Standards

In **Standards**, users will find the Pennsylvania Academic and Core Standards for all standard areas across all grade levels Pre K - 12.

View Standards

Using this tool, you can locate specific standards, anchors, and eligible content based on subject area and grade level or course.

Currently, these search tools allow users to view the standards by:

- Subject Area All Subject Areas, including PA Core Standards
- Level Pre-Kindergarten to 12th grade, plus grade level Bands for K-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12.
- Course Academic courses offered at the secondary level.
- School-Wide Area of Focus Standards for English Language Proficiency (ELP)
- 1. To begin, choose Standards from the Navigation Bar.



2. The View Standards tab will open.



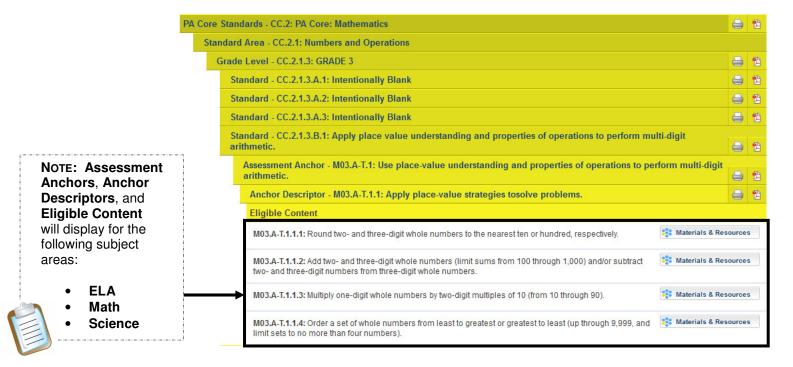
3. Select a Grade Level (or Band) and Subject Area.



For secondary level classes, select a Course, OR select a School-Wide Area of Focus (ELP).

4. Click Search.

5. Search results will display, including Subject Area, Standard Area, Grade Level and Standards.



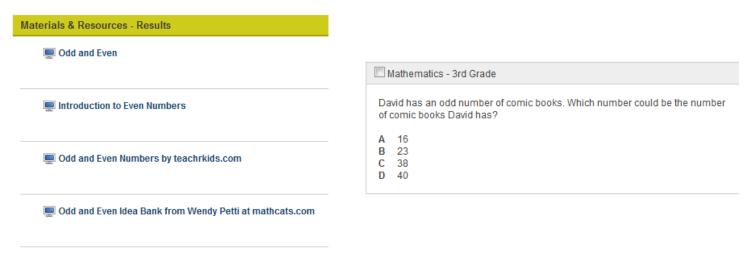
Standards-Aligned Content

On any page listing **Standards**, a **Materials & Resources** and/or **Assessment** button may appear to the right of a **Standard/Eligible Content** statement. Click on a button to view either **Materials & Resources** or **Assessment** items related to that particular statement.

M3.A.1.1.2; Differentiate between and/or give examples of even and odd number (limit to 3 digits).



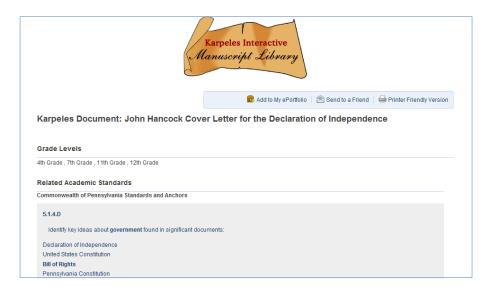
For example, for Third Grade Mathematics Eligible Content statement M3.A.1.1.2:



Saving SAS Resources

Users can elect to save a SAS resource in My ePortfolio.

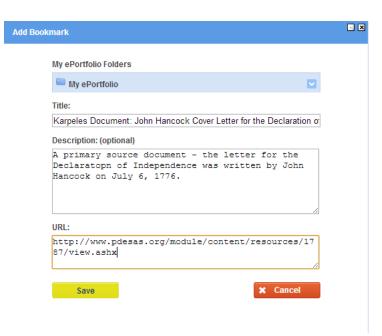
1. Find an activity, resource, lesson, etc. within SAS.



2. Click **Add to My ePortfolio** in the upper-right hand corner of the resource window.



- 3. In the pop-up window:
 - The item will be added by default to the My Portfolio folder. Choose a different Folder by clicking the dropdown icon (optional).
 - Notice the **Title** of the content has been pre-populated. You may change it if you desire.
 - Add an optional **Description** of the content.
 - Notice the Location (URL) of the page you are on has been prepopulated.
 - Click Save.
 - The window will close, and the content will be added to your ePortfolio.





Note: Detailed instructions for **My ePortfolio** are available on p. 91.

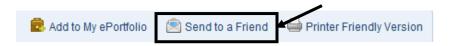
Sharing SAS Resources

Users can elect to **Send** the resource to a **Friend** via email.

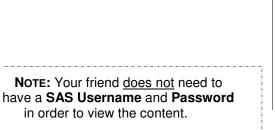
1. Find an activity, resource, lesson, etc. within **SAS**.

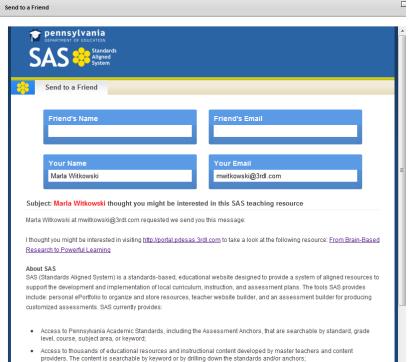


Click Send to a Friend in the upper-right hand corner of the resource window.



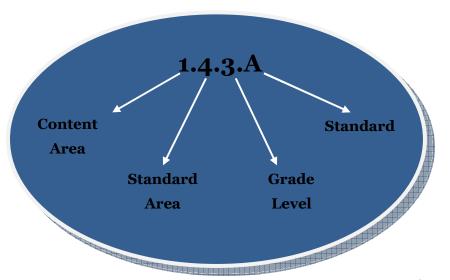
- A window will open. The Your Name and Your Email fields will populate with information from your SAS Profile (see p. 12).
- 4. Complete the **Friend's Name** and **Friend's Email** fields.
- 5. Click Send Email.
- An email will be sent to your friend, highlighting a piece of SAS content.





PA Academic Standards

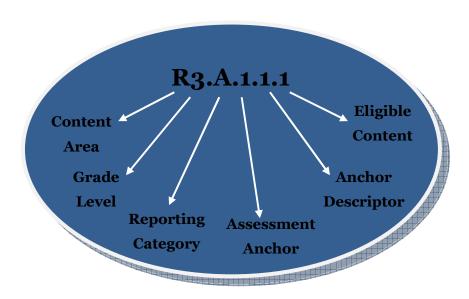
Standards Coding



Standard Coding:

- 1 indicates the Content Area -Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening.
- 4 is the Standard Area Types of Writing (RWSL has 9 Standard Areas).
- 3 is the Grade Level of the standard
- A is the ordinal descriptor that identifies the specific Standard statement - Write poems and stories; include detailed descriptions of people, places, and things, include literary elements.

Assessment Anchor Coding

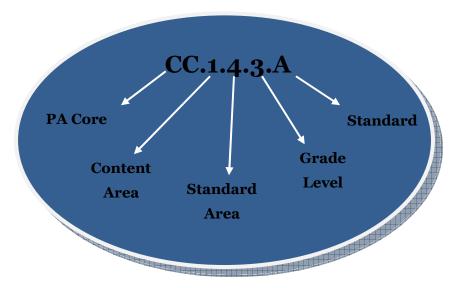


Anchor Coding:

- R indicates that this is a Reading anchor.
- 3 is the Grade Level of the anchor.
- A is the Reporting Category
 Comprehension and Reading Skills.
- The first number 1 is the Assessment Anchor, and defines the skill that is assessed on the PSSA - Describe and interpret literary elements within and among texts.
- The second number 1 is an ordinal descriptor which indicates the Anchor Descriptor – Compare characters, settings and plots.
- The final number 1 is an ordinal descriptor that indicates the Eligible Content statement - Identify and/or interpret meaning of multiplemeaning words used in text.

PA Core Standards

Standards Coding



Standard Coding:

- CC indicates that this is a PA Core Standard
- 1 indicates the Content Area English Language Arts.
- 4 is the Standard Area Writing (ELA has 5 Standard Areas).
- 3 is the Grade Level of the Standard
- A is the ordinal descriptor that identifies the specific Standard statement - Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.

Assessment Anchor Coding



Anchor Coding:

- E indicates that this is an *English* Language Arts anchor.
- 03 is the grade level of the anchor.
- C is the reporting category Writing.
- The next number 1 is the Assessment Anchor, and defines the skill that is assessed on the PSSA – Text types and purposes.
- The second number 1 is an ordinal descriptor which indicates the Anchor Descriptor – Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons.
- The final number 1 is an ordinal descriptor that indicates the Eligible Content statement - Introduce the topic or text for the intended audience, state an opinion, and create an organizational structure that lists reasons to support the writer's purpose.

Vertical Viewer

Use the **Vertical Viewer** to take a closer look at the Pennsylvania Academic and Core Standards as the complexity and sophistication of the statements increase throughout the grades.

1. To begin, choose **Standards** from the **Navigation Bar**.



2. Click the Vertical Viewer tab.



3. Select a Subject Area.

PA Core Standards

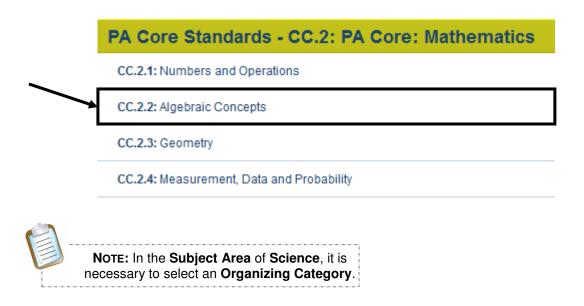
CC.1: PA Core: English Language Arts

CC.2: PA Core: Mathematics

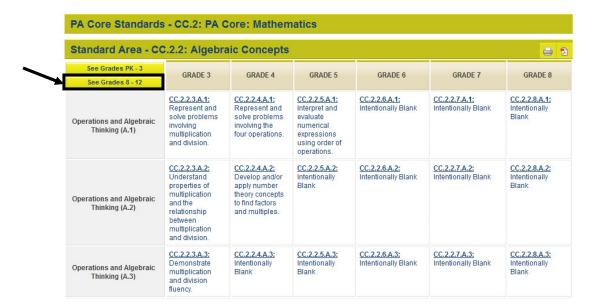
CC.3: PA Core: Science and Technical Subjects

CC.8: PA Core: History and Social Studies

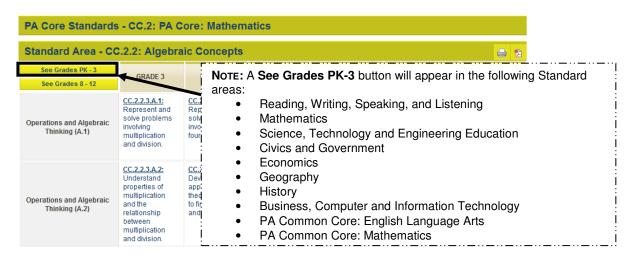
4. Select a Standard Area.



A matrix spanning Grades 3-8 will appear, allowing users to view the progression of Standards across Grade Levels.

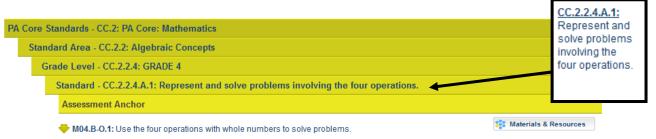


6. Click **See Grades 8-12** to view the **Standards** across **Grades 8-12** and all appropriate **Courses** at the secondary level.



Reset Vertical Viewer

- 7. Click on **Reset Vertical Viewer** to clear your selections. You may also elect to **Print** the matrix or **Save** it as a **PDF** file.
- 8. Click on a specific **Standard** to view its relationship to additional levels of alignment, such as **Assessment Anchors** and **Eligible Content**.



Keyword Search

Use a **Keyword** to restrict a search to specific content areas, grade levels, courses, and levels of alignment.

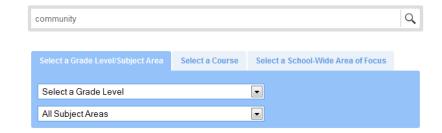
1. To begin, choose **Standards** from the **Navigation Bar**.



2. Click the **Keyword Search** tab.



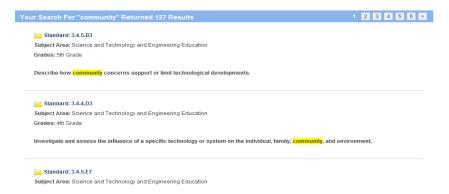
- Type in the Keyword you wish to locate within the Standards.
- Choose:
 - o A Grade Level/Subject Area.
 - A Course at the secondary level.
 - A School-Wide Area of Focus.
- Click Search.



Users may limit the search by placing a **checkmark** next to specific level(s) of alignment.



3. A list is generated highlighting where that word or phrase appears in the Pennsylvania Academic and/or Core Standards.



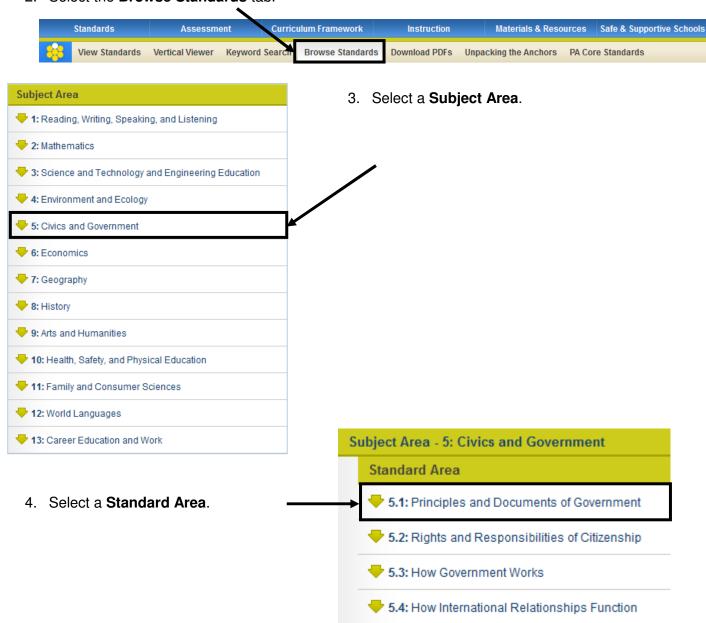
Browse Standards

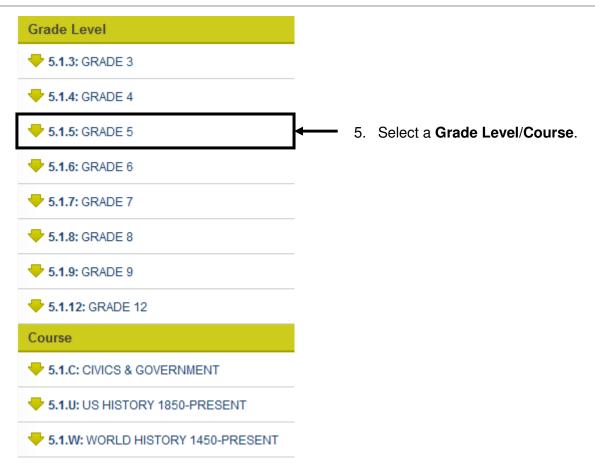
In **Browse Standards**, statements are arranged within standard areas from the standard statements to the anchors down to the eligible content.

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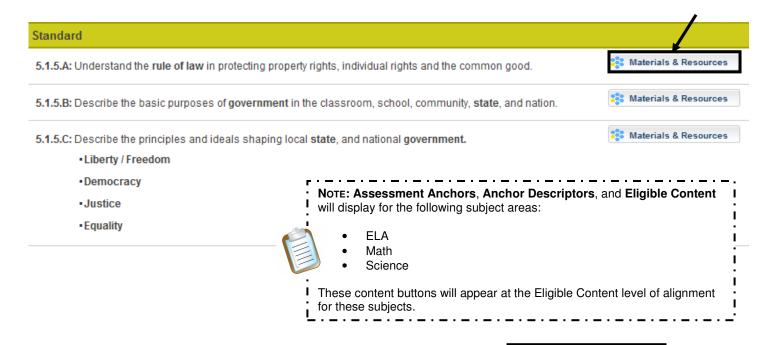


2. Select the Browse Standards tab.





6. The standards will populate. Appearance of a **Materials & Resources** and/or **Assessment** button indicates that there is related content. You may select a button to view either **Materials & Resources** or **Assessment** items related to a particular statement.



7. Click on **Reset Browse Standards** to clear your selections.

Reset Browse Standards

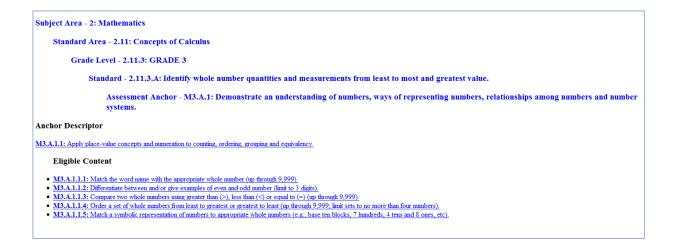
Printing the Standards

At each level of alignment, it is possible to **Print** a copy of the **Standards** or to **Save** them as a **PDF** file.

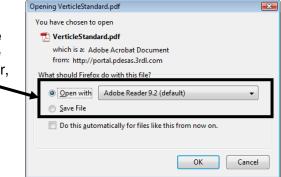
Anchor Descriptor - M3.A.1.1: Apply place-value concepts and numeration to counting, ordering, grouping and equivalency.

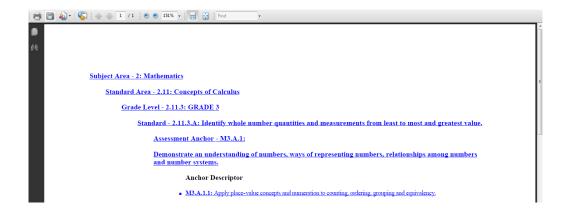


To Print, click the Printer icon to the right of the level you wish to print. The printer-friendly
version of the Standards will open in a new window. To print, go to the File menu and
select Print.



To Save as PDF, click the PDF icon to the right of the level you wish to print. You will be prompted to either Open the file, or Save the file to a location on your hard drive, file server, or other storage device.





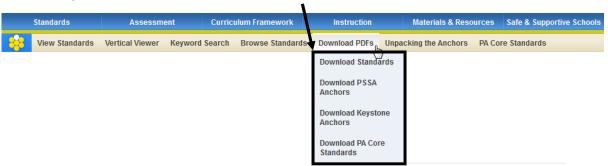
Download PDFs

Access the PDF versions of all Pennsylvania Academic Standards, PA Core Standards, and Assessment Anchor documents. The Assessment Anchors, like the Standards, are dynamic documents and will be amended periodically.

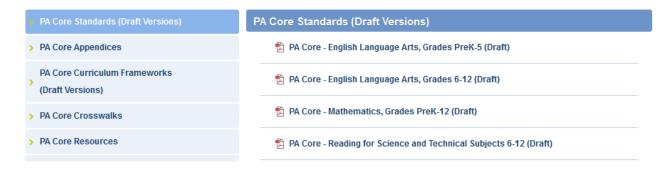
1. To begin, choose **Standards** from the **Navigation Bar**.



2. Click the **Download PDFs** tab, and select the **Download Standards**, **Download PSSA Anchors**, **Download Keystone Anchors** or **Download PA Core Standards** tab.



3. Locate the appropriate **Standard Area**, and click the title.



4. You will be prompted to either **Open** the file, or **Save** the file to a location on your hard drive, file server, or other storage device.

Opening Arts Standards.pdf

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Unpacking the Anchors

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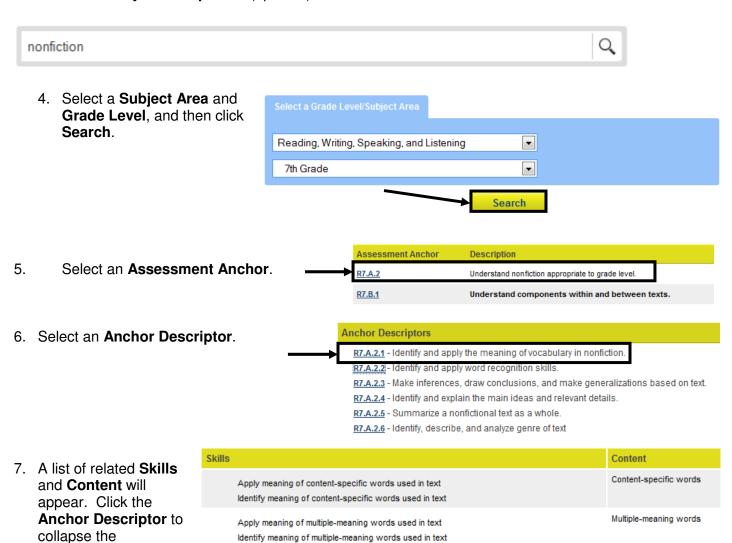
1. To begin, choose **Standards** from the **Navigation Bar**.



2. Select the **Unpacking the Anchors** tab.



3. Enter a **Keyword or phrase** (optional).



PA Core Standards

The State Board adopted **Common Core Standards** in July 2010. Since that time, the decision was made to craft a set of **PA Core Standards** in English Language Arts and Mathematics. A group of Pennsylvania educators created a draft set of **PA Core Standards**. These new standards mirror the content and rigor of Common Core, but reflect the organization and design of the **PA Academic Standards**.

Additionally, the Common Core Standards for English Language Arts and Literacy in History/Social Studies and Science/Technical Subjects will be appended to their respective PA Academic Standards.

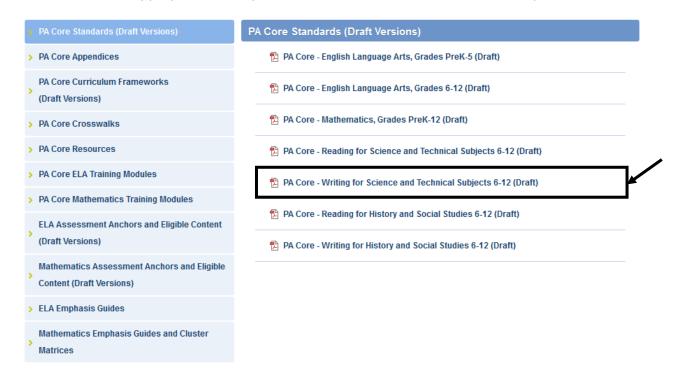
1. To begin, choose **Standards** from the **Navigation Bar**.



2. Select the PA Core Standards tab.



3. Click on the appropriate sub-topic, and then click the title of the document you wish to view:



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