

## Ascend Math June 2012...

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#### Upcoming Conferences

- June 19 21 <u>TIE</u> <u>Colorado;</u> Copper Mountain, CO
- June 24 27 <u>ISTE</u>, San Diego Convention Center; San Diego, CA
- July 8 13
   <u>MASSA/Alliance Summer</u>

  <u>Convention</u>, Beau Rivage;

  Biloxi, MS
- July 17 20 <u>CAMT</u>, George R. Brown Convention Center; Houston, TX

## RSVP Now! - Join us for Breakfast at ISTE



Anyone from your school district going to ISTE? Then please join us for our Gold Medal Celebration Breakfast Bash at Buster's Beach House in San Diego. The Breakfast will be fabulous. The view will be incredible. The event will be full of fun and surprises.

Day: Tuesday, June 26 Time: 7:30-8:30 am Place: Buster's Beach House, San Diego, CA Click here to reserve your spot

## Tip of the Month - Ascend Knowledge Base



As an Ascend Math Partner School, you have access to around the clock customer support through the Ascend Knowledge Base. The Ascend Knowledge Base is an on-line resource that provides you with a keyword searchable database of Ascend Math's documentation, common issues and solutions. Users can access the Knowledge Base by visiting the Support page on the Ascend Math home website (<u>www.ascendmath.com</u>) or by clicking HELP within Ascend. If at any time you feel that you need additional information please contact Ascend Customer Support by selecting Ask a Question within the Knowledge Base. There you can complete a form

describing your inquiry and submit your information directly to Ascend Customer Support.

# Technology Updates – Tablet Compatibility and Level Recomendation in Spanish



In recent versions of the customer newsletter, we informed all partner schools in the "Coming Soon" portion that tablets would soon be compatible with Ascend Math and that the Level Recommendation would soon have questions available in Spanish. We are pleased to announce that both of those updates have been released! A summary of each update is listed below.

#### **Tablet Compatibility:**

Now students using Ascend Math will have the option to log in through a browser on any tablet, including iPad, and wirelessly view the award-winning video instruction within all of Ascend Math's K-12 grade levels. Students using Ascend Math on a tablet will have the same experience as with the computer-based version of the product, taking end of objective quizzes and receiving instant feedback. All of Ascend Math's comprehensive reporting will also be accessible on the iPad, providing convenience and flexibility for educators.Best of all, there will be no need to download an app. For more information on the Ascend Math for tablets please contact Ascend Customer Support at <a href="mailto:support@ascendmath.com">support@ascendmath.com</a>.

#### Level Recommendation in Spanish:

The Spanish version of the level recommendation will allow teachers and administrators to identify math gaps regardless of student mastery of the English Language. School Administrators can easily select the preferred LR language when first assigning the student to the assessment. As you may recall, Ascend Math engages students through video and audio support thereby creating a limited emphasis on reading. In addition, Ascend Math provides study guides in both English and Spanish, and closed captioning in Spanish for all of its instructional videos. For additional information on assigning students to the LR in Spanish, please contact Ascend Customer Support at support@ascendmath.com.

## Keys to a Successful Implementation - Quick Start Training Webinar



The Quick Start Training webinar series is designed to address the needs of districts and schools that have single teachers who are assigned to Ascend Math AFTER a full school or district training occurs. The training is not designed to replace the onsite trainings that our Ascend Math Representatives deliver as part of an adoption; rather they are a catch up to ensure the retention of best practices implementations. The training webinars cover day-to-day Ascend topics, such as: steps of the Fidelity & Integrity Plan, generating reports, student learning center, and more! The next webinar will be held June 28<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM CST. If you would like to attend the webinar, please complete the training sign up form <u>HERE</u>. For additional information on the Quick Start Training Webinar, please contact Ascend Customer Support at

support@ascendmath.com.

## Recent News - Gold Medal Winner!



We are pleased to announce the 2012 Gold Medal School winner as Emmet Belknap Intermediate School of Lockport City School District in New York! Each year, we honor those who are helping their students close math skill gaps and achieve maximum performance using Ascend Math. The students in Lockport School District competed with exceptional Ascend Math partner schools from around the country and came out on top! A representative of Emmet Belknap Intermediate School will be honored at a special event to coincide with this year's <u>ISTE</u> <u>conference</u> in San Diego, CA. Congratulations to all the students, teachers, and administration at Emmet Belknap Intermediate School of Lockport City School District!

## Ascend Math Partner School Highlight



The students at Goal Digital Academy have been hard at work diminishing skill gaps and in the process they have been able to earn grade level gains! 40% of students using Ascend Math have made significant grade level gains within one school year! Congratulations to Goal Digital Academy on all of their success!!

#### Facebook Surprises!



Are you taking advantage of all the free tips, offers, and ideas that are being shared on the Ascend Education Facebook site? Would you like to see who has been nominated for the Gold Medal? You'll find all this and more when you visit and "like" our Facebook page. Check it out today. Just click on the Facebook icon on the bottom of this page.

## Give us your favorite/Share your success tip and Coffee is on us!



Do you have helpful Ascend tips or success stories you'd like to share? We would love to hear what's working for you and share the tips with other educators in our monthly newsletter. Please submit your successful tips <u>here</u> and receive a cup of Starbuck's coffee on us! We will select one tip each month to publish in our monthly newsletter.

#### **About Ascend:**

Ascend Math has proven results that can drive students to achieve up to two grades levels in one school year! This online individualized intervention resource identifies skill gaps, prescribes targeted instruction and motivates students to achieve their maximum performance.

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