



The Academic Standards and Assessment System

An Overview of the Academic Standards and Assessment System:

The Academic Standards and Assessment System (ASAS) is a free easy-to-use tool designed especially for K-12 teachers that simplifies finding, describing, aligning, retrieving and sharing teaching resources and assessments. It is very much like a digital card catalog of educational materials combined with powerful search and retrieval features. Teachers, schools, districts, and even states use ASAS to link education-related items to state and national standards, and to organize them by categories and terms that are familiar to classroom educators. ASAS simplifies the process of finding educational resources aligned to state and national standards while adding powerful organizational capabilities suitable to a variety of both digital and traditional materials. ASAS can be installed at the school, district or state level.

Ease of use:

If you can point and click, you can use ASAS. For school, district and state installations, JES & Co. can provide specialized training for all levels of users including teachers, curriculum administrators, library and media specialists, and technical support teams.

Types of Content found on ASAS:

A wide variety of over 30,000 ready-to-go lessons, activities, studies, quizzes, assessments and more are available now to get you started. These include popular items from NASA, PBS, Smithsonian, Lucas Foundation, National Science Foundation and many others. Once you begin working with ASAS, organizing your own resources and assessments aligned to standards and adding them to the system for everyone to use is a snap.

Sharing Learning Resources with ASAS:

ASAS makes it easy to connect with other schools, districts and even states to share information about available resources. Resources themselves can optionally be shared depending on licensing and copyright restrictions. Because ASAS was designed with open standards and uses a standardized, controlled vocabulary to describe items, the records that describe the resources are usable by any other ASAS installation.

ASAS works easily with other software installed in a school or district:

ASAS was designed using open standards and open architecture so that it can be integrated into classroom management and learning management products such as Class Server, SchoolNet, and many other systems. ASAS can also be used as a stand alone full-featured system.

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