



Streamlining District Processes
Saving Teachers Time
Connecting School and Home
Accelerating Academic Achievement



ProgressBook GradeBook integrates real-time with all ProgressBook Suite applications creating an efficient, error-free student and classroom solution. Teachers take attendance, plan lessons, grade assignment and issue progress reports and report cards online. State-standards, benchmarks and indicators by lesson plans and assignments are tracked and used for easy standards-based grade calculation and online or printed report cards.



TEACHER AND ADMINISTRATOR TOOLS

TEACHER DASHBOARD

- Complete control of own grade book
- Quick view of all classes, students, assignments and lesson plans
- Quickly enter grades in grade book grid or in individual assignment.

STUDENT INFORMATION

- Complete access to all student and contact information
- Instant access to grades, assessments, progress and daily comments for all classes
- View student and parent access login history.

ATTENDANCE

- Daily and period attendance
- Take attendance by list or by seating chart
- Real-time integration with all ProgressBook applications and other student information systems.

STANDARDS-BASED PRACTICES

- Attach state standards to assignments and lesson plans
- Powerful reporting on standards taught
- Utilize standards-based report cards.

PARENT AND STUDENT ACCESS

- Post assignments, homework, grades and comments to be viewed by parents and students
- Create classroom "Home Page" for students to access classroom information
- Open and enhanced communication with parents through the parent/student portal.

TEACHER BENEFITS

SAVE TIME

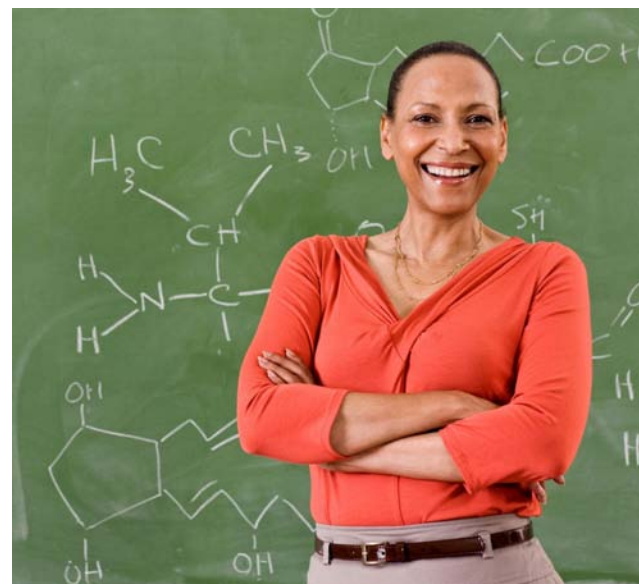
- Student data automatically loads and updates real-time from school's student information system
 - Simplifies student class transfers
 - Eliminates dual grade and attendance entry between the office and the classroom
- Report card grades automatically calculate from marks in the grade book, including itemized standards-based report cards
- Simple attendance and lunch count submission
- Track student behavior and parent contact notes.

IMPROVE AND SIMPLIFY COMMUNICATION

- Enter, share and reuse lesson plans and assignments across school years, across teachers
- Post homework, grades, documents and messages to the web for easy parent/student access
- Create teacher web pages for class information and links.

EASY TO USE

- Designed by teachers - for teachers - with extensive teacher input through enhancements and development
- Easily customizable to incorporate best practices
- Includes flexible grade calculation options, including Power Law, assigning grade scales by class, by student, and more
- High teacher adoption rate.



ADMINISTRATION BENEFITS

BOOST ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

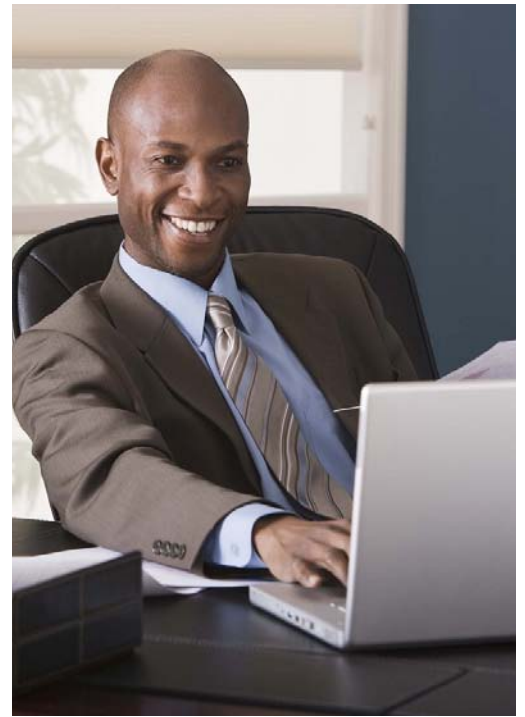
- Run reports for meaningful data on instruction, content mastery, attendance, parent involvement
- Increase differentiated, standards-based instruction by empowering teachers with information
- Improve school-home collaboration.

SMOOTH IMPLEMENTATION

- Application earns school-wide teacher adoption quickly for an easy and smooth transition
- Supported by knowledgeable, responsive support staff who care about your district's success.

SAVE MONEY

- Eliminates duplicate data entry, free up staff time
- Ensures the accuracy of data for appropriate school funding
- Teachers save hours each week because of automated processes and reduced time spent communicating routine student progress and grades with parents.



"The first thing I do when a student is in my office for a discipline-related reason, is I check ProgressBook. Nine out of 10 times, there is a direct correlation between a student's behavior and their grades."

JIM GRAY, PRINCIPAL,
ARCANUM HIGH SCHOOL, ARCANUM, OHIO



CONNECTING SCHOOL AND HOME

Parents and students have 24/7 online access to GradeBook from any computer with Internet access. Separate student and parent accounts enable each to view information separately, yet see the same content.

STUDENT BENEFITS

- Never miss an assignment and always know class standing by seeing homework, school resources, classroom progress and teacher messages - online 24/7 - for all class
- Students take ownership of grades and can see the effect of each score on their overall grades
- Stay up-to-date on class and assignment progress to eliminate end-of-term surprises
- Monthly planner helps students manage time
- Students are empowered to control their own academic achievement and growth.

PARENTS AND STUDENTS STAY INFORMED AND ARE MORE INVOLVED

- View homework, grades, attendance, missing assignments, current averages for each class
- Set thresholds and receive email alerts for low grades, missed assignments and attendance inconsistencies
- Easy access to student schedules, teacher contact information, interims and report cards.
- View teacher comments, school news, district calendar and events
- Download school forms provided by the district
- Parents can link multiple students for a single fast access
- Parent involvement leads to engaged dinner-time conversation and holding children responsible for their academic actions.





ProgressBook SpecialServices

ProgressBook SpecialServices is a web-based, easy-to-use, special education and gifted student forms, tracking, reporting and state department of education compliance application. The program:

- Enables online typing directly onto special education/gifted student IEP (Individualized Education Plan) forms.
- Facilitates team collaboration by teachers, guidance counselors, administrators, and more.
- Provides easy, 24/7 access for users to enter, verify and report on students
- Compatible with Windows and Mac-based operating systems
- Keeps districts compliant and consistent for state requirements
- Integrates real-time with ProgressBook's other school district applications, or can be used as a stand-alone application.
- Streamlines state reporting.

TEACHER BENEFITS

SAVE TIME

- Type directly on the state forms, just like writing
- Tasks group all required state forms for each special education event on one screen
- Student demographic data from your student information system automatically populates on all forms
- Web-based application provides 24/7 access from anywhere
- Frequently-used wording and statements can be accessed from wording banks
- Reports and IEP completion status ensure timely completion of documents.

"SpecialServices is a one-stop shop. For our special education students, we create, organize, distribute, and document data online for complete compliance. The IEP team is extremely collaborative helping each child in the best possible manner."

LORI MCCARTNEY, EIGHTH GRADE COUNSELOR
GREEN MIDDLE SCHOOL, GREEN, OHIO

The image shows a detailed IEP form with multiple sections. At the top, it says 'INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM (IEP)'. Below that, there are fields for 'Student Name', 'School Year', 'IEP Meeting Date', and 'Student ID'. The form is divided into several columns and rows, with headers like 'ASSESSMENT', 'PRESENT LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT', 'GOALS', and 'SERVICES'. There are also checkboxes and dropdown menus throughout the form.

DISTRICT BENEFITS

SMOOTH IMPLEMENTATION

- Monitor status of form completion for upcoming special education events, such as IEPs or ETRs
- SpecialServices data stays securely within your district and is accessible to only your selected staff
- Electronic archive of all completed tasks reduces printing and distribution of paper copies
- Supported by knowledgeable, responsive support staff who care about your district's success.

SAVE MONEY

- Eliminate duplicate data entry, freeing up staff time
- Ensure the accuracy of your special education data
- Extract state reporting data directly to district student information system.

FAMILY AND STUDENT BENEFITS

EASIER AND FASTER SCHOOL/HOME COMMUNICATION

- Parents or guardians can easily and quickly receive SpecialServices standardized progress reports in district-wide consistent formats
- Reports can be sent home in either print or by email
- IEP progress updates display goals, objectives and student progress as compared to state standards.

BETTER EDUCATION

- Each special needs and gifted student receives a better, well-documented and enriched education as a result of collaboration among educators and better coordinated communication with the home.



ADMINISTRATION BENEFITS

BOOST COLLABORATION

- Easily and securely accessible by anyone involved in the special education process, including general and special education teachers, psychologists, counselors and related service providers
- Transfer IEPs and ETRs electronically and securely to other Special Services districts when students relocate.

ENSURE STATE AND FEDERAL COMPLIANCE

- Software updates are quick and easy, allowing districts to stay in compliance when legislative changes occur.

IMPROVE AND SIMPLIFY DISTRICT COMMUNICATION

- Monitor status of form completion for upcoming special education events, such as IEPs or ETRs
- Facilitate consistency with district-wide comment and text banks
- Implement district-specific forms in addition to state special education forms.

EASY TO USE

- Eliminates duplicate data entry, free up staff time
- Designed with extensive teacher and special education administrator input
- Mirrors existing special education process, reducing learning curve for staff.



ProgressBook VirtualClassroom

ProgressBook VirtualClassroom is a robust, online educational system aligned to state academic standards for students both in and outside the classroom. Educators can upload curriculum, share it, rate it, and provide complete support, resources and monitoring which results in students receiving differentiated instruction.

FEATURES AND BENEFITS

- Online assessments and coursework for students in the classroom or at home, with a pop-quiz builder and quick and easy-to-use setup
- Online electronic curriculum, curriculum uploading, sharing and rating
- Integrates with ProgressBook's GradeBook module enabling:
 - ✓ VirtualClassroom questions-and-answers database is associated with GradeBook class lesson plans and aligned to state standards
 - ✓ Students and teachers are linked according to the school district's systems
 - ✓ Uses the school district's user accounts, roles, logins and system security.
- Data-analysis capabilities including early-warning indicators for teachers, administrators, parents, and students, for meeting state standards

- Metrics for evaluating test and assignment effectiveness
- Curriculum can link to support resources, video streaming and audio features
- Grammar and spell checking, plagiarism checking, complete system reporting.





ProgressBook Student Information



Student Information, (formerly DASL) is a comprehensive web-based student information system that integrates real-time with all ProgressBook Suite applications, and others! This system is intuitive, easy to use, easy to navigate, and has a simple look and feel, making it very user friendly for both casual and intensive users. This student, school, district and state reporting solution provides complete functionality so staff can work smarter and more efficiently.

HOME PAGE/PORTAL

- Quick and easy web page updating which does not require HTML.
- User-definable content can include documents, links, headlines, announcements, alerts, events and more, by building and district.

SYSTEM SECURITY

- Global access can be defined for administrators and counselors.
- Extra system permissions for unique security situations.
- Comprehensive site map gives overall view of user security
- Configurable by user, role, group, by building or district

SCHEDULING

- Robust scheduling for both simple and complex scenarios, with what-if testing, multiple masters during testing, course groups for elementary schedules, and more.
- Prior year courses and master schedule carry over as a base to start the new year at any time, no impact on current year.
- Batch and manual assigning of student requests for courses.

STATE REPORTING

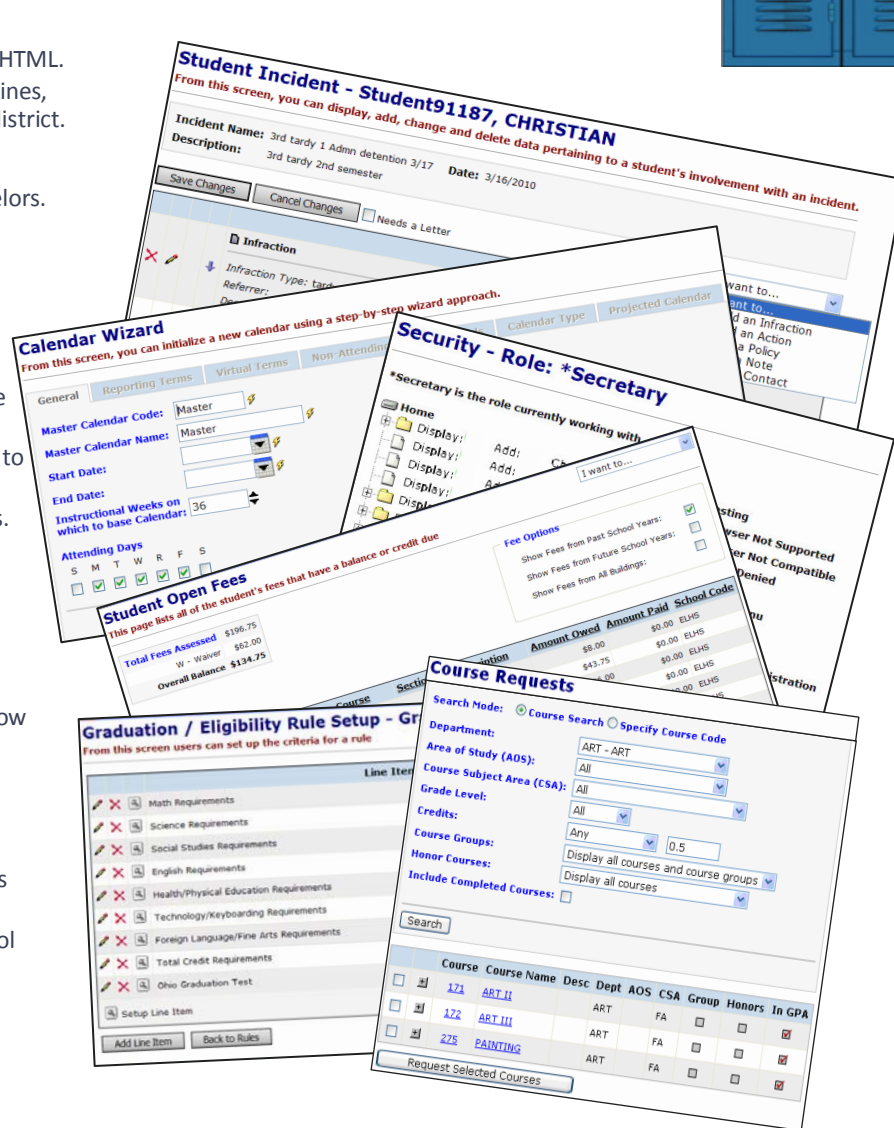
- Provides the seamless exchange of student, district, attendance, assessments, discipline and course records information with state reporting systems.
- Ongoing data collection feed from day-to-day processes
- Interactive data validation and error checking processes allow users to quickly identify issues and correct data.

MARKS

- Report cards are completely customizable, by building, by grade, including school logo, watermark, print suppression, assessments, honor roll messages. Or use stock report cards
- Transcripts are completely customizable, by building, by grade, contain sub reports for credit summaries by school year, GPA summaries, assessment results, test results, community service, admission history and attendance summary. Or use stock transcripts.
- Marks are user-definable and alpha/numeric with GPA formulas and honor roll calculations, by building and grade.

SCHOOL FEES

- Completely customizable fee structure for collecting of general, course, program, membership, miscellaneous fees.
- Assess fees, apply payments, waive fees, carry fee balance from year to year, prorate, transfer, refund.
- Fully integrated with student registration, withdrawal, schedule maintenance to assess, drop, maintain fees.



STUDENT RECORDS

- Complete student registration process, search, user-definable fields, extracurricular activities participation, custody issues, demographics, transfer, withdrawal, more.
- Extensive reporting at classroom, grade, building or district level with sorting, filtering and grouping.
- Mass updates and exports accommodate third-party packages.

VENDORLINK — THIRD-PARTY INTEGRATION

- For applications that districts choose outside of ProgressBook Suite, the VendorLink interface enables seamless, third-party integration. Current applications include:
 Pay4It Public School Works OneCallNow
 EZPay SchoolFees.us TRZ Communications Services
 Sycamore Community School—Fee Payments

"We save so much time in gathering, updating and verifying school and student data. Information that's important for state reporting."
 DIANE CAVANAGH, TECHNOLOGY COORDINATOR
 BBHCSD, BROADVIEW HTS., OHIO



COUNSELORS, HOMEROOMS, LOCKERS

- Assign and track students to counselors, homerooms, lockers
- Variety of assignment methods (grade level, random, alphabetical, location, period)
- Retain lockers, homeroom or counselor from year to year
- Filter, group, sort, report on status, free locker availability, homerooms, counselor status.

GRADUATION/ELIGIBILITY

- Flexible, user-definable and complex graduation eligibility rules
- Rule elements can include assessments, courses, community service, GPA, total credits
- Eligibility forecasting to ensure students meet all requirements.

SCHOOL YEAR INITIALIZATION AND STUDENT PROMOTION

- Prepare for the next school year at any time without impacting the current year
- User-definable selection of content to roll including current year courses, schedules, students and more with step-by-step checklist.

ASSESSMENTS

- Imports, tracks, displays and reports on student proficiency assessments, achievement ability tests, state standards tests and more, by student, grade level, building and district
- Displays students who need to take assessments.

ATTENDANCE

- Take daily and period attendance by office staff, teachers, through ProgressBook, or daily attendance input
- User-definable attendance rules with various, preformatted output
- Lunch counts taken in the classroom and visible to cafeteria staff.

DATA, INQUIRY, PRINTING AND REPORTING

- Contains flexible inquiry, reporting, filtering, import, export, charts and graphs, analysis, printing and download capabilities with output in multiple formats including PDF, RTF, TXT, XLS, HTML
- Security rules allow access to data as permitted by the system rules and roles.

DISCIPLINE

- Detailed discipline tracking by student or multiple students
- Configurable infraction codes, actions, contacts, policies and notes
- Customizable letters and preformatted reports.

SCHOOL CONFIGURATION

- Create a school calendar and sub-calendar as the foundation of marks, scheduling, course terms, reporting terms, attendance
- Configure course terms, reporting terms, marking patterns and periods of the day for each building
- Automatic address standardization according to USPS standards.

MEDICAL

- Track student health and medical information including allergies, screens, medications, immunizations, health logs, medications administered, nurse visits, medical contact information
- Teachers instantly see student medical alert icons online.



IMPROVED STATE-STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES

This ProgressBook module is a data-driven analysis tool that collects, aggregates and displays trending and historical standardized achievement test scores, practice scores, student demographics, and other student information system data into a single and easy-to-use web portal. At their fingertips, teachers see classroom, grade, school, and state information on one screen. Drill down to the student level and teachers gain specific, actionable subjects to teach and emphasize, resulting in improved state standardized test scores.

STUDENT AND TEACHER BENEFITS

- Teachers eliminate wasted time knowing immediately on which subjects and standards each student needs to focus
- Takes data from the administrator's desk and places it in the hands of teachers who can make a difference
- Eliminate huge amounts of hard-copy student data
- Empowers teachers to make the right decision to individualize education for each student
- Curriculum module helps teachers create formative assessments/lessons based on student needs..

DISTRICT BENEFITS

- Helps district improve their state designation ranking
- Improved state designation helps increase state funding
- Track intervention groups and processes to determine staff, specialist and program effectiveness
- Customizable by district
- Districts can determine the best possible use of resources.





ProgressBook - GradeBook is a web-based student and classroom management system supporting K-12 standards-based education practices. This comprehensive, district-wide solution combines attendance, lesson plans, grade book, report cards and more.



Students and parents have 24/7 access to homework, schedule, grades, school resources, online homework and teacher messaging.



Standard forms and reporting for special education and gifted programs are completely automated with this web-based, secure solution. It's easy to use, simplifies educator collaboration, and reduces the time spent on administrative tasks enabling teachers to focus on providing quality education.



StudentInformation a comprehensive, web-based student information and management system for Pre K-12 schools. User-friendly interfaces, intuitive layouts and a consistent look and feel across all modules accommodate both intensive and casual users. Modules including state reporting, scheduling, fees, attendance, transcripts, medical, calendars, and more.



VirtualClassroom is a robust, online educational system for grades K-12, for students both in and outside the classroom. Educators can upload curriculum, share it, rate it, and provide complete support, resources and monitoring providing students with differentiated instruction aligned to state standards.



Data-driven online tool providing teachers with aggregated and actionable information for teachers to help students to improve their scores on state-standardized tests. Results include higher school district state ranking leading to increased state funding.

ABOUT SOFTWARE ANSWERS, INC.

Software Answers' school district web-based applications are used by over five million educators, parents and students, in 850+ school districts across the U.S. Having started in Ohio, over 75% of Ohio public schools use Software Answers products. ProgressBook - VirtualClassroom is used in all U.S. states and in 22 countries in dozens of languages.

ProgressBook Suite is comprise of six modules that support district of all sizes. ProgressBook is a success because of our deep understanding of educators' needs. Each step of product planning, development and testing has occurred with educational and technology professionals in mind, ensuring applications constantly evolve to meet educator and student needs.

A full support and training team located in our Northeast Ohio corporate offices offers classroom, one-on-one and web training, print courseware in hard copy and on the web, a knowledge base, and complete phone support at either level one or level two for a district or technology center.

ProgressBook applications:

- Improve and speed school-home collaboration
- Earn quick adoption by teachers, administrators technology staff, students and parents
- Boost state test scores and general academic achievement.



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