

STATE SNAPSHOT



Accelerating Nebraska Math Learning with Zearn

Supporting over 110,000 Nebraska students to catch-up and move forward with learning.

Overview of Zearn

Zearn is the nonprofit educational organization behind Zearn Math, the top-rated math learning platform used by 1 in 4 elementary students nationwide. Zearn Math supports educators with research-backed curriculum and digital lessons designed to accelerate learning, so all students both catch-up and move forward. When learning with Zearn Math, students experience multiple opportunities to deeply explore each math concept, friendly access points to grade-level learning, and just-in-time support that connects unfinished learning into the context of new learning.



Digital math lessons for every objective of K-8 math



Comprehensive K-8 instructional materials

Zearn's impact on learning

Zearn is proven to accelerate student learning at scale. A [longitudinal study](#) across 5 years and 800 schools, shows programmatic usage Zearn demonstrated outsized achievement gains equivalent to an additional 1.5 months of instruction. A newly released study of [math achievement during the pandemic](#) found that **consistent Zearn usage dramatically reduced learning loss—for students at all levels of math proficiency.** The research study found that Zearn was particularly effective for students *below standard*; these students experienced 2-3x growth in assessment scores when using Zearn.

Zearn in Nebraska

Zearn Usage in Nebraska

110,000 Students
9,000 Educators
488 Schools
125 Districts

The Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) utilized statewide ESSER II funds to make Zearn Math available to all public and non-public schools. As a result, over 9,000 educators within 496 public and non-public schools are flexibly using Zearn Math to accelerate learning. Examples of learning acceleration models include:

K-5 Core curriculum: *Sidney Public Schools* are using Zearn Math as a core curriculum for over 500 students in the district. During core instruction, teachers lead daily lessons

using Zearn Math instructional materials. Students reinforce and deepen their learning by completing 3-4 digital lessons each week during core math time.

K-8 Core complement: *Omaha Public Schools* are using Zearn Math digital lessons as a daily complement to core instruction for 20,000 students across the district. Each day, 20 minutes in the core 75-85 minute math block is dedicated to using Zearn digital lessons to reinforce and deepen student learning. Throughout the academic year, students completed 2-3 digital lessons per week on average.

K-8 Tutoring program: *South Sioux City Community Schools* are using Zearn Math for after-school tutoring interventions, including digital lessons and reports to monitor student progress during tutoring sessions. Each week, nearly 1,000 students are completing 1-2 digital lessons on average.

K-8 Summer learning program: *Westside Community Schools* are using Zearn Math digital lessons and summer lesson plans for targeted summer learning programs. In summer 2021, students participated in summer learning programs that used Zearn Math, completing nearly 9,000 digital lessons over the course of the summer.

Across learning acceleration models, teachers have positive things to say about Zearn. In a Fall 2021 survey, 88% of Nebraska teachers said they would recommend that other teachers use Zearn Math, with teachers enthusiastically citing Zearn's connection to core instruction and built-in support.

“My students love Zearn! The step-by-step problem solving and videos are terrific. I love giving my students another opportunity to practice their math skills in a different, engaging way.”

– Grade 3 Teacher, Bayard Public School District

Accelerating learning nationwide

In addition to being used across Nebraska, Zearn has been adopted as a statewide math acceleration program in states across the country. To support high-impact tutoring, Zearn has been adopted as the math platform used by [Tennessee All Corps Tutoring](#), the [Texas Education Agency Vetted Texas Tutor Corps](#), and the [District of Columbia](#). In [Delaware](#) and [Louisiana](#), Zearn has been adopted statewide as a summer learning acceleration program. Additionally, the [Massachusetts Department of Education](#) has adopted Zearn as both a core math instructional material and a digital conceptual program for 22-23 learning acceleration.

About Zearn: Zearn is the nonprofit educational organization behind Zearn Math, the top-rated math learning platform used by 1 in 4 elementary students nationwide. Learn more at about.zearn.org