

Grade 7 Science Year at a Glance 2018-2019

Seventh Grade Science Year-at-a-Glance ARKANSAS STATE SCIENCE STANDARDS			
Unit 1 Physical Science	Unit 2 Earth and Space Science	Unit 3 Life Science: Cycling of Matter and Energy	Unit 4 Human Impacts
14 weeks	7 weeks	10 weeks	4 weeks
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 7-PS1-5 ● 7-PS1-1 ● 7-PS1-2 ● 7-PS1-3 ● 7-PS1-4 ● 7-PS1-6 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 7-ESS2-1 ● 7-ESS3-2 ● 7-ESS2-2 ● 7-ESS2-3 ● 7-ESS3-1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 7-LS2-3 ● 7-LS1-6 ● 7-LS1-7 ● 7-LS2-1 ● 7-LS2-2 ● 7-LS2-4 ● 7-LS2-5 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 7-ESS3-2
<u>Recurring</u>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 7-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. ● 7-ETS1-2 Evaluate competing design solutions using a systematic process to determine how well they meet the criteria and constraints of the problem. ● 7-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. ● 7-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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Unit 1	Physical Science	Grade Level	7	Approx length	14 Weeks
CPSD Power Standards with Student Learning Objectives					
<p>7-PS1-5 Develop and use a model to describe how the total number of atoms does not change in a chemical reaction and thus mass is conserved.</p> <p>Student-Friendly Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● I can create a model that describes the law of conservation of mass. ● I can tell the difference between a physical and chemical change. 					
Learning Indicators of Power Standards					
<p>Students will know...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Distinguishable traits of elements, compounds, and mixtures ● Physical and chemical properties of a substance ● Physical and chemical changes of a substance ● During a chemical reaction, atoms from reactants are combined and rearranged to form new substances ● During a chemical reaction, the total number of each type of atom does not change; mass is conserved 			<p>And be able to...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Compare/contrast physical and chemical changes. ● Create models of molecules that vary in complexity. ● Relate the mass of substances before and after a chemical reaction mathematically. ● Model the law of conservation of matter. 		
Additional Arkansas State Standards					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 7-PS1-1 Develop models to describe the atomic composition of simple molecules and extended structures. ● 7-PS1-2 Analyze and interpret data on the properties of substances before and after the substances interact to determine if a chemical reaction has occurred. ● 7-PS1-3 Gather and make sense of information to describe that synthetic materials come from natural resources and impact society. ● 7-PS1-4 Develop a model that predicts and describes changes in particle motion, temperature, and state of a pure substance when thermal energy is added or removed. ● 7-PS1-6 Undertake a design project to construct, test, and modify a device that either releases or absorbs thermal energy by chemical processes. 					

Unit 2	Earth and Space Science	Grade Level	7	Approx Length	6 Weeks
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CPSD Power Standards with Student Learning Objectives

7-ESS2-1 Develop a model to describe the cycling of Earth’s materials and the flow of energy that drives this process.

7-ESS3-2 Analyze and interpret data on natural hazards to forecast future catastrophic events [...] (The second half of the standard is covered in Unit 4)

Student-Friendly Objectives:

- I can describe Earth’s materials.
- I can explain the flow of energy that drives Earth’s processes.
- I can develop a model to describe the cycling of Earth’s materials.

Learning Indicators of Power Standards

<p>Students will know...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Composition of the Earth • Processes of the cycling of Earth’s materials <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Melting ○ Crystallization ○ Weathering ○ Deformation ○ Sedimentation • Arkansas-specific geologic materials: karst, bauxite, diamonds • All Earth processes are the result of energy flowing and matter cycling within systems with energy derived from the Sun and Earth’s interior 	<p>And be able to...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describe the composition of the Earth. • Develop a model of the cycling of Earth’s materials: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rock cycle ○ Physical and chemical weathering ○ Tectonic plates and activity ○ Energy flow originating from the Sun and Earth’s interior
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Additional Arkansas State Standards

- 7-ESS2-2 Construct an explanation based on evidence for how geoscience processes have changed Earth’s surface at varying time and spatial scales.
- 7-ESS2-3 Analyze and interpret data on the distribution of fossils and rocks, continental shapes, and seafloor structures to provide evidence on the past plate motions.
- 7-ESS3-1 Construct a scientific explanation based on evidence for how the uneven distributions of Earth’s mineral, energy, and groundwater resources are the result of past and current geoscience processes.

Unit 3	Life Science: Cycling of Matter and Energy	Grade Level	7	Approx Length	10 Weeks
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CPSD Power Standards with Student Learning Objectives

7-LS2-3 Develop a model to describe the cycling of matter and flow of energy among living and nonliving parts of an ecosystem.

Student-Friendly Objectives:

- I can develop a model that describes the flow of energy within an ecosystem.
- I can develop a model that shows the cycling of matter within an ecosystem.
- I can demonstrate how conservation of mass is maintained in an ecosystem.

Learning Indicators of Power Standards

<p>Students will know...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Matter and energy cycle within ecosystems ● Biotic and abiotic parts in an ecosystem ● Structure and components of food chains and webs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Producers ○ Consumers ○ Decomposers 	<p>And be able to...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Distinguish between living and nonliving parts of an ecosystem. ● Describe the flow of energy and cycling of matter in an ecosystem. ● Develop a model that illustrates the cycling of matter and flow of energy within an ecosystem. ● Model that matter is cycled and conserved through all processes.
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Additional Arkansas State Standards

- 7-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.
- 7-LS1-7 Develop a model to describe how food is rearranged through chemical reactions forming new molecules that support growth and/or release energy as the matter moves through an organism.
- 7-LS2-1 Analyze and interpret data to provide evidence for the effects of resource availability on organisms and populations of organisms in an ecosystem.
- 7-LS2-2 Construct an explanation that predicts patterns of interactions among organisms across multiple ecosystems.
- 7-LS2-4 Construct an argument supported by empirical evidence that changes to physical or biological components of an ecosystem affect populations.
- 7-LS2-5 Evaluate competing design solutions for maintaining biodiversity and ecosystem services.

Unit 4	Human Impact	Grade Level	7	Approx Length	3 Weeks
CPSD Power Standards with Student Learning Objectives					
<p>7-ESS3-2 Analyze and interpret data on natural hazards to forecast future catastrophic events and inform the development of technologies to mitigate their effects.</p> <p>Student-Friendly Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● I can identify what a natural hazard/catastrophic (devastating) event is. ● I can analyze data to predict future catastrophic events. ● I can research catastrophic events and technologies that mitigate (weaken) their effects. 					
Learning Indicators of Power Standards					
<p>Students will know...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● What a catastrophic event is ● Natural hazards ● Technologies that mitigate natural hazards 			<p>And be able to...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Map the history of natural disasters to make predictions ● Determine the differences between catastrophic events and natural hazards ● Research and interpret data on catastrophic events and mitigating technologies ● Evaluate technology's effectiveness at mitigating natural catastrophic events 		
Additional Arkansas State Standards					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● None 					