

**What is Taskstream and why are we using it?** Taskstream is a customizable, electronic portfolio, assessment management and performance based instruction tool. For National Association for the Education of Young Children accreditation of two-year programs, specific student assignments (signature assignments) are to be evaluated based on a faculty developed rubric associated with the NAEYC Standards addressed by each assignment. Additionally, our other programs, our CTE program and our Family Life Education program have national standards for student outcomes that are supported by the use of Taskstream.

The electronic submission of the Signature Assignments to Taskstream serves two purposes.

1. First, it serves as college accreditation data collection and storage site, as instructors evaluate each student's Signature Assignments in connection with NAEYC, CTE and/or FLE performance based outcomes. We must collect and report this data on a regular basis.

Therefore, **EVERY** student taking a Taskstream-designed course is **REQUIRED** to upload and submit their assignment to Taskstream for evaluation (even if only one or two courses are being taken for purposes other than Certificate of Completion or AAS degree award, an elective for another degree, personal interest or any other professional purpose).

**THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS. FAILURE TO COMPLETE TASKSTREAM ASSIGNMENTS ARE GROUNDS FOR RECEIVING A FAILING GRADE FOR THIS COURSE.**

2. Second, it provides a platform to build an electronic portfolio for EED255 or FCS250 for those students completing the coursework that leads to Certificate or AAS completion.

After each student submits their Signature Assignments to Taskstream, instructional faculty will use program approved rubrics to evaluate assignments.

**Costs associated with Taskstream:** Taskstream offers multiple subscription rates, from one semester to multiple semesters. We feel that allowing you to choose the subscription length that meets your needs is more cost-effect than requiring every student to purchase a year's subscription.

Subscription Rates						
(as of 3/2010 and subject to change at the discretion of the Taskstream organization)						
Students: Higher Education						
1 Semester*	1 year	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years	6 years
\$25	\$42	\$69	\$91	\$105	\$119	\$129

\* A semester subscription is 5 months