

Turn Test Prep in Prep for a Lifetime

What can be done in today to prepare student for tomorrow

SBAC - Getting Smarter About Smarter Balanced

Turn tedious test prep into triumphant lifetime prep. Explore the key points of SBAC, with a focus on SBAC-Readiness-the what, when and how to prepare. SBAC-Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium provides sample test questions, perfectly suited for teachers to use as models. Yet, rather than simply copying the test items verbatim, teachers learn how to mimic the items using their own rich and relevant classroom content. By replicating the SBAC documents, the structure, language and directions of test items become familiar to teachers and students alike as they shift to the more rigorous, complex and layered assessments. Grounded with demonstrations and samples of SBAC for assessing lesson objectives, teachers have the chance to actually practice tailoring assessments that align to SBAC for their everyday assignments. The results are long lasting as students learn too identify the problem, generate plausible alternatives and determine and justify a solution.

Objectives and Outcomes:

Knowledge and Understanding of the “SBAC-Way”

Analysis and Demonstration of a SABC Performance Task

Replication of SABC Task Aligned to a Lesson Objective

PARCC Readiness - *Knowing, Understanding, Implementing*

Explore the key points of PARCC, with a focus on PARCC Readiness-the what, when and how to prepare. PARCC-The Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers provides sample test questions, perfectly suited for teachers to use as models. By replicating the PARCC documents, the structure, language and directions of test items become familiar to teachers and students alike as they shift to the more rigorous, complex and layered assessments. Grounded with demonstrations and samples of PARCC for assessing lesson objectives, teachers have the chance to actually practice tailoring assessments that align to PARCC for their everyday assignments. This session helps teachers turn tedious test prep into triumphant lifetime prep, with skills that teach students how to address and identify the problem, generate plausible alternatives, settle on and justify their solution.

Objectives and Outcomes:

Knowledge and Understanding of the “PARCC-Way”

Analysis and Demonstration of a PARCC Performance Task

Replication of PARCC Tasks Aligned to Lesson Objectives