Classroom Advantage Help Guide
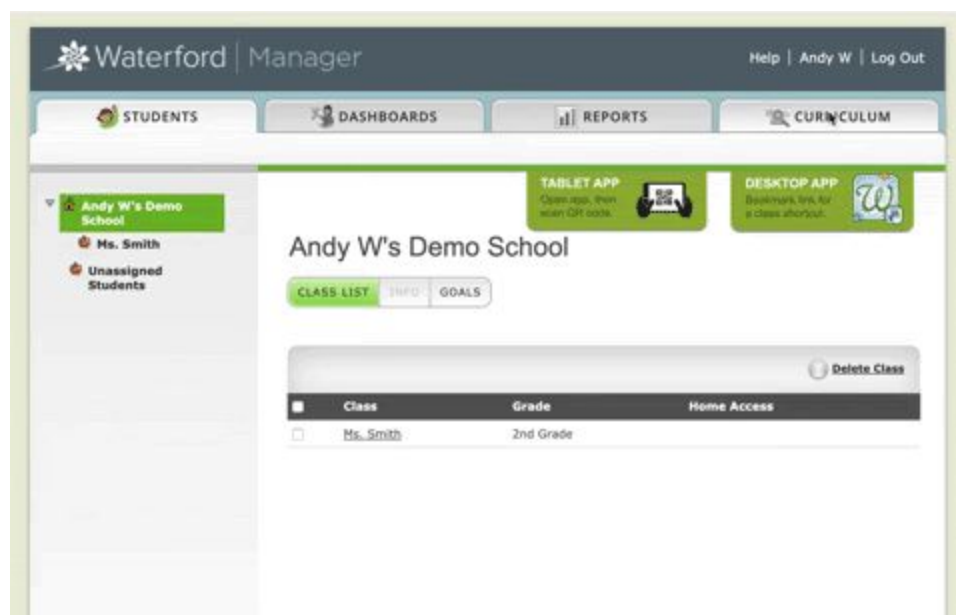
Introduction to Classroom Advantage

Classroom Advantage allows educators to select and play thousands of activities on a projector or interactive whiteboard. Activities can be arranged to create custom playlists. In addition, more than 1,700 pre-built playlists are available for convenient use with an individual student, a small group, or a whole class to support Tier 1 instruction, Tier 2 remediation, and Tier 3 intervention.

Note: Classroom Advantage is an add-on to Waterford Early Learning. If you're interested in using this feature, contact your Waterford representative for more information.

Launching Playlists

Launching playlists allows you to project them on your whiteboard via your computer or interactive whiteboard. To launch a playlist:

1. *Log in to the Waterford Manager.*
2. *Select the **Curriculum** tab and click **Playlists**.*
3. *Click on the playlist you want to present. This will open a pop-up window that allows you to control the playlist.*
4. *Use the **Pause, Play, Skip,** or **Back** buttons to control your playlist.*

Using Pre-Built Playlists

In addition to your custom playlists, Classroom Advantage includes access to more than 1,700 pre-built playlists focused on core academic skills. Waterford automatically adds these playlists to your account as they are created; there is no need to add or download these playlists on your own.

Waterford Playlists can be used with an individual student, a small group, or a whole class to support Tier 1 instruction, Tier 2 remediation, and Tier 3 intervention.

Note: At this time, pre-built playlists cannot be edited or deleted.

Introduction to Custom Playlists

In Classroom Advantage, teachers can perform the following actions with custom playlists:

- Create and edit playlists
- Preview activities for custom playlists
- Delete playlists

Creating a New Playlist

You can put Classroom Advantage activities into playlists for your students to use on their own or in a group. Playlists can be built from either the **Playlists** or **Search** section of the **Curriculum** tab.
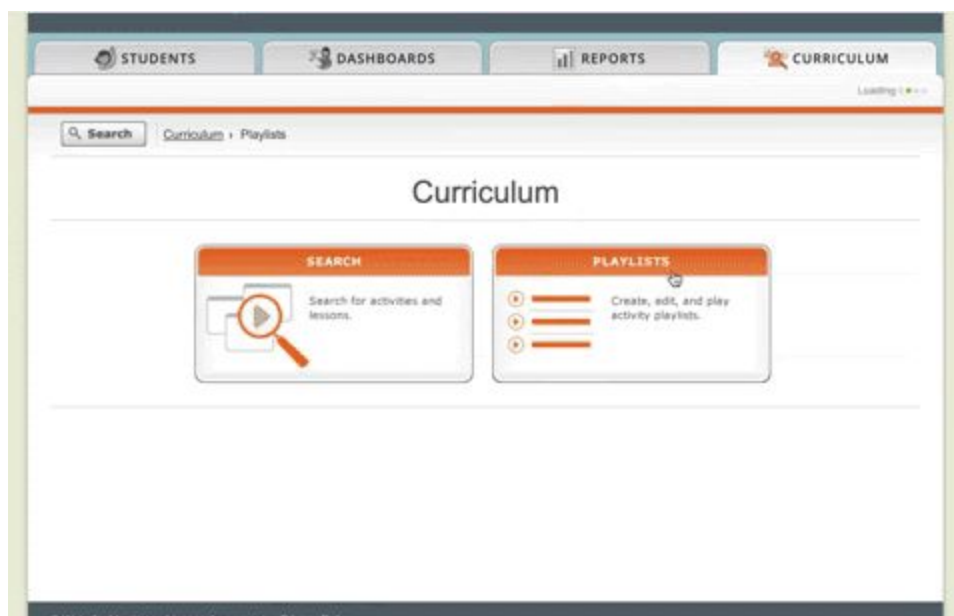
Note: You will need to first create a playlist before you can add activities to it through the **Curriculum** *section.*

Creating a New Playlist in the Playlists Section

To create a playlist through the **Playlists** section:

1. Log in to your Waterford Manager account.
2. Select the **Curriculum** tab.
3. Click on the **Playlists** button.
4. Click **Create Playlist**.
5. In the **New Playlist** window, select a folder or subfolder to add the playlist to a specific location in your library.
6. Enter the desired playlist name and any additional notes about the playlist.
7. Click **Save**.

You may then add activities to the playlist.

Creating a New Playlist in the Search Section

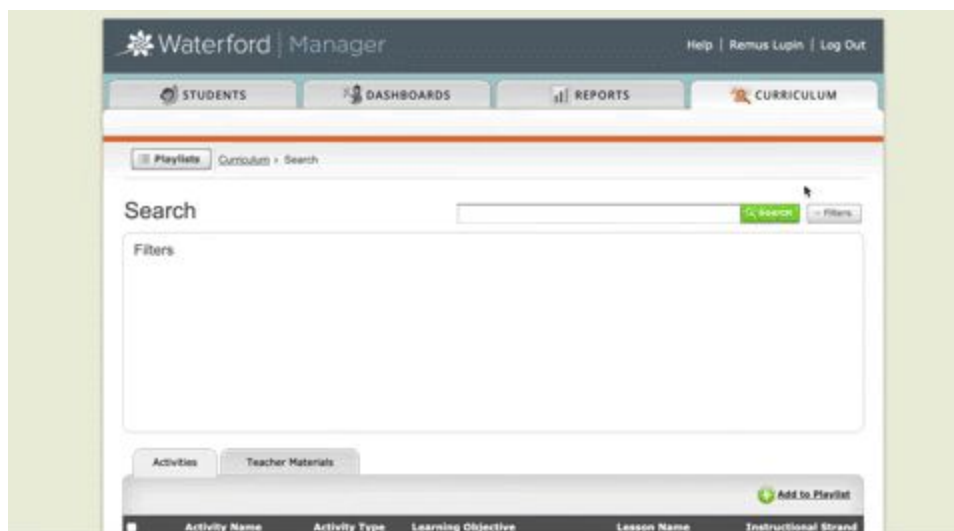To create a new playlist through the **Search** section:

1. Log in to your Waterford Manager account.
2. Click **Curriculum**, then click on the **Search** tab.
3. Perform a search for an activity title or subject.
4. Click the checkbox next to any activity that you would like to add to the playlist. You can perform multiple searches, if needed.

5. Click **Add to Playlist** once you have selected all desired activities.
6. Click **New Playlist**.
7. Select a folder or subfolder to add the playlist to a specific location in your library.
8. Enter the desired playlist name and any notes about it.
9. Click **Save**.

Previewing Activities

Before adding an activity to your playlist, you can preview it to make sure it fits your playlist's theme. To preview an activity:

1. Log in to your Waterford Manager account.
2. Click the **Curriculum** tab.
3. Search for the desired activity title or subject.
4. Click the **Play** button to preview an activity.
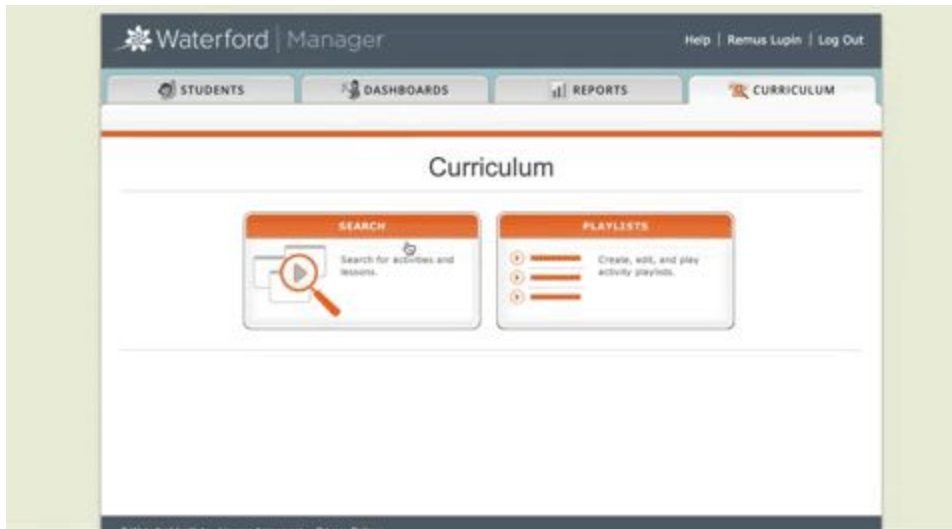

Adding Activities to Existing Playlists

If you created a playlist through the **Curriculum** section, you will need to add activities manually to your playlist after you have created it. To add activities to any existing playlist:

1. Log in to your Waterford Manager account.
2. Click on the **Curriculum** tab, then click **Search**.
3. Search for the activity title or subject that you would like to add to the playlist.
4. In the search results, click the checkbox next to the activity or activities you want to add to a playlist.
5. Click **Add to Playlist** once you have selected all desired activities.
6. In the pop-up window, select the playlist you want to add these activities to.

7. Click **OK** to save your updated playlist.

Editing Custom Playlists

To edit the folder, name, and/or description of a custom playlist:

1. Log in to your Waterford Manager account.
2. Click the **Curriculum** tab.
3. Click on **Playlists**.
4. Select the playlist folder or playlist that you want to edit.
5. Click **Info**.
6. Click in the text fields to edit the playlist's name, folder, and/or description.
7. Click **Save** to confirm these changes.

Note: You can only edit playlists that you created yourself, not pre-built playlists.

Organizing or Removing Activities

You can reorganize custom playlist activities and, if desired, delete them. To reorder or remove activities from playlists:

1. Log in to your Waterford Manager account
2. Click the **Curriculum** tab.
3. Click on **Playlists**.
4. Select the playlist you want to manage.
5. Click the checkbox next to the activity you want to move or delete.
6. Use **Move Up** and **Move Down** to reorder the activities.
7. Click **Delete Activity** to remove it from the playlist.