



Ascend Math October 2012...

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Upcoming Conferences

- October 14-16 Texas ASCD; Dallas, TX
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- October 20 <u>TexTESOL IV</u>; Houston, TX
- November 6 9 GAETC; College Park,
- November 10 <u>DACTM</u>; Brownstown Charter Township, MI
- November 28 30 NCTM; Chicago, Illinois

Tip of the Month – Self Progress Report for Students



The Self Progress Report for students allows teachers to easily track student daily activities. As students' progress in their study plans, we recommend they complete the Self Progress Report as a daily journal to track their activities. The report is a daily progress tracking sheet for students to document their activities within Ascend. This report helps teachers evaluate student activity and compare it to their results found in their teacher's reports. The report and recommendations for use are available within the Ascend Knowledge Base. Click within Ascend and enter Self Progress Report in your Search.

Exciting New Feature - Choose Your Climber



Here's a new feature that every student will love! Students can now choose their own personal climber character. From cowgirls to robots, your students can choose a fun character to follow when tracking their daily activities. It's easy. Students simply click the Resources link on their home page and choose Climber Options. With 15 different character options there's something to please every student.

Coming Soon – Growth Report



Later this Fall, Ascend Math will have a new report, the Growth Report! The Growth Report simplifies your tracking quiz results. This new report tracks the first and last attempt of students taking the same quiz multiple times and the related growth. Although the report will be available in the Quiz Report tab within the Reports menu for both Teachers and Administrators in the upcoming weeks, you are able to assign a quiz now as the initial benchmark for the Growth Report. The quizzes may be assigned at actual grade level as

well as the level in which students are working in Ascend Math. We are excited about the addition to the Ascend Math reporting family because it offers an excellent way to benchmark student progress as a summative report. For more information on the Growth Reports, please contact your Ascend Math Representative or Ascend Customer Support at support@ascendmath.com.

Your Class Could Win!



There's still plenty of time to enter the Touch the Top Contest. Seven prizes will be given away including an educational package of motivating books, DVDs, and curriculum from and about the first and only blind climber to conquer Everest. It includes a one hour Skype call with Eric Weihenmeyer, the climber himself! It's so easy to enter. Complete contest details and the entry form can be found in the new Customer Center on our website. Just click here: Touch the Top Contest.

Free T-Shirt Offer



Refer an educator friend or associate to one of our Weekly Webinars and we'll send you an "I Teach Extraordinary Kids" T-shirt as our gift. Get all the details in the customer center on our website or click here: <u>Tell a Friend Offer</u>.

Congratulations to these Model Schools!



The Ascend Math Model School Program was created to honor those schools doing an exemplary job of helping students improve their math skills. We are proud to announce that the following Ascend Math Partner Schools have achieved Model School status.

Emmet Belknap Intermediate School Fort Stockton Middle School R. Dan Nolan Middle School Sanders Elementary School Swanton Middle School Youngker High School

Learn how your school can achieve model school status. Check out Model Schools in the Customer Center on our website or click here: <u>Model School Program</u>.

Keys to a Successful Implementation – Quick Start Training Webinar



Don't miss out! The next Quick Start Training webinar will be held on Thursday, October 25th 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 retention of best practices in your implementation.

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.

Ascend Math Partner School Highlights



The Hawks at Sanders Elementary in Sanders, Arizona are on a roll so far this school year! In just a few months, over 50% of their students have completed levels in Ascend! The implementation plan set in motion by the administration and teachers is making a huge impact on their results. The Ascend Customer Support Team is on pins and needles, awaiting the results for the end of the semester and school year.

Congratulations on all your success so far this school year and keep up the great work!

Don't Be Left Out!



Are there fellow educators at your school who are not receiving this newsletter? The newsletter is your best source to learn about 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 support@ascendmath.com

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 here 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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