

Web Sites and Resources for More Information

Homework

Homework Central

<http://www.HomeworkCentral.com>

Terrific site for students, parents, and teachers, filled with information, projects, and more.

Win the Homework Wars

(Sylvan Learning Centers)

http://www.educate.com/online/qa_peters.html

Reading and Grammar Help

Born to Read: How to Raise a Reader

http://www.ala.org/alsc/raise_a_reader.html

Guide to Grammar and Writing

<http://webster.commnet.edu/hp/pages/darling/grammar.htm>

Help with "plague words and phrases," grammar FAQs, sentence parts, punctuation, rules for common usage.

Internet Public Library: Reading Zone

<http://www.ipl.org/cgi-bin/youth/youth.out>

Keeping Kids Reading and Writing

<http://www.tiac.net/users/maryl/>

U.S. Dept. of Education: Helping Your Child Learn to Read

<http://www.ed.gov/pubs/parents/Reading/index.html>

Math Help

Center for Advancement of Learning

<http://www.muskingum.edu/%7Ecal/database/Math2.html>

Substitution and memory strategies for math.

Center for Advancement of Learning

<http://www.muskingum.edu/%7Ecal/database/Math1.html>

General tips and suggestions.

Math.com

<http://www.math.com>

The world of math online.

Math.com

<http://www.math.com/student/testprep.html>

Get ready for standardized tests.

Math.com: Homework Help in Math

<http://www.math.com/students/homework.html>

Math.com: Math for Homeschoolers

<http://www.math.com/parents/homeschool.html>

The Math Forum: Problems and Puzzles

http://forum.swarthmore.edu/library/resource_types/problems_puzzles

Lots of fun math puzzles and problems for grades K through 12.

The Math Forum: Math Tips and Tricks

<http://forum.swarthmore.edu/k12/mathtips/mathtips.html>

Tips on Testing

Books on Test Preparation

<http://www.testbooksonline.com/preHS.asp>

This site provides printed resources for parents who wish to help their children prepare for standardized school tests.

Core Knowledge Web Site

<http://www.coreknowledge.org/>

Site dedicated to providing resources for parents; based on the books of E. D. Hirsch, Jr., who wrote the *What Your X Grader Needs to Know* series.

Family Education Network

<http://www.familyeducation.com/article/0,1120,1-6219,00.html>

This report presents some of the arguments against current standardized testing practices in the public schools. The site also provides links to family activities that help kids learn.

Math.com

<http://www.math.com/students/testprep.html>

Get ready for standardized tests.

Standardized Tests

<http://arc.missouri.edu/k12/>

K through 12 assessment tools and know-how.

Parents: Testing in Schools

KidSource: Talking to Your Child's Teacher about Standardized Tests

<http://www.kidsource.com/kidsource/content2/talking.assessment.k12.4.html>

This site provides basic information to help parents understand their children's test results and provides pointers for how to discuss the results with their children's teachers.

eSCORE.com: State Test and Education Standards

<http://www.eSCORE.com>

Find out if your child meets the necessary requirements for your local schools. A Web site with experts from Brazelton Institute and Harvard's Project Zero.

Overview of States' Assessment Programs

<http://ericae.net/faqs/>

Parent Soup

Education Central: Standardized Tests

<http://www.parentsoup.com/edcentral/testing>

A parent's guide to standardized testing in the schools, written from a parent advocacy standpoint.

National Center for Fair and Open Testing, Inc. (FairTest)

342 Broadway
Cambridge, MA 02139
(617) 864-4810

<http://www.fairtest.org>

National Parent Information Network

<http://npin.org>

Publications for Parents from the U.S. Department of Education

<http://www.ed.gov/pubs/parents/>

An ever-changing list of information for parents available from the U.S. Department of Education.

State of the States Report

<http://www.edweek.org/sreports/qc99/states/indicators/in-intro.htm>

A report on testing and achievement in the 50 states.

Testing: General Information

Academic Center for Excellence

<http://www.acekids.com>

American Association for Higher Education Assessment

<http://www.aahe.org/assessment/web.htm>

American Educational Research Association (AERA)

<http://aera.net>

An excellent link to reports on American education, including reports on the controversy over standardized testing.

American Federation of Teachers

555 New Jersey Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20011

Association of Test Publishers Member Products and Services

<http://www.testpublishers.org/memserv.htm>

Education Week on the Web

<http://www.edweek.org>

ERIC Clearinghouse on Assessment and Evaluation

1131 Shriver Lab

University of Maryland

College Park, MD 20742

<http://ericae.net>

A clearinghouse of information on assessment and education reform.

FairTest: The National Center for Fair and Open Testing

<http://fairtest.org/facts/ntfact.htm>

<http://fairtest.org/>

The National Center for Fair and Open Testing is an advocacy organization working to end the abuses, misuses, and flaws of standardized testing and to ensure that evaluation of students and workers is fair, open, and educationally sound. This site provides many links to fact sheets, opinion papers, and other sources of information about testing.

National Congress of Parents and Teachers

700 North Rush Street

Chicago, Illinois 60611

National Education Association

1201 16th Street, NW

Washington, DC 20036

National School Boards Association

<http://www.nsba.org>

A good source for information on all aspects of public education, including standardized testing.

Testing Our Children: A Report Card on State Assessment Systems

<http://www.fairtest.org/states/survey.htm>

Report of testing practices of the states, with graphical links to the states and a critique of fair testing practices in each state.

Trends in Statewide Student Assessment Programs: A Graphical Summary

<http://www.ccsso.org/survey96.html>

Results of annual survey of states' departments of public instruction regarding their testing practices.

U.S. Department of Education

<http://www.ed.gov/>

Web Links for Parents Who Want to Help Their Children Achieve

<http://www.liveandlearn.com/learn.html>

This page offers many Web links to free and for-sale information and materials for parents who want to help their children do well in school. Titles include such free offerings as the Online Colors Game and questionnaires to determine whether your child is ready for school.

What Should Parents Know about Standardized Testing in the Schools?

<http://www.rusd.k12.ca.us/parents/standard.html>

An online brochure about standardized testing in the schools, with advice regarding how to become an effective advocate for your child.

Test Publishers Online

ACT: Information for Life's Transitions

<http://www.act.org>

American Guidance Service, Inc.

<http://www.agsnet.com>

Ballard & Tighe Publishers

<http://www.ballard-tighe.com>

Consulting Psychologists Press

<http://www.cpp-db.com>

CTB McGraw-Hill

<http://www.ctb.com>

Educational Records Bureau

<http://www.erbtest.org/index.html>

Educational Testing Service

<http://www.ets.org>

**General Educational Development (GED)
Testing Service**

<http://www.acenet.edu/calec/ged/home.html>

Harcourt Brace Educational Measurement

<http://www.hbem.com>

**Piney Mountain Press—A Cyber-Center
for Career and Applied Learning**

<http://www.pineymountain.com>

ProEd Publishing

<http://www.proedinc.com>

Riverside Publishing Company

<http://www.hmco.com/hmco/riverside>

Stoelting Co.

<http://www.stoeltingco.com>

Sylvan Learning Systems, Inc.

<http://www.educate.com>

**Touchstone Applied Science Associates,
Inc. (TASA)**

<http://www.tasa.com>

Tests Online

(*Note:* We don't endorse tests; some may not have technical documentation. Evaluate the quality of any testing program before making decisions based on its use.)

Edutest, Inc.

<http://www.edutest.com>

Edutest is an Internet-accessible testing service that offers criterion-referenced tests for elementary school students, based upon the standards for K through 12 learning and achievement in the states of Virginia, California, and Florida.

Virtual Knowledge

<http://www.smarterkids.com>

This commercial service, which enjoys a formal partnership with Sylvan Learning Centers, offers a line of skills assessments for preschool through grade 9 for use in the classroom or the home. For free online sample tests, see the Virtual Test Center.