



MSAA Science Extended Performance Expectations (EPEs)

Core Ideas for Knowing Science*

Physical Science

- P1: All matter in the Universe is made of exceedingly small particles.
- P2: Object can affect other objects at a distance.
- P3: Changing the movement of an object requires a net force to be acting on it.

P4: The total amount of energy in a closed system is always the same but can be transferred from one energy store to another during an event.

Earth and Space Science

E1: The composition of the Earth and its atmosphere and the natural and human processes occurring within them shape the Earth's surface and its climate.

E2: The Earth and our solar system are an exceedingly small part of many galaxies within the Universe.

Life Science

- L1: Organisms are organized with cellular basis and have a finite lifespan.
- L2: Organisms require a supply of energy and materials for which they often depend on or compete with other organisms.
- L3: Genetic information is passed down from one generation of organisms to another.
- L4: The unity and diversity of organisms, living and extinct is the result of evolution.

Core Ideas for Using Science*

U1: Scientists explain phenomena using evidence obtained from observations and or scientific investigations. Evidence may lead to developing models and or theories to make sense of phenomena. As new evidence is discovered, models and theories can be revised.

U2: The knowledge produced by science is used in engineering and technologies to solve problems and/or create products.

U3: Applications of science often have both positive and negative ethical, social, economic, and/or political implications.

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Coding of the K-8 Science Standards

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K.L1U1.6 Obtain, evaluate, and communicate information about how organisms use different body parts for survival.

2.E1U1.4 Observe and Investigate how wind and water change the shape of the land resulting in a variety of landforms.

Coding of the High School Science Standards

In Arizona, students' requirements are 3 credits of high school science aligned to standards in physical, earth and space, and life sciences to meet graduation requirements, but there is no mandatory course sequence across the state. Because of this, the high school standards are written at two levels: essential and plus.

- Every high school student should learn all high school essential standards (HS) regardless of the 3-credit course sequence they take. The full set of essential high school (HS) standards is designed to be taught over a 3-year period.
- The high school plus (HS+) standards are designed to enhance the rigor of general science courses by extending the essential standards within general chemistry (HS+C), physics (HS+Phy), earth and space sciences (HS+E), or biology (HS+B) courses. These HS+ standards are intended to provide the additional rigor of these courses to prepare students for college courses for science majors.

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relationships, and systems thinking as they make sense of phenomena. The standard number at the end of the code is designed for recording purposes and does not imply instructional sequence or importance.



HS.L2U1.19 Develop and use models that show how changes in the transfer of matter and energy within an ecosystem and interactions between species may affect organisms and their environment.



HS+Phy.P3U2.5 Design, evaluate, and refine a device that minimizes or maximizes the force on a macroscopic object during a collision.

MSAA Science Extended Performance Expectations (EPE) are aligned to the Science Standards on the following pages. Disciplinary Core Ideas (DCI) are included in each standard. The standards may also align with Crosscutting Concepts (CCCs) and Science and Engineering Practices (SEPs).

Extended Performance Expectations (EPE) not developed for K-2.

Kindergarten Standards

K.P2U1.1 Investigate how senses can detect light, sound, and vibrations even when they come from far away; use

the collected evidence to develop and support an explanation.

K.P2U2.2 Design and evaluate a tool that helps people extend their senses.

K.E1U1.3 Observe, record, and ask questions about temperature, precipitation, and other weather data to identify patterns or changes in local weather.

K.E1U1.4 Observe, describe, ask questions, and predict seasonal weather patterns; and how those patterns

impact plants and animals (including humans).

K.E2U1.5 Observe and ask questions about patterns of the motion of the sun, moon, and stars in the sky.

K.L1U1.6 Obtain, evaluate, and communicate information about how organisms use different body parts for survival.

K.L1U1.7 Observe, ask questions, and explain how specialized structures found on a variety of plants and animals (including humans) help them sense and respond to their environment.

K.L2U1.8 Observe, ask questions, and explain the differences between the characteristics of living and non-living things.

First Grade Standards

1.P2U1.1 Plan and carry out investigations demonstrating the effect of placing objects made with different

materials in the path of a beam of light and predict how objects with similar properties will affect the beam of light.

1.P2U1.2 Use models to provide evidence that vibrating matter creates sound and sound can make matter vibrate.

1.P3U1.3 Plan and carry out investigations which demonstrate how equal forces can balance objects and how

unequal forces can push, pull, or twist objects, making them change their speed, direction, or shape.

1.P4U2.4 Design and evaluate ways to increase or reduce heat from friction between two objects.

1.E1U1.5 Obtain, evaluate, and communicate information about the properties of Earth materials and investigate how humans use natural resources in everyday life.

1.L1U1.6 Observe, describe, and predict life cycles of animals and plants.

1.L2U2.7 Develop and use models about how living things use resources to grow and survive; design and evaluate habitats for organisms using earth materials.

1.L2U1.8 Construct an explanation describing how organisms obtain resources from the environment including materials that are used again by other organisms.

1.L3U1.9 Obtain, evaluate, and communicate information to support an evidence-based explanation that plants and animals produce offspring of the same kind, but offspring are generally not identical to each other or their parents.

1.L4U1.10 Develop a model to describe how animals and plants are classified into groups and subgroups according to their similarities.

1.L4U3.11 Ask questions and explain how factors can cause species to go extinct.

Second Grade Standards

2.P1U1.1 Plan and carry out an investigation to determine that matter has mass, takes up space, and is recognized by its observable properties; use the collected evidence to develop and support an explanation.

2.P1U1.2 Plan and carry out an investigation to gather evidence to support an explanation on how heating or cooling can cause a phase change in matter.

2.P4U1.3 Obtain, evaluate, and communicate information about ways heat energy can cause change in objects or materials.

2.E1U1.4 Observe and investigate how wind and water change the shape of the land resulting in a variety of landforms.

2.E1U1.5 Develop and use models to represent that water can exist in different states and is found in oceans, glaciers, lakes, rivers, ponds, and the atmosphere.

2.E1U1.6 Analyze patterns in weather conditions of various regions of the world and design, test, and refine solutions to protect humans from severe weather conditions.

2.E1U3.7 Construct an argument from evidence regarding positive and negative changes in water and land systems that impact humans and the environment.

2.E2U1.8 Observe and explain the Sun's position at various times during a twenty-four-hour period and changes in the apparent shape of the Moon from one night to another.

2.L2U1.9 Obtain, analyze, and communicate evidence that organisms need a source of energy, air, water, and certain temperature conditions to survive.

2.L2U1.10 Develop a model representing how life on earth depends on energy from the sun and energy from other organisms.

Third Grade Standards	Extended Performance Expectations
3.P2U1.1 Ask questions and investigate the	No EPE developed for this standard.
relationship between light, objects, and the human	
eye.	
3.P2U1.2 Plan and investigate to explore how	No EPE developed for this standard.
sound waves affect objects at varying distances.	
3.P4U1.3 Develop and use models to describe how	No EPE developed for this standard.
light and sound waves transfer energy.	
3.E1U1.4 Construct an explanation describing how	• 5-ESS2-1.1 Use a model (diagram) to identify parts of
the sun is the primary source of energy impacting	various Earth systems (e.g., geosphere, hydrosphere,
earth systems.	atmosphere, biosphere).
	• 5-ESS2-1.2 Use a model to describe how any two Earth
	systems interact.
	• 5-ESS2-1.3 Develop a model to show ways in which any
	two Earth systems interact.

3.L1U1.5 Develop and use models to explain that	•	4-LS1-1.1 Use a model to identify major internal or
plants and animals (including humans) have		external structures of plants or animals that are used for
internal and external structures that serve various		specific functions (e.g. thorns, stems, roots, colored
functions that aid in growth, survival, behavior, and		petals, heart, stomach, lung, brain, skin).
reproduction.	•	4-LS1-1.2 Use data or observations to describe how
		internal or external structures help a plant or animal
		survive, grow, or reproduce.
3.L2U1.6 Plan and conduct investigations to	•	4-LS1-1.1 Use a model to identify major internal or
demonstrate ways plants and animals react to		external structures of plants or animals that are used for
stimuli.		specific functions (e.g. thorns, stems, roots, colored
		petals, heart, stomach, lung, brain, skin).
	•	4-LS1-1.2 Use data or observations to describe how
		internal or external structures help a plant or animal
		survive, grow, or reproduce.

3.L2U1.7 Develop and use system models to	• 5-PS3-1.1 Identify food chains or drawings of
describe the flow of energy from the sun to and	ecosystems that show the Sun as the common source of
among living organisms.	energy for ecosystems.
	• 5-PS3-1.2 Use a model to describe or show the
	direction of energy transfer between two organisms
	(e.g., plant-animal, animal-animal) or between the Sun
	and a plant.
	• 5-PS3-1.3 Use a model to describe or show how the
	energy animals obtain from food comes from the Sun.
3.L2U1.8 Construct an argument from evidence	No EPE developed for this standard.
that organisms are interdependent.	

Fourth Grade Standards	Extended Performance Expectations
4.P4U1.1 Develop and use a model to demonstrate	No EPE developed for this standard.
how a system transfers energy from one object to	
another even when the objects are not touching.	
4.P4U1.2 Develop and use a model that explains	No EPE developed for this standard.
how energy is moved from place to place through	
electric currents.	
4.P4U1.3 Develop and use a model to demonstrate	No EPE developed for this standard.
magnetic forces.	
4.P4U3.4 Engage in argument from evidence on the	No EPE developed for this standard.
use and impact of renewable and nonrenewable	
resources to generate electricity.	
4.E1U1.5 Use models to explain seismic waves and	No EPE developed for this standard.
their effect on the earth.	
4.E1U1.6 Plan and investigate to explore and explain	• 5-ESS2-1.1 Use a model (diagram) to identify parts
the interactions between earth's major systems and the	of various Earth systems (e.g., geosphere,
impact on earth's surface materials and processes.	hydrosphere, atmosphere, biosphere).
	• 5-ESS2-1.2 Use a model to describe how any two
	Earth systems interact.

4.E1U1.7 Develop and/or revise a model using	No EPE developed for this standard.
various rock types, fossil location, and landforms to	
show evidence that earth's surface has changed over	
time.	
4.E1U1.8 Collect, analyze, and interpret data to	• 3-ESS2-1.1 Use observations to describe weather
explain weather and climate patterns.	conditions.
	• 3-ESS2-1.2 Use tables or graphical displays of data to
	describe patterns of typical weather conditions in a
	particular season.
4.E1U3.9 Construct and support an evidence-based	No EPE developed for this standard.
argument about the validity of water and its impact on	
life.	
4.E1U2.10 Define problem(s) and design solution(s)	No EPE developed for this standard.
to minimize the effects of natural hazards.	
4.L4U1.11 Analyze and interpret environmental data	No EPE developed for this standard.
to demonstrate that species either adapt and survive or	
go extinct over time.	

Fifth Grade Standards	Expected Performance Expectations
5.P1U1.1 Analyze and interpret data to explain that	• 5-PS1-2.1 Match the appropriate tools or standard
matter of any type can be subdivided into particles	units of measurement to physical quantities such as
too small to see and in a closed system if properties	weight, time, temperature, or volume to complete a
change or chemical reactions occur the amount of the	scientific task.
matter stays the same.	• 5-PS1-2.2 Use data to compare the weight of
	substances before and after they are heated, cooled, or
	mixed.
5.P1U1.2 Plan and conduct investigations to	No EPE developed for this standard.
demonstrate that some substances combine to form	
new substances with different properties and others	
can be mixed without taking on new properties.	
5.P2U1.3 Construct an explanation using evidence to	No EPE developed for this standard.
demonstrate that objects can affect other objects	
even when they are not touching.	
5.P3U1.4 Obtain, analyze, and communicate	No EPE developed for this standard.
evidence of the effects that balanced and unbalanced	
forces have on the motion of objects.	

5.P3U2.5 Define problems and design solutions	No EPE developed for this standard.
pertaining to force and motion.	
5.P4U1.6 Analyze and interpret data to determine	• 4-PS3-4.2 Describe the energy transfer that occurs in
how and where energy is transferred when objects	an everyday object or device.
move.	
5.E2U1.7 Develop, revise, and use models based on	• 5-ESS1-2.1 Identify or label a model that shows the
evidence to construct explanations about the	positions of the Sun, the Moon, and Earth in the solar
movement of the Earth and Moon within our solar	system.
system.	• 5-ESS1-2.2 Use models or data to identify patterns of
	change related to the rotation of Earth, Earth's orbit
	around the Sun, and/or the Moon's orbit around Earth
	(e.g., length and direction of shadows, day and night,
	seasonal appearance of stars).

5.E2U1.8 Obtain, analyze, and communicate	• 5-PS2-1.1 Use observations to identify patterns in the
evidence to support an explanation that the	motion of objects when they are released on Earth.
gravitational force of Earth on objects is directed	• 5-PS2-1.2 Select or complete a model that shows the
toward the planet's center.	direction objects move when they are released on
	Earth (downward).
	• 5-PS2-1.3 Describe observations, data, or a model
	that supports the claim that Earth's gravity pulls
	objects down (toward Earth's center).
5.L3U1.9 Obtain, evaluate, and communicate	• 3-LS3-1.1 Use media (e.g., drawings, photographs) to
information about patterns between the offspring of	identify or show pairs of parents and their offspring.
plants, and the offspring of animals (including	• 3-LS3-1.2 Use observations to identify patterns of
humans); construct an explanation of how genetic	similarities and differences in traits of groups of
information is passed from one generation to the	organisms (e.g., parents and their offspring, siblings,
next.	populations of similar organisms).
	• 3-LS3-1.3 Use data to show that plants and animals
	inherit traits from their parents, and that there are
	differences in these traits in groups of similar
	organisms.

5.L3U1.10 Construct an explanation based on	No EPE developed for this standard.
evidence that the changes in an environment can	
affect the development of the traits in a population of	
organisms.	
5.L4U3.11 Obtain, evaluate, and communicate	No EPE developed for this standard.
evidence about how natural and human-caused	
changes to habitats or climate can impact	
populations.	
5.L4U3.12 Construct an argument based on evidence	No EPE developed for this standard.
that inherited characteristics can be affected by	
behavior and/or environmental conditions.	

Sixth Grade Standards	Expected Performance Expectations
6.P1U1.1 Analyze and interpret data to show that changes in	No EPE developed for this standard.
states of matter are caused by different rates of movement of	
atoms in solids, liquids, and gases (Kinetic Theory).	
6.P1U1.2 Plan and carry out an investigation to demonstrate	No EPE developed for this standard.
that variations in temperature and/or pressure affect changes	
in state of matter.	
6.P1U1.3 Develop and use models to represent that matter is	No EPE developed for this standard.
made up of smaller particles called atoms.	
6.P2U1.4 Develop and use a model to predict how forces act	No EPE developed for this standard.
on objects at a distance.	
6.P4U2.5 Analyze how humans use technology to store	No EPE developed for this standard.
(potential) and/or use (kinetic) energy.	
6.E1U1.6 Investigate and construct an explanation	No EPE developed for this standard.
demonstrating that radiation from the Sun provides energy	
and is absorbed to warm the Earth's surface and atmosphere.	

6.E2U1.7 Use ratios and proportions to analyze and interpret	No EPE developed for this standard.
data related to scale, properties, and relationships among	
objects in our solar system.	
6.E2U1.8 Develop and use models to explain how	No EPE developed for this standard.
constellations and other night sky patterns appear to move	
due to Earth's rotation and revolution.	
6.E2U1.9 Develop and use models to construct an	• MS-ESS1-1.1 Identify a model that shows the
explanation of how eclipses, moon phases, and tides occur	positions of Earth (with its tilt), the Sun, and
within the Sun-Earth-Moon system.	the Moon as Earth revolves around the Sun and
	the Moon orbits Earth in the solar system.
	• MS-ESS1-1.2 Use a model to describe or
	compare the positions of objects or amount or
	path of light in the cyclic patterns of seasons,
	lunar phases, or eclipses.
	• MS-ESS1-1.3 Develop or use a model of the
	Earth-Sun-Moon system to compare or show
	patterns in seasons, lunar phases, or eclipses.

6.E2U1.10 Use a model to show how the tilt of Earth's axis	• MS-ESS1-1.2 Use a model to describe or
causes variations in the length of the day and gives rise to	compare the positions of objects or amount or
seasons.	path of light in the cyclic patterns of seasons,
	lunar phases, or eclipses.
	• MS-ESS1-1.3 Develop or use a model of the
	Earth-Sun-Moon system to compare or show
	patterns in seasons, lunar phases, or eclipses.
6.L2U3.11 Use evidence to construct an argument regarding	No EPE developed for this standard.
the impact of human activities on the environment and how	
they positively and negatively affect the competition for	
energy and resources in ecosystems.	
6.L2U3.12 Engage in argument from evidence to support a	No EPE developed for this standard.
claim about the factors that cause species to change and how	
humans can impact those factors.	

6.L2U1.13 Develop and use models to demonstrate the interdependence of organisms and their environment including biotic and abiotic factors.	• MS-LS2-1.1 Use data or observations to identify resources (e.g., food, water, nutrients, space) that are necessary for organisms and populations of organisms to grow and survive.
	• MS-LS2-1.2 Use data or observations to describe the effects of resource availability on organisms and/or populations of organisms.
	• MS-LS2-1.3 Analyze data to identify evidence for a cause-effect relationship between resource availability and growth of organisms and/or populations of organisms.
6.L2U1.14 Construct a model that shows the cycling of matter and flow of energy in ecosystems.	• MS-LS2-3.1 Use a model to identify the role of organisms (e.g., producer, consumer, decomposer) or nonliving things (e.g., the Sun, water, minerals, air) in cycling energy or matter in an ecosystem.
	• MS-LS2-3.2 Use a model to identify that energy is transferred or matter is cycled from one specific part of an ecosystem to another specific part.
	• MS-LS2-3.3 Develop a model to describe how energy is transferred or how matter is cycled among living and nonliving parts of ecosystems.

Seventh Grade Standards	Expected Performance Expectations
7.P2U1.1 Collect and analyze data demonstrating how	No EPE developed for this standard.
electromagnetic forces can be attractive or repulsive and can vary	
in strength.	
7.P2U1.2 Develop and use a model to predict how forces act on	No EPE developed for this standard.
objects at a distance.	
7.P3U1.3 Plan and carry out an investigation that can support an	No EPE developed for this standard.
evidence-based explanation of how objects on Earth are affected	
by gravitational force.	
7.P3U1.4 Use non-algebraic mathematics and computational	No EPE developed for this standard.
thinking to explain Newton's laws of motion.	

7.E1U1.5 Construct a model that shows the cycling of matter and flow of energy in the atmosphere, hydrosphere, and geosphere.	• MS-ESS2-4.1 Use a model to trace the path of water through Earth's systems.
	• MS-ESS2-4.2 Use a model to describe the state of water or state changes in various parts of the water cycle.
	• MS-ESS2-4.3 Develop a model to describe how the Sun's energy or the force of gravity moves water through the water cycle.
7.E1U1.6 Construct a model to explain how the distribution of	No EPE developed for this standard.
fossils and rocks, continental shapes, and seafloor structures	
provides evidence of the past plate motions.	
7.E1U2.7 Analyze and interpret data to construct an explanation	No EPE developed for this standard.
for how advances in technology has improved weather prediction.	
7.L1U1.8 Obtain, evaluate, and communicate information to	No EPE developed for this standard.
provide evidence that all living things are made of cells, cells	
come from existing cells, and cells are the basic structural and	
functional unit of all living things.	

7.L1U1.9 Construct an explanation to demonstrate the relationship	No EPE developed for this standard.
between major cell structures and cell functions (plant and	
animal).	
7.L1U1.10 Develop and use a model to explain how cells, tissues,	No EPE developed for this standard.
and organ systems maintain life (animals).	
7.L1U1.11 Construct an explanation for how organisms maintain	No EPE developed for this standard.
internal stability and evaluate the effect of the external factors on	
organisms' internal stability.	
7.L2U1.12 Construct an explanation for how some plant cells	No EPE developed for this standard.
convert light energy into food energy.	

Eighth Grade Standards	Expected Performance Expectations
8.P1U1.1 Develop and use a model to demonstrate that atoms and	No EPE developed for this standard.
molecules can be combined or rearranged in chemical reactions to	
form new compounds with the total number of each type of atom	
conserved.	
8.P1U1.2 Obtain and evaluate information regarding how scientists	No EPE developed for this standard.
identify substances based on unique physical and chemical	
properties.	
8.P4U1.3 Construct an explanation on how energy can be transferred	No EPE developed for this standard.
from one energy store to another.	

8.P4U1.4 Develop and use mathematical models to explain wave	• MS-PS4-2.1 Use observations to
characteristics and interactions.	identify whether a wave is being
	reflected, absorbed, or transmitted
	through a material.
	• MS-PS4-2.2 Use a model to
	describe the path of a wave that is
	reflected, absorbed, or transmitted
	through different materials.
	• MS-PS4-2.3 Develop a model to
	represent what happens to waves
	when they are reflected, absorbed,
	or transmitted through different
	materials.
8.P4U2.5 Develop a solution to increase efficiency when transferring	No EPE developed for this standard.
energy from one source to another.	
8.E1U1.6 Analyze and interpret data about the Earth's geological	No EPE developed for this standard.
column to communicate relative ages of rock layers and fossils.	

8.E1U3.7 Obtain, evaluate, and communicate information about data	No EPE developed for this standard.
and historical patterns to predict natural hazards and other geological	
events.	
8.E1U3.8 Construct and support an argument about how human	No EPE developed for this standard.
consumption of limited resources impacts the biosphere.	
8.L3U1.9 Construct an explanation of how genetic variations occur	No EPE developed for this standard.
in offspring through the inheritance of traits or through mutations.	
8.L3U3.10 Communicate how advancements in technology have	No EPE developed for this standard.
furthered the field of genetic research and use evidence to support an	
argument about the positive and negative effects of genetic research	
on human lives.	
8.L4U1.11 Develop and use a model to explain how natural selection	No EPE developed for this standard.
may lead to increases and decreases of specific traits in populations	
over time.	
8.L4U1.12 Gather and communicate evidence on how the process of	No EPE developed for this standard.
natural selection provides an explanation of how new species can	
evolve.	

High School Physical Science Standards	Expected Performance Expectations
Essential HS.P1U1.1	HS-PS1-2.1 Use provided information to
Develop and use models to explain the relationship of the	complete a model of a chemical reaction.
structure of atoms to patterns and properties observed within	• HS-PS1-2.2 Use the periodic table as a
the Periodic Table and describe how these models are revised	model to identify or classify elements
with new evidence.	that will behave similarly in chemical
	reactions.
	• HS-PS1-2.3 Use the periodic table to
	construct an explanation for specific
	chemical reactions.
Essential HS.P1U1.2	• HS-PS1-2.1 Use provided information to
Develop and use models for the transfer or sharing of	complete a model of a chemical reaction.
electrons to predict the formation of ions, molecules, and	• HS-PS1-2.2 Use the periodic table as a
compounds in both natural and synthetic processes.	model to identify or classify elements
	that will behave similarly in chemical
	reactions.
	• HS-PS1-2.3 Use the periodic table to
	construct an explanation for specific
	chemical reactions.

Essential HS.P1U1.3	No EPE developed for this standard.
Ask questions, plan, and conduct investigations to explore the	
cause-and-effect relationship between reaction rate factors.	
Essential HS.P1U3.4	No EPE developed for this standard.
Obtain, evaluate, and communicate information about	
how the use of chemistry related technologies have	
had positive and negative ethical, social, economic,	
and/or political implications.	
Essential HS.P2U1.5	No EPE developed for this standard.
Construct an explanation for a field's strength and influence	
on an object (electric, gravitational, magnetic).	
Essential HS.P3U1.6	No EPE developed for this standard.
Collect, analyze, and interpret data regarding the change in	
motion of an object or system in one dimension, to construct	
an explanation using Newton's Laws.	
Essential HS.P3U2.7	No EPE developed for this standard.
Use mathematics and computational thinking to explain how	
Newton's laws are used in engineering and technologies to	
create products to serve human ends.	

Essential HS.P4U1.8	No EPE developed for this standard.
Engage in argument from evidence that the net change of	
energy in a system is always equal to the total energy	
exchanged between the system and the surroundings.	
Essential HS.P4U3.9	No EPE developed for this standard.
Engage in argument from evidence regarding the ethical,	
social, economic, and/or political benefits and liabilities of	
energy usage and transfer.	
Essential HS.P4U1.10	No EPE developed for this standard.
Construct an explanation about the relationships among the	
frequency, wavelength, and speed of waves traveling in	
various media, and their applications to modern technology.	

High School Earth and Space Standards	Extended Performance Expectations
Essential HS.E1U1.11	• HS-ESS2-4.1 Use a model to trace the
Analyze and interpret data to determine how energy from	flow of energy between two Earth
the Sun affects weather patterns and climate.	systems.
	• HS-ESS2-4.2 Use a model to describe
	how energy from the Sun drives Earth's
	climate system.
	• HS-ESS2-4.3 Use models to predict
	and/or make conclusions about how
	various activities (e.g., large volcanic
	eruptions, human activity, solar output,
	changes to Earth's orbit and axis, changes
	to atmospheric composition, etc.) cause
	changes in climate (which can be
	measured as changes in surface
	temperatures, precipitation patterns,
	glacial ice volumes, sea levels, biosphere
	distribution).

Essential HS.E1U1.12 Develop and use models of the Earth that explain the role of energy and matter in Earth's constantly changing internal and external systems (geosphere, hydrosphere, atmosphere, biosphere).	 HS-ESS2-4.1 Use a model to trace the flow of energy between two Earth systems. HS-ESS2-4.2 Use a model to describe how energy from the Sun drives Earth's climate system.
Essential HS.E1U1.13 Evaluate explanations and theories about the role of energy and matter in geologic changes over time.	No EPE developed for this standard.
Essential HS.E1U3.14 Engage in argument from evidence about the availability of natural resources, occurrence of natural hazards, changes in climate, and human activity and how they influence each other.	No EPE developed for this standard.
Essential HS.E2U1.15 Construct an explanation based on evidence to illustrate the role of nuclear fusion in the life cycle of a star.	No EPE developed for this standard.

Essential HS.E2U1.16	No EPE developed for this standard.
Construct an explanation of how gravitational forces impact	
the evolution of planetary motion, structure, surfaces,	
atmospheres, moons, and rings.	
Essential HS.E2U1.17	No EPE developed for this standard.
Construct an explanation of the origin, expansion, and scale	
of the universe based on astronomical evidence.	

High School Life Science Standards Essential HS.L2U3.18	 Extended Performance Expectations HS-LS2-2.1 Use the provided
Obtain, evaluate, and communicate about the positive and	information to identify factors that
negative ethical, social, economic, and political implications of	affect population size and/or
human activity on the biodiversity of an ecosystem.	biodiversity.
	• HS-LS2-2.2 Interpret data to describe
	the effect of a factor in a specific ecosystem.
	• HS-LS2-2.3 Use mathematical
	representations (e.g., averages, trends,
	graphs) to explain how a specific
	factor affects the biodiversity or sizes
	of populations in ecosystems of
	different scales.
Essential HS.L2U1.19	No EPE developed for this standard.
Develop and use models that show how changes in the transfer	
of matter and energy within an ecosystem and interactions	
between species may affect organisms and their environment.	

Essential HS.L1U1.20	No EPE developed for this standard.
Ask questions and/or make predictions based on observations	
and evidence to demonstrate how cellular organization, structure,	
and function allow organisms to maintain homeostasis.	
Essential HS.L2U1.21	No EPE developed for this standard.
Obtain, evaluate, and communicate data showing the	
relationship of photosynthesis and cellular respiration; flow of	
energy and cycling of matter.	
Essential HS.L1U1.22	No EPE developed for this standard.
Construct an explanation for how cellular division (mitosis) is	
the process by which organisms grow and maintain complex,	
interconnected systems.	
Essential HS.L1U3.23	No EPE developed for this standard.
Obtain, evaluate, and communicate the ethical, social, economic	
and/or political implications of the detection and treatment of	
abnormal cell function.	
Essential HS.L3U1.24	No EPE developed for this standard.
Construct an explanation of how the process of sexual	
reproduction contributes to genetic variation.	

Essential HS.L3U1.25	No EPE developed for this standard.
Obtain, evaluate, and communicate information about the causes	
and implications of DNA mutation.	
Essential HS.L3U3.26	No EPE developed for this standard.
Engage in argument from evidence regarding the ethical, social,	
economic, and/or political implications of a current genetic	
technology.	
Essential HS.L4U1.27	• HS-LS4-3.1 Use the provided
Obtain, evaluate, and communicate evidence that	information to identify traits that can
describes how changes in frequency of inherited traits in	vary for a given organism.
a population can lead to biological diversity.	• HS-LS4-3.2 Use graphs to describe
	changes in the distribution of traits in
	a population in a given environment.
	• HS-LS4-3.3 Use data comparing
	distributions of traits in a population
	as evidence that organisms with
	advantageous traits increase in
	proportion to organisms lacking the
	trait.

Essential HS.L4U1.28

Gather, evaluate, and communicate multiple lines of empirical evidence to explain the mechanisms of biological evolution.

- HS-LS4-1.1 Use the provided information to identify how organisms have changed over time.
- HS-LS4-1.2 Use various types of data (DNA sequences, amino acid sequences, structures found in organisms, embryos, fossils) to draw conclusions about patterns of relatedness among organisms.
- HS-LS4-1.3 Describe how patterns in data comparing DNA sequences, amino acid sequences, or structures found in organisms, embryos, and/or fossils are evidence for biological evolution and common ancestry of living things.