Learning Progressions Frameworks Designed for Use with The Common Core State Standards in Mathematics K-12

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Introduction

Many researchers (including developmental, educational, and cognitive psychologists), as well as curriculum and content specialists, have attempted to define and operationalize the use of learning progressions/learning continua for instruction and assessment purposes over the years. For example, Wilson and Bertenthal (2005) define them in terms of "descriptions of the successively more sophisticated ways of thinking about an idea that follow one another as students learn;" while Masters and Forster (1996) see them as "a picture of the path students typically follow as they learn...a description of skills, understandings, and knowledge in the sequence in which they typically develop." Duschl, Schweingruber, and Shouse (2007) describe learning progressions as "anchored on one end by what is known about the concepts and reasoning of students entering school... [for which] there now is a very extensive research base." At the other end of the learning continuum are "societal expectations (values)" about what society wants students to know and be able to do in the given content area. Learning progressions propose the *intermediate* understandings between these anchor points that are "reasonably coherent networks of ideas and practices…that contribute to building a more mature understanding." Further, they explain that often, the "important precursor ideas may not look like the later ideas, yet crucially contribute to their construction" (Hess, 2008, p. 2).

A focus on research and learning: This project has attempted to describe research-based pathways for learning that can guide lesson planning, and curriculum and assessment development K-12. Our working definition of learning progressions is based on four interrelated guiding principles (Hess, 2008).

Four Interrelated Guiding Principles of Learning Progressions (LPs)

- LPs are developed (and refined) using available research and evidence
- LPs have clear binding threads that articulate the essential core concepts and processes of a discipline (sometimes called the 'big ideas' of the discipline)
- LPs articulate movement toward increased understanding (meaning deeper, broader, more sophisticated understanding)
- LPs go hand-in-hand with well-designed and aligned assessments

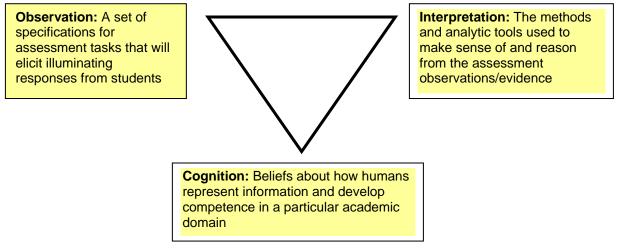
It is the research base (how understanding of the core concepts and essential skills of mathematics typically develop over time when supported by high quality, targeted instruction), not standards that have driven this work. We have not simply 'rearranged' the standards. It is our hope that with a better understanding of how to apply the research to classroom practice (instruction and assessment) teachers will be better able to prepare all students to be productive citizens in the 21st century world beyond high school.

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A conceptual framework: The use of the term "framework" in this document is similar to the National Research Council (2010) use, meaning that this learning progression framework (LPF) presents a broad description of the essential content and general sequencing for student learning and skill development, but not at the level of detail of grade-specific curriculum. As with the NRC approach, this framework is committed to "the notion of learning as an ongoing developmental progression. It is designed to help children continually build on, and revise their knowledge and abilities, starting from initial conceptions about how the world works and curiosity about what they see around them" (NRC, 2010, Ch1-p2). This document is intended to present a coherent vision for mathematics learning and act as a "first step" in curriculum development or test design. We think it can serve as a guide to curriculum designers, assessment developers, state and district administrators, those responsible for teacher education, and teachers working in both general and special education classrooms. As a matter of fact, we hope that this document will encourage more teaming and planning at the school, district, and state levels between general and special education providers.

The learning progressions frameworks developed in mathematics, language arts, and science for this project build upon the concept of the Assessment Triangle, first presented by Pellegrino, Chudowsky, and Glaser in *Knowing What Students Know/*KWSK (NRC, 2001). "The assessment triangle explicates three key elements underlying any assessment: 'a model of student *cognition* and learning in the domain, a set of beliefs about the kinds of *observation* that will provide evidence of students' competencies, and an *interpretation* process for making sense of the evidence' (NRC, 2001, p. 44). KWSK uses the heuristic of an 'assessment triangle' to illustrate the relationships among learning models, assessment methods, and inferences one can draw from the observations made about what students truly know and can do" (Hess, Burdge, & Clayton, 2011). The LPF frameworks offer a coherent starting point for thinking about how students develop competence in an academic domain and how to observe and interpret the learning as it unfolds.



The Assessment Triangle (NRC, 2001, p. 44)

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Alignment to the *Common Core State Standards:* Progress indicators (PIs) describe *observable learning* along the learning continuum for each strand in the learning progressions frameworks. While links among the LPF progress indicators and many of the *Common Core State Standards* (CCSS) in mathematics have been identified (alignment percents vary depending on the grade level)*, the LPF also includes descriptions of essential learning for which there may not be specific CCSS standards. Additionally, there are cases where a CCSS standard is linked to more than one progress indicator (in different mathematics strands and/or at multiple grade levels), and places where only part of the CCSS standard aligns to the progress indicator. This approach to alignment serves to focus a greater emphasis on how to interpret a student's learning path than on everything described in a particular standard. (See pages 19- 20 for examples of this alignment coding.)

*In high school mathematics, the content standards indicated with a (+) were not reviewed or linked with the LPF because of the asterisks in the CCSS document annotating the purpose for those standards as being additional: "Additional mathematics that students should learn in order to take advanced courses such as calculus, advanced statistics, or discrete mathematics is indicated by (+), as in this example: (+) Represent complex numbers on the complex plane in rectangular and polar form (including real and imaginary numbers). All standards without a (+) symbol should be in the common mathematics curriculum for all college and career ready students. Standards without a (+) symbol may also appear in courses intended for all students" (CCSS, p. 57, June 2010).

Possible Uses for the Learning Progressions Frameworks Documents

Implementation of the *Common Core State Standards* will require many layers of understanding the content and performance expectations as states, school districts, and teachers review existing curriculum and assessments and make critical decisions as to how to move forward and shift instructional emphasis. This framework is presented *as a starting point* for that important work. Users of this document may find a variety of ways to guide their thinking about how to design and sequence instruction and assessment based on a learning progressions conceptual framework. Here are just a few ideas:

- to analyze or plan general sequencing of existing major curricular units based on research-based learning continua;
- to **adapt or develop units of study and assessment tools using "backward design"** as in the sample instructional modules developed for this project (sample modules will be posted on <u>www.naacpartners.org</u> and <u>www.nciea.org</u> in early 2011);
- to become action researchers, collecting evidence (student work samples, teacher observations, think alouds, etc.) to validate your own hypotheses about how learning and understanding develops over time for all students;
- to identify specific trouble areas along the learning continua for struggling students (e.g., identifying the necessary prerequisite skills using pre-assessments) and a range of possible CCSS standards (and progress indicators) that address them;
- to locally create smaller grained/expanded mini progressions for specific grade levels using the range of CCSS standards listed as in the sample instructional modules developed for this project;
- to **create formative tools and use student work analysis processes** for progress monitoring during the school year (see a prek-4 science example for progress monitoring at http://www.nciea.org/publications/ScienceProfile_KH08.pdf);
- to use the larger-grained learning targets for each strand and grade span to **design engaging performance assessment tasks** that measure the generalization or transfer of skills and concepts (especially those CCSS standards linked to NO-3); and/or
- to **create interim assessment items/tasks** (or "families" of test items) along the learning continuum that will assist with ongoing local progress monitoring at critical points during the school year.

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About the Learning Progressions Frameworks and Curriculum Development Committees

Two separate committees worked on this project during 2010 in each content area (mathematics, language arts, and science). Educators represented seventeen (17) different states, eight (8) colleges and universities, and seven (7) state or national educational organizations. The first committee to meet was comprised of content experts and researchers from both general education and special education. Their tasks were to review and synthesize the research literature about mathematics learning and draft the conceptual **learning progressions frameworks** (LPFs), in this case for mathematics. This work included identification of **enduring understandings** and essential **learning targets** for the elementary (K-4), middle (5-8), and high school (9-12) grade spans. The second committee included a mix of master teachers and professional development providers with classroom experience at each grade span – organized in teams of both general education and special education working together. Curriculum development committee tasks were to: (1) "zoom in" and break down specific targeted sections of the draft LPFs into what we called more detailed "**mini progressions**" for a smaller grade span, often adding some additional "interim steps" (**progress indicators**) to the mini progressions; (2) use the more detailed and focused mini progressions to design instructional modules (with a series of 4-6 detailed lessons) illustrating how a teacher in the general education classroom might move students along this smaller grain-sized learning progression using best practices in instruction; and (3) draw from best practices in instruction for students with significant cognitive disabilities to incorporate suggestions to each lesson plan for how to make the academic content more accessible for *all* students.

One sample **instructional module**, with access (universally designed) suggestions for instruction, was developed for each grade span in each content area using the LPFs to illustrate how teaching might look and academic learning might develop over time. Since this project was an iterative process over many months, members of both committees were continually asked to review and refine the progress indicators (descriptors) in the learning progressions frameworks and link them back to the specific standards in the *Common Core State Standards* (June 2010) when possible.

We see the LPFs as articulating conceptual hypotheses about mathematics learning to be validated with evidence seen in student performance across the grades. As teachers and researchers continue to use the LPF learning targets and progress indicators for each strand, we will refine our thinking about how mathematics learning develops over time for different populations of learners. Feedback from the field will be used to modify the sequencing of strand descriptors accordingly. We invite users of these materials to become action researchers with us and share what you are learning.

The sample instructional modules developed as part of this project are intended to demonstrate how practitioners might use the LPFs to break down descriptors into smaller mini progressions and design and sequence classroom instruction to monitor progress. Instructional modules are NOT intended to be prescriptive about *how* to teach the academic content. The modules ARE intended to be used to clarify *what* the academic content is, how it can be made more accessible *for all students*, and what units of study might look like when sequencing skills and concepts along a research-based learning continuum. (Sample instructional modules will be posted in 2011 on the <u>www.naacpartners.org/publications</u> and on the <u>www.nciea.org/publications</u> websites when final editing is completed. As new instructional modules aligned with the *CCSS* continue to be developed, they too will be made available on these websites.) Please send comments or questions about the draft LPFs or related instructional support materials to Karin Hess [khess@nciea.org].

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The Learning Progressions Frameworks (LPFs) Development Process

The approach used to identify the content progressions and specific standards within the *Common Core State Standards* (CCSS) considered three important dimensions. First, national content experts and researchers in mathematics were asked to identify specific content strands that represented a way to organize essential learning for all students, K-12. Next, the committee was asked to describe the "enduring understandings" (as defined by Wiggins and McTighe, 2005) for each particular content strand, as well as articulate what the learning targets would look like if students were demonstrating achievement of the enduring understandings at the end of each grade span (K-4, 5-8, and 9-12). The grade span learning targets <u>for each strand</u> (pp. 11-17) are stated as broader performance indicators (e.g., use equations and expressions involving basic operations to represent a given context; Build flexibility with whole numbers and fractions to understand the nature of number and number systems). The larger grained grade span learning targets are designed to describe progressively more complex demonstrations of learning across the grade spans and use wording similar to what one might see in performance level descriptors for a given grade or grade span.

In mathematics, **six major LPF strands** were established. Below is a brief description of the six strands identified by the LPF content committee. "For each content area, these essential threads [strands] interact to build greater understanding of the discipline over time. Identifying a small number of essential threads makes the learning progression manageable for the classroom teacher in terms of tracking ongoing progress in the classroom" (Hess, 2008, p.5). It is not the intent that skills/concepts from a particular strand be taught in isolation in a linear sequence, but rather be integrated among strands, such as in a problem solving situation where students are demonstrating their understanding of measurement concepts while applying their knowledge of numbers and operations and using symbolic expression. *In other words, the LPFs should be thought of as a general map for learning, not a single route to a destination.*

- Symbolic Expression (SE) Symbolic Expression, presented in this document as the first strand, is a reminder NOT to teach symbolic representations before students have begun to demonstrate conceptual understanding of what the symbols or procedures actually mean (e.g., what joining together (+) and taking apart (-) sets means; understanding relative magnitude of part-whole; that "equivalence" (=) means different names for the same number). Progress indicators for the Symbolic Expression strand should be taught in conjunction with skills and concepts described in PIs from other strands and introduced with building conceptual understanding in mind. (See page 11 for key learning targets for the Symbolic Expression strand.)
- The Nature of Numbers & Operations (NO) The skills and concepts within the Nature of Numbers and Operations strands form the foundation and often are the prerequisite skills and concepts for many of the other mathematics strands. Local curriculum development efforts should always consider how the skills and concepts described in the Numbers & Operations progress indicators can be introduced, practiced, and extended with skills/concepts found in the other strands. The third N&O strand (p. 12) focuses on mathematical reasoning and problem solving. These progress indicators can be integrated with many CCSS standards at each grade level using problem solving contexts. While listed under the Nature of Numbers & Operations strand, the skills and concepts described in these progress indicators could apply to concepts in different mathematics strands, such as when developing proofs in Geometry. (See pages 12-13 for key learning targets for the Numbers & Operations strand.)

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- Measurement (ME) Progress indicators are organized under two key learning targets for each grade span (p. 14).
- Patterns, Relations, & Functions (PFR) Progress indicators are organized under two key learning targets for each grade span (p. 15).
- Geometry (GM) Progress indicators are organized under one key learning target for each grade span (p. 16).
- Data Analysis, Probability, & Statistics (DPS) Progress indicators are organized under two key learning targets for each grade span (p. 17). There is minimal emphasis in the CCSS on Data Analysis, Probability, & Statistics at grades K-6. Because many of the DPS mathematics skills and concepts are essential to science and social studies instruction at these grade levels, progress indicators are included in the DPS strand to guide unit development where organizing and interpreting data is important. However, you will not find many links to the CCSS mathematics standards in this strand.

These first two steps - developing six major strands, each with progressively more sophisticated or complex grade span learning targets - established the underlying conceptual framework that could be built upon across the grades and linked to specific research-based progressions of skills and concepts needed to achieve the designated learning targets.

Once the content committee had established the broader grade span learning targets for each strand, they were asked to identify and describe the essential skills and concepts needed to achieve the grade span expectations; use research syntheses to establish a general order of how those skills and concepts emerge for most students; and further break down the descriptors into smaller grades spans: K-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, and high school. The descriptors of related skills and concepts became what we now call the progress indicators and the ordering/numbering used (1a, 1b, 1c, etc.) reflects the research base used to establish a general learning continuum. Descriptions of earlier skills build the foundation for later skills at the next grade level or grade span.

The final step in the LPF development process was to look backward and forward (grades K-12) to identify alignment with specific CCSS mathematics content standards in order to create guidance for a cohesive curriculum experience across grades. Sometimes multiple standards from within the smaller grade spans could be linked to the same progress indicator (PI); sometimes there was only one or no standard that aligned. For example, in some strands and grade spans you will see PI descriptors that do not link (align) with an existing CCSS standard; however, the research review identified critical learning needed at certain stages during the learning process or skills that may be essential for conceptual understanding and for making progress; therefore, progress indicators with no CCSS links are also included in the LPF to guide instruction and progress monitoring.

The following pages show the six mathematics strands with statements of enduring understanding (in the white area at the top) and grade span learning targets for elementary, middle, and high school (*in the color-shaded areas under the enduring understanding*). A few selected research findings are highlighted for each strand as well.

The statement of enduring understanding across all grades states WHY the learning is important.

Different learning targets show a progression from one grade span to the next grade span.

| (K-4) Elementary School Learning Targets | (5-8) Middle School Learning Targets 🖌 | (9-12) High School Learning Targets |
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| E.SE-1 Use equations and expressions involving basic operations to represent a given context Represent numerical relationships using combinations of symbols (=, >, <) and numbers to form expressions and equations Solve for unknown in simple number binary number sentences (e.g., + 4 = 7); Write equations showing inverse operations and related operations (e.g., addition-multiplication). | M.SE-1 Represent relationships and interpret expressions and equations in terms of a given context for determining an unknown value. Represent mathematical relationships symbolically and solve for any variable (for 1st degree equations and for common formulas (literal equation); Explain how to manipulate an algebraic expression to create equivalent expressions and provide step-by-step explanations and justifications. | H.SE-1 Represent relationships and interpret expression and equations in terms of a given context (including complex and families of functions) for determining unknown values (including two or more variables). Represent and interpret multi-step problems; Represent complex numbers and vectors; Demonstrate the relationship between systems of equations and matrix representations; Represent the relationship between functions and modeling. |

Some Key Research Ideas Considered during Development - Symbolic Expression

Preschoolers who can count to ten (by rote) may not necessarily "know" the meanings of words beyond two, or three, or four; so the use of a number word need not guarantee comprehending a link to a given quantity (e.g., Huang, Spelke, & Snedekar, 2010).

Describing that symbols correspond to specific quantities (match symbol to set of specific quantities, etc.) is a necessary precursor that, if absent, renders the rest of the skills potentially meaningless rote procedural knowledge unlinked to conceptual understanding; research is demonstrating that this link is not present in all children to the extent adults assume it will be.

When children have a poor number 'sense,' the association between a symbol and a quantity may not be so obvious. Then, even for those who recognize this connection, the link between the two may not be automatic. Indeed Girelli and colleagues (2000) demonstrated that in typically achieving children this automaticity is not fully established until grade 2 or 3. This may continue to be an issue for a much longer time for a subset of individuals. Moreover, for primary school children with math difficulties, transcoding of written numerals is also less automatic (van Loosbroek, Dirkx, Hulstijn, & Janssen, 2009).

There is evidence that both the ability to rapidly represent non-symbolic quantities and the ability to map a number word to a quantity, contribute independently to math performance, even through middle school (Mazzocco, Feigenson, & Halberda, in press).

Arithmetic and algebra use the same symbols and signs but apply and interpret them differently. This can be very confusing to students particularly if their arithmetic concepts are weak. (Bamberger, Oberdorf, & Schultz-Ferrel, 2010, p. 69)

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Strand 2: The Nature of Numbers and Operations

| The Nature of Numbers and Operations (NO): Understandings of number - "how many" or "how much" – and number types extend applications of arithmetic properties, operations, and number systems and guide the use of computational strategies and algorithms. | | |
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| (K-4) Elementary School Learning Targets | (9-12) High School Learning Targets | |
| E.NO-1 Build flexibility using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals to understand the nature of number and number systems: Count, model, and estimate quantities; Compare, represent, and order numbers; Apply place value concepts and expanded notation to compose and decompose whole numbers. | M.NO-1 Build flexibility using rational and irrational numbers to expand understanding of number systems: Estimate, compare, and represent numbers (fractions, decimals, and percents; integers); Use exponents to express quantities and relationships; Use integers in problem solving. | <i>H.NO-1</i> Demonstrate flexibility using rational and irrational numbers and number systems, including complex numbers and matrices. |
| E.NO-2 Build an understanding of computational strategies and algorithms: Fluently add, subtract, multiply, divide, and estimate; Perform and represent operations with whole numbers, fractions, and mixed numbers; Identify multiples and factors of whole numbers. | M.NO-2 Expand use of computational strategies and algorithms to rational numbers: Perform operations fluently with rational numbers, including fractions, decimals, and percents; Identify equivalence of indicated division and fractional parts. | H.NO-2 Build an understanding of computational strategies and algorithms including matrices and irrational and complex numbers: Use matrix operations and complex and irrational number operations; Apply exponential expressions (laws and properties). |
| E.NO-3 Use reasoning to support solutions and informal arguments and to develop metacognitive skills: Use estimation and rounding to support informal arguments; Develop both additive and multiplicative thinking; Test, model, and explain solutions. | M.NO-3 Develop metacognitive skills through making conjectures and justifying mathematical solutions and arguments: Use estimation and rounding to support reasonableness of arguments/justifications; Apply multiplicative and proportional reasoning; Make, test, and justify conjectures using mathematical concepts and models. | H.NO-3 Develop metacognitive skills through use of mathematical arguments to justify reasonableness of outcomes, to support formal proofs (including technology applications), and to develop metacognitive skills. |

Some Key Research Ideas Considered during Development - The Nature of Numbers and Operations

Children with a significant math learning disability appear to have poor numerical representation (poor acuity of the approximate number system (Mazzocco et al., in press), and thus will need to be monitored closely for the most basic skills. For children whose poor number sense seems tied to lack of exposure to numeracy activities, numerical board games have been shown to be effective (Siegler, 2009); but this has not yet been generalized to children whose poor number sense appears linked to a weak intuitive grasp of quantity.

Some children at Kindergarten may still lack the core number skills that are required before comparisons (more, less) can be made. Some children fail basic counting principles tasks all through primary school (Murphy & Mazzocco, 2008). The core skills are summarized in the

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National Research Council 2009 publication, *Mathematics Learning in Early Childhood* (p. 129); they include cardinality, and 1-1 correspondence, and number constancy.

"In traditional instruction, young children are often expected to use mental computation before they completely understand the concept of addition" (Bamberger et al., p. 118).

Mazzocco & Thompson (2005) demonstrated that third graders with math learning disabilities were more likely to have failed number constancy items, (as well as numeral identification, and magnitude comparison items) at Kindergarten than were there typically achieving peers. Several others have shown that these and other number sense skills are predictive of later math achievement levels (e.g., de Smedt, Verschaffel, & Ghesquiere, 2009; Geary, Bailey, et al., 2009; Locuniak & Jordan, 2008).

There is evidence that students who struggle with fractions (even in middle school) are often not able to represent fractions on a number line (Bamberger, Oberdorf, & Schultz-Ferrell, 2010). "Number lines can be used to build an understanding of the relative magnitude of fractions, equivalence, addition and subtraction of fractions, and the density of rational numbers" (Petit, Laird, & Marsden, p. 99).

Linear number line skills promote development of a linear representation of a mental number line (Siegler, 2009) - This particular review pertains to pre-K children, and to low income children only, but other research demonstrates that low income and K-2 students who have linear vs. nonlinear representations of number line are better at memory for number, and since memory for number is linked to achievement, enhancing these skills may be an important component of helping students understand number. Geary et al. (2008) show that children with math difficulties have poorer number line skills through at least grade 2, so working on these number line skills at K-2 is essential for children with (or at risk for) poor math achievement.

There is also some evidence that most 6th grade children who fail to read decimals with number words have persistent conceptual difficulty with decimals (Mazzocco & Devlin, 2007), suggestive of a failure to recognize that fractions represent specific quantities.

The Institute of Education Sciences (IES) recently published (2010) an empirically guided Practice Guide for fractions instruction that includes these recommendations:

Rec.1. Build on students' informal understanding of sharing and proportionality to develop initial fraction concepts

Rec 2. Help students recognize that <u>fractions are numbers and that they expand the number system beyond whole numbers</u>. Use <u>number lines</u> as a central representational tool in teaching this and other fraction concepts from the early grades onward.

Rec 3. Help students understand why procedures for computations with fractions make sense.

Rec 4. <u>Develop students' conceptual understanding of strategies for solving ratio, rate, and proportion problems before exposing them</u> to cross-multiplication as a procedure to use to solve such problems. From page 9 of the same IES report:

"Number lines are particularly advantageous for assessing knowledge of fractions and for teaching students about them. They provide a common tool for representing the sizes of common fractions, decimals, and percents; positive and negative fractions; fractions that are less than one and greater than one; and equivalent and nonequivalent fractions.

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<u>Measurement (ME)</u>: Measurement attributes, processes, and tools help us quantify, compare, and solve problems involving objects, situations, and events.

| (K-4) Elementary School Learning Targets (5-8) Middle School Learning Targets | | (9-12) High School Learning Targets |
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| E.ME-1 Explore relationships among units, attributes, and measures within a system of measurement: Identify measurement attributes and units; Use measurement attributes to describe and compare objects, situations, or events. | M.ME-1 Extend understanding of attributes and units: Make conversions within measurement systems; Relate measurement attributes, measures, models, and formulas. | <i>H.ME-1</i> Explore measurable attributes, measurement systems, and processes of measurement of more complex or abstract quantities. |
| <i>E.ME-2</i> Apply appropriate techniques (iteration and tiling), tools (standard and non-standard), and formulas (area and perimeter) to determine or estimate measurements. | <i>M.ME-2</i> Apply appropriate techniques, strategies, and formulas to solve problems involving measurements (including derived measurements and rates). | <i>H.ME-2</i> Apply and analyze techniques at an appropriate level of precision and use formulas to quantify or interpret abstract events, objects, and situations. |

Some Key Research Ideas Considered during Development - Measurement

Very young children come to understand the concept of time passing, the cyclical pattern of days of the week and months of the year in the context of holidays, birthdays, or special subjects...but fully understanding how to read the hour and minute hands of an analogue clock demands a 'conscious switching for quarter and half turns in relation to either the hour past or the hour approaching' (Ryan & Williams, 2007, p. 99) in Bamberger, Oberdorf, & Schultz-Ferrel (2010, p. 110). Fennell and colleagues (2000) suggest first introducing how to tell time on an analog clock using only the hour hand so that students learn its relative position as time passes (e.g., when the half hour is over, the hour hand is halfway between two numerals). Also, placing analog clock numerals on a horizontal number line (1-12), helps to demonstrate what half or quarter past the hour or before the hour means. Students need to have a sense of the fractional parts of the hour that have passed before getting into the numbers of minutes the fractions represent (Bamberger et al., p. 111).

Clements & Sarama (2004) found that it takes a long time to master money skills because children have to be able to both count on and skip count in different increments (5s, 10s, 25s, etc.).

At the elementary and middle school, some students have difficulty understanding that length is not simply identifying what the endpoint is on a measuring tool – if not appropriately aligned with a zero at point of origin, children will make erroneous conclusions about length (Lehrer et al., 1999).

Sophian's work (2004) has shown us that even younger children can demonstrate an understanding of proportionality when applying measurement concepts. The developmentally appropriate description of this at the elementary level would be *proportional matching*.

By grades 3-4, children need to understand that a unit can be decomposed or partitioned into smaller units (NRC 2001, p. 282).

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| Patterns, Relations, and Functions (PRF): Patterns, relations, and functions are used to represent and analyze change in various contexts, make |
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| predictions and generalizations, and provide models and explanations for real-world phenomena. |

| (K-4) Elementary School Learning Targets | (5-8) Middle School Learning Targets | (9-12) High School Learning Targets |
|--|--|---|
| E.PRF-1 Use concrete, pictorial, and symbolic representations to identify, describe, compare, and model situations that involve change. | M.PRF-1 Describe and compare situations that involve change and use the information to draw conclusions: Model contextual situations using multiple representations; Calculate rates of change for real-world situations (constant). | H.PRF-1 Approximate, calculate, model, and interpret change: Use graphical and numerical data resulting from complex situations; Model complex real-world phenomena to make predictions and provide explanations. |
| <i>E.PRF-2</i> Give examples, interpret, and analyze repeating and growing patterns and functions involving the four basic operations. | M.PRF-2 Give examples, interpret, and analyze a variety of mathematical patterns, relations, and explicit and recursive functions. | <i>H.PRF-2</i> Use trends and analyze a variety of mathematical patterns, relations, and explicit and recursive functions. |

Some Key Research Ideas Considered during Development - Patterns, Relations, and Functions

"When students identify patterns furnished by the teacher, books, or the classroom environment or when they memorize – store various patterns and recall them – they internalize the concept of pattern and realize that it is the same irrespective of the changes in the periodic themes that create different patterns. ... This important idea later translates into students' ability to identify functions and numeric and geometric patterns" (Bamberger et al., p. 51).

There is some relatively recent research (but, linked to earlier research) demonstrating that teaching patterns and relationships in abstract terms prior to concrete terms enhances learning and transfer. Younger children do not readily see the connection between a concrete model (manipulative) and the principle that is being taught. For instance, some research (with young children) from Uttal and Deloache (1997) challenged the allegedly inherent benefits of manipulatives – their claim is not that one should avoid using manipulatives but rather that their use is effective only if presented in a manner that explicitly connects them with the abstract principles they are alleged to illustrate, support, etc. – but this connection is not obvious to all students, and those who have difficulty will not be able to generalize to form the abstract principles. This is supported by more recent (controversial) evidence of such challenges among college students. At higher grades (even college), concrete examples can interfere with learning the abstract principles (Kaminski, Sloutsky, & Heckler, 2008).

Strand 5: Geometry

| (K-4) Elementary School Learning Targets | (5-8) Middle School Learning Targets | (9-12) High School Learning Targets |
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| E.GM-1 Recognizing that two- and three-dimensional shapes have particular attributes: Describe and compare objects and figures based on geometric attributes; Compose, decompose, and draw figures based on spatial reasoning and the properties and attributes of the shapes; Apply concepts of symmetry. | M.GM-1 Apply reasoning using properties of two- and three-dimensional shapes to analyze, represent, and model geometric relationships: Classify objects based on attributes and properties and solve problems using geometric relationships and properties; Decompose figures into new figures and construct figures with given conditions; Apply concepts of parallel and perpendicular. | <i>H.GM-1</i> Explain solutions using geometric attributes and relationships in diverse contexts: Extend understanding of congruence and similarity working with complex figures and situations; Solve problems involving quadrilaterals and triangles; Perform geometric constructions and use informal proofs to describe relationships and transformations. |

Some Key Research Ideas Considered during Development - Geometry

At K-2, there is a general tendency to recognizing shapes based on perceptual versus defining characteristics. The age at which this shift occurs, as indicated in an NRC report (2009), varies with shapes. By kindergarten, there is typically little challenge identifying circles and squares, but from K-2 children may continue to improve in being able to identify atypical exemplars of rectangles and triangles – earlier decisions are based on orientation, such as a triangle with a "point" (angle) at "12 o clock" but not otherwise; and later on they use defining features. This is based on work of several, including Clements (1999).

Sophian showed how even young students can learn shape names of more complex shapes (e.g., rhombus) and that learning these supports decomposition skills (e.g., that two equilateral triangles form a rhombus).

Transformation as a principle and to analyze mathematical situations is referenced in the NRC Report from 2001 (page 286, citing work by Lehrer et al., 1998) and in Bamberger et al. (p. 97).

"Describing" figures should be in all grade bands; in the K-2 band, this could be articulated as "uses spatial language to describe shapes, dimensions, relationships (behind, between); spatial language is associated with spatial understanding; spatial language may direct attention to spatial features and support learning and processing of spatial information (NRC report, p. 78).

Fuys and Liebov (1993) identify various misconceptions children have about geometric shapes. When they under generalize, students include irrelevant characteristics; when they over generalize, they omit key properties. Using incorrect language in describing figures (e.g., 'slanty' instead of 'diagonal') can also lead to overgeneralizations or not noticing critical characteristics (in (Bamberger et al., p. 86).

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| Data Analysis, Probability, and Statistics (DSP): Questions are posed and investigated by collecting data or retrieving existing data, and representing, analyzing, and interpreting data. Investigations, inferences, and predictions are used to make critical and informed decisions. | | |
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| (K-4) Elementary School Learning Targets | (5-8) Middle School Learning Targets | (9-12) High School Learning Targets |
| <i>E.DPS-1</i> Gather and interpret data to answer questions related to a particular/single context. Formulate questions, gather data, and build representations; Identify and describe variation in data, and describe and compare shapes of distributions and measures of central tendency. | M.DPS-1 Design investigations and gather data to answer questions about multiple populations. Formulate questions, gather data, and build representations; Compare populations by analyzing distributions in terms of variability and measures of central tendency. | <i>H.DPS-1</i> Design and conduct statistical studies: Use appropriate statistical measures for analysis; Develop the concepts of statistical inference and statistical significance, especially in relation to probability principles and sampling distributions. |
| E.DPS-2 Conduct simple probability experiments and characterize the outcomes in words, diagrams, or numerically. | M.DPS-2 Conduct probability experiments: Generate random samples to characterize variability in estimates and predictions; Analyze and build models of the association between two variables. | <i>H.DPS-2</i> Use the rules of probability to interpret data, develop explanations, and address real-world problems. |

Some Key Research Ideas Considered during Development - Data Analysis, Probability, and Statistics

The importance of sorting and classifying activities in children's mathematical development (thinking analytically and expressing ideas) is critical to many areas of mathematics. Students begin with finding common attributes which requires noticing key characteristics. Later students can provide examples and non examples based on a rule, sort and resort the same data, and develop their own rules or determine whether new data belongs (Bamberger et al., p. 140).

There is some fairly recent research demonstrating that even educated adults have poor numeracy skills as they pertain to making data-based decisions, and that their decision making is further impaired by "framing effects." Research demonstrates that most individuals are subject to framing effects, such that the degree to which we rate something as "good" or "bad"/ "desirable" or "undesirable"/etc. is affected by whether numerical information is presented positively or negatively; and these effects are much more pronounced for individuals with poor numeracy (Lipkus et al., 2001; Peters, et al., 2006). By high school, students need to be able to recognize equivalent representations of probability (e.g., one out of ten, 10%, 1/10, 0.10); and that they learn about framing effects, especially in media presentations of data.

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Reading and Interpreting the LPF for a Grade Span

| <u>NO</u> : Understandings of number - "how many" or "how much" – and number types extend applications of arithmetic properties, operations, and number systems and guide use of computational strategies and algorithms. | | <u>The statement of enduring understanding</u> across grade spans states WHY learning the skills and concepts (and standards) listed below are important and how they are generally applied. | |
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| (K-4) Elementary School Learning Targets | | K-4 Elementary School Grade Span Learning Targets | |
| E.NO-2 Build an understanding of computational strategies and algorithms: Fluently add, subtract, multiply, divide, and estimate; Perform and represent operations with whole numbers, fractions, and mixed numbers; Identify multiples and factors of whole numbers. | | By the end of grade 4, students demonstrate and apply the skills and concepts related to Numbers & Operations in a variety of situations or problem solving contexts. Learning targets are the more general/broad performance descriptors associated with specific skills and concepts at each grade level. | |
| Grades K-2 | Grades 3-4 | Larger grade spans are then broken into smaller grade spans | |
| Build understanding and fluency with operations | Build understanding and fluency with operations | What you see articulated in this LPF strand: •••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••• | |
| E.NO.2a representing addition and subtraction in multiple ways (composing/decomposing numbers, diagrams, using objects, arrays, equations, number lines), including regrouping K.OA-1, 2, 3, 4; K.NBT-1 1.OA-1, 2, 5, 6; 1.NBT-4, 5, 6 2.OA-1, 4; 2.NBT-7 E.NO.2b explaining or modeling the relationship between addition and subtraction 1.OA-3, 4 2.NBT-5, 7, 9 E.NO.2c working flexibly with common addition and subtraction situations K. OA-2 1. OA-3, 5, 6, 8 2.OA-1, 2; 2.NBT- 2, 5, 7 Text in blue denotes links to CCSS standards: 2.OA-1,2 means grade 2, Operations & | E-NO-2d modeling multiplication (equal-sized groups, arrays, area models, equal-sized jumps on number lines, multiplicative comparisons) and division (successive subtraction, partitioning, sharing) of whole numbers 3.OA-1, 2, 3, 4, 5 4.OA-1, 2, 3; 4.NBT-5, 6 E.NO.2e describing relationships between addition-multiplication; multiplication-division; addition-subtraction; why commutativity does not apply to subtraction endivision 3.OA-7, 9; 3.NBT-2 4.OA-2 E.NO.2f identifying factors and multiples of numbers 3.OA-6 4.OA-4 E.NO.2g recognizing fractions as one number/one quantity, rather than two numbers (numerator and denominator) and using number lines to represent magnitude of fractions 3.NF-1, 2, 3, 3c E.NO.2h adding, subtracting, and multiplying fractions, including mixed numbers | Most LPF descriptors/progress indicators are stated in a more general way (e.g., using many related strategies; using both addition and subtraction) than a single CCSS standard; therefore progress indicators (PIs) often align with several CCSS standards at different grade levels within the grade span. This multi-standard alignment can provide insights into potential "mini progressions" for lesson design. Numerous CCSS standards align with the first descriptor under K-2 and can be interpreted that this progress indicator embodies many important foundational skills for all three grade levels, K, 1, and 2. Teachers at all of these grades may need to revisit lower grade level skills (and standards) for students needing reinforcement and some extra work on these prerequisite skills. K students would spend most of their school year working on CCSS standards 1 and 2 would be addressing all three PIs and the associated CCSS standards in this general/a-b-c order. | |
| <u>Algrebraic Thinking, standards 1 and 2 (See p. 19 of CCSS for mathematics)</u> | 1 | 8 | |

| Data Analysis, Probability, and Statistics (DPS): Questions are posed and investigated by collecting data or retrieving existing data, and | | | |
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| representing, analyzing, and int | erpreting data. Investigations, infer | ences, and predictions are used to ma | ake critical and informed decisions. |
| Elementary School Learning Targets by Grade 4, all students should demonstrate | | | |
| <u>E.DPS-1</u> Gather and interpret data to answer questions related to a particular/single context. | | | these learning targets, applying skills and |
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| Identify and describe variation in a | lata, and describe and compare shapes of dis | tributions and measures of central tendency | concepts for DSP-1. |
| Elementary Progress Indicators | Grade K | Grade 1 | Grade 2 |
| for Grades K-2 | | | |
| Gather, organize, and interpret data by | Gather, organize, and interpret data by | Gather, organize, and interpret data by | Gather, organize, and interpret data by |
| <u>E.DPS</u>.1a posing questions of interest that | E.DPS.1a posing questions of interest that | E.DPS.1a posing questions of interest that can | E.DPS.1a posing questions of interest that can be |
| can be answered by counting/collecting | can be answered by counting/collecting data | be answered by counting/collecting data (e.g., | answered by counting/collecting data (e.g., concrete |
| data (e.g., concrete comparisons about | (e.g., concrete comparisons about students, | concrete comparisons about students, classroom | comparisons about students, classroom materials, |
| students, classroom materials, science topics) with teacher guidance | classroom materials, science topics) with teacher guidance | materials, science topics) with teacher guidance K.CC-5, 6 (students may need to revisit) | science topics) with teacher guidance K.CC-5, 6 (students may need to revisit) |
| topics) with teacher guidance | K.CC-5, 6 | 1-MD-1 | 1-MD-1 (students may need to revisit) |
| E.DPS.1b identifying and sorting | | | 2.MD-2, 5, 9 |
| data/attributes; identifying rules for | E.DPS.1b identifying and sorting | E.DPS.1b identifying and sorting data/attributes; | |
| classifying data/attributes | data/attributes; identifying rules for | identifying rules for classifying data/attributes | E.DPS.1b identifying and sorting data/attributes; |
| | classifying data/attributes | K.MD-1, 2, 3; K.G-2, 4 (students may need to | identifying rules for classifying data/attributes |
| E.DPS.1c collecting and organizing/ representing data (e.g., picture graphs, | K.MD-1, 2, 3; K.G-2, 4 | revisit) 1.MD-1, 4; 1.G-1 | K.MD-1, 2, 3; K.G-2, 4 (students may need to revisit) 1.MD-1, 4; 1.G-1 (students may need to revisit) |
| tally charts, bar graphs) | E.DPS.1c collecting and organizing/ | 1.00-1, 4, 1.0-1 | 2.G-1 |
| | representing data (e.g., picture graphs, tally | E.DPS.1c collecting and organizing/ representing | 2.MD-10 |
| E.DPS.1d recognizing that data can take | charts, bar graphs) | data (e.g., picture graphs, tally charts, bar | |
| on different values | K.CC-5; K.MD-1, 2, 3 | graphs) | E.DPS.1c collecting and organizing/ representing data |
| 5 DDC 1a describing and some size data | | K.CC-5; K.MD-1, 2, 3 (students may need to | (e.g., picture graphs, tally charts, bar graphs) |
| E.DPS.1e describing and comparing data and beginning to identify what the data | Kindergarten students who have | revisit) 1-MD-1, 4 | K.CC-5; K.MD-1, 2, 3 (students may need to revisit) 1-MD-1, 4 (students may need to revisit) |
| do or do not show (e.g., bar graphs, line | demonstrated understanding of | 1 110 1,4 | 2.MD-1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 |
| plots, picture graphs) | Progress Indicators E.DPS a, b, | E.DPS.1d recognizing that data can take on | |
| | and c (and <mark>related K standards</mark>) | different values | E.DPS.1d recognizing that data can take on different |
| Progress Indicators describe | will benefit from new experiences | 1.MD-4 | values |
| concepts and skills along the | with the next two PIs as well as | E.DPS.1e describing and comparing data and | 1.MD-4 (students may need to revisit) 2.MD- 3, 9, 10 |
| learning continuum for the K-2 | related grade 1 CCSS standards. | beginning to identify what the data do or do not | 2.1010-3, 3, 10 |
| grade span. These skills & | 5 | show (e.g., bar graphs, line plots, picture graphs) | E.DPS.1e describing and comparing data and beginning |
| concepts build towards | E.DPS.1d recognizing that data can take on | 1.MD-4 | to identify what the data do or do not show (e.g., bar |
| successful demonstration of | different values | | graphs, line plots, picture graphs) |
| | E.DPS.1e describing and comparing data and | | 1.MD-4 (students may need to revisit) 2.MD-2, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 |
| learning targets for grade 4. | beginning to identify what the data do or do | | |
| <u>The suggested order (a, b, c,</u> | not show (e.g., bar graphs, line plots, picture | | |
| etc.) is based on a review of | graphs) | | |
| empirical research. | | | |
| | The first grade level in the grade | At grade 1, students who have not | The highest grade level (gr 2) in the |
| If CCSS standards align with | span builds the foundation. If | built a solid foundation, may need | grade span can have more intermediate |
| the Progress Indicators (PIs), | there are no CCSS aligned | to revisit or have added practice | steps in the LP than grades K or 1. PIs |
| they are listed below (in blue) | standards for PIs listed, students | with selected PIs (and lower grade | (and lower grade level CCSS standards) |
| and include each related CCSS | still need to have learning | level CCSS standards) before going | may need to be revisited for students |
| standard in the grade span. | experiences for each PI. | on. | who need additional reinforcement. |
| standard in the grade span. | | | |

A sample "expanded version" of the LPF to show smaller learning progressions (LPs) and links to the CCSS standards for the K-2 grade span

Elementary School Learning Targets

Data Analysis, Probability, and Statistics (DPS)- DPS-1 Gather and interpret data to answer questions related to a particular/single context. Formulate questions, gather data, and build representations; Identify and describe variation in data, and describe and compare shapes of distributions and measures of central tendency.

| Progress Indicators | e variation in data, and describe and compare shape Grade K | Grade 1 | Grade 2 |
|---|---|---|---|
| for Grades K-2 | CCSS standards | CCSS standards | CCSS standards |
| E.DPS.1a <u>posing questions of interest</u> that can be answered by counting or collecting data (e.g., concrete comparisons about students, classroom materials, science copics) with teacher guidance C.CC-5, 6 L-MD-1 P.MD-2, 5, 9 Highlighting indicates links among Progress Indicator & one or more CCSS standard | K.CC-5 5. Count to answer "how many?" questions about as many as 20 things arranged in a line, a rectangular array, or a circle, or as many as 10 things in a scattered configuration; given a number from 1–20, count out that many objects. K.CC-6 6. Identify whether the number of objects in one group is greater than, less than, or equal to the number of objects in another group, e.g., by using matching and counting strategies.¹ ⁽¹⁾ Include groups with up to ten objects.) | 1-MD-1 1. Order three objects by length; compare the lengths of two objects indirectly by using a third object. | 2.MD-2 Measure the length of an object twice, using length units of different lengths for the two measurements; describe how the two measurements relate to the size of the unit chosen. 2.MD- 5 5. Use addition and subtraction within 100 to solve word problems involving lengths that are given in the same units, e.g., by using drawings (such as drawings of rulers) and equations with a symbol for the unknown number to represent the problem. 2.MD-9 9. Generate measurement data by measuring lengths of several objects to the nearest whole unit, or by making repeated measurements of the same object. Show the measurements by making line plot, where the horizontal scale is marked of in whole-number units. |
| E.DPS.1b identifying and sorting lata/attributes; identifying rules for classifying data/attributes Highlighting in 2 colors illustrates two potential smaller Learning Progressions (LPs) for instruction & assessment for this PI, using the CCSS standards listed. (See note below) | K.MD-1 1. Describe measurable attributes of objects, such as length or weight. Describe several measurable attributes of a single object. K.MD-2 2. Directly compare two objects with a measurable attribute in common, to see which object has "more of"/"less of" the attribute, and describe the difference. For example, directly compare the heights of two children and describe one child as taller/shorter. K.MD-3 3. Classify objects into given categories; count the numbers of objects in each category and sort the categories by count.¹ K.G-2 2. Correctly name shapes regardless of their orientations or overall size. K.G-4 4. Analyze and compare two- and three- dimensional shapes, in different sizes and orientations, using informal language to describe their similarities, differences, parts & attributes | I.MD-1 Order three objects by length; compare the lengths of two objects indirectly by using a third object. I.MD-4 Organize, represent, and interpret data with up to three categories; ask and answer questions about the total number of data points, how many in each category, and how many more or less are in one category than in another. I.G-1 Distinguish between defining attributes (e.g., triangles are closed and three-sided) versus non-defining attributes (e.g., color, orientation, overall size); build and draw shapes to possess defining attributes. | 2.G-1 1. Recognize and draw shapes having specified attributes, such as a given number of angles or a given number of equal faces.¹ Identify triangles, quadrilaterals, pentagons, hexagons, and cubes. 2.MD-10 10. Draw a picture graph and a bar graph (with single-unit scale) to represent a data set with up to four categories. Solve simple put-together, take-apart, and compare problems¹ using information presented in a bar graph. |

NOTE: This LPF document does not include an expanded "view" of the LPF with the full embedded standards. The expanded version is available at www.nciea.org.

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Symbolic Expression (SE): The use and manipulation of symbols and expressions provide a variety of representations for solving problems and expressing mathematical concepts, relationships, and reasoning.

| expressing mathematical concepts, relationships, and reasoning. | | | | | | |
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| (K-4) Elementary Scl | (K-4) Elementary School Learning Targets | | ol Learning Targets | (9-12) High School Learning Targets | | |
| <i>E.SE-1</i> Use equations and expressions involving basic operations to represent a given context Represent numerical relationships using combinations of symbols (=, >, <) and numbers to form expressions and equations Solve for unknown in simple number binary number sentences (e.g., + 4 = 7); Write equations showing inverse operations and related operations (e.g., addition-multiplication). | | M.SE-1 Represent relationships and interpret expressions and equations in terms of a given context for determining an unknown value. Represent mathematical relationships symbolically and solve for any variable (for 1st degree equations and for common formula (literal equation); Explain how to manipulate an algebraic expression to create equivalent expressions and provide step-by-step explanations and justifications. | | H.SE-1 Represent relationships and interpret expressions and equations in terms of a given context (including complex and families of functions) for determining unknown values (including two or more variables). Represent and interpret multi-step problems; Represent complex numbers and vectors; Demonstrate the relationship between systems of equations and matrix representations; Represent the relationship between functions and modeling. | | |
| Grades K-2 | Grades 3-4 | Grades 5-6 | Grades 7-8 | Grades 9-12 | | |
| Students use symbolic expression when E.SE.1a recognizing that symbols correspond to specific quantities (e.g., matching symbols to sets of quantities above three) K.CC-3 E.SE.1b using oral and then written numerals and symbols to express quantities K.CC-3 (0-20), K.CC 4 1.NBT-1 (0-120); 1.MD-3 (time) 2.NBT-3 (0-1000); 2.MD-7, (time), 8 (money) E.SE.1c using symbols (=, >, <) to compare whole number quantities, write equations, and determine if equations are true 1.OA-7; 1.NBT-3 2.OA-3, 4; 2.NBT-4 E.SE.1d representing addition and subtraction in multiple formats, including expressions K.OA-1 1.OA-1, 2, 3, 4 2.OA-1, 4 E.SE.1e demonstrating understanding of finding the unknown in addition and subtraction equations (e.g., when all but 1 of 3 numbers is known- what makes this true?) K.OA-1, 3, 4 1.OA-7, 8 2.MD-5; 2.OA-4 | Students use symbolic expression when E.SE.1f extending finding unknown numbers in equations using multiplication and division, including using letters for unknown quantities 3.OA-4, 8 4.OA-3 E.SE.1g using symbols (=, >, <) to compare whole numbers, fractions, or decimals; write equations; and express inverse or related operations 3.NF-3d 4.OA-1; 4.NF-2, 7 E.SE.1h expressing whole numbers as fractions, and fractions as equivalent decimals; recognizing that a fraction is one number, not two 3.NF-3c 4.NF-6 | Students use symbolic expression when M.SE.1a using symbols (=, >, <) to compare whole numbers, fractions, or decimals; write equations; and express inverse or related operations 5.NBT-3b M.SE.1b writing, interpreting, and using expressions, equations, and inequalities (including using brackets, parentheses, or braces) 5.OA-1, 2 6.EE-2a, 2b, 6, 8, 9 M.SE.1c maintaining equality between both sides of the equation to solve equations of the form $x + p = q$ and $px = q$ for cases in which p , q and x are all nonnegative rational numbers 6.EE- 7 M.SE.1d interpreting and using symbols to express relationships (e.g., simple formulas - volume, area; ordered pairs, ratios, percents, positive-negative numbers, exponents) 5.MD-5b; 5.G-1 6.RP-1, 3c; 6.NS-6a, 6b; | Students use symbolic expression when M.SE.1e interpreting and using symbols to express relationships or solutions (e.g., formulas; ordered pairs, ratios, exponents, squaring and cubing) 7.RP-2c, 2d; 7.G-4 8.EE-1, 2; 8.G-9 M.SE.1f writing and interpreting mathematical expressions, equations, and inequalities that correspond to given situations 7.EE-4a, 4b 8.EE-8c; 8.F-3 M.SE.1g evaluating expressions; using expressions; linear equations, inequalities, and formulas to solve problems 7.EE-4a, 4b 8.EE-8c; 8.F-3 | Students use symbolic expression when H.SE.1a interpreting and using symbols to express relationships (e.g., identifying parts of expressions, generating equivalent expressions, formulas; exponents) A.SSE-1, 2, 3 F.IF-8b H.SE.1b creating mathematical models, using rules and relationships to describe and predict objects and events in the real world F.BF-1a S.ID-6a H.SE.1c identifying essential quantitative relationships in a situation, using symbolic expressions to represent it, and drawing reasonable conclusions from it A.SSE-1,2, 3 G.GMD-3 H.SE.1d interpreting and using symbols to express relationships and solve problems (e.g., volume formulas; exponents, square and cube roots) F.IF-8b N.RN-1 G.GMD-3 H.SE.1e recognizing that there limitations in mathematics models A.CED-3 S.IC-2 | | |
| 2.MD-5; 2.OA-4 | | | | | | |

| The Nature of Numbers and Operations (NO): Understandings of number - "how many" or "how much" – and number types extend applications of arithmetic properties, operations, and number systems and guide the use of computational strategies and algorithms. | | | | | |
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| (K-4) Elementary Sch | ool Learning Targets | (5-8) Middle Scho | ol Learning Targets | (9-12) High School Learning Targets | |
| E.NO-1Build flexibility using whole numbers, fractions , and decimals to understand the nature of number and number systems:M.NO-1Build f expand understand expand understand | | and percents; integers); Use exponents to express que Use integers in problem solv Grades 5-6 Demonstrate an understanding of | systems: resent numbers (fractions, decimals, uantities and relationships; ring. Grades 7-8 Demonstrate an understanding of | H.NO-1 Demonstrate flexibility using rational and irrational numbers and number systems, including complex numbers and matrices. Grades 912 Demonstrate an understanding of number and number | |
| number and number systems E.NO.1a showing mastery of the prerequisite core skills of cardinality, constancy, and 1:1 correspondence K.CC-2, 4 E.NO.1b developing an understanding of number and principles of quantity (e.g., hold up 5 fingers at once to show 5, locate things in 2s without counting; using number words to indicate small exact numbers or relative change in quantity – more/less, small/bigI) K.CC-4b, 4c; K.OA-4 E.NO.1c developing number line skills (linear representations) using 0 to 20, and later 0 to 100 E.NO.1d identifying numbers (names, symbols, quantity) and the count sequence K.CC-1, 2, 4 E.NO.1e reading and writing numbers; counting and estimating (e.g., how many?; skip counting by 2s, 5s, 10s; even/odd) K.CC-6, 7 1.NBT-1; 2.NBT-2, 3; 2.OA-3 E.NO.1f representing, ordering, and comparing whole numbers K.CC-6, 7 1.NBT-1; 3; 2.NBT-4 E.NO.1g recognizing that numbers can be divided (represented as fractions) E.NO.1h applying place value understanding to compare and order numbers, express number relationships (<, >, =), and express numbers in expanded form 1.NBT-2c, 3; 2.NBT-1, 4 E.NO.1i recognizing zero as an additive identify, origin for the number line, and representing no units as a quantity or in place value K.CC-3; 1.NBT-2; 2.NBT-1 | number and number systems E.NO.1j applying place value concepts to: read, write, and compare whole numbers up to 100,000; use expanded form; and round numbers to a given place 3.NBT-1 4.NBT-2, 3 E.NO.1k explaining the meaning of place value (that a digit in one place represents 10 times what it represents in the place to its right) 4.NBT-1 E.NO.1I identifying and locating fractions on the number line or as regions, or parts of a set or unit, and recognizing that whole numbers are a subset of rational numbers 3.NF-1, 2, 3a, 3c E.NO.1m composing and representing equivalent fractions in the form a/b 3.NF-1, 2, 3a, 3b 4.NF-1, 2 E.NO.1n comparing and modeling fractions, including with different denominators 3.NF-2, 3a, 3b, 3c, 3d 4.NF-1, 2 E.NO.1o rewriting fractions as equivalent decimals 4.NF-5, 6 E.NO.1p using number words to indicate decimal values (tenths, hundredths) E.NO.1q using and comparing decimals to the hundredths 4.NF-7 | number and number systems M.NO.1a explaining the meaning of place value (that a digit in one place represents 10 times what it represents in the place to its right) 5.NBT-1 M.NO.1b extending place value understanding to reading (e.g., naming the values with number words, rather than "point four"), writing, comparing, and rounding decimals 5.NBT-3, 4 M.NO.1c using a variety of fractional and decimal representations and locating them on a number line 5.NBT-3a; 5.NF-1 M.NO.1d representing integers (positive/negative numbers) and locating them on a number line 6.NS-5, 6c, 7a M.NO.1e describing, representing, and comparing absolute value relationships 6.NS-7c, 7d M.NO.1f recognizing equivalence of representations using fractions, decimals, and percents and using them to solve ratio problems 6.RP-1, 3 | number and number systems M.NO.1g representing and using integers; comparing and expressing absolute value and additive inverse relationships 7.NS-1a, 1b, 1c, 2b M.NO.1h recognizing and modeling fractions, decimals, and percents as different representations of rational numbers 7.NS-2d 8.NS-1 M.NO.1i using exponents and scientific notation to express very large or very small quantities 8.EE-1, 3, 4 M.NO.1k distinguishing rational numbers (terminating and repeating) from irrational numbers (terminating and repeating), and recognizing that together they form the real number system and that both can be represented on the number line 8.NS-1, 2 | systems H.NO.1a using exponents and scientific notation to represent quantities and expressions (Also addressed at grade 8: 8.EE-1, 2, 3, 4) N.RN-2 A.SSE-2, 3c H.NO.1b distinguishing rational numbers (terminating and repeating) from irrational numbers (non-terminating and non-repeating), and recognizing that together they form the real number system and that both can be represented on the number line (Also addressed at grade 8: 8.NS-1, 2) N.RN-3 H.NO.1c modeling and describing that complex numbers augment real numbers H.NO.1d extending operations and properties to work with complex numbers N.CN-2 H.NO.1e using matrices to store and manipulate data | |

| The Nature of Numbers and Operations (NO): Understandings of number - "how many" or "how much" – and number types extend applications of arithmetic properties, operations, and number systems and guide use of computational strategies and algorithms. | | | | | |
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| (K-4) Elementary School Learning Targets E.NO-2 Build an understanding of computational strategies and algorithms: • Fluently add, subtract, multiply, divide, and estimate; • Perform and represent operations with whole numbers, fractions, and mixed numbers; • Identify multiples and factors of whole numbers. • Grades K-2 Grades 3-4 | | Learning Targets | (9-12) High School Learning Targets | | |
| | | ith rational numbers, including ents; ed division and fractional parts. | H.NO-2 Build an understanding of computational strategies and algorithms including matrices and irrational and complex numbers: Use matrix operations and complex and irrational number operations; Apply exponential expressions (laws and properties). | | |
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| E.NO.2d modeling multiplication (equal-sized groups, arrays, area models, equal-sized jumps on number lines, multiplicative comparisons) and division (successive subtraction, partitioning, sharing) of whole numbers 3.OA-1, 2, 3, 4, 5 4.OA-1, 2, 3, 4, 5 4.OA-1, 2, 3; 4.NBT- 5, 6 E.NO.2e describing relationships between addition-multiplication; multiplication-division; addition- subtraction; why commutativity does not apply to subtraction or division 3.OA-5, 7, 9; 3.NBT-2 4.OA-2 E.NO.2f identifying factors and multiples of numbers 3.OA-6 4.OA-4 E.NO.2g recognizing fractions as one number (numerator and denominator) and using number lines to represent magnitude of fractions 3.NF-1, 2, 3a, 3c E.NO.2h adding, subtracting, and multiplying fractions, including mixed numbers | M.NO.2a working flexibility with common addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division situations 5.NBT-5, 6; 5.NF-5a 6.NS-2, 3, 4 M.NO.2b recognizing fractions as one number (one quantity), rather than two numbers (numerator and denominator) and using number lines to represent magnitude of fractions and equivalent /non-equivalent fractions 5.NF-3 M.NO.2c using operations and standard algorithms with whole numbers, fractions (unlike denominators), and decimals (to hundredths) 5.NBT-5, 6, 7; 5.NF-1, 2, 4, 7 6.NS-1, 3 M.NO.2e ordering/comparing integers and representing them | M.NO.2f describing proportional relationships and solving related problems (Also addressed at grade 6: 6.RP-2, 3) 7.RP-1, 2, 3 M.NO.2g using operations with complex fractions M.NO.2h using operations involving percents and percent increase/decrease 7.RP-3 M.NO.2i using operations with rational numbers; representing rational numbers and approximations of irrational numbers on a number line 7.NS-1, 2; 7.EE-3 8.NS-1, 2 | H.NO.2a using operations with rational numbers; representing rational numbers and approximations of irrational numbers on a number line N.RN-3 A.SSE-3b A.REI-2 A.APR-1 H.NO.2b operating with irrational and complex numbers A.REI-2 N.RN-3 N.CN-1, 2 H.NO.2c identifying exponential situations and applying the laws and properties of exponents in simplifying expressions and solving equations A.SSE- 2, 3 N.RN-1, 2 H.NO.2d using matrices to represent situations; perform and interpret basic matrix operations | | |
| | chool Learning Targets of computational strategies and iply, divide, and estimate; rations with whole numbers, ars; of whole numbers. Grades 3-4 Build understanding and fluency with operations E.NO.2d modeling multiplication (equal-sized groups, arrays, area models, equal-sized jumps on number lines, multiplicative comparisons) and division (successive subtraction, partitioning, sharing) of whole numbers 3.OA-1, 2, 3, 4, 5 4.OA-1, 2, 3; 4.NBT- 5, 6 E.NO.2e describing relationships between addition-multiplication; multiplication division subtraction or division 3.OA-5, 7, 9; 3.NBT-2 4.OA-2 E.NO.2f identifying factors and multiples of numbers 3.OA-6 4.OA-4 E.NO.2g recognizing fractions as one number (one quantity), rather than two numbers (numerator and denominator) and using number lines to represent magnitude of fractions 3.NF-1, 2, 3a, 3c E.NO.2h adding, subtracting, and multiplying fractions, including mixed | chool Learning Targets (5-8) Middle School computational strategies and individe, and estimate; rations with whole numbers, rations with operations. Grades 3-4 Build understanding and fluency with operations E.NO.2d modeling multiplication (equal-sized groups, arrays, area models, equal-sized jumps on number lines, multiplicative comparisons) and division (successive subtraction, partitioning, sharing) of whole numbers E.NO.2e describing relationships between addition-multiplication; multiplication-division; addition-subtraction; why commutativity does not apply to subtraction or division 3.0A-5, 7, 9; 3.NBT-2 4.0A-2 E.NO.2f identifying factors and multiples of numbers E.NO.2g recognizing fractions as one number (none quantity), rather than two numbers (numerator and denominator) and using number lines to represent magnitude of fractions 3.0A-6 4.0A-4 E.NO.2g recognizing fractions as one number (ne quantity), rather than two numbers (numerator and denominator) and using number lines to represent magnitude of fractions 3.3NF-1, 2, 3a, 3c E.NO.2h adding, subtracting, and multiplying fractions, including mixed numbers | Build understanding and fluency with operations. LNO.2d modeling multiplication (equal-sized groups, arrays, area models, equal-sized jumps on numbers ins. M.NO.2a working flexibility with comportional relationships and solving related problems (Also addressed at grade 6: 6.RP-2.3) M.NO.2a describing relationships and solving relations with complex fractions with complex fractions with complex fractions and sandard algorithms with whole numbers (numerator and denominator) and using number ines to represent magnitude of fractions and standard algorithms with whole numbers (numerator and denominator) and using number lines to represent magnitude of fractions and standard algorithms with whole numbers (numerator and denominator) and using number lines to represent magnitude of fractions and standard algorithms with whole numbers (numerator and denominato | | |

| (K-4) Elementary School Learning Targets | | (5-8) Middle School Learning Targets | | (9-12) High School Learning Targets | |
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| and to develop metacognitive ski | g to support informal arguments; nultiplicative thinking; | M.NO-3 Develop metacognitive skills through making conjectures and justifying mathematical solutions and arguments: Use estimation and rounding to support reasonableness of arguments/justifications; Apply multiplicative and proportional reasoning; Make, test, and justify conjectures using mathematical concepts and models. | | <i>H.NO-3</i> Develop metacognitive skills through use of olutions and arguments: ling to support reasonableness of outcomes, to support formal proofs (including technology applications), and to develop metacognitive skills. | |
| Grades K-2 | Grades 3-4 | Grades 5-6 | Grades 7-8 | Grades 9 - 12 | |
| Students demonstrate mathematical reasoning E.NO.3a exploring and explaining answers to questions, such as "Does this answer make sense?" K.CC-4, 5, 6; KOA-1 1.OA-1, 2, 7, 8; 1.G-3 2.OA-1; 2.NBT-7, 9 E.NO.3b constructing arguments using concrete referents such as objects, diagrams, tables, actions (e.g., clapping, movement) and estimating K.OA.1, 2; K.G-5 1.OA-1, 2, 7, 8 1.G-3; 1.MD-4 2.OA-1; 2.NBT-7, 9 2.MD-3; 2.G-3 | Students demonstrate mathematical reasoning E.NO.3c evaluating the reasonableness of answers using mental computation, arithmetic patterns, and estimation strategies, including rounding to the nearest 10 or 100 3.OA-5, 8, 9; 3.NBT-1, 2, 3; 3.MD-2 4.OA-3, 4, 5; 4.NBT-3 E.NO.3d constructing arguments and explaining reasonableness of outcomes using a variety of concrete supports (e.g., models, diagrams, tables) 3.OA-8, 9 3.MD-1, 3, 4, 7b, 7c, 7d, 8 4.OA-3, 5 4.NBT- 5, 6 4.NF-1, 2, 3b, 3d, 4a, 6, 7 4.MD-4 | Students demonstrate mathematical reasoning M.NO.3a using informal and rule-based arguments, evidence, and examples (e.g., estimation, rounding, arrays, visual models, diagrams) to justify mathematical solutions 5.OA-3; 5.NBT-2, 6, 7 5.NF-2, 4a, 5, 6, 7c 6.RP-3a, 3d; 6.NS-1, 6c, 8; 6.EE-5 M.NO.3b critiquing the mathematical arguments provided by others 5.OA-3; 5.NBT-2, 6, 7 5.NF-2, 4a, 5 6.RP-3a, 3d; 6.NS-1, 7b, 7d, 8; 6.EE-5 | Students demonstrate mathematical reasoning M.NO.3c using stated assumptions, definitions, patterns, and previously established results in constructing mathematical arguments 7.RP-2a, 2d; 7.NS-1a, 2a, 3; 7.EE-3 8.NS-2; 8.EE-6; 8.F-5; 8.SP-4 M.NO.3d building a logical progression of statements to explore and evaluate the truth of conjectures 7.RP-2a, 2d; 7.NS-2a; 7.EE-3; 7.G-4 8.NS-2; 8.EE-6; 8.F-5; 8.SP-4 | Students demonstrate mathematical reasoning H.NO.3a comparing the effectiveness of two plausible arguments, distinguishing correct logic or reasoning from that which is flawed, and if there is a flaw in an argument, explaining it F.IF-9 F.LE-1a F.TF-8 Functions N.RN-1, 3 N.RN-1, 3 N.Q-1 A.REI-1, 2, 5, 11 A.SEE-2, 3c A.CED-3, 4 A.APR-4, 6 Geometry G.C-1 G.CO-9, 10, 11 G.SPE-4 S.ID-3, 4, 9 S.IC-2, 3, 5, 6 | |

The Nature of Numbers and Operations (NO): Understandings of number - "how many" or "how much" – and number types extend applications

NOTE: The third N&O strand focuses on mathematical reasoning and problem solving. The grade span learning targets and progress indicators for this strand can be integrated with many CCSS standards at each grade level using problem solving contexts and performance tasks. These CCSS standards have the greatest potential to require deeper understanding ONLY if assessment tasks require explanations and evidence of reasoning and concepts applied. While this strand is listed under the Nature of Numbers and Operations, the skills and concepts described in progress indicators apply to all mathematics strands when constructing arguments and making and supporting conjectures. (For more information about Depth of Knowledge and cognitive rigor see http://www.nciea.org/cgi-bin/pubspage.cgi?sortby=pub_date.)

| Measurement (ME): M and events. | Measurement (ME): Measurement attributes, processes, and tools help us quantify, compare, and solve problems involving objects, situations, and events. | | | | | |
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| (K-4) Elementary Sc | hool Learning Targets | (5-8) Middle Scho | ol Learning Targets | (9-12) High School Learning Targets | | |
| <i>E.ME-1</i> Explore relationships among units, attributes, and measures within a system of measurement: Identify measurement attributes and units; Use measurement attributes to describe and compare objects, situations, or events. | | M.ME-1 Extend understanding of attributes and units: Make conversions within measurement systems; Relate measurement attributes, measures, models, and formulas. | | <i>H.ME-1</i> Explore measurable attributes, measurement systems, and processes of measurement of more complex or abstract quantities. | | |
| Grades K-2 | Grades 3-4 | Grades 5-6 | Grades 7-8 | Grades 9-12 | | |
| Students understand measurable attributes by | Students understand measurable attributes by | Students understand measurable attributes by | Students understand measurable attributes by | Students understand measurable attributes by | | |
| E.ME.1a recognizing, identifying, and describing the measurable attributes of objects K.MD-1 (length/height, weight) 1.MD-2 (l/h), 1.MD-3 (time) 2.MD-1 (l/h/w), 2.MD-7 (time), 2.MD-8 (money) E.ME.1b comparing and ordering objects/events according to their specified attributes (using standard or non-standard units of measure), including indirectly by using a third object, or using common referents to estimate or compare K.MD-2, 3 1.MD-1 2.MD-3, 4 E.ME.1c recognizing that the smaller the unit, the more units are needed to measure an object ; and that units can be decomposed/partitioned into smaller units 1.MD-2 2.MD-2, 3 | E.ME.1d describing and demonstrating: unit attributes, iterating, tiling, identical units, number line intervals, standardization, proportionality, additivity, and origin 3.MD-1, 4, 5, 6, 7a, 7c, 7d 4.MD-7 E.ME.1e justifying the need for measuring with standard units as compared to non-standard units E.ME.1f selecting the appropriate unit for measuring a given attribute (length, area, mass, liquid volume, size of angle), recognizing that a unit must have the same attributes as the object (e.g., unit of length must measure an object that has length) 3.MD-2,5 4.MD-1, 2, 6 E.ME.1g exploring what happens to 2-dimensional measurements (perimeter or area) when the dimensions of the figure are changed 3.MD-7, 8 4.MD-3 | M.ME.1a identifying and describing measurable attributes (including area, surface area, volume, fractional units, absolute value with temperature), and selecting appropriate customary or metric units of measure when solving problems 5.MD-1, 3 6.NS-7b M.ME.1b recognizing relationships among units and using proportional reasoning to convert measurements from one unit to another within the same system 5.MD-1 6.RP-3d M.ME.1c recognizing how the formulas for area and volume for a variety of shapes and solids are related 6.G-1, 2, 4 | M.ME.1d applying proportional reasoning to problems with ratios of length, area, and quantities measured in like or different units 7.RP-1, 2b; 7.G-1 M.ME.1e exploring what happens to 2- and 3- dimensional measurements (such as surface area, area, and volume) when the figure is changed in some way (e.g., scale drawings) 7.G-1 8.G-4, 9 | H.ME.1a making decisions about units and scales that are appropriate for problem-solving situations within or across mathematics disciplines or real-world contexts N.Q-1, 2 G.CO-12 G.MG-1, 2, 3 H.ME.1b investigating the results when linear dimensions of objects change by some factor (e.g., area and volume change disproportionately: area in proportion to the square of the factor and volume in proportion to its cube) A.REI-3 F.BF-1a H.ME.1c exploring quantifications of real-world applications of abstract units such as sound (decibels, pitch), gigabytes, Richter scale, acceleration, and other less tangible units of measure N.Q-1, 2 | | |

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| <i>E.ME-2</i> Apply appropriate techniques (iteration and tiling), tools (standard and non-standard), and formulas (area and perimeter) to determine or estimate measurements. | | <i>M.ME-2</i> Apply appropriate techniques, strategies, and formulas to solve problems involving measurements (including derived measurements and rates). | | H.ME-2 Apply and analyze techniques at an appropriate level of precision and use formulas to quantify or interpret abstract events, objects, and situations. |
| Grades K-2 | Grades 3-4 | Grades 5-6 | Grades 7-8 | Grades 9-12 |
| Determine measurements | Determine measurements | Determine measurements | Determine measurements | Determine measurements |
| E.ME.2a applying non- standard and common standard units to measure or estimate (length, height, weight, time) 1.MD-2, 3 2.MD-1, 2, 3, 4, 7 E.ME.2b selecting tools and using units of measures appropriately and consistently, with no gaps or overlaps in the technique of measuring 1.MD-2, 3 2.MD-1, 3, 7 E.ME.2c recognizing situations that require precision and those where an estimation or proportional matching is appropriate 2.MD-1, 3 E.ME.2d describing a unit as an amount/quantity (rather than an object or a mark on a scale) | E.ME.2e selecting and applying appropriate customary or metric units and tools to measure or estimate (liquid volume, mass, perimeter, area, time, and angles) 3.MD-1, 2, 4, 6, 7a, 8 4.MD-5a, 6 E.ME.2f recognizing relative sizes of units of measure and making simple conversions within systems when solving problems (e.g., 12 in. = 1 ft) 4.MD-1 E.ME.2g recognizing situations that require precision (money, time, distances, fractions, decimals) and those where an estimation is appropriate 3.MD-2 4.MD-2 E.ME.2h using a variety of strategies (decomposing complex shapes, using counting strategies, arrays, formulas) to estimate or measure area and perimeter (including irregular shapes/objects) 4.MD-3 E.ME.2i selecting and using benchmarks to estimate measurements 3.MD-2 | M.ME.2a selecting and applying appropriate standard units, tools, and level of precision in real-world measurment problems (e.g., area, surface area, volume, rate) 5.MD-1, 4 6.G-1, 2, 4 M.ME.2b using a variety of strategies (decomposing complex shapes, using formulas and models) to measure area (triangles, quadrilaterals, polygons) and volume (rectangular prisms) 5.MD-4, 5 6.G-1, 2, 4 | M.ME.2c selecting and applying appropriate standard units and tools to measure to an approriate level of precision M.ME.2d using various strategies (decomposing complex shapes, using formulas) to measure volume (cones, cylinders, spheres) and area and circumference of circles 7.G-4 8.G-9 M.ME.2e solving simple problems involving scale factors, rates, and derived measures 7.G-1; 7.RP-1 M.ME.2f applying the Pythagorean theorem to determine lengths/distances in real-world situations 8.G-7, 8 | H.ME.2a analyzing levels of precision, accuracy, and approximate error in measurement situations N.Q-3 H.ME.2b using techniques of measurement, estimating, o calculating to compare or analyze two- and three-dimensional figures and their parts G.SRT-1, 2 G.C-5 G.MG-1, 2, 3 |

| | Patterns, Relations, and Functions (PRF): Patterns, relations, and functions are used to represent and analyze change in various contexts, make predictions and generalizations, and provide models and explanations for real-world phenomena. | | | | | | |
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| (K-4) Elementary School Learning Targets | | (5-8) Middle School Learning Targets | | (9-12) High School Learning Targets | | | |
| representations to identify, de situations that involve change | RF-1 Use concrete, pictorial, and symbolic M.PRF-1 Describe and compare situation to draw change and use the information to draw ch | | ion to draw conclusions: ons using multiple ge for real-world situations | <i>H.PRF-1</i> Approximate, calculate, model, and interpret change: Use graphical and numerical data resulting from complex situations; Model complex real-world phenomena to make predictions and provide explanations. | | | |
| Grades K-2 | Grades 3-4 | Grades 5-6 | Grades 7-8 | Grades 9-12 | | | |
| Demonstrate understanding of change by E.PRF.1a describing changes qualitatively (e.g., growing taller) and quantitatively (e.g., growing 2 inches in one year) K.CC-6; K.MD-2 1.OA-1; 1.NBT-3; 1.MD-1 2.NBT-4 E.PRF.1b exploring and describing how addition or subtraction changes a quantity K.OA-1, 2 1.OA-1, 5 E.PRF.1c modeling problem- solving situations that involve addition and subtraction of whole numbers using objects, diagrams, and symbols K.OA-1, 2 1.OA-1, 5 2.OA-1, 3, 4; 2.NBT-7; 2.MD-5 | Demonstrate understanding of change by E.PRF.1d describing and modeling how addition, subtraction, multiplication, or division changes a quantity, including with fractions 3.OA-1, 2, 7 4.OA-1; 4.NBT-1; 4NF-3, 4 E.PRF.1e using representations (tables, graphs, equations) to show how values of one quantity are related to values of another and to draw conclusions 3.OA-9; 3.MD-3, 4 4.OA-2 E.PRF.1f representing and explaining equivalence concretely, graphically, and symbolically (equations, rules) 3.MD-1, 7c 4.OA-5; 4.NBT-5, 6; 4.MD-4 E.PRF.1g identifying situations with constant or varying rates of change (with two quantities) | Demonstrate understanding of change by M.PRF.1a describing how multiplication or division changes a quantity, including with fractions or decimals 5.NF-4a, 5, 7b 6.NS-1 M.PRF.1b distinguishing linear from nonlinear relationships as represented in graphical and tabular representations 5.OA-3 6.RP-3a M.PRF.1c comparing two rates and evaluating them for a given situation (e.g., best value) 6.RP-1, 2, 3b 6.EE-4, 6 M.PRF.1d using symbolic equations to summarize how the quantity of something changes 6.EE- 4, 7, 9 | Demonstrate understanding of change by M.PRF.1e representing and computing unit rates associated with ratios of lengths, areas, and other quantities measured in like or different units 7.RP-1, 2, 3 8.EE-5 M.PRF.1f identifying essential quantitative relationships in a situation and using symbolic expressions to represent it and draw reasonable conclusions from it 7.RP-1, 2, 3; 7.EE-2, 3, 4 8.EE-5, 7; 8.F-1, 2, 3, 4, 5 M.PRF.1g modeling, solving, and explaining contextualized problems using various representations such as graphs, tables, functions, and equations 7.RP-2, 3; 7.EE-2, 4 8.EE-5, 7; 8.F-2, 3, 4, 5 M.PRF.1h representing and describing how rates of change can be computed from differences in magnitudes and vice versa | Demonstrate understanding of change by H.PRF.1a approximating, calculating, and interpreting rates of change using graphical and numerical data S.ID-1, 2, 7 F.LE-1b, 1c, 3 H.PRF.1b exploring how the rate of change of something depends on how much there is of something else (e.g., as the rate of change of speed is proportional to the amount of force acting) A.CED-4 S.ID-3 F.LE-1b H.PRF.1c creating mathematical models, using rules and relationships to describe and predict objects and events in the real world A.CED-2 S.IC-2 F.LE-1 F.TF-5 H.PRF.1d recognizing that there are limitations in mathematics models A.CED-3 A.REI-2 S.IC-2 | | | |

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| | Patterns, Relations, and Functions (PRF): Patterns, relations, and functions are used to represent and analyze change in various contexts, make predictions and generalizations, and provide models and explanations for real-world phenomena. | | | | | |
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| (K-4) Elementary School Learning Targets | | (5-8) Middle Scho | ool Learning Targets | (9-12) High School Learning Targets | | |
| E.PRF-2 Give examples, inte and growing patterns and fund operations. | | | erpret, and analyze a variety of ons, and explicit and recursive | H.PRF-2 Use trends and analyze a variety of mathematical patterns, relations, and explicit and recursive functions. | | |
| Grades K-2 | Grades 3-4 | Grades 5-6 | Grades 7-8 | Grades 9-12 | | |
| Demonstrate understanding of patterns by E.PRF.2a recognizing, describing, and extending simple repeating (ABAB) and growing (A+1, A+2, A+3) patterns (e.g., colors, sounds, words, shapes, numeric – counting, odd- even) K.CC-6; K.OA-1, 4; K.G-2 1.OA-1, 5 1.NBT-2b, 2c, 5, 6 2.OA-3, 4; 2.NBT-1b, 2 E.PRF.2b creating and explaining repeating and growing patterns using objects or numbers K.OA-1, 4; K.NBT-1; K.G-2 1.OA-1, 5; 1.NBT-2, 5, 6 2.OA-3, 4; 2.NBT-1, 2 E.PRF.2c extending and analyzing simple numeric patterns with rules that involve addition and subtraction K.OA-1, 4; K.NBT-1 1.OA-1, 5; 1.NBT-2, 5, 6 2.OA-3, 4; 2.NBT-1, 2, 8 | Demonstrate understanding of patterns by E.PRF.2d representing and analyzing patterns and rules (e.g. doubling, adding 3) using words, tables, graphs, and models 3.OA-3, 5, 7, 9 4.OA-4, 5 E.PRF.2e extending, translating, and analyzing numeric patterns and their rules using addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division 3.OA-3, 5, 7, 9; 3.NBT-3 4.OA-4, 5 | Demonstrate understanding of patterns by M.PRF.2a representing, analyzing, extending, and generalizing a variety of patterns using tables, graphs, words, and symbolic rules 5.OA-3; 5.NBT-2 6.EE-6, 9 M.PRF.2b relating and comparing different forms of representation and identifying functions as linear or nonlinear 5.OA-3 6.RP-1, 2, 3 6.EE-6, 7, 9 | Demonstrate understanding of patterns by M.PRF.2c relating and comparing different forms of representation and identifying functions as linear or nonlinear 8.F-3 M.PRF.2d solving linear equations and formulating and explaining reasoning about expressions and equations 7.EE-2, 4a 8.EE-6, 7 M.PRF.2e using functions to describe quantitative relationships 8.EE-5, 7 8.F-1, 3, 4, 5 | Demonstrate understanding of patterns by H.PRF.2a interpreting and rewriting a variety of expressions or functions to solve problems A.SSE-1, 2, 3, 4 F.BF-1a, 1b, 2 H.PRF.2b creating equations and inequalities (in one or two variables) and use them to solve problems and graph solutions A.CED-1, 2 A-REI-3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 12 S.ID-6 H.PRF. 2c using trends that follow a pattern and are described mathematically to make generalizations or predictions A-REI-11 F.BF-3, 4a H.PRF. 2d analyzing functions (using technology) by investigating significant characteristics (e.g. intercepts, asymptotes) F.IF-7a, b, e F.BF-3 S.ID-8 H.PRF. 2e comparing the properties of classes of functions F.IF-9 | | |

| Geometry (GM): Visualizations, spatial reasoning, and properties of two- and three-dimensional figures can be used to analyze, represent, and model geometric concepts and relationships. | | | | |
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| (K-4) Elementary Scho | ol Learning Targets | (5-8) Middle Scho | ool Learning Targets | (9-12) High School Learning Targets |
| E.GM-1 Recognize that two- and three-dimensional shapes have particular attributes: Describe and compare objects and figures based on geometric attributes; Compose, decompose, and draw figures based on spatial reasoning and the properties and attributes of the shapes; Apply concepts of symmetry. | | M.GM-1 Apply reasoning using properties of two- and three- dimensional shapes to analyze, represent, and model geometric relationships: Classify objects based on attributes and properties and solve problems using geometric relationships and properties; Decompose figures into new figures and construct figures with given conditions; Apply concepts of parallel and perpendicular. | | H.GM-1 Explain solutions using geometric attributes and relationships in diverse contexts: Extend understanding of congruence and similarity working with complex figures and situations; Solve problems involving quadrilaterals and triangles; Perform geometric constructions and use informal proofs to describe relationships and transformations. |
| Grades K-2 | Grades 3-4 | Grades 5-6 | Grades 7-8 | Grades 9-12 |
| Demonstrate understanding of 2- and 3- dimensional shapes and their attributes E.GM.1a recognizing, describing (using spatial language) and naming shapes regardless of orientation or size and locating shapes in the environment K.G-1, 2 E.GM.1b analyzing and comparing 2- (and later) 3- dimensional shapes using | Demonstrate understanding of 2- and 3- dimensional shapes and their attributes E.GM.1h describing, analyzing, comparing, and classifying two- dimensional figures (triangles, quadrilaterals) using shared attributes 3.G-1 4.G-2 E.GM.1i partitioning shapes into equal parts with equal areas and recognizing that each part is a | Demonstrate understanding of 2- and 3- dimensional shapes and their attributes M.GM.1a describing and classifying plane figures based on their properties 5.G-3, 4 M.GM.1b recognizing and using properties belonging to categories and subcategories of plane figures (e.g., all rectangles have four right angles, so all squares are rectangles and have four right | Demonstrate understanding of 2- and 3- dimensional shapes and their attributes M.GM.1e constructing or drawing geometric shapes from given conditions (e.g., draw triangles given three angle or side measures; change scale) 7.G-1, 2 M.GM.1f recognizing and demonstrating rotations, reflections, and translations using multiple contexts (e.g., using coordinates, | Demonstrate understanding of 2- and 3- dimensional shapes and their attributes H.GM.1a applying the Pythagorean Theorem G.SRT-8 H.GM.1b using congruence and similarity relationships to solve problems, including triangle congruence relationships G.CO-7, 8 G.SRT-2, 3, 5 H.GM.1c applying understanding of rotations, reflections, and translations to construct figures (e.g., using coordinates, models, drawings, transparencies, dynamic geometry |
| informal language (e.g., flat, solid, corners) to describe their differences and similarities, as well as their component parts | unit fraction of the whole 3.G-2 E.GM.1j recognizing and drawing points, lines, line | angles) 5.G-3 M.GM.1c demonstrating the use of a coordinate system by | models, drawings, technology) 8.G-1, 2, 3, 4 M.GM.1g demonstrating congruence and similarity using a variety of two- | software) G.CO-3, 5 H.GM.1d applying scale factors in solving multiple similarity |
| (number of sides, vertices) and other attributes (e.g., sides of equal length) K.G-3, 4 | segments, rays, angles, and perpendicular and parallel lines and identifying these in plane figures 4.G-1 E.GM.1k recognizing and | locating/graphing a given point or polygon using ordered pairs 5.G-1, 2 6.G-3 M.GM.1d solving area, surface area, and volume problems by | dimensional figures 8.G-2, 4 M.GM.1h solving real-world area, surface area, and volume problems using different strategies (formulas and decomposing figures) | problems, including transformations in the coordinate plane and similarity relationships with right triangles G.CO-2 G.SRT-1b, 2 H.GM.1e making various geometric constructions, including |
| (GM-1 Continued next page) | drawing lines of symmetry in a variety of figures 4.G-3 | figures 5.MD-5c 6.G-1, 2, 4 | (GM-1 Continued next page) | use of dynamic geometry software, and creating informal proofs of relationships (lines and angles, circles, polygons) G.CO-12, 13 (GM-1 Continued next page) |

Geometry (GM): Visualizations, spatial reasoning, and properties of two- and three-dimensional figures can be used to analyze, represent, and model geometric concepts and relationships.

| model geometric concepts and relationships. | | | | | | | |
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| (K-4) Elementary Scho | ol Learning Targets | (5-8) Middle Sch | ool Learning Targets | (9-12) High School Learning Targets | | | |
| E.GM-1 Recognizing that two- and three particular attributes: Describe and compare objects ar attributes; Compose, decompose, and draw and the properties and attributes Apply concepts of symmetry. | nd figures based on geometric figures based on spatial reasoning | M.GM-1 Apply reasoning using properties of two- and three-dimessapes to analyze, represent, and model geometric relationships Classify objects based on attributes and properties and solve using geometric relationships and properties; Decompose figures into new figures and construct figures with conditions; Apply concepts of parallel and perpendicular. | | H.GM-1 Explain solutions using geometric attributes and relationships in diverse contexts: Extend understanding of congruence and similarity working with complex figures and situations; Solve problems involving quadrilaterals and triangles; Perform geometric constructions and use informal proofs to describe relationships and transformations. | | | |
| Grades K-2 | Grades 3-4 | Grades 5-6 | Grades 7-8 | Grades 9-12 | | | |
| Demonstrate understanding of 2- and 3- dimensional shapes and their attributes (GM.1 Continued) E.GM.1c composing two- dimensional shapes (rectangles, squares, triangles, half-circles, and quarter-circles) K.G-6 1.G-2 E.GM.1d composing three- dimensional shapes, using concrete models/materials (cubes, prisms, cones, and cylinders) 1.G-2 E.GM.1e drawing and identifying shapes with specific attributes (e.g., number of sides or equal angles) not determined by direct measuring) 2.G-1 E.GM.1f partitioning shapes into 2, 3, or 4 equal parts and describing the parts (halves, quarters, fourths, thirds) 1.G-3; 2.G-2, 3 E.GM.1g using spatial language to describe and name more complex or atypical shapes based on their defining characteristics | Demonstrate understanding of 2- and 3- dimensional shapes and their attributes | Demonstrate understanding of 2- and 3- dimensional shapes and their attributes | Demonstrate understanding of 2- and 3- dimensional shapes and their attributes (GM.1 Continued) M.GM.1i exploring and explaining angle relationships (e.g., pairs of parallel lines cut by a transversal, including perpendicular lines) 8.G-5 M.GM.1j applying the Pythagorean Theorem 8.G-7, 8 | Demonstrate understanding of 2- and 3- dimensional shapes and their attributes (GM.1 Continued) H.GM.1f solving problems (including proofs) using the relationships among special quadrilaterals (parallelogram, rectangle, rhombus, square, trapezoid, and kite) and describing the characteristics of parallelograms using side, angle, and diagonal properties and relationships G.CO-9, 10, 11 | | | |

| Data Analysis, Probability, and Statistics (DPS): Questions are posed and investigated by collecting data or retrieving existing data, and representing, analyzing, and interpreting data. Investigations, inferences, and predictions are used to make critical and informed decisions. | | | | | |
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| (K-4) Elementary School Learning Targets <i>E.DPS-1</i> Gather and interpret data to answer questions related to a particular/single context. Formulate questions, gather data, and build representations; | | (5-8) Middle Schoo | - | (9-12) High School Learning Targets | |
| | | M.DPS-1 Design investigations and gather data to answer questions about multiple populations. Formulate questions, gather data, and build representations; Compare populations by analyzing distributions in terms of variability and measures of central tendency. | | <i>H.DPS-1</i> Design and conduct statistical studies: Use appropriate statistical measures for analysis; Develop the concepts of statistical inference and statistical significance, especially in relation to probability principles and sampling distributions. | |
| Grades K-2 | Grades 3-4 | Grades 5-6 | Grades 7-8 | Grades 9-12 | |
| Students gather, organize, and interpret data by E.DPS.1a posing questions of interest that can be answered by counting or collecting data (e.g., concrete comparisons about students, classroom materials, science topics) with teacher guidance K.CC-5, 6 1-MD-1 2.MD-2, 5, 9 E.DPS.1b identifying and sorting data/attributes; identifying rules for classifying data/attributes K.MD-1, 2, 3; K.G-2, 4 1.MD-1, 4; 1.G-1 2.G-1; 2.MD-10 E.DPS.1c collecting and organizing/ representing data (e.g., picture graphs, tally charts, bar graphs) K.CC-5; K.MD-1, 2, 3 1-MD-4 2.MD-1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 E.DPS.1e describing and comparing data and beginning to identify what the data do or do not show (e.g., bar graphs, line plots, picture graphs) 1.MD-4 2.MD-2, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 | Students gather, organize, and interpret data by E.DPS.1f formulating questions and designing investigations (defining measures and variables) 3.MD-2 4.MD-2 E.DPS.1g collecting data and representing data (e.g., bar graphs, frequency tables, line plots) 3. MD-1, 2, 3, 4 4.MD-1, 2, 4 E.DPS.1h recognizing and identifying sources of variability in the data (measurement variability and natural variability) 3.MD-2, 3, 4 4.MD-2 E.DPS.1i describing data shapes and what the data representations do and do not show (bar graphs, picture graphs, frequency tables, line plots, circle graphs) including the attirbutes used E.DPS.1k using data to make and support claims and interpretations (e.g., making comparisons among individuals, between individuals and the group, and among groups) 3. MD-1, 3, 4 | Students gather, organize, and interpret data by M.DPS.1a formulating questions about groups larger than classroom groups and comparing different populations or samples 6.SP-1, 2 M.DPS.1b distinguishing among populations, censuses, and sampling 6.SP-1, 2 M.DPS.1c using representations (e.g., dot plots, scatter plots, line plots) to display data from investigations to describe the shapes of the data 5.MD-2; 5.G-2 6.SP-2, 3, 4, 5 M.DPS.1d identifying the range, three common measures of central tendency (mean, median, and mode) and interpreting the mean as a fair share and a center of balance 6.SP-2, 3, 5, 5d M.DPS.1e making claims about populations from data distributions, supporting interpretations on the basis of mean, median, or mode, and the shape of the distribution 5.G-2 6.SP-3, 5 | Students gather, organize, and interpret data by M.DPS.1f formulating questions about groups larger than classroom groups, comparing different populations or samples, and involving two variables 7.SP-1 M.DPS.1g displaying and interpreting univariate data using dot plots, histograms, and circle graphs 7.SP-2, 4 M.DPS.1h displaying data in scatter plots and investigating the association between the variables 8.SP-1, 2 M.DPS.1i using box plots, interquartile range, mean absolute deviation, range, and the concept of outliers to characterize the distribution (variability) of univariate data 7.SP-2, 3, 4 M.DPS.1j comparing two unequal distributions of data using number of data points, measures of central tendencey, shape, and variability (numerical data), and two-way tables (categorical variables) 7.SP-3, 4 M.DPS.1k supporting claims about the results of investigations (e.g., coordinating among the measures of central tendency and variability) 7.SP-3, 4 | Students gather, organize, and interpret data by H.DPS.1a designing and conducting different kinds of studies using categorical and numerical data, explain results, and use data to estimate a population mean or proportion: observational studies (e.g., traffic patterns at an intersection near the school); sample surveys (a survey of student nutritional habits); simple comparative experiments (e.g., comparisons of water and fertilizer treatments in a plant growth experiment) S.IC-3, 4, 5 H.DPS.1b representing data with plots on the real number line (dot plots, histograms, box plots) S.ID-1 H.DPS.1c analyzing and summarizing the data resulting from studies using statistical measures appropriate to shape of the data (median, mean) and spread (interquartile range, standard deviation), and using data to support inferences (population parameters, sample size) or explain possible outliers S.ID-2, 3, 4, 5 S.IC-1 H.DPS.1d representing and interpreting data (graphs, scatter plots) to explain how variables are related, or to fit a function to the data S.ID-6 | |

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| (K-4) Elementary School Learning Targets | | (5-8) Middle School Learning Targets | | (9-12) High School Learning Targets |
| <i>E.DPS-2</i> Conduct simple probability experiments and characterize the outcomes in words, diagrams, or numerically. | | M.DPS-2 Conduct probability experiments: Generate random samples to characterize variability in estimates and predictions; Analyze and build models of the association between two variables. | | <i>H.DPS-2</i> Use the rules of probability to interpret data, develop explanations, and address real-world problems. |
| Grades K-2 | Grades 3-4 | Grades 5-6 | Grades 7-8 | Grades 9-12 |
| Students apply probability concepts by | Students apply probability concepts by | Students apply probability concepts by | Students apply probability concepts by | Students apply probability concepts by |
| E.DPS.2a describing the probability of events as being possible or impossible E.DPS.2b describing the probability of events as being certain, likely, unlikely, or impossible E.DPS.2c representing all possible outcomes for expectations of varied results (e.g., using words, drawings, tree diagrams to show all different combinations for making sandwiches from a choice of ingredients) | E.DPS.2d describing the probability of events as being certain, likely, equally likely, unlikely, or impossible. E.DPS.2e identifying expectations for varied results in situations involving randomness (e.g., using coin tosses, spinners, dice, playing cards) E.DPS.2f representing all possible outcomes for expectations of varied results (e.g., using words, tree diagrams) E.DPS.2g conducting repeated trials of simple probability experiments, using display displays (e.g., tables, tree diagrams, histograms) to understand results and explain variations | M.DPS.2a conducting simple probability experiments and expressing results in terms of relative frequencies or proportions as first estimate of probability M.DPS.2b describing and representing (e.g., tree diagrams) all possible outcomes (sample space) and the theoretical probabilities of each outcome (as proportion of a specific outcome relative to all possible outcomes) in simple probability experiments M.DPS.2c using two-way tables to characterize distributions of two categorical variables | M.DPS.2d identifying sample spaces for multi-stage probability experiments (independent events) and determining the theoretical probabilities of specific event combinations 7.SP-5, 6, 7 M.DPS.2e designing and conducting multi-stage (compound) probability experiments (independent events) and comparing the results with theoretical probabilities 7.SP-8 M.DPS.2f distinguishing between association of two variables and cause and effect relationship between two variables M.DPS.2g using simple lines to model association between two numerical variables in a bivariate data set 8.SP-2, 3, 4 | H.DSP.2a explaining the outcomes of probabilities in words and recognizing equivalent representations of probability, such as one out of ten, 10%, 1/10, 0.10 H.DSP.2b exploring (framing effects) the degree to which we rate something as "good" or "bad"/ "desirable or "undesirable" when numerical information is presented positively (75% lean) or negatively (25% fat) H.DSP.2c designing and conducting multi-stage (compound) probability experiments (independent events) and comparing the results with theoretical probabilities S.CP-2 H.DSP.2d constructing and interpreting two-way frequency tables when two categories are associated with each object being classified S.CP-4 H.DSP.2e researching and finding real-world examples and explaining the concept of conditional probability (e.g., compare the chances of having lung cancer if you are a smoker with the chances of being a smoker if you have lung cancer) S.CP-5 |

NOTE: There is minimal emphasis in the CCSS on Data Analysis, Probability, & Statistics. This is due in part to place greater instructional emphasis on building fluency with basic operations and a deeper understanding of numbers (fractions, decimals, etc.) at the lower grade levels. Because many of the DPS mathematics skills and concepts are essential to science and social studies instruction, progress indicators are included here to guide unit development, especially where organizing and interpreting data is important to overall understanding.

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