

The country's leading integrated online
assessment, program planning,
and reporting system



is growing ...

now for all children
birth to age five

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What is CreativeCurriculum.net?

CreativeCurriculum.net is the award-winning, curriculum-based online system that integrates ongoing assessment with powerful reporting, inspired program planning, and engaging parent communication features for children birth through pre-k. *The Creative Curriculum® Developmental Continuum for Infants, Toddlers & Twos* and *The Creative Curriculum® Developmental Continuum for Ages 3–5* form the basis of the CreativeCurriculum.net system. These assessment instruments are part of *The Creative Curriculum* system that includes *The Creative Curriculum® for Infants, Toddlers & Twos* and *The Creative Curriculum® for Preschool*.

“CreativeCurriculum.net has made things so much easier for everyone. Once we enter data, everything is practically done for us—checklists, progress reports, parent-teacher conference reports, and lesson planning forms. Thank you so much for creating such an effective, flexible, and comprehensive system.”

Bryce Poirot
Early Intervention Program Director
Green Tree School, Philadelphia, PA

Observation and ongoing assessment are key to positive outcomes for children. With CreativeCurriculum.net, a comprehensive, online subscription service, you can streamline and integrate the important, time-intensive work of linking curriculum, assessment, and communication with parents and administrators. CreativeCurriculum.net includes robust tools for keeping records, planning, and involving parents. These tools allow teachers more time with children.

Teachers build and store an **electronic portfolio** for each child that includes observation notes and digital examples of the child’s work, such as photographs, scanned work samples, and audio or video clips.

Teachers use **planning tools** to create integrated lesson plans and group children by developmental level. They select from hundreds of activities designed to meet the strengths and needs of each child.

With a few simple clicks, users produce **polished reports** for families, teachers, administrators, and public officials to show children’s progress on the goals and objectives of *The Creative Curriculum for Preschool*, *The Creative Curriculum for Infants, Toddlers & Twos* and state early learning standards and Head Start outcomes.

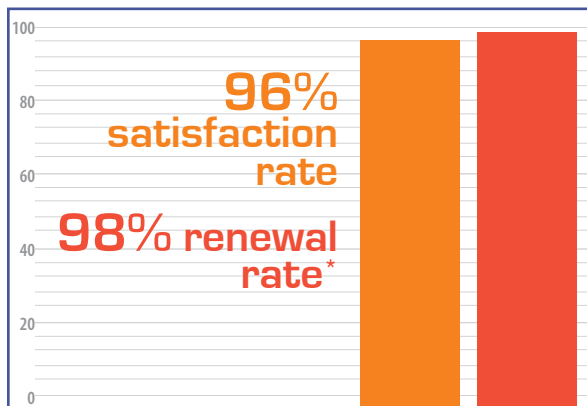
Develop extraordinary insight about the children in your program with the country's leading integrated online preschool assessment, planning, and reporting system.

With CreativeCurriculum.net, you can

- manage ongoing assessment and analyze the results
- organize observation notes and plan for each child and the group
- produce comprehensive progress and outcomes reports
- engage and involve parents in their children's learning at school and at home
- plan an inspired, assessment-guided program

CreativeCurriculum.net was initially designed to capture information from and generate reports about progress using a valid and reliable tool, *The Creative Curriculum Developmental Continuum for Ages 3–5*.

In 2006, the system was expanded to include *The Creative Curriculum Developmental Continuum for Infants, Toddlers & Twos*, creating a seamless system for children from birth through pre-k.



*96% of users report that they are either satisfied or very satisfied with CreativeCurriculum.net. 98% of subscribing organizations renew their subscription.

“The results achieved using this comprehensive assessment system are a key factor in our critical program-wide improvement plans. Now our curriculum and program improvement decisions are well-informed!”

Karmel Stewart, Early Care and Education Specialist
Murray Head Start, Murray, Kentucky

Observe, Record, and Organize

It all starts in the classroom.

Teachers purposefully observe children, record observations, and collect work samples as they implement *The Creative Curriculum® for Infants, Toddlers & Twos* or *The Creative Curriculum® for Preschool*. Their observations are guided by *The Creative Curriculum® Developmental Continuum for Infants, Toddlers & Twos* or *The Creative Curriculum® Developmental Continuum for Ages 3–5*, which describe the sequence of children’s development and learning. These comprehensive assessment instruments are the data engine in CreativeCurriculum.net.

Store observation notes and work samples in a digital portfolio.

The first step for teachers is to document what children do and say in online Observation Notes. The online Observation Notes screen guides teachers through the process of recording observations, allows them to add digital examples to support their observations, and relates their notes to specific objectives in the appropriate *Developmental Continuum*. Once entered, Observation Notes are displayed automatically so teachers can analyze the information related to each child’s progress on the *Developmental Continuum*.

Enter assessment data at specific Checkpoints.

Using their observation notes as a guide, three or four times a year, teachers enter Progress Checkpoints. With the user-friendly data entry screens, teachers simply consult their Observation Notes and work samples related to each objective and enter their decisions about each child’s progress. Once this basic data entry is complete, the system does the rest. Teachers and administrators can now use the data easily for hundreds of functions.

“We LOVE the system—we enter observations, check off related objectives, and the system sorts the information—a huge time-saver.”

Kim Mathews, Child Development Manager
Pro Action of Steuben and Yates, Inc. Head Start
Chicago Public Schools, Chicago, Illinois

enter data
only once



Report on Each Child

CreativeCurriculum.net includes all the functions that teachers need to simplify the process of using information to plan for and report about individual children and the group for children birth through pre-k. Each planning report is generated with a few simple clicks from data previously collected on Progress Checkpoints.

Individual child profiles chart each child's development over the course of the year—providing an at-a-glance review of progress for teachers and administrators. With a single stroke, teachers and administrators can generate the *Individual Child Profile* from the data entered in Progress Checkpoints.

Individual Child Profile  

Class profiles show how all children in each class are grouped on each objective by their level of development and suggest appropriate teacher-guided activities.

Class Profile  

Conference reports are polished, professional, and ready to share with parents at conferences. They are narrative descriptions of each child's current social/emotional, physical, cognitive, and language development. With a few clicks, teachers decide which objectives to include in the report. Teachers have the options of editing or personalizing the narrative.

Family Conference Report 

Child Progress and Planning Report 

Planning forms (lesson plans) help teachers plan group experiences based on the needs and interests of the children. Teachers can easily personalize these forms to include activities from the library of hundreds of activities and submit them electronically to an administrator for review, feedback, and approval.

Group Planning Form 

Weekly Planning Form 

Child planning forms help teachers know and appreciate what makes each child special. On a weekly basis, teachers record current information based on observations, portfolio samples, and recent events and interactions and then describe how they will use the information to plan for individual children. This form can be submitted electronically to administrators for review, feedback, and approval.

Child Planning Form 

The **activity library** features more than 500 literacy, math, science, and social studies activities for teachers and parents to do with children.

Activity Library  

“Using CreativeCurriculum.net has increased teacher accountability and has had a positive impact on the overall quality of our program.”

Tamela Johnston, Early Childhood Director
Southwest Christian School
Fort Worth, Texas

 Infants, Toddlers & Twos

 Preschool



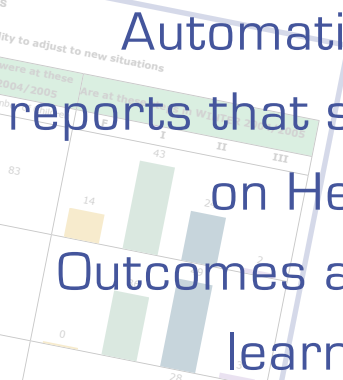
Develop Aggregated Reports

CreativeCurriculum.net generates detailed, consolidated group progress reports in a clear, easy-to-read format.

From one data source, users generate reports from multiple classrooms, sites or schools, districts or agencies, entire organizations, or the entire state. The reports can range from complex, data-intensive summaries to reports that highlight a single objective. Administrators can choose demographic information to further focus reports.

These comprehensive reporting functions make it easy to generate seven flexible, powerful group reports in more than 50 report formats based on alignments with state, Head Start, and military preschool standards.

With CreativeCurriculum.net, administrators can quickly demonstrate gains, identify program strengths, and target training and resource dollars—without juggling multiple disks or files to consolidate the information and spending hours on paperwork to prepare the reports. All of these functions are accessible anywhere, at any time, via the Internet.



1. Shows ability to adjust to new situations

Children who were at these steps in FALL 2004/2005

Are at these steps in WINTER 2005

Step	Fall 2004/2005	Winter 2005
Step I	14	43
Step II	24	36
Step III	0	49
Step IV	0	1
Step V	0	28
Step VI	15	15

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Advanced Progress and Outcomes Report:

combines assessment information for groups of children to illustrate progress across two Checkpoints with charts and graphs.

Snapshot Report: provides instant information about each classroom at a given time. This simple picture shows the number and percentages of children at each developmental step at a single Checkpoint.

Gains Report: charts the number and percentages of children's progress over two Checkpoints.

Program Analysis Report: compares children's progress in different programs, sites, or classrooms to provide information for allocating training, technical assistance, and other resources.

Executive Summary Report: creates a concise narrative for administrators and includes findings from all of the pertinent reports.

Two-Year Comparison Report: presents children's assessment data for two school years in a side-by-side comparison. Allows data to be assessed for groups of children across two Checkpoints for two different years.

Correlation Report: uses the format of the Snapshot Report but organizes the information according to the Head Start Child Outcomes Framework formats.

Engage & Inform Parents



ParentsCentral

Our parent site connects teachers with families to extend children's school experiences at home. Once invited by the teacher, parents register for private password-protected access to ParentsCentral to view their child's electronic portfolio.

Programs pay a small additional fee for the enhanced CreativeCurriculum.net PLUS™ module for access to extra features online. With this module, teachers can send electronic newsletters to parents and share center-wide event calendars, lesson plans, and parent-teacher conference forms—all on ParentsCentral.

“Technology is bringing families,
children, and teachers together.

Combining the child-centered
philosophy of *The Creative
Curriculum® for Preschool with*

CreativeCurriculum.net is a
dream come true!”

Kathleen Seeley, Director
Bath Area YMCA, Bath, Maine

Parent-Friendly Features

Family Assessment: ParentsCentral features an interview-style assessment that encourages parents to record progress at home, an extensive library of over 500 activities, and articles from a resource center.

Parent-Teacher Communications Journal: Teachers may invite parents to view selected information about their child on ParentsCentral. The journal allows teachers and families to share and respond to observation notes, messages, images, and work samples. This feature adds a new dimension to the assessment process and provides another means of two-way communication.

Child Progress and Planning Report: Using previously entered data, teachers can generate parent-friendly conference reports in both English and Spanish. The reports can be printed or, with the additional PLUS module, shared on ParentsCentral.

Developmental Area Report: Using a narrative description designed for parents, this report describes each child's current stage of social/emotional, physical, cognitive, and language development and suggests likely next steps for the child. Available in English and Spanish.

Reports for parents can be
generated in English and Spanish!

All the Support You Need

We want technology to make life easier, not more challenging! That's why Teaching Strategies has included in every subscription a strong system of tools and implementation support to support the use of CreativeCurriculum.net:

- Web conference orientation sessions for administrators
- *User Manuals* written for teachers and administrators
- online interactive tutorials
- e-mail and telephone technical support
- consultation and ongoing implementation support from a designated Implementation Manager
- a free e-mail newsletter with tips and advice

We also offer optional one-day, hands-on Technical Training and Report Interpretation Seminars and other training options available under contract.

- Web orientations
- step-by-step user manuals
- online tutorials
- phone, e-mail, and live chat support
- consultation and implementation
- e-mail newsletters
- trainings and seminars



The Technology

CreativeCurriculum.net employs a hierarchical data structure of secure passwords and uses industry-standard SSL encryption to protect sensitive data. The system meets the rigorous security requirements of many of the nation's leading school systems, including the Department of Defense. It was developed in ColdFusion and is powered by Microsoft SQL Server. Data entered by teachers can be exported easily by administrators.

System Requirements

You can use CreativeCurriculum.net from any PC (Windows 98 or above) or Macintosh computer with an Internet connection.* The system works with the following:

- Internet Explorer 6.0 and above
- Netscape Navigator 6.0 and above
- AOL 6.0 and above
- Safari 1.0 and above

IMPORTANT:

You must set your browser to accept cookies in order to use our system. You will also need Adobe Acrobat Reader (free download) to read and print reports.

Easy to purchase and implement

CreativeCurriculum.net is sold as an annual subscription with no additional set-up fees. The annual fee is determined by the number of children in your program.

**Broadband Internet (DSL, Cable, T1) access is not required for every user. For most users, the system will work with dial-up access. However, administrators of large programs (more than 2,500 children) will need one broadband connection to prepare system-wide reports.*

Learn more:

- 1 Register for a live online demonstration at www.CreativeCurriculum.net/demo
- 2 Try the system FREE for 30 days at www.CreativeCurriculum.net/trial
- 3 Take a tour by visiting www.CreativeCurriculum.net/tour
- 4 Call us toll-free at 800-289-9126, option 4.

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More Options

CreativeCurriculum.net PLUS™ includes additional features that enhance reporting and parent communication (for a nominal charge per child).

State Preschool Standard Report Formats configure all Group Reports according to your state's preschool standards (included in CreativeCurriculum.net PLUS and SNAP).

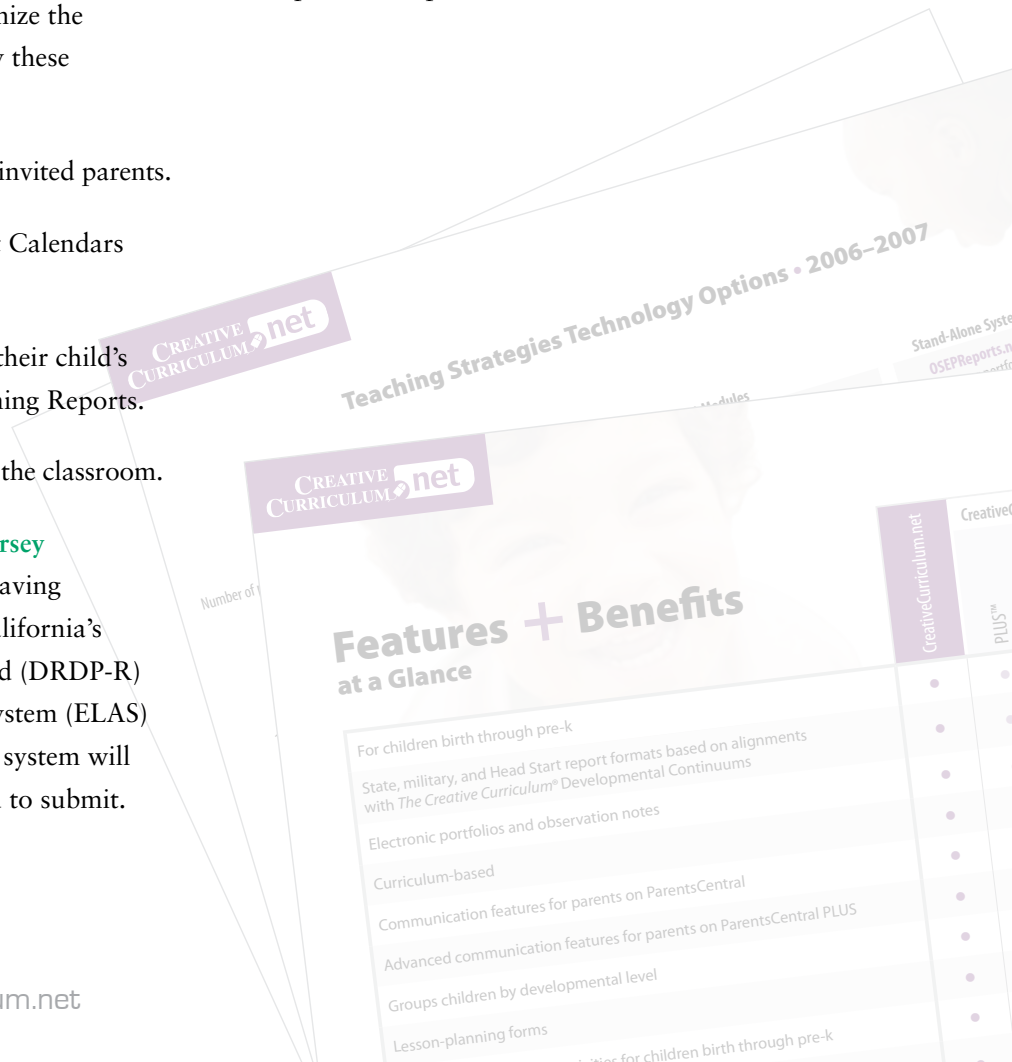
ParentsCentral PLUS—Bonus Features maximize the interactivity of the ParentsCentral system. Try these features:

- Publish and send e-mail newsletters to invited parents.
- Publish online Class and Center Event Calendars for parents.
- Provide parents with secure access to their child's personalized Child Progress and Planning Reports.
- Display the Weekly Planning Form for the classroom.

Statewide Systems For California and New Jersey
CreativeCurriculum.net now offers the time-saving advantage of organizing data according to California's Desired Results Developmental Profile Revised (DRDP-R) or New Jersey's Early Learning Assessment System (ELAS) to meet the state reporting requirements. The system will generate all of the reports that programs need to submit.

Expanded Forerunners are now available as an addition to *The Creative Curriculum® Developmental Continuum for Ages 3–5* to guide teachers in documenting the progress of children who have not yet reached Step I because of disability, developmental lag, or lack of experience.

Expanded Forerunners break down the Forerunner level for each objective into three more focused, incremental developmental steps.



Features + Benefits at a Glance

For children birth through pre-k	•	•
State, military, and Head Start report formats based on alignments with <i>The Creative Curriculum®</i> Developmental Continuum	•	•
Electronic portfolios and observation notes	•	•
Curriculum-based	•	•
Communication features for parents on ParentsCentral	•	•
Advanced communication features for parents on ParentsCentral PLUS	•	•
Groups children by developmental level	•	•
Lesson-planning forms	•	•
Lesson-planning forms for children birth through pre-k	•	•



CreativeCurriculum.net + SNAP™ (Special Needs Accountability Pack)

Add the **SNAP** to CreativeCurriculum.net to automate the process of converting ongoing assessment data from CreativeCurriculum.net into OSEP reports without duplicating data entry. In addition to OSEP reporting features, SNAP includes all of the features in the CreativeCurriculum.net PLUS module.

The SNAP module provides reports which meet the federal mandates from the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) for reporting outcomes for children ages 0–3 with IFSPs and ages 3–5 with IEPs. It automatically compares each child’s progress to that of typical children for each of the three OSEP outcomes.

Reports can be generated using either or both of the 5 ECO-recommended reporting categories and the OSEP mandated 3 reporting categories. The system is based on a scientifically based method for determining typical and OSEP outcomes categories.

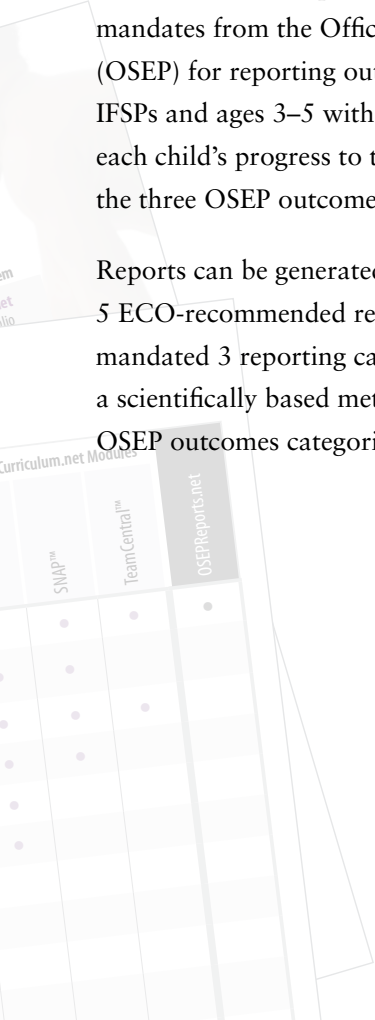
OSEPreports.net

OSEPreports.net is a unique Internet-driven system powered by CreativeCurriculum.net that simplifies generation of statewide or district-wide reports. Results from any assessment instrument are entered directly into the 7-point ECO Child Outcomes Summary Form on the 5 ECO-recommended outcomes categories.

In addition to generating reports on any locally or commercially developed assessment instrument, OSEPreports.net’s universal design allows states, districts, and schools to blend the results from multiple assessment instruments in order to generate comprehensive reports from one data source. OSEPreports.net offers flexible, on-demand mandated OSEP reports and additional analytical program improvement reports.

TeamCentral

TeamCentral allows the many professionals who provide services to each child to share observations, data, and work samples. In TeamCentral, the classroom teacher, special educator, physical therapist, occupational therapist, speech and language therapist, and psychologist can work together to share their observations and in-depth information about the child. Access to the system is granted via secure usernames and passwords.



250,000 children

425 organizations

48 states

6 countries

...and growing

Join our growing family:

- large and small school districts
- state-funded Pre-K programs
- Early Head Start
- Head Start
- private non-profit programs
- for-profit child care organizations
- U.S. military preschool programs
- early intervention programs
- inclusive preschool programs

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