



ISTE SEAL OF ALIGNMENT REVIEW FINDINGS REPORT

Testing Program
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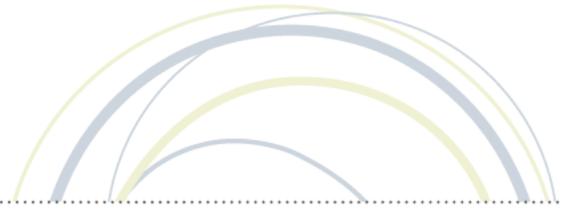
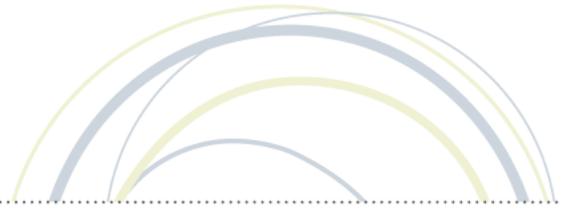


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ABOUT

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The International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) is the premier nonprofit membership organization serving educators and education leaders. ISTE is committed to empowering connected learners in a connected world and serves more than 100,000 education stakeholders throughout the world.

As the creator and steward of the definitive education technology standards, our mission is to empower learners to flourish in a connected world by cultivating a passionate professional learning community, linking educators and partners, leveraging knowledge and expertise, advocating for strategic policies, and continually improving learning and teaching.

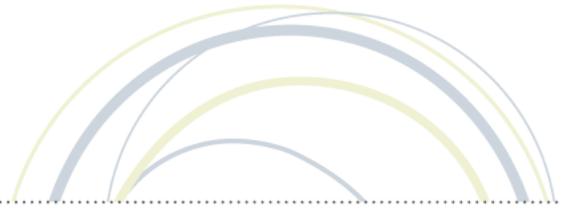
ISTE SEAL OF ALIGNMENT

Resources and products designed with the ISTE Standards in mind are choosing to demonstrate their commitment to support critical digital age learning skills and knowledge. Regardless of a solution's intended grade level, purpose or content area, by addressing the ISTE Standards and earning a Seal of Alignment, a solution is shown to consciously, purposefully and meaningfully support best practices for digital age teaching and learning.

ISTE considers a solution aligned to the ISTE Standards only after an extensive review conducted by trained ISTE Seal of Alignment reviewers, and it has been determined to meet all critical elements of a particular standard indicator in accordance with specific review criteria.

By earning a Seal of Alignment, ISTE verifies that this product:

- Promotes critical technology skills
- Supports the use of technology in appropriate ways ^[1]_[SEP]
- Contributes to the pedagogically robust use of technology for teaching and learning
- Aligns to the ISTE Standards in specific ways as described in the review finding report

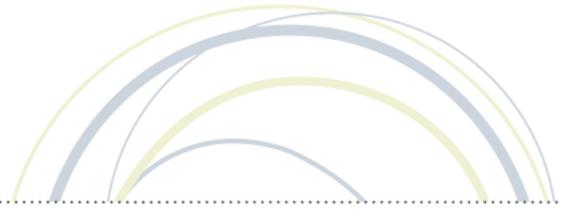


RESOURCE DESCRIPTION

WHAT IS TESTING PROGRAM?

The Testing Program, developed by Consultores en Tecnología Educativa, S.C., is a teaching and assessment tool that evaluates the development and demonstration of skills related to the use of Microsoft Office and Adobe Creative Cloud suite solutions. Testing Program introduces the user to discrete skills through the presentation of short screen capture movies and simulated walk-throughs. Users then can complete three-levels of assessment – diagnostic, formative, and summative – where they are evaluated on their ability to demonstrate various skills and complete specific tasks within the target program (PowerPoint, Word, Excel, Dreamweaver, Flash, or Photoshop).

Educators working within the program can assign specific skills and assessments to individual or groups of students. Teachers are also able to generate individual and group reports information such as which assessments a student has passed and details about any incorrect responses.



ISTE SEAL OF ALIGNMENT REVIEW

Product: Testing Program

Company: Consultores en Tecnología Educativa, S.C.

Date of Award: January 2015

REVIEW METHODOLOGY

ISTE Seal of Alignment reviews are conducted by a panel of education and instructional experts. Reviewers use data collected both separately and collectively to determine how a solution addresses specific elements described in each of the indicators of the ISTE Standards. Special instruments are used by reviewers to collect data on potential alignment across all resource materials. Alignment is determined based on the extent to which all or some of specific elements are addressed within the materials. Reviewers conduct regular calibrations to assure the validity and reliability of the results and final review findings are combined for an overall score for alignment on each individual indicator.

As a resource focused on the assessment of basic technology skills and fundamentals of “learning to use technology”, Testing Program was reviewed for alignment against the ISTE Standards for Students, at the Readiness level. Readiness level reviews examine how a resource instructs and/or assesses specific skills and knowledge that have been identified as foundational to the elements of the ISTE Standards.

SCOPE OF REVIEW

During the review process for Testing Program, reviewers:

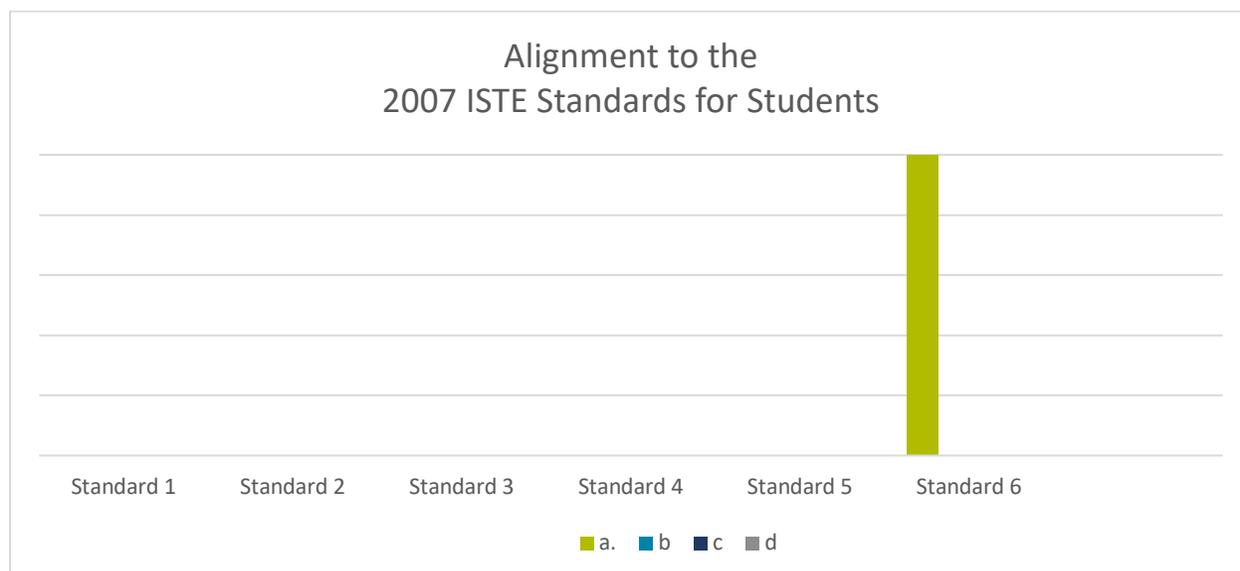
- collected data on when and how test items addressed specific skills and knowledge described in the ISTE Standards for Students.
- compiled findings to determine overall alignment across all ISTE Standards for Students and indicators.
- used aggregate findings to form the basis of the overall alignment results.

ISTE reviewers conducted the review using a combination of methods including a review of introductory scripts and demonstrations, as well as exploration of the program itself in order to integrate evidence from user experience from both the student and teacher perspective.



REVIEW FINDINGS

Testing Program support the following indicators of the ISTE Standards for Students:



Testing Program addresses the 2007 ISTE Standards for Students in the following ways:

6. Technology operations and concepts	
6.a.	Understanding and use technology systems

CONCLUSION

Overall, the Testing Program is well organized, easy to navigate, and consistent in presentation. It is a high-quality, user-friendly product that effectively presents instruction in a wide variety of technology skills in several different programs followed by a reliable assessment of those skills.

As an assessment program, the Testing Program is very strong, with multiple levels of assessment of individual skills within a secure environment that appears to protect access to the questions and maintain reliability. The broad array of skills addressed and assessed constitute a solid core of competencies within each program and together these skills serve as a strong foundation for serious application of that program in lessons, projects, and other classroom activities.