

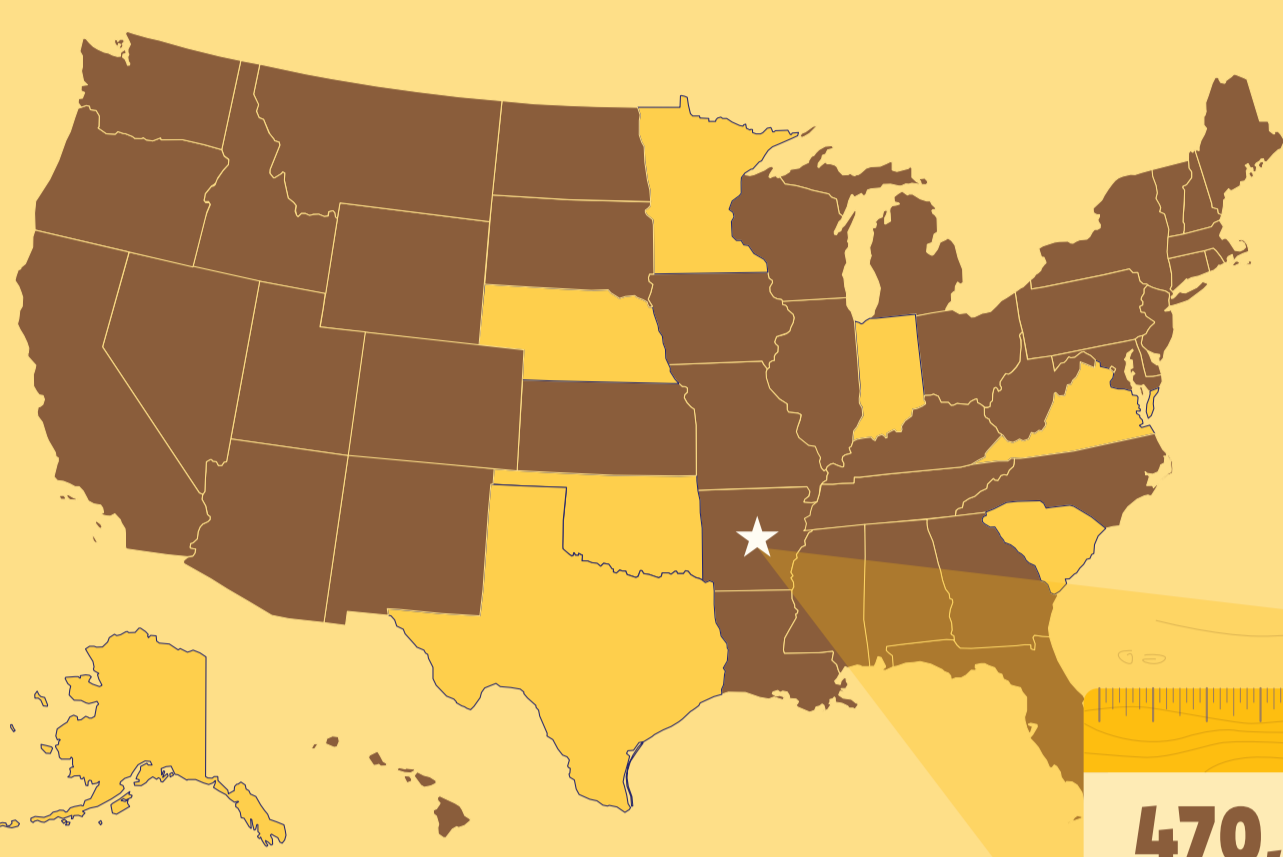
COMMON CORE

in ARKANSAS

i Common Core standards are benchmarks of what students know and should be able to do at every grade level.

42
STATES

plus Washington D.C.
use Common Core.*



*as of June 30, 2014

CLOSE TO

45

MILLION
STUDENTS WILL
TAKE THE
COMMON CORE
TEST THIS YEAR.

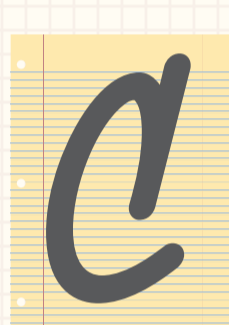
470,000 students in Arkansas will participate in Common Core.

TODAY'S STANDARDS AREN'T PREPARING STUDENTS FOR COLLEGE OR TOMORROW'S ECONOMY.

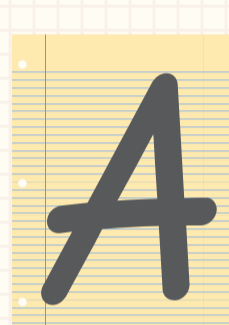
i Right now, standards vary from state to state, so some have tougher standards than others.

THAT MEANS

a C student in one state may actually be outperforming an A student in another.



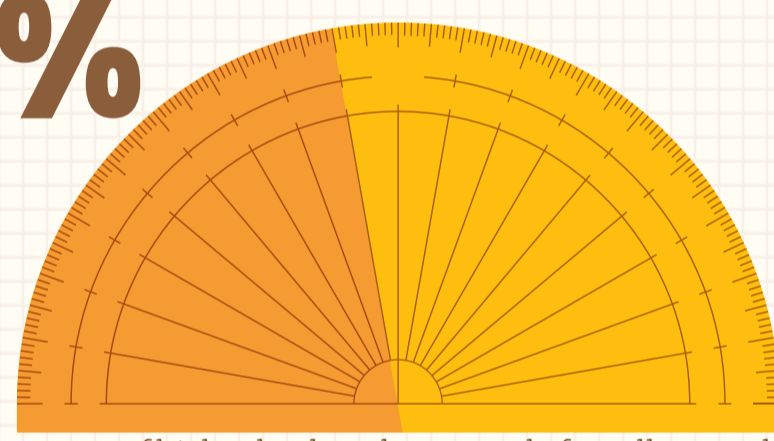
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IN ARKANSAS, almost half of students aren't ready for college work when they graduate high school.

43%



percent of high school graduates ready for college work

COMMON CORE STANDARDS WILL PREPARE STUDENTS FOR COLLEGE AND CAREERS



ENHANCED ENGLISH SKILLS

STUDENTS WILL LEARN:

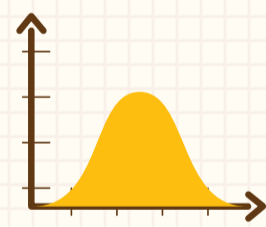
- Comprehension of literary texts
- Research writing skills, including making arguments
- How to communicate effectively, including vocabulary development



IMPROVED MATH SKILLS

STUDENTS WILL LEARN:

- Operations and Algebraic thinking



HOW TO MEASURE AND ANALYZE DATA

STUDENTS LEARN:

- Expressions and equations
- Functions
- Statistics and probability



GREATER EXPECTATIONS

STUDENTS LEARN TO:

- Solve problems using a variety of tools
- Cite evidence, substantiate answers, and defend conclusions
- Demonstrate technology, writing, and critical thinking skills.

COMMON CORE WILL WORK IF:



LAWMAKERS

fund supports like technology and professional development.



TEACHERS

get support to create rich learning environments.



PARENTS

advocate for and work with their children to help them succeed.



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for more information on Common Core