Read&Write Tools Support Literacy, Technology and Equity Goals

Effective Instruction, Challenging Curriculum, Aligned Assessments: Increase the academic achievement of all students through effective instruction, a challenging and engaging curriculum, and aligned assessments.	Use Read&Write literacy tools to mirror tools in the Smarter Balanced Assessment environment. Practice can include: using context cues to select appropriate definitions, citing evidence from the text with digital highlighters, speech input, text to speech, etc.
Engage Students & Eliminate Barriers: Implement strategies to engage students in their learning and interventions to eliminate barriers to student success.	Students who require intervention in reading will be able to use Read&Write tools to read grade level text aloud. ELL and Students with Learning Differences will particularly benefit from dictionaries, visual cues and interactive graphic organizers accessible in digital texts and websites.
• Involve Families and Communities: Establish partnerships with our families and community to increase academic success for all students	Use Read&Write for Google toolbars at school and in the community. Toolmatcher helps teachers and departments to create interactive documents to collaborate with families on technology use at home as well as to foster student self-assessment and intrinsic motivation. For families without internet access, all documents can be replicated for paper access.
Ensure Cultural & Linguistic Relevance: Ensure that all systems are culturally and linguistically responsive to the needs of our students and their families.	Strong visual supports using Read&Write's picture dictionary and vocabulary tools echo best practices of ELL leaders such as Kinsella, Dutro, et al. Students both hear and see language in real time and gain opportunities to extend academic language through reading, writing and research supports.
Generate & Equitably Allocate Resources: Generate and equitably allocate resources for programs and services that enable every student to succeed.	Read&Write has been a leader in the Assistive Technology field since 1996, offering access to students with learning differences via text to speech, visual dictionaries, and speech input as well as supporting executive function and organization for our students facing the challenges of accessing grade level texts and standards based content resources.

