps for ELA and mathematics for each of grades K-8. These maps help guide parents through what their children will be learning and how they can support that learning. They also provide timelines showing how selected standards change from year to year so that students will be college- and career-ready upon their graduation from high school.

<http://www.cgcs.org/Domain/36>

Common Core Resources for Parents: Where to Learn More and Get More: This two page site has links to many of the resources identified in this document.

http://www.engageny.org/sites/default/files/resource/attachments/parent_workshop_common_core_resources_for_parents_to_learn_more.pdf

Parent's Backpack Guide to Common Core State Standards: This is another document that is organized by the 12 shifts. This resource suggests examples of work students may be coming home from school with that represent the Common Core State Standards and ways parents can support their students in working towards meeting those standards.

http://www.engageny.org/sites/default/files/resource/attachments/parent_workshop_backpack_guide.pdf

National PTSA resources on Common Core:

<http://pta.org/parents/content.cfm?ItemNumber=2583>

Video library including sample instructional videos showing math processes:

<http://www.engageny.org/video-library>

Educational games for students: This site provides a small sampling of computer-based games that children can play at home to reinforce skill development.

<http://www.engageny.org/educational-activities-for-parents-and-students>

In addition to the above link, please go to your school's website where you can link to the library and individual teacher websites for additional ideas for educational games your child can play at home.