

Dear Arkansas educators:

Here are some resources that we thought might be helpful in support of the implementation of CCSS.

- Following the Arkansas CCSS Summit on October 11 (which was hosted by ASCD, AASCD, and the ADE), several resources were made available. Be sure to check out ASCD's Common Core web page at www.ascd.org/commoncore. As requested, you should find 2 files containing PowerPoint presentations from the CCSS Summit attached to this e-mail – one from Sandra Alberti and the other from Sherida Britt.
- The Curriculum and Instruction Unit at ADE has launched a wiki to house resources that support the implementation of CCSS. The direct link for the wiki is <http://ccssarkansas.Pbworks.Com>. This site is being used to house the "**What Every Arkansas Educator Needs to Know About CCSS**" document, which has many resources listed that might be helpful. The resource section of this document is updated a few times per month, so be sure to check this document for updates! This wiki also has the links for content area wikis that will house specific information that should be helpful.
- PARCC released the **Model Content Frameworks** earlier in November. These frameworks will provide the blueprints for the development of the K-12 assessments in English and mathematics and are a valuable tool as we implement the standards. These frameworks may be accessed at www.parcconline.org/parcc-content-frameworks.
- Here is a link to an article from ASCD SmartBrief about teaching literacy through inquiry in the social studies classroom. http://www.edweek.org/tm/articles/2011/10/31/tln_lazar.html?tkn=ZRCCMFhb2vkiOwcU5yXOHo300xeYC0qeTltu&cmp=clp-sb-ascd
- We have added new members to our CCSS listserv. Please notice that the messages we send out are numbered. If you are receiving this message and have not received the previous messages, they are posted on the ADE secondary math wiki and may be accessed at: <http://adesecondarymath.pbworks.com/w/page/46711781/CCSS%20communication%20from%20ADE%20for%20Content%20Leads>.

Look for another e-mail soon about upcoming professional development opportunities! Please share this information with other Arkansas educators!

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