



<p>Standards</p>	<p><b>S4E1. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information to compare and contrast the physical attributes of stars and planets.</p> <p><b>a. Ask questions to compare and contrast</b> technological advances that have changed the amount and type of information on distant objects in the sky.</p> <p><b>b. Construct an argument</b> on why some stars (including the Earth’s sun) appear to be larger or brighter than others. (Clarification statement: Differences are limited to distance and size, not age or stage of evolution.)</p> <p><b>c. Construct an explanation</b> of the differences between stars and planets.</p> <p><b>d. Evaluate strengths and limitations</b> of models of our solar system in describing relative size, order, appearance and composition of planets and the sun. (Clarification statement: Composition of planets is limited to rocky vs. gaseous.)</p> <p><b>S4E2. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information to model the effects of the position and motion of the Earth and the moon in relation to the sun as</p>	<p><b>S4E2. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information to model the effects of the position and motion of the Earth and the moon in relation to the sun as observed from the Earth.</p> <p><b>b. Develop a model</b> based on observations to describe the repeating pattern of the phases of the moon (new, crescent, quarter, gibbous, and full).</p> <p><b>S4E1. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information to compare and contrast the physical attributes of stars and planets.</p> <p><b>a. Ask questions to compare and contrast</b> technological advances that have changed the amount and type of information on distant objects in the sky.</p> <p><b>b. Construct an argument</b> on why some stars (including the Earth’s sun) appear to be larger or brighter than others. (Clarification statement: Differences are limited to distance and size, not age or stage of evolution.)</p> <p><b>c. Construct an explanation</b> of the differences between stars and planets.</p> <p><b>d. Evaluate strengths and limitations</b> of models of our</p>	<p><b>S4L1. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information about the roles of organisms and the flow of energy within an ecosystem.</p> <p><b>a. Develop a model</b> to describe the roles of producers, consumers, and decomposers in a community. (Clarification statement: Students are not expected to identify the different types of consumers – herbivores, carnivores, omnivores and scavengers.)</p> <p><b>b. Develop simple models</b> to illustrate the flow of energy through a food web/food chain beginning with sunlight and including producers, consumers, and decomposers.</p> <p><b>c. Design a scenario</b> to demonstrate the effect of a change on an ecosystem. (Clarification statement: Include living and non-living factors in the scenario.)</p> <p><b>d. Use printed and digital data</b> to develop a model illustrating and describing changes to the flow of energy in an ecosystem when plants or animals become scarce, extinct or overabundant.</p> <p><b>S4P1. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information</p>	<p><b>S4P1. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information about the nature of light and how light interacts with objects.</p> <p><b>a. Plan and carry out investigations</b> to observe and record how light interacts with various materials to classify them as opaque, transparent, or translucent.</p> <p><b>b. Plan and carry out investigations</b> to describe the path light travels from a light source to a mirror and how it is reflected by the mirror using different angles.</p> <p><b>c. Plan and carry out an investigation</b> utilizing everyday materials to explore examples of when light is refracted. (Clarification statement: Everyday materials could include prisms, eyeglasses, and a glass of water.)</p> <p><b>S4P2. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information about how sound is produced and changed and how sound and/or light can be used to communicate.</p> <p><b>a. Plan and carry out an investigation</b> utilizing everyday objects to produce sound and predict the effects of changing the</p>
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	<p>observed from the Earth.</p> <p><b>a. Develop a model</b> to support an explanation of why the length of day and night change throughout the year.</p> <p><b>b. Develop a model</b> based on observations to describe the repeating pattern of the phases of the moon (new, crescent, quarter, gibbous, and full). <b>c.</b> Construct an explanation of how the Earth’s orbit, with its consistent tilt, affects seasonal changes.</p> <p><b>S4P1. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information about the nature of light and how light interacts with objects.</p> <p><b>c. Plan and carry out an investigation</b> utilizing everyday materials to explore examples of when light is refracted. (Clarification statement: Everyday materials could include prisms, eyeglasses, and a glass of water.)</p>	<p>solar system in describing relative size, order, appearance and composition of planets and the sun. (Clarification statement: Composition of planets is limited to rocky vs. gaseous.)</p> <p><b>S4E2. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information to model the effects of the position and motion of the Earth and the moon in relation to the sun as observed from the Earth.</p> <p><b>a. Develop a model</b> to support an explanation of why the length of day and night change throughout the year.</p> <p><b>S4E3. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information to demonstrate the water cycle.</p> <p><b>a. Plan and carry out investigations</b> to observe the flow of energy in water as it changes states from solid (ice) to liquid (water) to gas (water vapor) and changes from gas to liquid to solid.</p> <p><b>b. Develop models</b> to illustrate multiple pathways water may take during the water cycle (evaporation, condensation, and precipitation). (Clarification statement: Students should</p>	<p>about the nature of light and how light interacts with objects.</p> <p><b>a. Plan and carry out investigations</b> to observe and record how light interacts with various materials to classify them as opaque, transparent, or translucent.</p> <p><b>b. Plan and carry out investigations</b> to describe the path light travels from a light source to a mirror and how it is reflected by the mirror using different angles.</p> <p><b>c. Plan and carry out an investigation</b> utilizing everyday materials to explore examples of when light is refracted. (Clarification statement: Everyday materials could include prisms, eyeglasses, and a glass of water.)</p> <p><b>S4P2. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information about how sound is produced and changed and how sound and/or light can be used to communicate.</p> <p><b>a. Plan and carry out an investigation</b> utilizing everyday objects to produce sound and predict the effects of changing the strength or speed of vibrations.</p>	<p>strength or speed of vibrations.</p> <p><b>b. Design and construct a device</b> to communicate across a distance using light and/or sound.</p> <p><b>S4P3. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information about the relationship between balanced and unbalanced forces.</p> <p><b>a. Plan and carry out an investigation</b> on the effects of balanced and unbalanced forces on an object and communicate the results.</p> <p><b>b. Construct an argument</b> to support the claim that gravitational force affects the motion of an object.</p> <p><b>c. Ask questions</b> to identify and explain the uses of simple machines (lever, pulley, wedge, inclined plane, wheel and axle, and screw) and how forces are changed when simple machines are used to complete tasks. (Clarification statement: The use of mathematical formulas is not expected.)</p> <p><b>S4E2. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information to model the effects of the position and motion of the Earth and the moon in relation to the sun as</p>
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		<p>understand that the water cycle does not follow a single pathway.)</p> <p><b>S4E4. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information to predict weather events and infer weather patterns using weather charts/maps and collected weather data.</p> <p><b>a. Construct an explanation</b> of how weather instruments (thermometer, rain gauge, barometer, wind vane, and anemometer) are used in gathering weather data and making forecasts.</p> <p><b>b. Interpret data</b> from weather maps, including fronts (warm, cold, and stationary), temperature, pressure, and precipitation to make an informed prediction about tomorrow's weather.</p> <p><b>c. Ask questions</b> and use observations of cloud types (cirrus, stratus, and cumulus) and data of weather conditions to predict weather events.</p> <p><b>d. Construct an explanation</b> based on research to communicate the difference between weather and climate.</p>	<p><b>b. Design and construct a device</b> to communicate across a distance using light and/or sound.</p> <p><b>S4E2. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information to model the effects of the position and motion of the Earth and the moon in relation to the sun as observed from the Earth.</p> <p><b>b. Develop a model</b> based on observations to describe the repeating pattern of the phases of the moon (new, crescent, quarter, gibbous, and full).</p> <p><b>S4E4. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information to predict weather events and infer weather patterns using weather charts/maps and collected weather data.</p> <p><b>a. Construct an explanation</b> of how weather instruments (thermometer, rain gauge, barometer, wind vane, and anemometer) are used in gathering weather data and making forecasts.</p> <p><b>c. Ask questions</b> and use observations of cloud types (cirrus, stratus, and cumulus) and data of weather conditions to predict weather events.</p>	<p>observed from the Earth.</p> <p><b>b. Develop a model</b> based on observations to describe the repeating pattern of the phases of the moon (new, crescent, quarter, gibbous, and full).</p> <p><b>S4E4. Obtain, evaluate, and communicate</b> information to predict weather events and infer weather patterns using weather charts/maps and collected weather data.</p> <p><b>a. Construct an explanation</b> of how weather instruments (thermometer, rain gauge, barometer, wind vane, and anemometer) are used in gathering weather data and making forecasts.</p> <p><b>c. Ask questions</b> and use observations of cloud types (cirrus, stratus, and cumulus) and data of weather conditions to predict weather events.</p>
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## Possible District Approved Field Trips

Virtual field trips offered with GYSTC

Grade	Trip	Standard
4th	Destination Ag	S4L1, MGSE4.OA.2, ELAGSE4RI7

## What is STEM

STEM education is an interdisciplinary approach to learning which removes the traditional instructional setting of teaching isolated subjects and integrates science, technology, engineering and math into real world learning experiences for students.

## 5 E Instructional Model

5E Instructional Model



The 5E instructional model is built on the idea that learners build on and construct new ideas on top of their old ones. Advantages of the 5E model include: Enhancing mastery of subject matter, Developing scientific reasoning, Understanding the complexity and ambiguity of empirical work, Developing practical skills, Understanding the nature of science, Cultivating interest in science and interest in learning science, Developing teamwork abilities.

Engagement	Exploration	Explanation	Extend/Elaboration	Evaluation
Teacher generates interest, assess prior knowledge, connects prior knowledge, sets instructional focus on the concept,	Students experience key concepts, learn new skills, asking question, reflect on their thinking and develop relationships and understanding of concepts	Connecting prior knowledge to new content/discoveries, use of academic language, teacher and students work together	Apply learning to similar situations, explain new situation with formal academic language,	Should be ongoing throughout the learning phase, shows evidence of accomplishment, Teacher, peer and self assessments
<b>Teacher actions:</b> Motivates, creates interest, raises questions, taps into prior knowledge	<b>Teacher actions:</b> Moves into a facilitator role, observes students, asks guiding questions, encourages teamwork, provides materials and resources, provide adequate time for students to engage with the materials	<b>Teacher actions:</b> Encourages students to explain understandings in their own words, provides explanations of definitions, laws, theories, ask clarifying questions, builds onto students understanding, provide a variety of instructional strategies, develop academic language, formative assessments to gauge understanding	<b>Teacher actions:</b> Provide an opportunity for students to apply their new gained information to enhance additional learning, remind students to look for alternative ways to solve the problem, providing guidance on perseverance	<b>Teacher actions:</b> Observes students, asks open-ended questions, assess students, encourages students to self assess

<p><b>Student actions:</b> Ask questions, attentive to teacher/classmates, makes connections to prior learning, self reflects on what they already know, what do they want to know</p>	<p><b>Student actions:</b> Conducts experiments, activities, work with groups to make meaning of the problem, record observations, use journals, listen to others ideas,</p>	<p><b>Student actions:</b> Explain solutions, critiques or ask further questions of others solutions,refers back to notes and journals to communicate findings and understanding, self assesses their own learning</p>	<p><b>Student actions:</b> Generates interest in new learning, explore related content, records observations and interacts with peers to broaden one's o</p>	<p><b>Student actions:</b> Self evaluates, uses academic language, demonstrates understanding of concept, solves problems</p>
<p><b>Example:</b> Topic : Observe and describe the process of erosion, transportation, and deposition of the earth's land surface using natural phenomena and models Materials : paint tray (the kind used for a paint roller), pieces of sod (enough for each group), potting soil, heavy clay like soil, Rainmaker (paper cup with about ten tiny holes poked in the bottom) , Water.</p> <p>Activity</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.bottom of slide under swing</li> <li>2.end of splash guard by rain spout at entrance to door</li> <li>3. path leading to the playground at the bottom of hill/slope</li> </ol> <p>Do you notice anything</p>	<p><b>Example:</b> Construct a model to investigate how these changes may have occurred. Provide materials so the students can construct their own model of a landscape. It should include a piece of sod, fine potting soil, and a heavy clay like soil. Have them use a paint roller tray as the base of the landscape. Do not put any landscape materials in the bottom well; it should remain empty. Once students have constructed their models, have them diagram and label their models and make a prediction as to what will happen if it "rains" on their landscape.</p> <p>One student pours a cup of water all at once into the rainmaker. Hold the rainmaker about 4 inches above the upper end of the landscape and slowly move</p>	<p><b>Example:</b> Tell me what some of your prediction were before it rained on your landscape. ( Record on board.) What actually happened to your landscape when it rained on it? (record so you can make comparisons.) How is your landscape different after the rain than before it rained on it? What happened to the soil? Where did it go? Why did this happen?</p> <p>As students share their ideas and understandings, record key phrases on the board. Some phrases that may be valuable to your later discussion may include:dirt and soil washed away,the soil collected at the bottom of the slope,the water hollowed out the soil, the rain carried the soil down the hill,when the water washed away the soil</p>	<p><b>Example:</b> Using the same paint roller tray as the base for their landscape, have the groups of students plan a method to decrease or eliminate erosion. Students should draw a diagram of the model planned and label the materials used in their landscape. They should write a short explanation explaining why they think this will work to curb erosion. (Tell students that you will provide the same materials that they used today and they are responsible for supplying the rest of the materials to build their new landscape tomorrow.)</p> <p>Have students use a variety of resources and references to research various landmarks that are the result of these processes.</p>	<p><b>Example:</b> Have photographs representing each process and have students identify and explain why they identified it as such.</p> <p>Have students take a walk in their own neighborhood tonight to find examples of each process. They should draw and write one sentence telling what they observed.</p> <p>Have students write their own definition and list an example for each process in their science journals.</p>



<p>different about these areas?        ( They are just dirt; no grass is growing here.)        What do you think caused these changes? (Students walking over them; water running through it)</p>	<p>it back and forth so the water "rains" down on the model landscape. Observe what happens to the landscape. When it is finished raining the students observe the final effects of the rain on their landscape. Have students go back to their predictions and record what actually happened.</p>	<p>it formed a hole        Relate their observations to the processes scientists observe over an extended period of time. Use student models to identify and label erosion and deposition. Have students work to create definitions for these terms. When you are sure students have a real understanding of the terms, formulate a final definition and post on board or chart in the classroom for future reference. Demonstrate the process of transportation and lead students to understand that it is the movement of soil particles from one place to another. Refer to the list generated during the engagement and have students make connections; they should use the new terms to discuss and explain what they saw. Help them to understand that they just used water to simulate erosion, transportation, and deposition, but it can also be caused by wind, people, animals, etc.</p>		
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Science and Engineering Practices

Asking questions and defining problems	Developing and using models
<p>A practice of science is to ask and refine questions that lead to descriptions and explanations of how the natural and designed world(s) works and which can be empirically tested. Engineering questions clarify problems to determine criteria for successful solutions and identify constraints to solve problems about the designed world. Both scientists and engineers also ask questions to clarify ideas.</p>	<p>A practice of both science and engineering is to use and construct models as helpful tools for representing ideas and explanations. These tools include diagrams, drawings, physical replicas, mathematical representations, analogies, and computer simulations. Modeling tools are used to develop questions, predictions and explanations; analyze and identify flaws in systems; and communicate ideas. Models are used to build and revise scientific explanations and proposed engineered systems. Measurements and observations are used to revise models and designs.</p>
Planning and carrying out investigations	Using mathematics and computational thinking
<p>Scientists and engineers plan and carry out investigations in the field or laboratory, working collaboratively as well as individually. Their investigations are systematic and require clarifying what counts as data and identifying variables or parameters. Engineering investigations identify the effectiveness, efficiency, and durability of designs under different conditions</p>	<p>In both science and engineering, mathematics and computation are fundamental tools for representing physical variables and their relationships. They are used for a range of tasks such as constructing simulations; solving equations exactly or approximately; and recognizing, expressing, and applying quantitative relationships. Mathematical and computational approaches enable scientists and engineers to predict the behavior of systems and test the validity of such predictions.</p>
Analyzing and interpreting data	Constructing explanations and designing solutions
<p>Scientific investigations produce data that must be analyzed in order to derive meaning. Because data patterns and trends are not always obvious, scientists use a range of tools—including tabulation, graphical interpretation, visualization, and statistical analysis—to identify the significant features and patterns in the data. Scientists identify sources of error in the investigations and calculate the degree of certainty in the results. Modern technology makes the collection of large data sets much easier, providing secondary sources for analysis. Engineering investigations include analysis of data collected in the tests of designs. This allows comparison of different solutions and determines how well each meets specific design criteria— that is, which design best solves the problem within given constraints. Like scientists, engineers require a range of tools to identify patterns within data and interpret the results. Advances in science make analysis of proposed solutions more efficient and effective.</p>	<p>The end-products of science are explanations and the end-products of engineering are solutions. The goal of science is the construction of theories that provide explanatory accounts of the world. A theory becomes accepted when it has multiple lines of empirical evidence and greater explanatory power of phenomena than previous theories. The goal of engineering design is to find a systematic solution to problems that is based on scientific knowledge and models of the material world. Each proposed solution results from a process of balancing competing criteria of desired functions, technical feasibility, cost, safety, aesthetics, and compliance with legal requirements. The optimal choice depends on how well the proposed solutions meet criteria and constraints.</p>

Engaging in argument from evidence	Obtaining, evaluating, and communicating information
<p>Argumentation is the process by which evidence-based conclusions and solutions are reached. In science and engineering, reasoning and argument based on evidence are essential to identifying the best explanation for a natural phenomenon or the best solution to a design problem. Scientists and engineers use argumentation to listen to, compare, and evaluate competing ideas and methods based on merits. Scientists and engineers engage in argumentation when investigating a phenomenon, testing a design solution, resolving questions about measurements, building data models, and using evidence to evaluate claims</p>	<p>Scientists and engineers must be able to communicate clearly and persuasively the ideas and methods they generate. Critiquing and communicating ideas individually and in groups is a critical professional activity. Communicating information and ideas can be done in multiple ways: using tables, diagrams, graphs, models, and equations as well as orally, in writing, and through extended discussions. Scientists and engineers employ multiple sources to obtain information that is used to evaluate the merit and validity of claims, methods, and designs</p>

**The Social Studies Standards-Based Classroom Instructional Framework** provides a common language of instruction in order to successfully implement high quality practices. The tool can be used to develop lesson plans as well as a guide for teachers to reference during instruction. It is imperative that an opening, transition, work and closing is addressed with each lesson.

## SCIENCE STANDARDS-BASED CLASSROOM INSTRUCTIONAL FRAMEWORK



### PERVASIVE LESSON PRACTICES

Teacher will embed pervasive practices throughout lesson based on instructional focus

#### Literacy Across the Content:

- Disciplinary literacy
- Content literacy
- Close reading
- Disciplinary research/reading to learn

#### Writing Across the Content

- Content writing
- Writing process
- Writing to learn

#### Vocabulary Development:

- Academic vocabulary
- Content vocabulary
- Discipline vocabulary
- Engages in three-dimensional learning

#### Formative Assessment:

- Formal assessments
- Informal assessments
- Standards-based feedback

#### Classroom Culture:

- Models practices and procedures
- Encourages risk-taking and collaboration
- Demonstrates high expectations in classroom discourse
- Emphasizes safety practices

### OPENING

#### Teacher:

- Introduces phenomena to engage students in investigations
- Engages students/accesses prior knowledge and makes connections by encouraging them to ask questions
- Provides explicit instruction aligned to standard(s), including skill development and conceptual understanding
- Models science and engineering practices and questioning based on crosscutting concepts

#### Student:

- Accesses prior knowledge
- Asks thought-provoking and clarifying questions.
- Participates in classroom discussions; engages in investigations and analyzes thinking

### TRANSITION TO WORK SESSION

#### Teacher:

- Provides guidance to engage in exploration of phenomena
- Helps students in identifying routines to engage in collaboration
- Introduces organizing tools
- Reviews success criteria and expectations for work

#### Student:

- Engages in exploration of phenomena
- Participates in discussion
- Prepares organizing tools
- Asks questions or define problems

### WORK SESSION

#### Teacher:

- Facilitates independent and small group work; scaffolds learning tasks
- Engages students in the 3-dimensions of science instruction
- Monitors, assesses and documents student progress and provides standards-based feedback
- Provides small group instruction
- Allows students to engage in productive struggle, make mistakes, and engage in error analysis
- Conferences formally and informally with students

#### Student:

- Engages in independent or collaborative learning
- Demonstrates proficiency of science and engineering practices, crosscutting concepts and core disciplinary ideas
- Completes conceptually rich performance tasks, research or guided practice
- Conferences with teacher and receives standards-based feedback

### CLOSING

#### Teacher:

- Formally or informally assesses student understanding
- Asks questions targeting students' explanations and claims to provide feedback
- Provides phenomena that challenges students' explanations
- Engages students in summarizing learning and celebrates progress toward mastery of standard(s)
- Identifies next steps for instruction based on data analysis

#### Student:

- Shares, assesses, and justifies work using language of the standards
- Provides peer feedback and asks clarifying questions using language of the standards
- Reflects and summarizes progress toward mastery of learning target/standard based on success criteria