

Did You Know?

The Future Ready PA Index will serve as Pennsylvania's one-stop location for comprehensive information about school success and will use a dashboard model to highlight how schools are performing and making progress on multiple indicators.

The dashboard approach to school reporting:

- Increases emphasis on student growth measures, which incentivizes a focus on all learners and is less sensitive to demographic variables.
- Measures English language acquisition among ELL students, not simply performance on a test of grade level ELA standards.
- Incentivizes career awareness instruction beginning at the elementary level.
- Addresses the issue of unequal weighting of content areas in the current SPP.
- Provides indicators of student success after graduation.
- Increases the emphasis on student access to course offerings such as AP, IB, college credit, and CTE programs of study.
- Allows LEAs to include locally-selected reading assessments (Grade 3) and math assessments (Grade 7) as additional snapshots of student progress.
- Incentivizes schools to offer career pathways that culminate with high value, industry recognized credentials.

Webinars

- [Watch a webinar](#) that addresses chronic absenteeism (February 2018)
- [Watch a webinar](#) and [view the associated PowerPoint presentation](#) (PDF) that addresses the topic of assessment participation rates as reflected in Pennsylvania's Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Plan (February 2018)
- [Watch webinar #1](#) and [webinar #2](#) which provide information on the proposed recommendations for the Future Ready PA Index (from spring 2017)

Video

[View a brief informational video](#) about the Future Ready PA Index.

<http://www.education.pa.gov/Pages/Future-Ready-PA.aspx>

Professional Opportunities

KSRA has proclaimed April as Families & Reading month. The 2018 Families & Reading resources are available on KSRA's website under the Resources tab. <http://ksrapa.org/membership/families-reading>



The packet includes book and technology suggestions for children in preschool all the way through middle school as well as ideas for families to foster a love of literacy in the home. Calendars with literacy activities are available for elementary students in English and Spanish.

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Our monthly ELA Assessment eBLAST will focus on providing the following: insight around standardized assessment, professional learning for ELA classroom instruction and assessment, professional opportunities, and a question/answer section.

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Future Ready PA Index

Do you have questions about the Future Ready PA Index? Send them to: ra-edfuturereadypa@pa.gov



A huge thank you to our Proof of Concept teachers. The research is complete! We are currently working on Learning Progression bundles to release to the field. Stay tuned!

