

Launch your Newsela Subscription

This guide provides you with best practices and steps for rolling Newsela out to your teachers.

1 Determine Sign-in Method

- Use a single sign-on and rostering platform for a seamless and integrated experience. Clever, Canvas, Google, Microsoft and Classlink allow for easy access and no password mishaps.
- Visit Newsela [Support](#) for step-by-step set up and sign-on instructions.

2 Designate a Newsela Coordinator

- Identify a teacher, instructional lead or director of curriculum and designate them as a Newsela Coordinator.
- Encourage them to complete the [Newsela Certified Educator](#) course.
- Ask them to support Newsela rollout and demonstrate best practices during staff meetings, PLCs and professional development.

3 Welcome Teachers

- Announce your Newsela subscription with a faculty letter.
- Ensure teachers have created classes and synced student rosters in order to assign articles and monitor student activity within the platform.
- Encourage teachers to sign up for one of our workshops and to check out our on-demand webinars in the [Educator Center](#).
- Monitor faculty set up in the School Performance tab of your "School or District Binder". If you don't have access to your Admin Binder, request it [here](#).

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4 Set Goals and Expectations

- Assure teachers assign articles in the first month by establishing administrator-set routines.
- Empower Newsela champions to provide individual support to their peers with best practices and classroom application.
- Incorporate relevant texts on Newsela into year-long curriculum.

5 Continue to Inspire

- Connect with teachers and school leaders regularly about their Newsela practices and challenges.
- Utilize the [Binder](#) to oversee teacher usage and student performance.
- Build Newsela endurance through continued professional learning opportunities, available in the Educator Center.

Newsela in Varied Technology Settings



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Assign simultaneous readings lessons across student devices that include articles, comprehensive quizzes, and customizable writing prompts. Teachers have visibility into student responses and prompt for revisions to submitted work.



Varied Setting

Ensure teachers have access to computer labs or technology carts. Newsela's flexible structure allows teachers to utilize presentation mode for direct instruction and group center activities.



On the go

Students can download the free Newsela Student App to use on their smartphones or iPads. The app even functions without Wi-Fi so students can complete articles wherever they are.

Checklist for Admins and District Leaders

First 30-60 Days

- Designate a Teacher Champion to take the [NCE](#) course and assist in individual school roll out.
- Decide on your [sign-on](#) method. Use Google, Clever, Canvas, Microsoft or a Newsela username and rostering.
- Ensure that all faculty sign up for Newsela and send them the [Checklist for Teachers](#).
- Check out which teachers are registered at your school in the [Faculty tab](#) and remind others to register.
- Set school-wide goals and share them with faculty to enhance reading stamina.

Middle of the Year

- [Share](#) how your school will use Newsela in classrooms and at home with parents—your best allies in at-home reading.
- Meet with teachers or allow professional development time to discuss usage, progress, and classroom-support needs.
- Utilize the Educator Center which includes webinars, videos, and support pages, and share faculty.
- Monitor how students and teachers are using Newsela with your [Admin Binder](#).
- Increase volume and build stamina through providing students grade-level texts to prepare them for testing season.

End of the Year

- Send insights about student engagement with nonfiction texts to their families throughout the year.
- Plan for next year with Newsela by offering faculty time to update lessons, explore new content, and find new resources.
- Keep students reading throughout the summer on the Newsela Student app.
- Reflect on your school's Newsela goals and celebrate your success. Award students and teachers who have demonstrated increased engagement or creative classroom practices.

Checklist for Teachers

First 30-60 Days

- Register for an educator account or [log in](#) to see what's new.
- [Create classes](#) and add your students, either on Newsela or through your district's chosen integration, like Google, Clever, or Canvas.
- Find [relevant content](#) for your classroom using the search bar or Library, News, or Text Sets tabs.
- Check out what other teachers are registered at your school in the School Performance tab of your school or district [Binder](#). Ask veteran Newsela teachers for assistance or inspiration.
- [Assign an article](#) to your class, including instructions for which activities you'd like students to complete during and after reading.

Middle of the Year

- Use a Lesson Spark to cultivate reading engagement and ignite classroom conversations.
- Monitor student work and engagement by checking your [Binder](#).
- Check out the Educator Center for professional development webinars on specialized topics to support your classroom.
- Conference with your students about their reading successes and set goals for growth.
- Share insights about student engagement with nonfiction with their families throughout the year.

End of the Year

- Celebrate growth with students and award those that are most engaged and improved.
- Build student stamina by providing on-level texts and quizzes in preparing for standardized test season.
- Plan for next school year using the Newsela resources you've curated this year. Remember to check back for new articles, since they're added daily.
- Archive your classrooms to prepare for the upcoming school year.
- Maintain student engagement throughout the summer with the Newsela Student app.