NGSS Website Changes: Homepage Layout

**Brief Overview**

The website, [www.nextgenscience.org](http://www.nextgenscience.org), was recently updated based on multiple rounds of feedback from teachers, administrators, district and state leaders, and other NGSS advocates. Some webpages have been redesigned to provide clearer navigation for site users to search the standards and locate available resources.

Please note that all NGSS resources are still accessible in the Resource Library, including but not limited to the:

- NGSS Appendices
- NGSS Evidence Statements
- NGSS Example Bundles
- Classroom Sample Tasks
- NGSS Storylines

**Updates to Homepage Layout**

Information has been reorganized and three new headers have been created to anchor the homepage. The new headers clarify user pathways to important information about the standards, science instruction and assessment, and NGSS implementation and communications.

On the previous homepage, information and resources were organized under three headers:

1. Get to Know the Standards
2. Find Tools and Resources
3. Search the Standards

On the *updated homepage, information and resources have been reorganized into the following:

1. *The Standards* (see page 2 for illustration of old vs. new header)
2. *Instruction and Assessment* (see page 3 for illustration of old vs. new header)
3. *Planning and Communication* (see page 4 for illustration of old vs. new header)
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Get to Know the Standards (old header)

*The Standards (new header)

This updated section of the website enables users to:

- Search for and/or read the student performance expectations (the standards).
- Understand how and why the standards are arranged and organized to advance science education in the classroom, and why science standards needed an update.
- Understand how the standards were developed and who was involved during development.
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Find Tools and Resources (old header)

*Instruction and Assessment (new header)

This section of the website enables users to:

- Discover tools and resources that help evaluate new or existing instructional materials for NGSS design/alignment.
- Discover tools and resources that help unpack the standards and what they mean for instruction and assessment.
- Understand what the standards and three-dimensional learning should look like in classrooms.
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Search the Standards (old header)

*Planning and Communication (new header)

This updated section of the website enables users to:

| **Discover tools and guidance to help states and districts develop effective implementation plans.** |
| **Discover resources that help states, districts, and building leaders communicate with key stakeholders and NGSS advocates.** |
| **Access and search the site’s full suite of NGSS videos, tools and resources, by using keywords, a “resource type” filter, and an “audience type” filter.** |