



Backgrounder

Overview: The Partnership for 21st Century Skills has emerged as the leading advocacy organization focused on transforming teaching and learning in the 21st century. The organization brings together the business community, education leaders, and policymakers to define a powerful vision for 21st century education and to ensure every child is successful as citizens and workers in the 21st century.

Reports & Tools: Since its inception in 2002, the Partnership has introduced a set of comprehensive tools to help education stakeholders integrate 21st century skills into learning.

- ***Learning for the 21st Century*** is the Partnership's premier report that articulates a collective vision for learning in the 21st century.
- ***Milestones for Improving Learning and Education (MILE) Guide for 21st Century Skills***, is a self-assessment tool that assists schools, districts and states in determining their school or district's progress in defining, teaching and assessing 21st century skills.
- ***Route 21: An Interactive Guide to 21st Century Learning*** is a Web-based tool that assists education stakeholders in supporting and promoting achievement of ICT Literacy and 21st century skills. As a result, users can develop and implement a plan to support a successful 21st century learning environment.
- ***The Road to 21st Century Learning: A Policymakers' Guide to 21st Century Skills*** assists state education leaders in crafting visionary education policies. The report offers specific guidance and policy recommendations to help create a 21st century learning environment.
- ***ICT Literacy Maps*** are a series of matrices that illustrate the intersection between ICT Literacy and core academic subjects including geography, math, English and science.

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