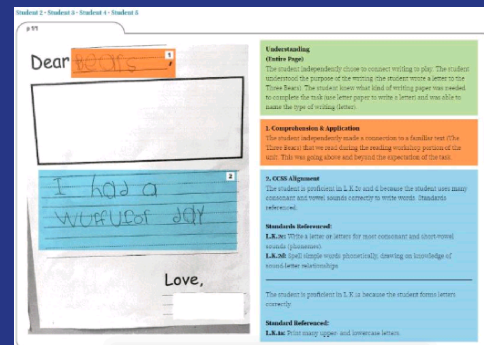




Student Work as an Indicator of Quality & Alignment

New Annotated Examples with Select EQuIP Exemplars

In January, Achieve published annotated student work samples to complement its EQuIP work, which is designed to identify high-quality materials aligned to the Common Core State Standards (CCSS). Through the EQuIP Annotated Student Work Initiative, expert teachers have provided detailed annotations on samples of student work to accompany select exemplars in each grade band in both English language arts (ELA)/literacy and mathematics. The student work samples provide additional indicators of the alignment and quality of instructional materials.



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New Data Quality Campaign Report: From Hammer to Flashlight: A Decade of Data in Education

A [new report](#) from Data Quality Campaign highlights the successes and illuminates the challenges that have accompanied the progress in education data collection and use in the past decade, both for other sectors to learn from and for the education field to examine as it continues to build the culture, capacity, and conditions to use data to improve education for all students.



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Georgia Launches New Career Pipeline Tool

The Georgia Department of Education has launched the [Georgia Career Pipeline Tool](#), which is intended to connect graduating high school students with businesses in need of skilled employees. The tool allows a direct comparison between the Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education programs offered in schools and the workforce needs and areas of growth in different regions of the state.



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Common Core Revisions: What Are States Really Changing?

A [recent analysis](#) by Abt Associates (published as part of a [larger report](#)) examined the changes that nine states have made to the Common Core State Standards since initially adopting them. Researchers found that more than three-quarters of the standards were unchanged, and that nearly 70 percent of the changes that were made were simply wording or format changes to increase clarity.



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