

# COLLEGE- & CAREER-READINESS



## STANDARDS

## CURRICULUM

### What's the Difference?

**Standards** are what we want students to know, understand and be able to do; **Standards** represent goals.

The **Curriculum** is an intentional learning plan to ensure students achieve the goals of the standards; the **Curriculum** represents the learning experience.

### Standards and Curriculum

*A STANDARD is a goal. The CURRICULUM is a means to achieve the goal.*

#### Example 1 • 3rd Grade Mathematics Goal

**Standard:** M.3.8

*Solve two-step word problems using the four operations, represent these problems using equations with a letter standing for the unknown quantity. Assess the reasonableness of answers using mental computation and estimation strategies including rounding.*

#### Example 2 • 6th Grade English Language Arts Goal

**Standard:** ELA.6.18

*By the end of the year, read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, in the grade 6-8 text complexity range proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.*

#### Curriculum:

Teacher locates instructional materials, plans and facilitates learning activities and assesses the students' mastery of the standard.

### Who is Responsible?

West Virginia Board of Education  
West Virginia Department of Education

County boards of education,  
administrators and teachers



West Virginia  
College & Career  
Readiness Standards



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