



Mission of EQUiP

EQUiP (Educators Evaluating the **Quality of Instructional Products**) is an initiative of Achieve designed to identify and disseminate high-quality materials aligned to the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) or a state's college- and career-ready (CCR) standards.

The objectives are two-fold:

- Increase the supply of high quality lessons and units aligned to the CCSS or a state's CCR standards that are available to elementary, middle, and high school teachers as soon as possible; and
- Build the capacity of educators to evaluate and improve the quality of instructional materials for use in their classrooms and schools.

To further support these objectives, Achieve has developed two new tools to support the implementation of high-quality instructional materials, the EQUiP Task Rubrics and the Student Work Analysis Tool (SWAT). The EQUiP Task Rubrics for ELA/literacy and mathematics capture the key elements of the EQUiP Rubric and focus the criteria to support the evaluation of material at the task level. The Student Work Analysis Tool allows teachers the opportunity to analyze student proficiency and helps inform their understanding of the expectations of content standards. To help rollout these new tools, Achieve is hosting an EQUiP Summit. To learn more about our tools, visit www.achieve.org/equip.

EQUiP Summit

Achieve is hosting its third EQUiP Summit, Summit Midwest, **January 24 – 26 in Minneapolis, Minnesota**. The summit will walk participants through both the EQUiP Task Rubrics and the Student Work Analysis Tool, and provide dedicated time for exploring how best to use them in support of improving instructional materials. Achieve will cover transportation and hotel costs for the convening.

Districts and schools interested in attending either summit will need to:

- Form a team of three members including educators, instructional coaches, school leaders, administrators, or content leads. (Please note that some sessions will be content-specific for mathematics and ELA/literacy; it is recommended that teams coordinate to have one participant assigned to each content area.)
- Complete the questionnaire [here](#) by **December 29, 2017**.
- Be committed to booking travel by **January 5, 2018**. (*Achieve will notify teams of acceptance on January 3rd*)

The application process is open to everyone. However, it is critical that interested applicants are:

- Deeply familiar with and understand the shifts found in the CCSS or their state's CCR standards.
- Working in education and are directly or indirectly responsible for selecting and/or implementing instructional materials.
- Comfortable with one or both content areas.

There is limited availability to attend the summits. Interested districts and schools are encouraged to complete the questionnaire to apply. Please direct any questions to Teresa Eliopoulos at TEliopoulos@Achieve.org.