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Read & annotate

Complete a close read of the 2014 & 2020 SLS standards side by side. Highlight areas of similarity, cross out standards that have been removed, note new additions.

Helpful hints to guide your curriculum work

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Realign your standards in each unit

*In Atlas, open your standards tab and move the box to the right so you can see both the old and new standards. One by one, find the corresponding standard and select it from the 2020 list. Then delete the standard from your unit plan.

Aligning to the 2020 NJSLS

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Identify additional standards

Once you have selected the 2020 standards that connect to your current units, find the standards that have yet to be aligned and include them in the units with natural connections. *In Atlas, run a Standards Analysis report to find missing standards and pin the report for future use.

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Practices

All seven sets of 2020 standards, as well as the 2016 Math NJSLS, include a section called Practices. The goal is for students to internalize the practices (habits of mind) and be able to apply them to new situations outside the school environment.

Grade Band Shifts

Ensure your course and content are aligned to the updated grade bands.

Climate Change Integration

Climate change will be addressed across all seven subject areas, with a goal of having an interdisciplinary approach to teaching the concepts.

NJ Statutes

In addition to the Holocaust and Amistad Statutes, curriculum should integrate appropriate instruction on the contribution of LGBT communities and Individuals with Disabilities, beginning with middle and high school students.

Assessments

Unpack the skills in the Performance Expectations & Practices sections. Develop assessments that reflect proficiency and performance.

*In Atlas, use the comment feature to make notes for necessary revisions.

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Vertical & Horizontal Review

Choose 3 grade levels (or grade bands). Note the vertical and horizontal scaffolding of skills & concepts within the standards. *In Atlas, run a Unit Overview or a Comparative Unit Calendar Report. Pin it to your Dashboard.

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Update unit details & assessments

Once you have ensured that all standards are selected within units, walk through the process of unpacking the standards into student outcomes. Review, update, or create assessments that align to the new standards and ensure authentic application of learning.



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