At A Glance

What are the CCSS?
The Common Core State Standards are a single set of clear educational standards for kindergarten through 12th grade in English Language Arts and Mathematics. The standards are designed to ensure that students graduating from high school are prepared for college programs and the workforce. Educational standards help teachers ensure their students have the skills and knowledge they need to be successful by providing clear goals for student learning.

Who came up with the CCSS?
The National Governors Association (NGA) and the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) led the development of the Common Core State Standards. Teachers, parents, school administrators and experts from across provided input into the development of the standards.

What States Have Adopted the CCSS?
States across the country collaborated with teachers, researchers, and leading experts to design and develop the Common Core State Standards. Each state independently and voluntarily made the decision to adopt the Common Core State Standards, beginning in 2010.

To date, Forty-five states, the District of Columbia, four territories, and the Department of Defense Education Activity have adopted the Common Core State Standards.

The federal government was NOT involved in the development of the standards. Local teachers, principals, and superintendents lead the implementation of the Common Core State Standards.

Where Can I Learn More?
For more information, you can visit the CCSS website at www.corestandards.org, or the LULAC website at www.lulac.org/commoncore. You can also call the LULAC National office at (202) 833-6130.

About LULAC
The League of United Latin American Citizens, the preeminent defender of the civil rights of the Latino community in the United States and Puerto Rico, works to advance the economic condition, educational attainment, political influence, housing conditions, health index, and civil rights of the Hispanic population of the United States through community-based programs operating through more than 900 LULAC councils nationwide.