

6-8 GRADE SCIENCE

Teachers' primary resource for 6-8 science is the **SMP Instructional Calendar** for each grade level. This document details a day-to-date instructional setup for teachers to follow using the assigned resources. Instructional Calendars were designed to intentionally address the Louisiana Student Standards for Science.

PRIMARY CURRICULUM

Teachers will be using **OpenSciEd from Activate Learning** as the primary curriculum.

Teachers should utilize the student workbooks, teacher manuals, material kits, and digital resources in their teaching.

Digital materials are accessed through Clever for both teachers and students.

Modifications were made to the curriculum in order to meet standards; therefore, it is important that teachers follow the SMP Instructional Calendar.

NEWSELA STEM

Generation Genius, now Newsela STEM is another district purchase to supplement the teaching of the Louisiana Student Standards for Science in SMP.

Newsela STEM provides opportunities for students to explore the standards in a variety of ways.

This program is to be used in the manner specified in the SMP Instructional Calendar.

Other Resources

The SMP Instructional Calendar may utilize other resources such as **Nearpod** and **Flocabulary**, which can be accessed through Clever.

KESLER SCIENCE

In addition to OpenSciEd, the district has purchased teacher licenses for each teacher to utilize **Kesler Science Pro** as part of their instruction.

This program is to be used in the manner specified in the SMP Instructional Calendar.

COMMON ASSESSMENTS

District Common Assessments will be given at the end of each Unit of Instruction. The dates and deadlines for each of these assessments is printed in the Instructional Calendar for each grade level.

Teachers must grade each assessment in **Pear Assessment** and must complete the Data Analysis form by the dates provided in their Instructional Calendar.

Each grade level will take the BOC and EOC diagnostic assessments in pear Assessment.