

ASCD & Common Core State Standards

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A Short History of the Common Core

Spring 2009

- State-led
 - National Governors Association
 - Council of Chief State School Officers
- K-12 standards
 - Reading/Language arts
 - Mathematics
- 48 states



A Short History of the Common Core

Summer 2009

- Arne Duncan
 - States “lying to kids”
- U.S. Department of Education
 - Race to the Top
 - States must adopt Common Core to be eligible to apply

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Fall 2009

- Race to the Top Final Grant Criteria
 - Bonus points for committing to adopt the standards
- Rough draft of standards released privately to states for feedback

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- February 2010
 - Kentucky 1st state to adopt the common core
- March 2010
 - 1st public draft of standards released
- March 29, 2010
 - Delaware and Tennessee win Rttt grants



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- May 2010
 - West Virginia, Hawaii, Maryland adopt
- June 1, 2010
 - Deadline for Race to the Top Round 2 applications
- June 2
 - Final standards released
- June
 - 13 states adopt common core
- June 24
 - Virginia affirms support for SOLs



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- July 21, 2010
 - Massachusetts adopts common core
- August 2
 - California adopts standards
- November 4, 2011
 - Montana becomes 45 ½ state to adopt
- November 10, 2011
 - Alabama state board affirms Common Core



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- Year-long review
- 2010
 - Position recommendations
 - Standards
 - Common Core

ASCD Position on Standards

- ASCD supports high standards for student learning
 - State-led
 - Transparent
 - Implemented under key principles

ASCD Implementation Principles

- Educates the whole child through a broad and rich curriculum
- Global competencies
- Equity for learning conditions
- Ensures effective instruction
- Expands assessment options
- Uses multiple indicators
- Support and align teacher preparation, licensure, and ongoing professional development.

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- Questions
 - Curriculum
 - Teacher prep, licensure, PD
 - Assessments
 - Whole Child impact
 - Other subjects
 - Graduation requirements – College/Career readiness
 - Funding
 - ESEA

The Recent History of the Common Core

- September 2010
 - Two state assessment consortia win federal grants
 - \$330 million



Partnership for Assessment of
Readiness for College and Careers

SMARTER

Balanced Assessment Consortium

The Recent History of the Common Core

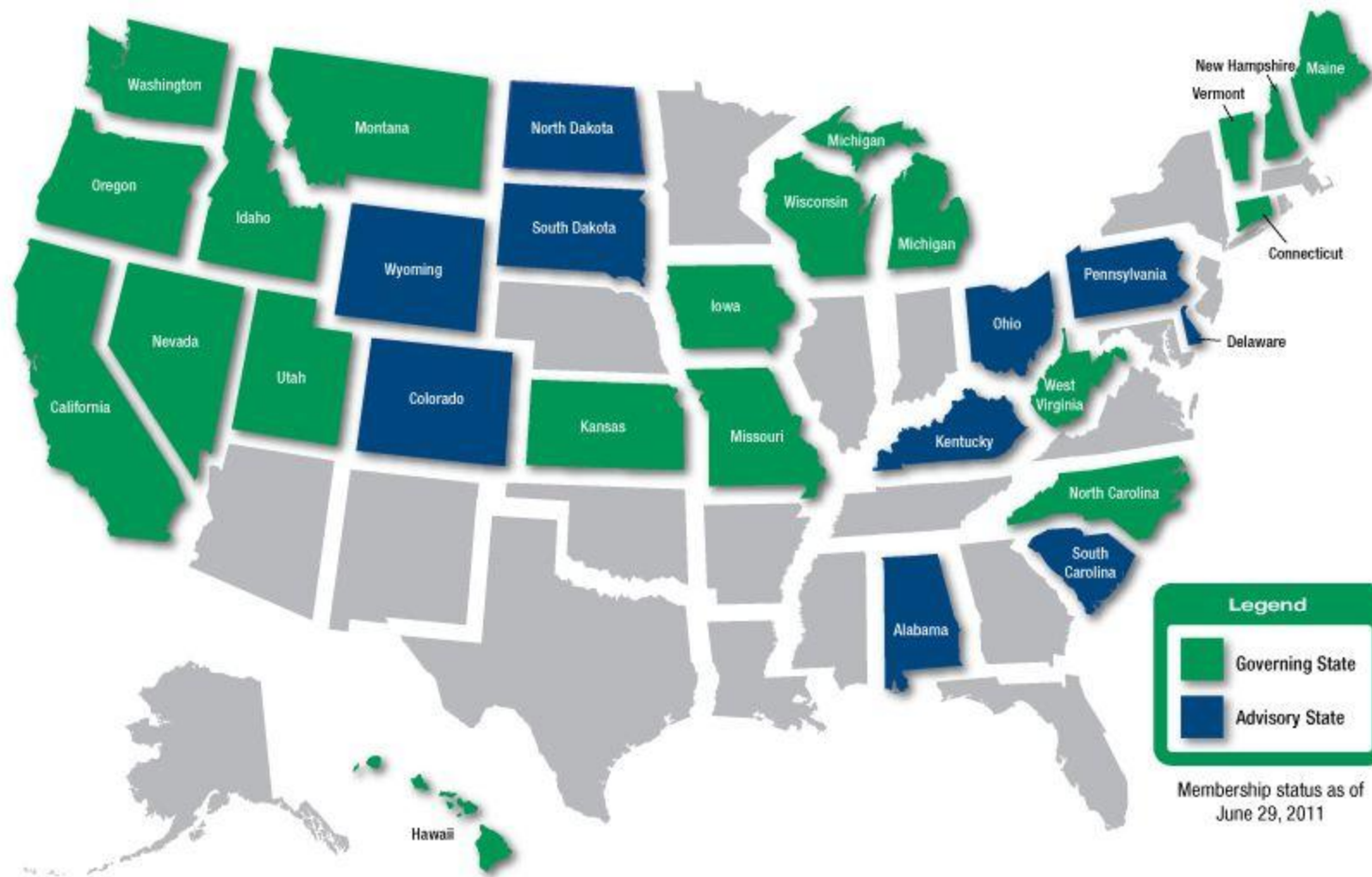
- PARCC
 - Partnership for the Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers
 - \$170 million
- SMARTER Balanced
 - \$160 million

The Recent History of the Common Core

- PARCC
 - Grades 3-12
 - Language arts/literacy & mathematics
 - ~~8 week through course assessments~~
 - End-of-course assessments
 - Computer based

 - Managed by Achieve

SMARTER



The Recent History of the Common Core

- SMARTER Balanced
 - Computer adaptive testing in last 12 weeks of school
 - Grades 3-8, high school
 - ELA & Math
 - For accountability purposes
 - Optional interim & formative assessments

The Recent History of the Common Core

- General info on testing consortia
 - 2012-13, 2013-14 field test
 - 2014-15 administration
 - For accountability purposes
 - Common state achievement levels
 - Comparability between tests

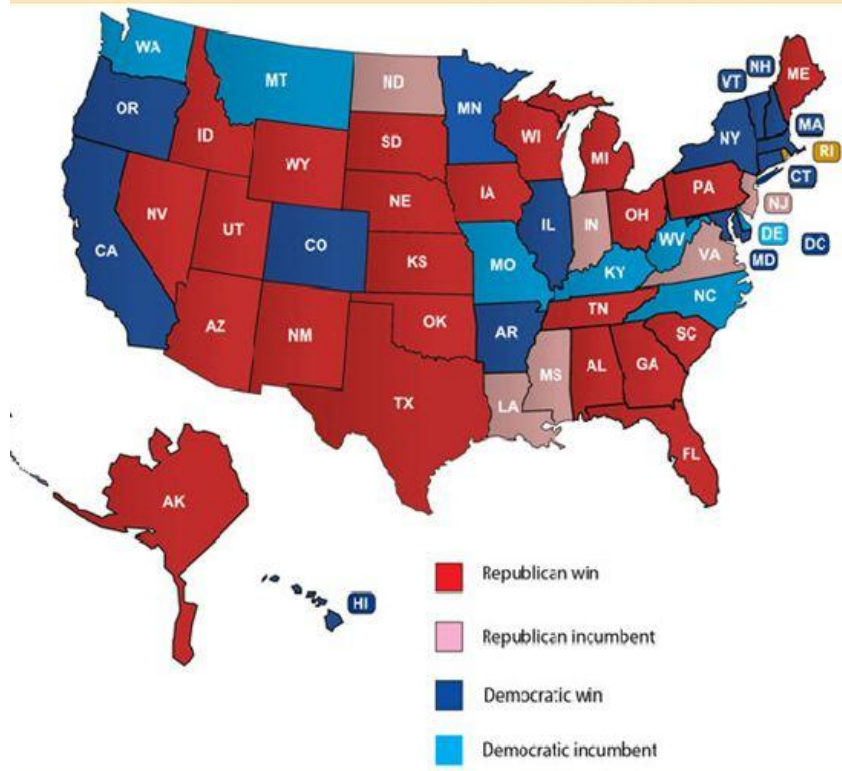
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- Students with Disabilities Assessments
 - \$45 million to the National Center and State Collaborative Partnership
 - consortium of 18 states led by U. of Minnesota
 - \$22 million to the Dynamic Learning Maps Alternate Assessment System
 - consortium of 11 states led by the U. of Kansas

- 2014-15

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GOVERNORS



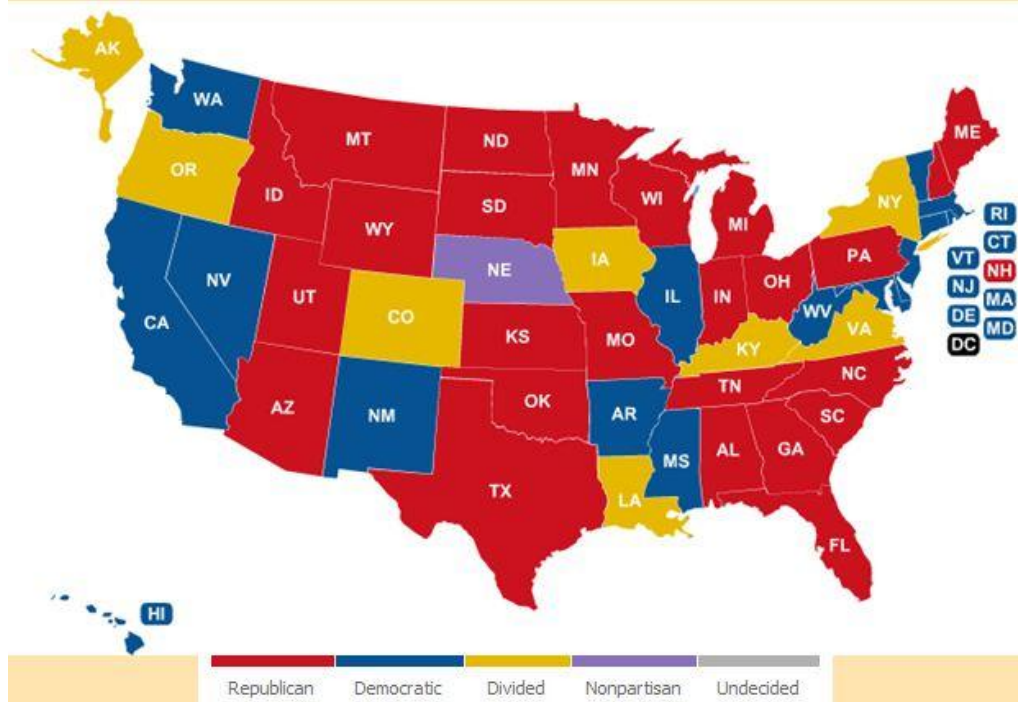
37 Elections:

- Republicans 23
- Democrats 13
- Independents 1

GOP gained
11 states

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STATE LEGISLATURES



- Republicans 25
- Democrats 16
- Split 7

GOP gained control of 11 legislatures

Source: National Conference of State Legislatures, 2010

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- Gates grant
 - 3 years, \$3 million
 - Arkansas, Colorado, North Carolina, Utah
 - Information dissemination
 - Educator feedback
 - Work with states & districts on technical assistance
 - Digitize lesson plans
 - Develop professional development

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- Educators
 - Received at least some training
 - Optimistic about standards
 - 3 Main Concerns
 - Text complexity
 - Tests
 - Technology

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- Resources & Support
 - www.ascd.org/commoncore
 - ASCD Resources
 - Online PD resources
 - Standards
 - Curriculum
 - Instruction
 - Assessment

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- Opportunities
 - Teacher training
 - Professional development
 - Assessing student comprehension
 - Whole child

NCLB Waivers

- Department of Education Waiver Plan
 - NCLB Requirements
 - 2013-14 100% proficiency
 - School improvement & accountability
 - Use of funds
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ESEA

- Harkin-Enzi
 - Senate vote in January?
- House
- Need for a well-rounded education
- Need for reauthorization

Challenges

- Other issues
 - Common core “aligned”
 - Standardized products
 - Common curriculum
 - College and career readiness

The Future of the Common Core

- Science standards
 - National science standards framework developed by NRC
 - Achieve selected Maine and 14 other states to participate in the finalization of national standards
 - Selection based on buy in and potential adoption.

- Social science standards
 - Ad hoc
 - Still organizing

The Future of the Common Core

- ESEA Reauthorization
 - Waivers
 - Accountability
- Implementation and funding
- The Tests
- Public buy-in



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