

# SAAVAS Topic 5 School to Home Letter

Dear Family Member or Caregiver,

In the Topic “Earth’s Resources”, students learn about Earth’s resources.

The experiences in this topic are:

- Experience 1: Movement of Earth Materials
- Experience 2: Resources
- Experience 3: Protect Resources

In Experience 1, students investigate the way the movement of water and wind can change Earth’s surface. Then, in Experience 2, students distinguish between natural resources and resources made by people. Finally in Experience 3, students recognize that people affect resources and that resources can be conserved by reuse and recycling.

The main content TEKS covered in this topic are:

- 2.10A Investigate and describe how wind and water move soil and rock particles across the Earth’s surface such as wind blowing sand into dunes on a beach or a river carrying rocks as it flows.
- 2.11A Distinguish between natural and manmade resources.
- 2.11B Describe how human impact can be limited by making choices to conserve and properly dispose of materials such as reducing use of, reusing, or recycling paper, plastic, and metal.

And the main SEPs and Recurring Themes and Concepts TEKS are:

- 2.1G Develop and use models to represent phenomena, objects, and processes.
- 2.4A Explain how science or an innovation can help others
- 2.5B Investigate cause-and-effect relationships in science.

One of the best ways for students to check on their learning is to explain it to someone else. Ask your student about their class experiences, and ask them to explain the content that they are learning while at school in their own words or, if relevant, in their first language.