Summary

Galileo® Pre-K Online from Assessment Technology Incorporated (ATI) provides an empirically based, data-driven approach to early childhood curriculum for children 3 through 5 years that is directly aligned to the Florida Early Learning and Developmental Standards for 3- and 4-year-olds. ATI offers early childhood educators an easy-to-use, comprehensive, online system that seamlessly integrates curriculum, assessment, and reporting. Galileo is built on the principles of science, supported by a commitment to research, and guided by a vision that children will achieve greater success when provided with developmentally appropriate, research-based, and standards-aligned learning opportunities.

Galileo Pre-K Online Curriculum is a complete standards- and evidence-based early childhood curriculum which includes an empirically based scope and sequence grounded in developmental theory. The curriculum is linked directly to Galileo’s reliable and valid assessment tools and contains both resources guiding interest area and room preparation as well as instructional content reflecting the most current research. The unique easy-to-use web-based Galileo interface provides access to flexible curriculum, assessment, reporting, and management tools enabling programs to maximize local control and support high-quality, consistent teaching. Programs using the Galileo Pre-K Online Curriculum can:

- Implement 32 weeks of model lesson plans reflecting an empirically based scope and sequence and consisting of activities linked to the developmental goals in the Florida Early Learning and Developmental Standards and the Head Start Outcomes Framework.
- Access over 500 ready-to-use activities that are searchable by learning goal and are ideal for providing individualized instruction.
- Receive concrete guidance for teachers on how to prepare for and use the Galileo Pre-K Online Curriculum, including recommendations for setting up interest centers that promote learning.
- Ensure activities reflect children’s developmental needs by accessing individual “readiness levels” when planning.
- Create and store children’s individual development plans in Galileo.
- Communicate with families via the Pre-K Parent Center and assist families in engaging children with Times for Learning home activities and reports in English and Spanish.
Galileo Pre-K Online Curriculum also provides programs with access to Storyteller, a technology-based language- and literacy-focused curriculum and assessment tool. Storyteller promotes language and literacy development by providing children opportunities to master the literacy goals needed for school readiness. Storyteller includes:

- Twenty-eight weeks of language and literacy lessons to be used in conjunction with the classroom curriculum
- One-hundred-twenty-six ready-to-use language and literacy classroom activities; many of which provide printable resources, such as name tags and classroom labels, for teachers to use with children.
- Twenty-three computer-based Storyteller instructional activities that motivate learning with their rich, multimedia visual and auditory presentations.
- Twenty-one computer-based Storyteller assessments that minimize subjectivity and increase the accuracy of assessments.

Galileo’s assessment system used in combination with the Galileo Pre-K Online Curriculum allows for the authentic assessment of children’s growth and development through ongoing observation in the child’s learning environment, one-on-one interactions, samples of children’s work, and parent input. This broad range of formats accommodates the ways children from diverse backgrounds express their competencies and helps provide a meaningful portrait of each child’s development. This individualized approach to assessment makes Galileo an excellent choice for programs serving dual language learners and children with special needs. Ongoing assessment and monitoring of progress helps educators determine if success is underway or if further intervention is needed.

Galileo’s empirically based assessment scales guide content delivery and measure outcomes providing the perfect platform for developmentally appropriate planning. With Galileo Pre-K Online Curriculum, programs receive up-to-date feedback on the effectiveness of curriculum in meeting program as well as individual children’s learning goals.

The purchase of Galileo Pre-K Online is all-inclusive, providing access to the integrated system of curriculum, assessment, reporting, and management tools. Programs have unlimited access to the easy-to-use online Galileo system with full access to helpful resources and complimentary professional development offerings that support teachers and program staff in providing a research-based and developmentally appropriate curriculum aligned to the Florida Early Learning and Developmental Standards for 3- and 4-Year-Olds. Additional professional development offerings including customized on-site professional development sessions and online tutorials are provided by ATI at an additional cost.

### Detailed list of materials submitted

#### Galileo Pre-K Online Curriculum Materials

The innovative online format of the Galileo Pre-K Online Curriculum minimizes the need to purchase additional materials. When a program licenses Galileo, they are provided with a system administrator login name and password. Programs may create as many user logins as desired at no additional charge. This allows all staff members and teachers unlimited access to the Galileo curriculum, assessment, and reporting tools, all of which are online. The following is a list of curriculum and professional development resources and materials available for programs using Galileo Pre-K Online Curriculum. Please note: ISBNs have not been assigned to the published materials. All published materials are available from ATI and/or within the Galileo Pre-K Online interface. Professional development materials are provided in print during on-site professional development at no additional charge.

#### Full Set of Curriculum Materials

- Galileo G3 Lesson Plans
- Galileo G3 Activity Library
- Storyteller Lesson Plans
- Storyteller Activity Library
- Galileo Pre-K Online Curriculum Guidebook including:
  - Galileo G3 Storybook List
  - Galileo G3 Activity Materials Checklist
Additional Professional Development Materials


Professional development

Galileo Pre-K Online Professional Development

ATI provides exceptional professional development in a variety of formats to meet the needs of Florida early learning programs seeking to provide high-quality learning opportunities for prekindergarten children.

For programs implementing Galileo for the first time, ATI would suggest the following two training modules, each of which is available as an on-site training or an online, self-paced tutorial:

1. The Fundamentals of Galileo Assessment
   Designed for:
   - All staff using Galileo technology including teachers, administrators, and/or support staff program coordinators, trainers, and lead staff
   Objectives:
   - Learn how to set up Galileo for program use.
   - Use information from Galileo to inform instructional decisions.
   - Use Galileo for documenting and evaluating child outcomes.

2. The Fundamentals of Galileo Pre-K Online Curriculum
   Designed for:
   - All staff using Galileo technology including teachers, administrators, and/or support staff program coordinators, trainers, and lead staff
   Objectives:
   - Learn how to link developmental assessment to instructional planning.
   - Access Galileo’s extensive libraries of activities and lesson plans.
   - Use Galileo to create your own activities and lesson plans.
   - Create individualized learning plans for children.
   - Learn how to use the Storyteller computer-assisted instruction and ready-to-use classroom activities focusing on language and literacy.

Additional Customized On-Site Professional Development Offerings

It is not uncommon for programs to have ATI professional development staff out each year to train new staff and further the skills of returning staff members. Ongoing professional development is typically customized. ATI and the program work together to craft an agenda that meets the program’s specific needs. Examples of customized sessions that have been given in the past include:

- Utilizing Galileo’s Curriculum Resources to Promote School Readiness Goals
- Aligning Your Assessment and Instruction to State Standards
- Enhancing Children’s Exposure to the Florida Early Learning and Developmental Standards for 4-Year-Olds
Online Tutorials
Galileo online tutorials are another way that programs opt to participate in ongoing Galileo professional development. Online tutorials are a great way to train new staff members. Galileo online tutorials are self-study courses that allow educators to learn more about Galileo on a schedule of their own choosing and at their own pace. Most are designed to occur over six weeks, though there are 24 week courses, like the Mastery of Galileo, that are available for college credit.

Small Group Webinars (complimentary)
Throughout the program year, ATI hosts training webinars, which are short, one hour professional development sessions, with free registration for clients. They cover utilizing specific components of the system such as the Pre-K Parent Center, creating individualized lesson plans, and documenting anecdotal notes.

Professional Development Forum (complimentary)
All Galileo users are encouraged to register for the Professional Development Forum, accessible in the Galileo application. This Forum is a discussion board that allows teachers, curriculum specialists, site administrators, program administrators, and all other Galileo end-users, to post questions, share experiences and expertise, connect with other educators, and make suggestions to ATI for product development. The Forum is divided into a number of categories, such as Assessments, Curriculum, and Reports, and is moderated by ATI staff members who respond to messages and post helpful information.

Phone and Email Support (complimentary)
ATI utilizes a proactive approach to provide unlimited support for all Galileo Pre-K Online users. This support, delivered by ATI Field Services and Technical Support staff, is available Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. MST to 5:00 p.m. MST through our toll-free phone and email support systems. ATI also maintains round-the-clock emergency assistance including 24-hour server response capability and automated notification of any service outage to ensure maximum availability of Galileo Pre-K Online.