Developing and using models.

Descriptor: Students will be able to develop, use and revise models to describe, test and predict through the integration of scientific engineering practices and cross-cutting concepts.

Childhood (K-5)	Early Adolescence (6-8)	Adolescence (9-diploma)
K-ESS3	MS-PS1	HS-PS1
2-LS2	MS-PS3	HS-PS3
2-ESS2	MS-PS4	HS-LS1
K-2-ETS1	MS-PS4	HS-LS2
3-LS1	MS-LS1	HS-ESS1
4-PS4	MS-LS2	
4-LS1	MS-LS3	
5-PS1	MS-ESS1	
5-LS2	MS-ESS2	
5-ESS2	MS-ETS1	
5-PS3		

Planning and carrying out scientific investigations.

Descriptor: Students will utilize tools/technology to undertake scientific investigations involving data collection, hypothesis testing description of phenomena and communicate conclusions effectively.

Childhood (K-5)	Early Adolescence (6-8)	Adolescence (9-diploma)
K-PS2	MS-PS2	HS-PS1
K-PS3	MS-PS3	HS-PS2
1-PS4	MS-LS1	HS-PS3
1-ESS1	MS-ESS2	HS-LS1
2-PS1		HS-ESS2
2-LS2		
2-LS4		
3-PS2		
4-PS3		
4-ESS2		
5-PS1		
3-5-ETS1		

Analyzing and interpreting scientific data.

Descriptor: Students will understand and analyze matter, reactions and physical systems as demonstrated through the integration of scientific and engineering practices and cross-cutting concepts.

Childhood (K-5)	Early Adolescence (6-8)	Adolescence (9-diploma)
K-LS1 3-ESS2 5-PS1 5-ESS2	MS-PS4	HS-PS1 HS-PS2 HS-PS3 HS-PS4 HS-LS2 HS-ESS1 HS-ESS3 HS-ETS1

Using Mathematics and computational thinking.

Descriptor: Students will use mathematical and/or computational representations to support a claim.

Childhood (K-5) Early Adolescence (6-8) Adolescence (9-diploma	э)
5-PS1 MS-PS4 HS-PS1 5-ESS2 MS-LS4 HS-PS2 HS-PS3 HS-PS4 HS-LS2 HS-ESS1 HS-ESS1 HS-ESS3 HS-ESS3 HS-ESS1 HS-ESS3	

Constructing explanations and designing solutions.

Descriptor: Students will use the valid and reliable evidence to develop and evaluate claims and/or solutions that are consistent with scientific ideas, principles and theories.

Childhood (K-5)	Early Adolescence (6-8)	Adolescence (9-diploma)
K-PS3	MS-PS1	HS-PS1
1-PS4	MS-PS2	HS-PS2
1-LS1	MS-PS3	HS-LS1
1-LS3	MS-LS1	HS-LS2
2-PS1	MS-LS2	HS-LS4
2-ESS1	MS-LS4	HS-ESS1
2-ESS2	MS-ESS1	HS-ESS3
3-LS3	MS-ESS2	HS-ETS1
3-LS4	MS-ESS3	
4-PS3		
4-PS4		
4-ESS1		
4-ESS3		
3-5-ETS1		

Engaging in argument from evidence.

Descriptor: Students will compare and evaluate competing scientific ideas to engage in informed argumentation.

Childhood (K-5)	Early Adolescence (6-8)	Adolescence (9-diploma)
K-ESS2	MS-PS2	HS-PS4
2-PS1	MS-PS3	HS-LS2
3-LS2	MS-LS1	HS-LS3
3-LS4	MS-LS2	HS-LS4
3-ESS3	MS-ESS3	HS-ESS1
4-LS1	MS-ETS1	HS-ESS2
5-PS2		HS-ESS3
5-LS1		
5-ESS1		

Obtaining, evaluating, and communicating information.

Descriptor: Students will interpret information obtained through diverse media, assess scientific validity and effectively express their findings.

Childhood (K-5)	Early Adolescence (6-8)	Adolescence (9-diploma)
K-ESS3	MS-PS1	HS-PS2
1-LS1	MS-PS4	HS-PS4
2-ESS2	MS-LS4	HS-LS4
4-ESS3		HS-ESS1
5-ESS3		

Asking questions and defining scientific problems.

Descriptor: Students will ask questions of each other about the texts they read, the features of the phenomena they observe, and the conclusions they draw from their models or scientific investigations. For engineering, they should ask questions to define the problem to be solved and to elicit ideas that lead to the constraints and specifications for its solution.

Childhood (K-5)	Early Adolescence (6-8)	Adolescence (9-diploma)
K-ESS3 K-2-ETS1 3-PS2 4-PS3 3-5-ETS1	MS-PS2 MS-ESS3 MS-ETS1	HS-PS4 HS-LS3 HS-ETS1

THE GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- A. A clear and effective communicator who:
 - 1. Demonstrates organized and purposeful communication in English and at least one other language;
 - 2. Uses evidence and logic appropriately in communication;
 - 3. Adjusts communication based on the audience; and
 - 4. Uses a variety of modes of expression (spoken, written, and visual and performing including the use of technology to create and share the expressions);
- B. A self-directed and lifelong learner who:
 - 1. Recognizes the need for information and locates and evaluates resources;
 - 2. Applies knowledge to set goals and make informed decisions;
 - 3. Applies knowledge in new contexts;
 - 4. Demonstrates initiative and independence;
 - 5. Demonstrates flexibility including the ability to learn, unlearn, and relearn;
 - 6. Demonstrates reliability and concern for quality; and
 - 7. Uses interpersonal skills to learn and work with individuals from diverse backgrounds;
- C. A creative and practical problem solver who: [1995, c. 649, §1 (new).]
 - 1. Observes and evaluates situations to define problems;
 - 2. Frames questions, makes predictions, and designs data/information collection and analysis strategies;
 - 3. Identifies patterns, trends, and relationships that apply to solutions;
 - 4. Generates a variety of solutions, builds a case for a best response and critically evaluates the effectiveness of the response;
 - 5. Sees opportunities, finds resources, and seeks results;
 - 6. Uses information and technology to solve problems; and
 - 7. Perseveres in challenging situations;
- D. A responsible and involved citizen who:
 - 1. Participates positively in the community and designs creative solutions to meet human needs and wants;
 - 2. Accepts responsibility for personal decisions and actions;
 - 3. Demonstrates ethical behavior and the moral courage to sustain it;
 - 4. Understands and respects diversity;
 - 5. Displays global awareness and economic and civic literacy; and
 - 6. Demonstrates awareness of personal and community health and wellness;
- E. An integrative and informed thinker who:
 - 1. Gains and applies knowledge across disciplines and learning contexts and to real life situations with and without technology;
 - 2. Evaluates and synthesizes information from multiple sources;
 - 3. Applies ideas across disciplines; and
 - 4. Applies systems thinking to understand the interaction and influence of related parts on each other and on outcomes.