IXL’s skill plans are a simple and effective way for your school to use IXL to supplement and reinforce your curriculum.

Skill plans:

• Offer custom-built skills that match your textbooks and state standards
• Take the guesswork out of lesson planning
• Allow teachers to assign skills and track progress from one place

Steps to successful implementation

1. Set expectations for your teachers
   As you kick off the school year, share how you’d like teachers to use skill plans with their students.
   Start by identifying the skill plans that are the best fit for your school, based on the textbooks you’re using, or your state standards. IXL even offers skill plans for assessments like the MAP Growth, ACT and SAT, and more.

2. Help teachers use skill plans for daily instruction

3. Hold teachers accountable with data from IXL Analytics
Then, introduce skill plans to your teachers and let them know it will make lesson planning and progress tracking easier for them.

Set concrete goals for IXL usage—to maximize IXL's impact, we recommend students reach proficiency (a SmartScore of 80) on at least two skills per week. Research shows that when learners reach proficiency on more IXL skills, they perform better on state assessments!
Skill plans eliminate the guesswork from lesson planning by showing teachers the exact IXL skills that match what they're teaching.

Share this simple, 3-step implementation guide and this video with teachers to show them how to use skill plans for effective daily instruction.

**TIP**

Have teachers pin their skill plans for easy access for them and their students!
3 Hold teachers accountable

Use data from District Analytics to monitor student achievement throughout the school year.

- **School Achievement**
  Check the Building Mastery section of the School Achievement report to see if students are meeting the weekly number of skills proficient goal you have set.

- **Progress & Growth**
  Dive deeper into student progress and identify any grade levels with low numbers of skills practiced or proficient. Work with those teachers to understand how they're implementing IXL in their classrooms, and provide support if needed.

You can drill into Teacher Analytics if you want to learn more about how a specific classroom or student is doing.