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# INTRODUCTION

## Welcome to ClassBright

ClassBright™ is a powerful, Web-based software system that supports teachers and school administrators in helping their students achieve academic success. Through its simple interface and intuitive navigation menus, ClassBright's lesson-planning tools and district-specific resources make it easy to develop strong, standards-based instruction and assessment plans for their students.

## System Requirements

### Supported Browsers

- Internet Explorer 7 or later
- Safari 5 or later
- Firefox 3 or later

### Browser Settings

- Enable Javascript
- Accept cookies (set privacy settings to Medium)

### Screen Resolution

1024 x 768 or larger

### Software Applications

Install latest version of Adobe Acrobat Reader ([www.adobe.com/reader](http://www.adobe.com/reader))

## Need Help?



This Help Guide outlines the primary features for teachers in the ClassBright system. In addition, you'll find a more extensive Help section linked from your ClassBright Dashboard (described in this guide). The section includes video Screencasts (Flash Player required) and is where more Printable Guides – explaining new features or updates – are posted.



**(406) 542-3334**, Monday through Friday, 9am – 5pm, Mountain Time.



Use the handy **Feedback** form from any page in your ClassBright system to ask a question or send a comment to us. When logged in, just click the orange-colored tab on the left-hand side of your Web browser window, complete and submit the comment form to easily contact your Support Team.



**support@wwidea.org**

## Glossary

### **Assessment Strategy**

A method for testing a student's mastery of an education standard. These are integrated in ClassBright if they have been pre-aligned to standards. Custom-made strategies may be input manually by a user.

### **Content Area**

Associated with an identified set of educational standards. For example: Reading, Writing, Language Arts, Science, and Social Studies.

### **Course**

A complete instructional and assessment educational program that includes one or more Content Areas and targets one or more specific grade levels.

### **Coverage**

Analysis of the frequency a Curriculum Source covers a specific standard or Content Area.

### **Curriculum Source or Source**

Refers to any school-approved textbook or other curriculum materials that have been aligned to standards. The source's Instructional Strategies and Assessment Strategies are integrated in ClassBright.

### **Daily Plan**

A relatively detailed schedule outlining a day's activities.

### **Dashboard**

A screen where you can get quick access to frequently used features, tools, and items that need your attention. This is your landing site immediately after login.

### **Filter**

A drop-down menu that offers a way to narrow or change search results.

### **Framework**

A table-like presentation of the education standards, typically broken down into parts. Framework may also include system-integrated Instruction Strategies and Assessment Strategies.

### **Instruction Strategy**

A method for teaching a particular standard. These may be integrated in ClassBright if they have been pre-aligned to standards. Custom-made strategies may be input manually by a user.

### **Plan**

Refers to a weeklong plan that may include more detailed planning for one to five days during that week

**Plan Details or Plan View**

A page that shows all of a Plan's Standards, Instruction Strategies, Assessment Strategies, Daily Plans, and Custom Items. Also, the place to generate a printable PDF of the entire Plan.

**Plan Reviewer or Reviewer**

Someone who is responsible for accepting Plans from their assigned teachers, as well as providing support to those teachers.

**Priority**

Assigned to a Standard, a priority is a relative indicator based on how frequently a standard is tested at the state level. For example in Alaska, this refers to the Standard-Based Assessment (SBA). Priorities are relative and generally labeled as High, Medium, and Low.

**Resource**

Any Instruction Strategy, Assessment Strategy or other resources integrated into ClassBright. These directly relate to Curriculum Sources, but may also include "personal bank" resources.

**Search**

An easy way to find an item using specific criteria. ClassBright search forms may include filters, text fields, or a combination of those.

**Standards**

Educational goals for students categorized by Content Area and grade level. By default, standards integrated into ClassBright are typically state-approved (i.e., those distributed by the state's education agency). However, they may also include local or national standards. If so, they are identified as such.

**Template**

A preset format that can be used over and over.

**Quick Cal**

A simple set of boxes on Plan Details to indicate which days have been assigned for an item.

**User**

Anyone who has a ClassBright login account.