



Common Core State Standards and AIMSweb®

AIMSweb® is an assessment, data management, and reporting framework for Response to Intervention (RTI) designed specifically for universal screening and progress monitoring of basic reading, mathematics, spelling, and written expression skills for Grades K-8. This web-based system uses CBM assessment (also referred to as General Outcome Measurement) to efficiently screen all students, identifying those at risk for academic failure and enabling early intervention.



CBM assessment practices are based on over 30 years of scientific research. These standardized tests are time efficient and easy to administer, yet produce accurate charts of student growth over time. AIMSweb's CBM assesses basic, broad academic skills that are relevant to all curricula—making them compatible with any curriculum or standards, including Common Core State Standards.

What is the goal of the Common Core State Standards?

The Common Core State Standards Initiative is an effort coordinated by the National Governors Association Center for Best Practices (NGA Center) and the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO). Parents, teachers, school administrators, state leaders, and experts from across the country have come together to develop these standards. Their objective is to better meet the needs of students by blending their experiences and best practices and sharing them through a state-led effort. These standards are specifically designed to reflect the real-world knowledge and skills students need to succeed in higher education and their careers.

How AIMSweb and the Common Core work together

The Common Core Standards and AIMSweb are both focused on the basics—English Language Arts (Reading) and Math. AIMSweb CBM assessment provides a method of measuring and monitoring the acquisition of basic reading and math skills regardless of the curriculum a school or district has implemented, allowing AIMSweb to be compatible with the Common Core Standards. AIMSweb includes CBM assessment of these essential reading and math skills—along with web-based data management and reporting—in one single system.

Whether you have already implemented or are working towards the Common Core, the fact that AIMSweb CBM assessment is curriculum- and standards-independent provides the following benefits:

- Works with any curriculum or standards, including the Common Core
- Prediction of student success on your state test whether it is state- or Common Core-specific
- Longitudinal data remains relevant and meaningful even when standards, curriculum, or state tests change
- Perfectly suited for program evaluation

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