# Vision 20/20 21st Century Learning Center on iTunes U

**1   What is the Vision 20/20 21st Century Learning Center?**
The Vision 20/20 21st Century Learning Center is a collection of free digital resources on the iTunes U platform for teachers, students and parents to help transform teaching and learning in Illinois. In its first phase, the 21st Century Learning Center includes 10 courses for grades 9—12 in the areas of mathematics, science, social studies, and English language arts.

**2   How did the Vision 20/20 21st Century Learning Center come about?**
In November 2012, the Illinois Association of School Administrators (IASA) initiated a visioning process in partnership with the Illinois Principals Association (IPA), the Illinois Association of School Business Officials (IASBO), the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB), the Superintendents' Commission for the Study of Demographics and Diversity (SCSDD), and the Illinois Association of Regional Superintendents of Schools (IARSS) to unite the education community and develop a long-range blueprint for improving public education in Illinois. As part of this plan we developed the Vision 20/20 21st Century Learning Center to provide 21st century teaching tools to all learners and teachers.

**3   Who were the Districts that participated in the development of these Course Resource Collections?**
The participating districts include:

Galesburg High School (Galesburg 205)
Hononegah Community High School (Hononegah 207)
West Aurora High School (West Aurora 129)
Olympia High School CUSD (Olympia 16)
Sterling High School CUSD (Sterling 5)
Lincoln Magnet School SPS (Springfield 186)
Palatine High School (Palatine 211)
Glenbard North High School (Glenbard 87)
Glenbard South High School (Glenbard 87)
New Trier High School TSHD (New Trier 203)
Township High School (District 214)
Community Unit School District (Algonquin 300)
Arcola Schools CUSD (Arcola 306)
Harlem 122
Naperville 203
West Aurora School (West Aurora PSD 129)
Ball-Chatham SPS (CUSD 5)

Township High School (District 211)
Lake Zurich CUSD (Lake Zurich 95)
Decatur PSD (Decatur 61)
Edwardsville SD (Edwardsville 7)
Thornton Fractional District (Thornton 215)

**4   How do I access the Vision 20/20 21st Century Learning Center?**
The Vision 20/20 21st Century Learning Center resides within iTunes U, the world's largest online catalog of free educational content that helps educators customize and create courses, including lectures, assignments, books, quizzes and syllabi, and offer them to millions of iOS users around the world. To find the center, visit https://itunes.apple.com/us/institution/illinois-association-school/id955924360

**5   What is the future of this initiative?**
The Vision 20/20 Alliance intends to deliver an entire K-12 course collection aligned to the New Illinois Learning Standards. By the start of the 2015-2016 school year, there will be 10 high school course collections covering the most frequently taken high school courses in the four core content areas.

**6   Can the courses be customized to meet my specific needs as a teacher?**
Absolutely! Educators are encouraged to incorporate these resources into their lesson plans or to create student-facing courses from which to teach their classes.

**7   Is there a cost to use these courses?**
There is no cost to subscribe to the course collections. While the majority of resources are free, there may be an occasional paid app suggested for a particular activity.

**8   Can students and their parents use the Vision 20/20 21st Century Learning Center resources to help their own learning?**
Yes, this is another one of the primary benefits of the Vision 20/20 21st Century Learning Center.  Anyone can subscribe to this free resource at any time. Students can use this resource to develop a better understanding of a topic or unit of study, while parents may also use this resource to help their children.

**9   How often is the site maintained and updated?**
The content on the Vision 20/20 21st Century Learning Center will be regularly monitored and updated as new resources and activities are identified and vetted.

**10  What if I have resources that I want to recommend?**
Please e-mail us at questions@vision2020.org with your suggestions. These will be reviewed and vetted through our Project Managers, who regularly review and update the site.

**11    What platform do I need to view these courses and materials?**
Through the Vision 20/20 21st Century Learning Center, any course materials that are web-based (including pdfs, audio, and video) can be viewed on any computer or mobile device. There is also a general spreadsheet with links to content and third party resources found on the Vision 20/20 website.