



## Ascend Math September 2012...

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#### **Upcoming Conferences**

- September 24-25 <u>AdvanceED WY</u>; Cheyene,
  WY
- October 10-12 NCTM Regional; Dallas, TX
- October 14-16 <u>Texas ASCD</u>; Dallas, TX

# Tip of the Month – Teacher Reports Highlight



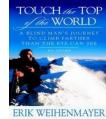
If you have both an administrator and a teacher account within Ascend, please ensure that you are logging in as a teacher to meet your progress monitoring needs. Some of the most detailed reports in the system are only available through the teacher's report portal. These reports include: Post Assessment Attempts Report, View Test Report, and also the student version of the assessment reports. For more information on teacher reports, please access the Ascend Knowledge Base by clicking HELP within Ascend.

## Recent News - Favorite Reports

NEWS

Teachers and administrators can now generate their most frequently used reports with a "click" of the mouse using the new Favorite Reports feature. The Favorite Reports feature allows the administrator or teacher to designate up to five of their favorite reports resulting in a faster, easier way to monitor student progress. The feature automatically defaults to five reports, which can be customized by selecting Edit Favorite Reports. Both teachers and administrators can access the feature within the new Reports menu.

### Touch the Top Contest



To help celebrate the many enhancements found in Ascend Math 5.0 including the new climber we've teamed up with Eric Weihenmayer, the only blind man to climb Mt. Everest. Enter the Ascend Math Touch the Top Contest and your class could win:

**Grand Prize:** Erik Weihenmayer Complete Book and DVD Education Package includes signed books, videos, class curriculum, and a one-hour Skype call with former educator and inspiring motivator Erik Weihenmayer. Erik is the first and only blind man to climb all seven summits (the highest points on every continent). He continues to seek out new adventures and motivate others.

Plus Six additional prizes.

Entering is so easy. See all the details and enter on the Ascend Math website at Touch the Top Contest.

## Model School/Classroom Program



You are invited to join the Ascend Math Model School Program. The Model School Program was created to honor those who implement Ascend Math well and hold them up as models for others. You may be just starting out with Ascend Math or a long time partner school. Regardless, the Model School program is a way for you to improve your results, celebrate and share your success with others.

There are many benefits to joining. The only commitment is the desire to implement with fidelity and integrity. Please take a minute to discover all that the Model School program offers you and your students. Check out <u>Model Schools</u> in the new <u>Customer Center</u> on the Ascend Math website.

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

Don't miss out! The next Quick Start Training webinar will be held on Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM CST.

The webinar 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.

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 <u>support@ascendmath.com</u>.

## **Ascend Math Partner School Highlights**



The staff and students at Deming High School in Deming, New Mexico know the importance of hard work, dedication, and achieving goals! Read below to find out their "secret of success" from principal, Claudia Smith.

"Deming High School Ascend Math Program has assisted students in achieving higher math proficiency as evident by their Ascend Math scores and State Standardized Test scores. The ongoing pursuit of academic achievement for all of our students has greatly been enhanced through the use of Ascend Math and the hard work and dedication of our students and their teachers. Ms. Erica Duran and Mr. Rogelio Orozco have implemented this program with fidelity while they helped students reach their goals. The students in their classes have responded positively to the program and have thoroughly enjoyed its implementation.

Teachers consistently review data to ensure ongoing success throughout the semester. Deming Public Schools Superintendent Harvielee Moore and Associate Superintendent of Instructional Services Dana Irby are both committed to the academic success of all students through researched based best practices and the Ascend Math Program. Deming High School Principal Janean Garney is dedicated to ensuring interventions are in place to assist students where needed, and this program has been able to help in achieving that goal."

Below is Mrs. Duran, Ascend Math Teacher, reviewing results with her student, Angel Valenzuela.



Students in the Ascend lab spend time working on the computer as well as direct instruction from their teacher.





### Don't Be Left Out!



Are there fellow educators at your school who are not receiving this newsletter? More product enhancements, exciting new programs, contests, and special promotions. They will not want to be left out. Please forward this message to them and ask them to send their email address to <a href="mailto:support@ascendmath.com">support@ascendmath.com</a>

### Facebook Surprises!



Are you taking advantage of all the free tips, offers, and ideas that are being shared on the Ascend Education Facebook site? 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 <a href="here">here</a> 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 grade level gains 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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