

## Saxon Math

For over 30 years, *Saxon Math*<sup>™</sup> has been delivering proven results for students in Grades K–12. The *Saxon Math* curriculum has an incremental structure that distributes content throughout the year. This integrated and connected approach provides deep, long-term mastery of the content and skills called for in the Common Core State Standards.

### *Saxon Math* in your classroom

- Incremental: Students have time to understand and practice the lesson
- Distributed: Students have time to practice and master previous concepts
- Cumulative: Students are ready for high stakes assessments

No matter how well students initially learn a concept, if they are not able to retain their learning, connect it to other concepts, and apply it in problem-solving situations, they have not reached mastery. *Saxon Math* is designed to support the long-term mastery and applications that will make a difference during testing and in students' future education and careers.

### According to the pedagogy

- Incremental Concepts are taught in small, approachable progressions
- Distributed Increments are spread throughout the year, building in complexity, so that by the end of the year students have reached deep understanding and fluency
- Cumulative Practice and assessments include concepts from the most recent lessons as well as from earlier in the year, ensuring students retain all concepts and can make connections between them

### Assessment

The goal of *Saxon Math*<sup>™</sup> is to ensure that all students retain the concepts and strategies they acquire throughout the year. The data-driven assessment in *Saxon Math* supports this goal using a two-pronged approach.

### Assessment For Learning – Formative

The purpose of Formative Assessment is to:

- Improve skill retention
- Inform instruction
- Assess continuously during teaching to influence learning
- Provide immediate feedback to intervene and enrich, if necessary, on a particular concept

### How *Saxon* Achieves Math K–3

- Question and response during The Meeting and New Concept

- Daily Fact Practice (Grades 1-3)
- Independent and Guided Class Practice and independent Homework
- Problem-Solving Worksheets

#### **Intermediate 3-5**

- Power Up – Facts, Mental Math and Problem-Solving
- Lesson Practice
- Written Practice

#### **Assessment Of Learning – Summative**

The purpose of Summative Assessment is to:

- Provide accountability
- Evaluate progress
- Gather evidence of learning
- Judge learning, usually in the form of a grade or score

#### **How *Saxon* Achieves**

##### **Math K-3**

- Fact Assessments and Written Assessments (Grades 1-3, every 5 lessons)
- Oral Assessments (every 10 lessons)
- Performance Tasks (every 10 lessons)
- Benchmark Assessments (Grades 1-3)

##### **Intermediate 3-5**

- Power-up Test (every 5 lessons)
- Cumulative Test (every 5 lessons)
- Performance Tasks or Test-Day
- Activities (every 5 lessons)
- Benchmark Tests (every 20 lessons)
- End of Course Exam

#### ***Saxon's* Structure Creates High Achievers in Schools Across the Nation**

*Saxon* has a unique structure that enables students of all abilities to reach higher and stretch further in mathematics in today's high-stakes standards environment. Research shows that *Saxon Math* consistently yields increased retention, higher test scores, greater self-confidence, and sustained performance in higher-level mathematics than the traditional chapter approach.