

## PURPOSE

The purpose of the *Common Core State Standards and North Carolina Essential Standards Facilitator's Guide* is to provide guidance to district-level and charter school teams in the planning and facilitation of the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI) blended professional development initiative relating to the implementation of the new standards. The materials and links in this guide, combined with the online learning modules and materials from the *Common Core State Standards and North Carolina Essential Standards 2011 Summer Institutes*, provide a framework for locally delivered professional development. Each district-level and charter school team may adapt these resources to accommodate local professional development requirements.

## ORGANIZATION OF THE FACILITATOR'S GUIDE

Each section of the *Common Core State Standards and North Carolina Essential Standards Facilitator's Guide* provides information and resources to be used in conjunction with the corresponding modules (as applicable) and presentations from the *Common Core State Standards and North Carolina Essential Standards 2011 Summer Institutes*. District-level and charter school teams are encouraged to use this guide to design and implement training for teachers with the goal of increased student achievement. Power Point presentations from each content session are posted for use on the ACRE website:

<http://www.ncpublicschools.org/acre/standards/>.