

Grade level: 11th & 12th grade

Course Title: STEM Science

Topic/Concept: The Design/Engineering Process

Time Allotment: 15 days

Unit Sequence: 1

Major Concepts to be learned:

- Engineering process

Expected Skills to be demonstrated:

- Knowledge and application of Engineering Process
- Comparison with the scientific method
- Compare and contrast science and engineering

PA Standards/Anchors:

Eligible Content:

S11.A.1
S11.A.2

S11.A.1.1.4
S11.A.2.1.1-5

Instructional Strategies:

Assessments:

- Article analysis: engineering vs science
- Engineering tasks
- Direct instruction
- Whitebox Learning Program

- Engineering vs science presentations (flexible format)
- Engineering tasks

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Topic/Concept: Building Structures with Purpose

Time Allotment: 40 days

Unit Sequence: 2

Major Concepts to be learned:

- Structural Design

Expected Skills to be demonstrated:

- Research Skills
- Conceptual Understanding Structural Principles
- Conceptual Understanding of Science Principles Associated with Building Purpose
- Blueprints
- Budgeting
- Constructing & Testing Structures

PA Standards/Anchors:

Eligible Content:

S11.A.1
S11.A.2
S11.A.3
S11.B-D

S11.A.1.1-5
S11.A.2.1-2
S11.A.3.1-4
B-D Variable depending on context of selected structural purpose

Instructional Strategies:

Assessments:

- Internet based research
- Concept labs
- Direct Instruction
- Design Challenges

- Quizzes
- Labs
- Project Based Assessments (Design challenges)
- Whitebox Learning Program assignments

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Topic/Concept: Flight

Time Allotment: 25 days

Unit Sequence: 3

Major Concepts to be learned:

- Aerodynamics
- Forces

Expected Skills to be demonstrated:

- Design flying vehicle (glider/drone/etc) to specific sets of specifications
- Test vehicle performance
- Optimize vehicle performance

PA Standards/Anchors:

Eligible Content:

S11.A.1
S11.A.2
S11.A.3
S11.C.3

S11.A.1.1-5
S11.A.2.1-2
S11.A.3.1-4
S11.C.3.1-3

Instructional Strategies:

Assessments:

- Internet based research
- Concept labs
- Direct Instruction
- Virtual (internet based) and real-world Design Challenges

- Quizzes
- Labs
- Project Based Assessments (Design challenges)
- Whitebox Learning Program Assignments

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Topic/Concept: Newton's Law

Time Allotment: 30 days

Unit Sequence: 4

Major Concepts to be learned:

- Newton's Law

Expected Skills to be demonstrated:

- Learn and Apply Newton's Laws in Real World Scenarios
- Design vehicle (such as CO2 car) to specific sets of specifications
- Test and optimize car performance
- Build and test (CO2) car

PA Standards/Anchors:

Eligible Content:

S11.A.1
S11.A.2
S11.A.3
S11.C.3

S11.A.1.1-5
S11.A.2.1-2
S11.A.3.1-4
S11.C.3.1-3,5,6

Instructional Strategies:

Assessments:

- Internet based research
- Concept labs
- Direct Instruction
- Virtual (internet based) and real-world Design Challenges

- Quizzes
- Labs
- Project Based Assessments (Design challenges)
- Whitebox Learning Program Assignments

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Topic/Concept: Projectile Motion

Time Allotment: 30 days

Unit Sequence: 5

Major Concepts to be learned:

- Projectile Motion

Expected Skills to be demonstrated:

- Learn and apply the principles of projectile motion in real world scenarios
- Design apparatus that will launch projectiles
- Test and optimize apparatus performance

PA Standards/Anchors:

Eligible Content:

S11.A.1
S11.A.2
S11.A.3
S11.C.2
S11.C.3

S11.A.1.1-5
S11.A.2.1-2
S11.A.3.1-4
S11.C.2.3
S11.C.3.1-3,5-6

Instructional Strategies:

Assessments:

- Internet based research
- Concept labs
- Direct Instruction
- Virtual (internet based) and real-world Design Challenges

- Quizzes
- Labs
- Project Based Assessments (Design challenges)
- Whitebox Learning Program Assignments

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Topic/Concept: Forms of Energy

Time Allotment: 30 days

Unit Sequence: 6

Major Concepts to be learned:

- Forms of energy
- Energy Transfers
- Mechanical Advantage
- Work and Power

Expected Skills to be demonstrated:

- Learn and apply the principles of potential and kinetic energy as well as work and power in real world scenarios
- Design apparatus (utilizing simple machines) that will launch projectiles
- Test and optimize apparatus performance

PA Standards/Anchors:

Eligible Content:

S11.A.1
S11.A.2
S11.A.3
S11.C.2
S11.C.3

S11.A.1.1-5
S11.A.2.1-2
S11.A.3.1-4
S11.C.2.1-4
S11.C.3.1-6

Instructional Strategies:

Assessments:

- Internet based research
- Concept labs
- Direct Instruction
- Virtual (internet based) and real-world Design Challenges

- Quizzes
- Labs
- Project Based Assessments (Design challenges)
- Whitebox Learning Program Assignments

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Topic/Concept: Final Project

Time Allotment: 20 days

Unit Sequence: 7

Major Concepts to be learned:

- Application of multiple concepts from previous units

Expected Skills to be demonstrated:

- Design an apparatus that will perform a specific task that incorporates multiple principles covered throughout the course
- Demonstrate and explain what principles are utilized in the apparatus
- Test, evaluate and optimize apparatus performance

PA Standards/Anchors:

Eligible Content:

S11.A.1
S11.A.2
S11.A.3
S11.B-D

S11.A.1.1-5
S11.A.2.1-2
S11.A.3.1-4
B-D Variable depending on selected task

Instructional Strategies:

Assessments:

- Internet based research
- Concept labs
- Direct Instruction
- Virtual (internet based) and real-world Design Challenges

- Quizzes
- Labs
- Project Based Assessments (Design challenges)