

Science Program Review



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Path to NYS Science Learning Standards

- ❑ 2010 – national work began on the Framework and national standards
- ❑ 2012 – A Framework for K-12 Science Education
- ❑ NYS was a “lead state” in writing the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)
- ❑ 2012 – Draft of NGSS released
- ❑ 2013 – Final Version of NGSS released
- ❑ 2015 – Evidence Statements added
- ❑ Nov 2015 – NYS released a draft of new state science standards – **mostly NGSS**
- ❑ Dec 2016 – NYS adopts NYS SLS



NYS Implementation Timeline

- Phase I – Raise Awareness & Capacity Building
- Phase II – Transition & Implementation
- Phase III – Implementation & Sustainability

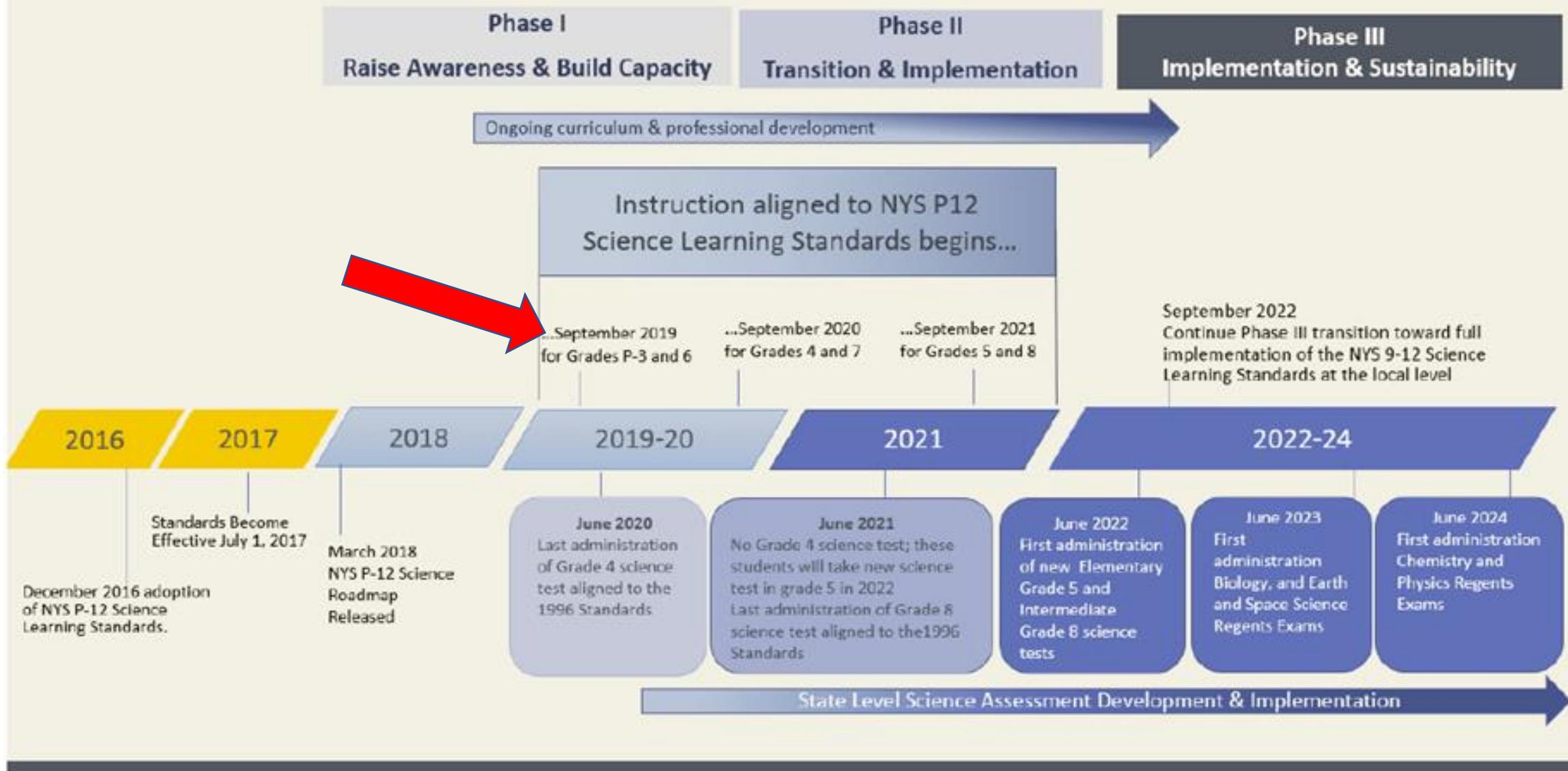


NYS Implementation Timeline

- Phase I – Raise Awareness & Capacity Building – 7/2017 – 8/2019
- Phase II – Transition & Implementation – 9/2019 – 8/2021
- Phase III – Implementation & Sustainability – 9/2021 – 8/2024



New York State P-12 Science Standards Development, Adoption, and Implementation



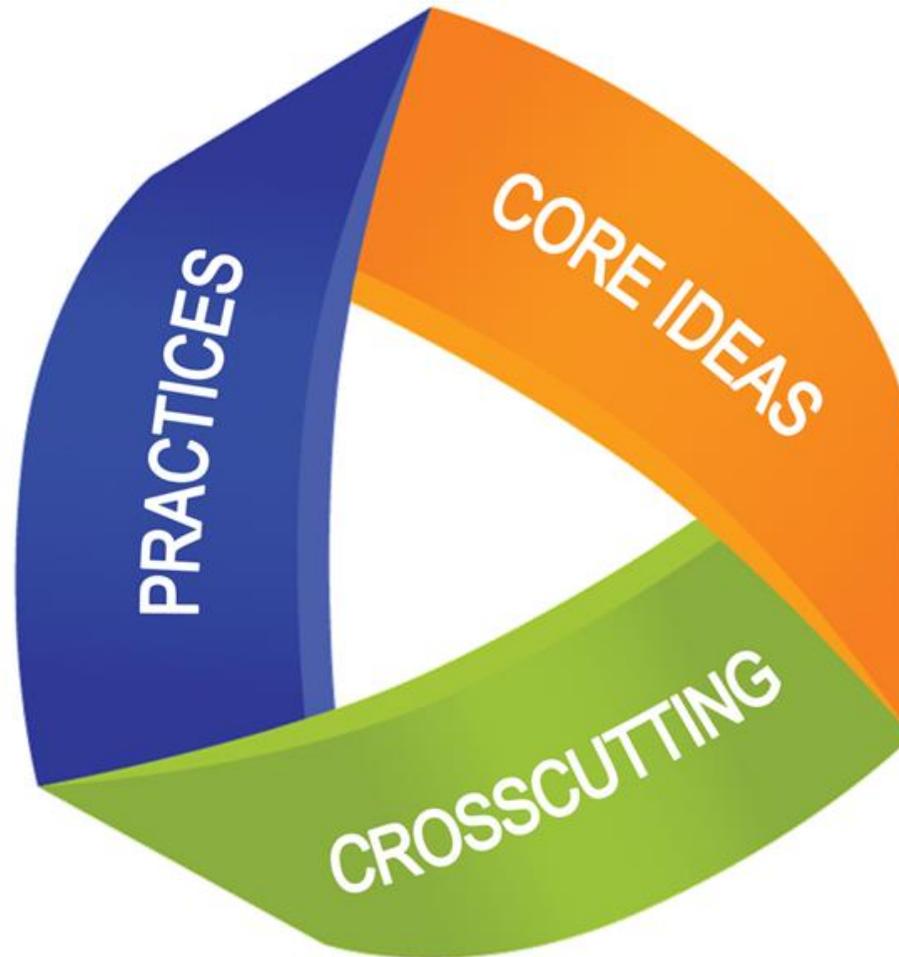
Implementation

- ❑ Sept 2019 – “move towards full implementation, especially targeting Grades K-3 and 6”
- ❑ **Sept 2020 – Grades 4 and 7**
- ❑ Sept 2021 – Grades 5 and 8
- ❑ **June 2022 – New state science exams in Grades 5 & 8**
- ❑ Sept 2022 – Transition to and implementation of Earth and Space Science and Life Science: Biology
- ❑ **June 2023 – New state science regents exams for Earth & Space Sci and Life Sci: Biology**
- ❑ Sept 2023 – Transition to and implementation of Chemistry and Physics
- ❑ **June 2024 – New state science regents exams for Chem and Physics**



3 Dimensional Teaching and Learning

- ❑ Science & Engineering Practices
- ❑ Cross-Cutting Concepts
- ❑ Disciplinary Core Ideas



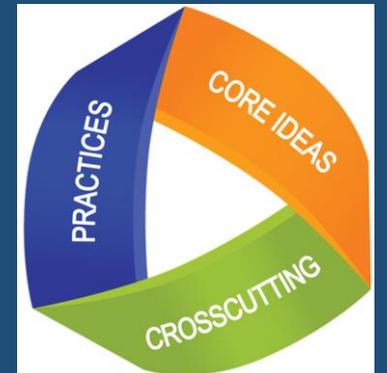
3 Dimensional Teaching and Learning

Science & Engineering Practices

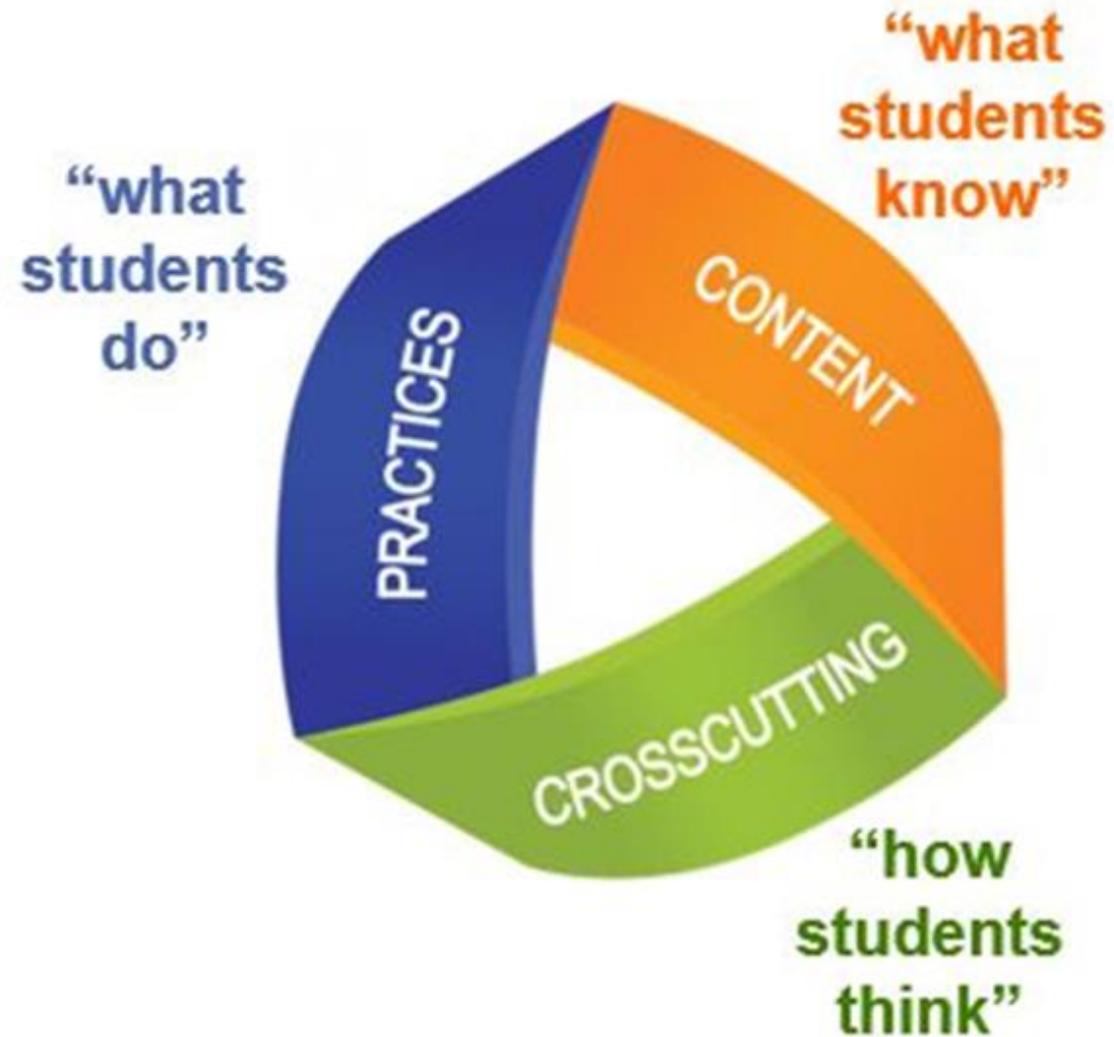
1. Asking questions
2. Developing and using models
3. Planning and carrying out investigations
4. Analyzing and interpreting data
5. Using mathematics and computational thinking
6. Constructing explanations & solutions
7. Engaging in argument from evidence
8. Obtaining, evaluating, and communicating information

Cross-Cutting Concepts

1. Patterns
2. Cause & effect
3. Scale, proportion, & quantity
4. Systems & system models
5. Energy & matter
6. Structure & function
7. Stability & change



3 Dimensional Teaching and Learning



Phenomena – Problem-Based



The Crow & the Pitcher

In a spell of dry weather, when the Birds could find very little to drink, a thirsty Crow found a pitcher with a little water in it. But the pitcher was high and had a narrow neck, and no matter how he tried, the Crow could not reach the water. The poor thing felt as if he must die of thirst.

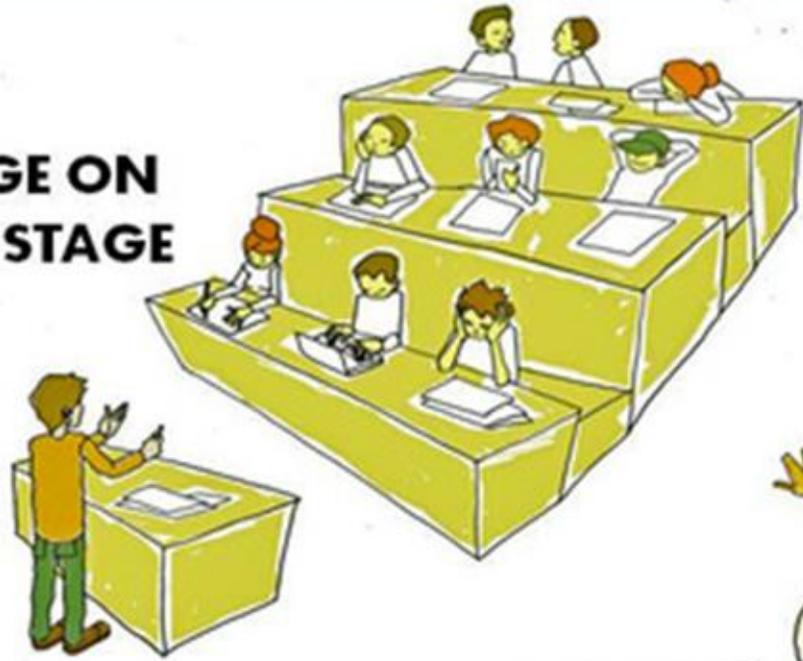
Then an idea came to him.





Erica McWilliam's Pedagogic Stances

**SAGE ON
THE STAGE**



GUIDE ON THE SIDE



**MEDDLER IN
THE MIDDLE**

Science Standards K - 5

- Units for each grade level are specified in the standards

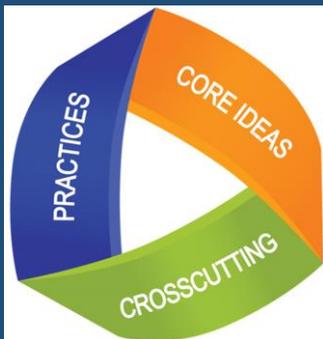
- At each grade level, there are

- Life Science unit

- Physical Science unit

- Earth and Space Science unit

- Engineering Design Standards



3. Weather and Climate

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

- 3-ESS2-1. Represent data in tables and graphical displays to describe typical weather conditions expected during a particular season.** [Clarification Statement: Examples of data could include average temperature, precipitation, and wind direction.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment of graphical displays is limited to pictographs and bar graphs. Assessment does not include climate change.]
- 3-ESS2-2. Obtain and combine information to describe climates in different regions of the world.** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis should be on various climates in different regions rather than on localized weather conditions.]
- 3-ESS3-1. Make a claim about the merit of a design solution that reduces the impacts of a weather-related hazard.*** [Clarification Statement: Examples of design solutions to weather-related hazards could include barriers to prevent flooding, wind resistant roofs, and lightning rods.]
- 3-ESS2-3. Plan and conduct an investigation to determine the connections between weather and water processes in Earth systems.** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis should be on the processes that connect the water cycle and weather patterns.]

The performance expectations above were developed using the following elements from the NRC document *A Framework for K-12 Science Education*.

Science and Engineering Practices	Disciplinary Core Ideas	Crosscutting Concepts
<p>Planning and Carrying Out Investigations Planning and carrying out investigations to answer questions or test solutions to problems in 3–5 builds on K–2 experiences and progresses to include investigations that control variables and provide evidence to support explanations or design solutions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan and conduct an investigation collaboratively to produce data to serve as the basis for evidence, using fair tests in which variables are controlled and the number of trials considered. (3-ESS2-3) Make observations and/or measurements to produce data to serve as the basis for evidence for an explanation of a phenomenon or test a design solution. (3-ESS2-3) <p>Analyzing and Interpreting Data Analyzing data in 3–5 builds on K–2 experiences and progresses to introducing quantitative approaches to collecting data and conducting multiple trials of qualitative observations. When possible and feasible, digital tools should be used.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Represent data in tables and various graphical displays (bar graphs and pictographs) to reveal patterns that indicate relationships. (3-ESS2-1) <p>Engaging in Argument from Evidence Engaging in argument from evidence in 3–5 builds on K–2 experiences and progresses to critiquing the scientific explanations or solutions proposed by peers by citing relevant evidence about the natural and designed world(s).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make a claim about the merit of a solution to a problem by citing relevant evidence about how it meets the criteria and constraints of the problem. (3-ESS3-1) <p>Obtaining, Evaluating, and Communicating Information Obtaining, evaluating, and communicating information in 3–5 builds on K–2 experiences and progresses to evaluating the merit and accuracy of ideas and methods.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtain and combine information from books and other reliable media to explain phenomena. (3-ESS2-2) 	<p>ESS2.D: Weather and Climate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scientists record patterns of the weather across different times and areas so that they can make predictions about what kind of weather might happen next. (3-ESS2-1) Climate describes a range of an area’s typical weather conditions and the extent to which those conditions vary over years. (3-ESS2-2) (NYSEd) Earth’s processes continuously cycle water, contributing to weather and climate. (3-ESS2-3) <p>ESS3.B: Natural Hazards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A variety of natural hazards result from natural processes. Humans cannot eliminate natural hazards but can take steps to reduce their impacts. (3-ESS3-1) (Note: This Disciplinary Core Idea is also addressed by 4-ESS3-2) 	<p>Patterns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patterns of change can be used to make predictions. (3-ESS2-1),(3-ESS2-2) <p>Cause and Effect</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cause and effect relationships are routinely identified, tested, and used to explain change. (3-ESS2-3),(3-ESS3-1) <hr/> <p><i>Connections to Engineering, Technology, and Applications of Science</i></p> <p>Influence of Engineering, Technology, and Science on Society and the Natural World</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (NYSEd) Engineers improve existing technologies or develop new ones to increase their benefits (e.g., improved Doppler radar), decrease known risks (e.g., severe weather alerts), and meet societal demands (e.g., cell phone applications). (3-ESS3-1) <hr/> <p><i>Connections to Nature of Science</i></p> <p>Science is a Human Endeavor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science affects everyday life. (3-ESS3-1)

3-5. Engineering Design

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

- 3-5-ETS1-1. Define a simple design problem reflecting a need or a want that includes specified criteria for success and constraints on materials, time, or cost.**
- 3-5-ETS1-2. Generate and compare multiple possible solutions to a problem based on how well each is likely to meet the criteria and constraints of the problem.**
- 3-5-ETS1-3. Plan and carry out fair tests in which variables are controlled and failure points are considered to identify aspects of a model or prototype that can be improved.**

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Science and Engineering Practices

Asking Questions and Defining Problems

Asking questions and defining problems in 3–5 builds on grades K–2 experiences and progresses to specifying qualitative relationships.

- Define a simple design problem that can be solved through the development of an object, tool, process, or system and includes several criteria for success and constraints on materials, time, or cost. (3-5-ETS1-1)

Planning and Carrying Out Investigations

Planning and carrying out investigations to answer questions or test solutions to problems in 3–5 builds on K–2 experiences and progresses to include investigations that control variables and provide evidence to support explanations or design solutions.

- Plan and conduct an investigation collaboratively to produce data to serve as the basis for evidence, using fair tests in which variables are controlled and the number of trials considered. (3-5-ETS1-3)

Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions

Constructing explanations and designing solutions in 3–5 builds on K–2 experiences and progresses to the use of evidence in constructing explanations that specify variables that describe and predict phenomena and in designing multiple solutions to design problems.

- Generate and compare multiple solutions to a problem based on how well they meet the criteria and constraints of the design problem. (3-5-ETS1-2)

Disciplinary Core Ideas

ETS1.A: Defining and Delimiting Engineering Problems

• Possible solutions to a problem are limited by available materials and resources (constraints). The success of a designed solution is determined by considering the desired features of a solution (criteria). Different proposals for solutions can be compared on the basis of how well each one meets the specified criteria for success or how well each takes the constraints into account. (3-5-ETS1-1)

ETS1.B: Developing Possible Solutions

• Research on a problem should be carried out before beginning to design a solution. Testing a solution involves investigating how well it performs under a range of likely conditions. (3-5-ETS1-2)

• At whatever stage, communicating with peers about proposed solutions is an important part of the design process, and shared ideas can lead to improved designs. (3-5-ETS1-2)

• Tests are often designed to identify failure points or difficulties, which suggest the elements of the design that need to be improved. (3-5-ETS1-3)

ETS1.C: Optimizing the Design Solution

• Different solutions need to be tested in order to determine which of them best solves the problem, given the criteria and the constraints. (3-5-ETS1-3)

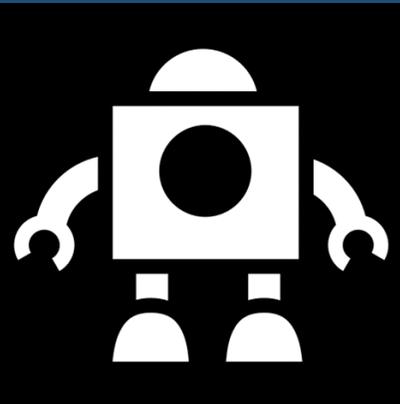
Crosscutting Concepts

Influence of Science, Engineering, and Technology on Society and the Natural World

- People’s needs and wants change over time, as do their demands for new and improved technologies. (3-5-ETS1-1)
- Engineers improve existing technologies or develop new ones to increase their benefits, decrease known risks, and meet societal demands. (3-5-ETS1-2)

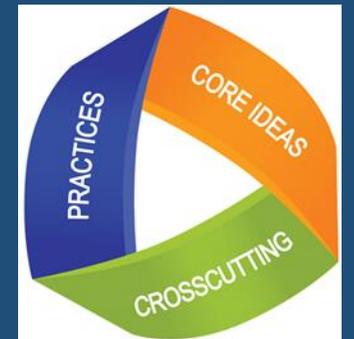
Elementary Science

Laurie Colucci
Grade 4 at DE



Science Standards 6 – 8

- ❑ Units for each grade level are NOT specified in the standards – each school district determines
- ❑ One model
 - ❑ Grade 6 – Life Science
 - ❑ Grade 7 – Physical Science
 - ❑ Grade 8 – Earth and Space Science
- ❑ Integrated model
 - ❑ Some Life, Physical, and Earth & Space at each grade level



MS. Matter and Energy in Organisms and Ecosystems

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

- MS-LS1-6. Construct a scientific explanation based on evidence for the role of photosynthesis in the cycling of matter and flow of energy into and out of organisms.** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on tracing movement of matter and flow of energy.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment does not include the biochemical mechanisms of photosynthesis.]
- MS-LS1-7. Develop a model to describe how food molecules are rearranged through chemical reactions to release energy during cellular respiration and/or form new molecules that support growth as this matter moves through an organism.** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on describing that molecules are broken apart and put back together and that in this process, energy is released.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment does not include details of the chemical reactions for respiration or synthesis.]
- MS-LS2-1. Analyze and interpret data to provide evidence for the effects of resource availability on organisms and populations of organisms in an ecosystem.** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on cause and effect relationships between resources and growth of individual organisms and the numbers of organisms in ecosystems during periods of abundant and scarce resources.]
- MS-LS2-3. Develop a model to describe the cycling of matter and flow of energy among living and nonliving parts of an ecosystem.** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on describing the conservation of matter and flow of energy associated with ecosystem, and on defining the boundaries of the ecosystem.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment does not include the use of chemical reactions to describe the processes.]
- MS-LS2-4. Construct an argument supported by empirical evidence that changes to physical or biological components of an ecosystem affect populations.** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on recognizing patterns in data and making warranted inferences about shifts in populations due to changes in the ecosystem.]

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Science and Engineering Practices

Developing and Using Models

Modeling in 6–8 builds on K–5 experiences and progresses to developing, using, and revising models to describe, test, and predict more abstract phenomena and design systems.

- Develop a model to describe phenomena. (MS-LS2-3)
- Develop a model to describe unobservable mechanisms. (MS-LS1-7)

Analyzing and Interpreting Data

Analyzing data in 6–8 builds on K–5 experiences and progresses to extending quantitative analysis to investigations, distinguishing between correlation and causation, and basic statistical techniques of data and error analysis.

- Analyze and interpret data to provide evidence for phenomena. (MS-LS2-1)

Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions

Designing Solutions

Constructing explanations and designing solutions in 6–8 builds on K–5 experiences and progresses to include constructing explanations and designing solutions supported by multiple sources of evidence consistent with scientific knowledge, principles, and theories.

- Construct a scientific explanation based on valid and reliable evidence obtained from sources (including the students' own experiments) and the assumption that theories and laws that describe the natural

Disciplinary Core Ideas

LS1.C: Organization for Matter and Energy Flow in Organisms

- Plants, algae (including phytoplankton), and many microorganisms use the energy from light to make sugars (food) from carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and water through the process of photosynthesis, which also releases oxygen. These sugars can be used immediately or stored for growth or later use. (MS-LS1-6)
- Within individual organisms, food moves through a series of chemical reactions in which it is broken down and rearranged to form new molecules, to support growth, or to release energy. (MS-LS1-7)

LS2.A: Interdependent Relationships in Ecosystems

- Organisms, and populations of organisms, are dependent on their environmental interactions both with other living things and with nonliving factors. (MS-LS2-1)
- In any ecosystem, organisms and populations with similar requirements for food, water, oxygen, or other resources may compete with each other for limited resources, access to which consequently constrains their growth and reproduction. (MS-LS2-1)
- Growth of organisms and population increases are limited by access to resources. (MS-LS2-1)

LS2.B: Cycle of Matter and Energy Transfer in Ecosystems

- Food webs are models that demonstrate how matter and energy is transferred between producers, consumers, and decomposers as the three groups interact within an ecosystem. Transfers of matter into and out of the physical environment occur at every level. Decomposers recycle nutrients from dead plant material

Crosscutting Concepts

Cause and Effect

- Cause and effect relationships may be used to predict phenomena in natural or designed systems. (MS-LS2-1)

Energy and Matter

- Matter is conserved because atoms are conserved in physical and chemical processes. (MS-LS1-7)
- Within a natural system, the transfer of energy drives the motion and/or cycling of matter. (MS-LS1-6)
- The transfer of energy can be tracked as energy flows through a natural system. (MS-LS2-3)

Stability and Change

- Small changes in one part of a system might cause large changes in another part. (MS-LS2-4)

MS. Engineering Design

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

- MS-ETS1-1.** Define the criteria and constraints of a design problem with sufficient precision to ensure a successful solution, taking into account relevant scientific principles and potential impacts on people and the natural environment that may limit possible solutions.
- MS-ETS1-2.** Evaluate competing design solutions using a systematic process to determine how well they meet the criteria and constraints of the problem.
- MS-ETS1-3.** Analyze data from tests to determine similarities and differences among several design solutions to identify the best characteristics of each that can be combined into a new solution to better meet the criteria for success.
- MS-ETS1-4.** Develop a model to generate data for iterative testing and modification of a proposed object, tool, or process such that an optimal design can be achieved.

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Science and Engineering Practices

Asking Questions and Defining Problems

Asking questions and defining problems in grades 6-8 builds on grades K-5 experiences and progresses to specifying relationships between variables, and clarifying arguments and models.

- Define a design problem that can be solved through the development of an object, tool, process, or system and includes multiple criteria and constraints, including scientific knowledge that may limit possible solutions. (MS-ETS1-1)

Developing and Using Models

Modeling in 6-8 builds on K-5 experiences and progresses to developing, using, and revising models to describe, test, and predict more abstract phenomena and design systems.

- Develop a model to generate data to test ideas about designed systems, including those representing inputs and outputs. (MS-ETS1-4)

Analyzing and Interpreting Data

Analyzing data in 6-8 builds on K-5 experiences and progresses to extending quantitative analysis to investigations, distinguishing between correlation and causation, and basic statistical techniques of data and error analysis.

- Analyze and interpret data to determine similarities and

Disciplinary Core Ideas

ETS1.A: Defining and Delimiting Engineering Problems

- The more precisely a design task's criteria and constraints can be defined, the more likely it is that the designed solution will be successful. Specification of constraints includes consideration of scientific principles and other relevant knowledge that are likely to limit possible solutions. (MS-ETS1-1)

ETS1.B: Developing Possible Solutions

- A solution needs to be tested, and then modified on the basis of the test results, in order to improve it. (MS-ETS1-4)
- There are systematic processes for evaluating solutions with respect to how well they meet the criteria and constraints of a problem. (MS-ETS1-2),(MS-ETS1-3)
- Sometimes parts of different solutions can be combined to create a solution that is better than any of its predecessors. (MS-ETS1-3)
- Models of all kinds are important for testing solutions. (MS-ETS1-4)

ETS1.C: Optimizing the Design Solution

- Although one design may not perform the best across all tests,

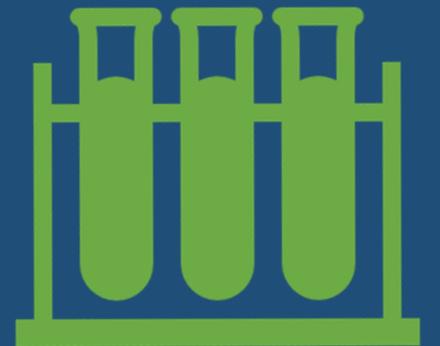
Crosscutting Concepts

Influence of Science, Engineering, and Technology on Society and the Natural World

- All human activity draws on natural resources and has both short and long-term consequences, positive as well as negative, for the health of people and the natural environment. (MS-ETS1-1)
- The uses of technologies and limitations on their use are driven by individual or societal needs, desires, and values; by the findings of scientific research; and by differences in such factors as climate, natural resources, and economic conditions. (MS-

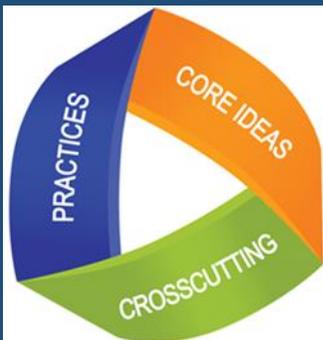
Middle School Science

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Grade 7 at HM



Science Standards 9 – 12

- ❑ New standards for traditional four regents courses
 - ❑ Earth & Space Science
 - ❑ Life Science: Biology
 - ❑ Chemistry
 - ❑ Physics
- ❑ Science electives are derived from the standards
 - ❑ Anatomy & Physiology – Life Science: Biology
 - ❑ Environmental Science – Life Science: Biology
 - ❑ Forensic Science – Chemistry
 - ❑ Astronomy – Earth & Space Science



HS. Chemical Reactions

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

- HS-PS1-2. Construct and revise an explanation for the outcome of a simple chemical reaction based on the outermost electron states of atoms, trends in the periodic table, and knowledge of the patterns of chemical properties.** [Clarification Statement: Examples of chemical reactions could include the reaction of sodium and chlorine, of carbon and oxygen, or of carbon and hydrogen.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment is limited to chemical reactions involving main group elements and combustion reactions.]
- HS-PS1-4. Develop a model to illustrate that the release or absorption of energy from a chemical reaction system depends upon the changes in total bond energy.** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on the idea that a chemical reaction is a system that affects the energy change. Examples of models could include molecular-level drawings and diagrams of reactions, graphs showing the relative energies of reactants and products, and representations showing energy is conserved.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment does not include calculating the total bond energy changes during a chemical reaction from the bond energies of reactants and products.]
- HS-PS1-5. Apply scientific principles and evidence to explain how the rate of a physical or chemical change is affected when conditions are varied.** [Clarification Statement: Explanations should be based on three variables in collision theory: number of collisions per unit time, particle orientation on collision, and energy required to produce the change. Conditions that affect these three variables include temperature, pressure, nature of reactants, concentrations of reactants, mixing, particle size, surface area, and addition of a catalyst.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment is limited to simple reactions in which there are only two reactants and to specifying the change in only one condition at a time.]
- HS-PS1-6. Refine the design of a chemical system by specifying a change in conditions that would produce increased amounts of products at equilibrium.*** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on the application of Le Chatelier's Principle and on refining designs of chemical reaction systems, including descriptions of the connection between changes made at the macroscopic level and what happens at the molecular level. Examples of designs could include different ways to increase product formation including adding reactants or removing products.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment is limited to specifying the change in only one variable at a time. Assessment does not include calculating equilibrium constants and concentrations.]
- HS-PS1-7. Use mathematical representations to support the claim that atoms, and therefore mass, are conserved during a chemical reaction.** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on using mathematical ideas to communicate the proportional relationships between masses of atoms in the reactants and the products, and the translation of these relationships to the macroscopic scale using the mole as the conversion from the atomic to the macroscopic scale. Emphasis is on assessing students' use of mathematical thinking and not on memorization and rote application of problem-solving techniques.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment does not include complex chemical reactions.]
- HS-PS1-11. Plan and conduct an investigation to compare properties and behaviors of acids and bases.** [Clarification Statement: Examples of properties could include pH values (concentration), neutralization capability and conductivity. Observations of behaviors could include the effects on indicators, reactions with other substances, and efficacy in performing titrations.] [Assessment Boundary: Reactions are limited to Arrhenius and Bronsted-Lowry acid-base reactions.]
- HS-PS1-12. Use evidence to illustrate that some chemical reactions involve the transfer of electrons as an energy conversion occurs within a system.** [Clarification Statement: Evidence could include half-reactions, net ionic equations, and electrochemical cells to illustrate the mechanism of electron transfer.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment is limited to completing and/or balancing oxidation and reduction half-reactions. Energy conversions are limited to qualitative statements.]

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Science and Engineering Practices

Developing and Using Models

Modeling in 9–12 builds on K–8 and progresses to using, synthesizing, and developing models to predict and show relationships among variables between systems and their components in the natural and designed worlds.

- Develop a model based on evidence to illustrate the relationships between systems or between components of a system. (HS-PS1-4)

Planning and Carrying Out Investigations

Planning and carrying out investigations to answer questions or test solutions to problems in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to include investigations that provide evidence for and test conceptual, mathematical, physical, and empirical models.

- Plan and conduct an investigation individually and collaboratively to produce data to serve as the basis for evidence, and in the design: decide on types, how much, and accuracy of data needed to produce reliable measurements and consider limitations on the precision of the data (e.g., number of trials, cost, risk, time), and refine the design

Disciplinary Core Ideas

PS1.A: Structure and Properties of Matter

- The periodic table orders elements horizontally by the number of protons in the atom's nucleus and places those with similar chemical properties in columns. The repeating patterns of this table reflect patterns of outer electron states. (HS-PS1-2) (Note: This Disciplinary Core Idea is also addressed by HS-PS1-1.)
- A stable molecule has less energy than the same set of atoms separated; one must provide at least this energy in order to take the molecule apart. (HS-PS1-4)

PS1.B: Chemical Reactions

- The fact that atoms are conserved, together with knowledge of the chemical properties of the elements involved, can be used to describe and predict chemical reactions. (HS-PS1-2),(HS-PS1-

Crosscutting Concepts

Patterns

- Different patterns may be observed at each of the scales at which a system is studied and can provide evidence for causality in explanations of phenomena. (HS-PS1-2),(HS-PS1-5),(HS-PS1-11)

Energy and Matter

- The total amount of energy and matter in closed systems is conserved. (HS-PS1-7),(HS-PS1-12)
- Changes of energy and matter in a system can be described in terms of energy and matter flows into, out of, and within that system. (HS-PS1-4),(HS-PS1-12)

Stability and Change

HS. Engineering Design

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

- K-PS2-3.** Analyze a major global challenge to specify qualitative and quantitative criteria and constraints for solutions that account for societal needs and wants.
- K-PS2-4.** Design a solution to a complex real-world problem by breaking it down into smaller, more manageable problems that can be solved through engineering.
- K-PS2-5.** Evaluate a solution to a complex real-world problem based on prioritized criteria and trade-offs that account for a range of constraints, including cost, safety, reliability, and aesthetics, as well as possible social, cultural, and environmental impacts.
- K-PS2-6.** Use a computer simulation to model the impact of proposed solutions to a complex real-world problem with numerous criteria and constraints on interactions within and between systems relevant to the problem.

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Science and Engineering Practices

Asking Questions and Defining Problems

Asking questions and defining problems in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to formulating, refining, and evaluating empirically testable questions and design problems using models and simulations.

- Analyze complex real-world problems by specifying criteria and constraints for successful solutions. (HS-ETS1-1)

Using Mathematics and Computational Thinking

Mathematical and computational thinking in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to using algebraic thinking and analysis, a range of linear and nonlinear functions including trigonometric functions, exponentials and logarithms, and computational tools for statistical analysis to analyze, represent, and model data. Simple computational simulations are created and used based on mathematical models of basic assumptions.

- Use mathematical models and/or computer simulations to predict the effects of a design solution on systems and/or the interactions between systems. (HS-ETS1-4)

Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions

Constructing explanations and designing solutions in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to explanations and designs that are supported by multiple and independent student-

Disciplinary Core Ideas

ETS1.A: Defining and Delimiting Engineering Problems

- Criteria and constraints also include satisfying any requirements set by society, such as taking issues of risk mitigation into account, and they should be quantified to the extent possible and stated in such a way that one can tell if a given design meets them. (HS-ETS1-1)
- Humanity faces major global challenges today, such as the need for supplies of clean water and food or for energy sources that minimize pollution, which can be addressed through engineering. These global challenges also may have manifestations in local communities. (HS-ETS1-1)

ETS1.B: Developing Possible Solutions

- When evaluating solutions, it is important to take into account a range of constraints, including cost, safety, reliability, and aesthetics, and to consider social, cultural, and environmental impacts. (HS-ETS1-3)
- Both physical models and computers can be used in various ways to aid in the engineering design process. Computers are useful for a variety of purposes, such as running simulations to test different ways of solving a

Crosscutting Concepts

Systems and System Models

- Models (e.g., physical, mathematical, computer models) can be used to simulate systems and interactions—including energy, matter, and information flows—within and between systems at different scales. (HS-ETS1-4)

Connections to Engineering, Technology, and Applications of Science

Influence of Science, Engineering, and Technology on Society and the Natural World

- New technologies can have deep impacts on society and the environment, including some that were not anticipated. Analysis of costs and benefits is a critical aspect of decisions about technology. (HS-ETS1-1) (HS-ETS1-3)

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- ❑ Thank you to our Teachers!
- ❑ Today was the “Before View”
 - ❑ Prior to implementation (9/2019)
- ❑ In 4-5 years, our next presentation, will be the “After View”
 - ❑ After implementation
- ❑ Thank you for the opportunity to share a little information about our Science program with you





Thank you!

