



Ascend Math News December 2014

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Upcoming Events

Upcoming Conferences

FETC
Jan 20 - 23, 2015
Orlando, FL
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TASA
Jan 25 - 28, 2015
Austin, TX
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Holiday Math Puzzler



At the Holiday Party several students of different ages brought treats to share. Charlie, who's 13, brought a CHOCOLATE CAKE. Dwayne, who's 11, brought POTATO CHIPS. Maria, who's 10, brought the FRUIT PUNCH, and her brother Peter, who's 9, brought the PAPER CUPS. Sheila is the same age as Maria: she brought GINGERBREAD. Young Jamal brought the PEANUTS. Can you figure out how old he is?

Answer at the bottom of the newsletter.

Survey Reminder



Please remember to fill out our annual Customer Survey. It is only through your input that we can improve Ascend Math and the service you receive. The survey takes less than five minutes to complete. Thank You.

Product Update



K-1 students will now find a new, easier-to-use interface in Ascend Math. The new friendly look and graphics were developed with the ideas and input from primary educators and students. Young students will find it easier to move around in Ascend. Best of all, no reading is required. The new interface will go into effect on Dec. 22nd so that is ready for students to use when they return from the winter break.

[TCEA](#)
Feb 4 - 6, 2015
Austin, TX
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[ASCD](#)
Mar 21 - 23, 2015
Houston, TX
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[NCTM Annual - Boston](#)
Apr 15 - 18, 2015
Boston, MA
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Tip of the Month



Are you making use of all the Help Videos in Ascend? If not, you could be missing out. Help videos can be accessed from almost any report page in the teacher or school admin logins. Some of the most popular include: Create/Manage Students, how to use the Admin Dashboard, and the Activity Completion Report.



Partner School of the Month



Congratulations to [Pine Tree Elementary School](#) our December Partner School of the Month. Pine Tree Elementary is the second school in Avon Community School Corp., Avon Indiana to receive this honor. Avon Intermediate was Partner School of the Month in Sept. 2013.

The wonderful students at Pine Tree Elementary:

- Have worked over 270 hours in Ascend over the last 10 weeks.
- Active students are averaging 13 hours worked each week.
- 64% have completed at least one grade level so far this school year.



Last Chance for the Video Contest



The deadline is fast approaching but there is still time for you and your class to enter the [Ascend Math Reel Success Video Contest](#).

Remember, every classroom submitting a video will win a prize!



Coming Soon



Do you have an idea for an Ascend Math Exploration? If so, you could receive up to \$500. Look for details on our website, our blog, and in next month's newsletter.



Recent Blog Posts



- [Dr. Brian Scott explains why his teachers and students prefer Ascend Math](#)
- [Do the Turkey Math](#)
- [Celebrate American Education Week](#)
- [Gold Medal winner speaks at lunch event during NCTM Richmond](#)
- [From the Thought Leaders Summit](#)



Answer Math Puzzler



Charlie is 13 and there are 13 letters in CHOCOLATE CAKE.
Dwayne is 11 and there are 11 letters in POTATO
CHIPS. Maria and Sheila are 10 and there 10 letters in FRUIT
PUNCH and GINGERBREAD. Count the letters in PEANUTS
and you will see that Jamal is 7.



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