

Biology Scope and Sequence

	Quarter: 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4
	Cells	Heredity	Evolution	Diversity and Independence Ecosystem
Content	<p>B.C.1: Cell structure and function</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structure, function and interrelatedness of cell organelles • Eukaryotic cells and prokaryotic cells <p>B.C.2: Cellular processes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Characteristics of life regulated by cellular processes • Photosynthesis, chemosynthesis, cellular respiration, biosynthesis of macromolecules 	<p>B.H.1: Cellular genetics</p> <p>B.H.2: Structure and function of DNA in cells</p> <p>B.H.3: Genetic mechanisms and inheritance</p> <p>B.H.4: Mutations</p> <p>B.H.5: Modern genetics</p>	<p>B.E.1: Mechanisms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natural selection • Mutation • Genetic drift • Gene flow (immigration, emigration) • Sexual selection <p>B.E.2: Speciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biological classification expanded to molecular evidence • Variation of organisms within species due to population genetics and gene frequency 	<p>B.DI.1: Biodiversity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Genetic diversity • Species diversity <p>B.DI.2: Ecosystems</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equilibrium and disequilibrium • Carrying capacity <p>B.DI.3: Loss of Diversity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate change • Anthropocene effects • Extinction • Invasive species <p>B.E.1: Mechanisms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Natural selection • Mutation • Genetic drift • Gene flow (immigration, emigration) • Sexual selection <p>B.E.2: Speciation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biological classification expanded to molecular evidence • Variation of organisms within species due to population genetics and gene frequency

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Vocabulary				

Quarter(s) 1-4

During the years of 9-12, all students must become proficient in the use of the following scientific processes, with appropriate laboratory safety techniques, to construct their knowledge and understanding in all science content areas:

SIA1 Identify questions and concepts that guide scientific investigations.

SIA2 Design and conduct scientific investigations.

SIA3 Use technology and mathematics to improve investigations and communications.


SIA4 Formulate and revise explanations and models using logic and evidence (critical thinking).

SIA5 Recognize and analyze explanations and models.

SIA6 Communicate and support a scientific argument.

Learning Targets: Cells

- Explain that the cell is a functioning system (e.g., regulation, homeostasis, cell cycle, and transport);
- ☞ Identify and describe that the cell has specialized parts for the transport of materials, energy transformation, protein building, waste disposal, and movement;
- ☞ Describe the role of water and organic molecules in cells (lipids, carbohydrates, nucleic acids, proteins);
- ☞ Understand the properties of the cellular environment that affect shape and function of enzymes (e.g., pH, temperature, concentration);
- ☞ Diagram the transformation of energy through ATP and cycling of carbon through cellular processes in cells (e.g., photosynthesis, cellular respiration).
- ☞ Investigative scenarios that explore abiotic effects on the cell cycle;
- ☞ Investigative scenarios that determine factors that affect the activity of enzymes on their substrates;
- ☞ Investigate real-world applications of cells that play a foundational role in engineering and industry (e.g., fermentation, medicine);
- ☞ Interpret diagrams of photosynthesis, cellular respiration, and/or chemosynthesis connected to a real-world scenario;
- Interpret diagrams of cells from a variety of organisms connected to a real-world scenario. (e.g., plant vs. animal cells, prokaryotic vs. eukaryotic, cells with or without potassium pump);
- Interpret diagrams of cellular transport.
- ☞ Create and interpret graphs or data (e.g., temperature, pH, light, concentration) to explain the rate of enzyme activity in a cell;
- ☞ Explain how the structure of cellular parts facilitates their function;
- ☞ Describe regulation of the cellular environment (e.g., homeostasis);
- ☞ Compare organic molecules and their role in cells;
- ☞ Describe how photosynthesis and cellular respiration impact the concentration of chemicals in a system;
- ☞ Use a diagram of the basic stages of photosynthesis (light and dark reactions) identify the major reactants/products (CO₂, H₂O, ATP, O₂, glucose) involved in each stage.
- ☞ Explain how cell components work together to perform the functions of the cell;
- ☞ Analyze graphs displaying data about enzyme activity and how that impacts a cell;
- ☞ Design an experiment to determine the effect of external factors (e.g., pH, temperature, concentration) on the cellular function (e.g., transport, enzyme rate, photosynthesis, cellular respiration);

 Evaluate or improving the design of an industrial application of cellular processes (e.g., optimal environment for fermentation, genetically modified organisms).

Learning Targets: Heredity

- Understand that genes are segments of DNA and code for protein;
- Understand the concept of differentiation – although all cells have identical genetic information, different genes are active in different types of cells;
- Identify cellular and molecular mechanisms for inheritance and the expression of genetic information (e.g., complementary base pairs in DNA and RNA, transcription/translation);
- Comprehend the importance of crossing over, independent assortment, and recombination in producing variation in traits as a result of meiosis;
- Connect Mendel's laws of segregation and independent assortment to the movement of chromosomes (crossing over, sorting, and recombination) during meiosis;
- Explain gene mutations and their short-term and long-term implications;
- Comprehend Mendelian and Non-Mendelian inheritance (e.g., dihybrid crosses, sex-linked traits, linkage, chi-square test);
- Describe the goals of genetic engineering and the role of restriction enzymes.
- Interpret diagrams of DNA to illustrate protein synthesis;
- Interpret diagrams that illustrate crossing over;
- Identify real-world scenario in which chi-squared test data are given;
- Use a codon chart to build a protein;
- Differentiate between parent and daughter cells before and after meiosis;
- Interpret diagrams of a variety of genetic crosses;
- Interpret diagrams of gene sequences showing a mutation;
- Understand different scenarios involving applications of biotechnology and genetic engineering such as cloning, gene therapy, or gel electrophoresis;
- Describe basic historical data from DNA discoveries.
- Demonstrate how the complementary DNA base pairing within genes determines the sequence of amino acids in a protein;

- Illustrate how non-Mendelian genetics affects inheritance (including Punnett squares);
 - Predict the probability of two traits in offspring given the parental genotypes;
 - Compare and contrast the genetic makeup of two different types of cells in the same organism;
 - Be given chi-squared test data, and make an inference about the inheritance of a set of genes;
 - Demonstrate how sorting and recombination of genes in sexual reproduction and meiosis result in variation of traits in offspring;
- Explain how gene mutations might impact organisms;
- Interpret data from a real-world scenario involving biotechnology (e.g., gel electrophoresis, gene therapy, cloning);
 - Explain the importance of historical discoveries after Mendel to our understanding of the structure and function of DNA.
 - Explain the scientific implications of a biotechnology (e.g., oil-eating bacteria);
 - Be given a scenario, making and justifying conclusions about the type of inheritance involved;
 - Design or conduct an investigation involving genetics and inheritance (e.g., fruit flies, fast plants, matching genes to traits);
 - Explain the effect that a gene mutation can have on protein synthesis or traits.

Learning Targets: Evolution

Comprehend evolution of a species (change in gene frequency in a population and the Hardy-Weinberg Law);

- Differentiate between mechanisms of speciation (gene flow, mutation, speciation, natural selection, genetic drift, sexual selection);
- Describe evidence for evolution (e.g., fossil record, molecular and structural homology, biogeography).
- State evidence of evolutionary theory from real-world examples (e.g., antibiotic resistant bacteria, fossil record, molecular and structural homology);
- Interpret cladograms showing relationships between species;
- Comprehend different scenarios in which environmental changes influence selective pressure on a population;
- Give examples of speciation between isolated populations (e.g., leopard frogs, anole lizard, Central American hummingbirds);
- Interpret tables or data showing gene frequency changes over time (e.g., bottleneck cheetahs).
- Use mathematical reasoning related to the Hardy-Weinberg Law to explain or predict changes in a population;
- Predict how factors affect evolution of a population or populations;
- Give evidence, determining the relatedness of groups;
- Compare the survivability of traits between populations in different environments;
- Compare evolutionary mechanisms illustrated in a variety of populations.
- Use mathematical reasoning related to Hardy-Weinberg's Law to explain or predict changes in a population;
- Be given data and/or a scenario, making and justifying a conclusion about evolutionary mechanisms in a

population;

- Explain how variations within populations in a changing environment can lead to evolution;
- Describe how speciation occurred in two related populations;
- Use examples to explain how evidence supports the theory of evolution;
- Give a real-world example, explaining and predict how a population has responded to environmental changes.

**Learning Targets: Diversity and Interdependence of Life
Ecosystems**

- Understand cyclical fluctuations of ecosystems around a rough state of equilibrium;
- Describe energy flow at ecosystem and molecular levels;
- Classify using morphological and molecular evidence;
- Explain diversity of species and ecological niches resulting from billions of years of evolution;
- Interpret models describing carrying capacity and homeostasis within ecosystems supported with mathematical evidence.
- Interpret population graphs or charts containing authentic, real-world data;
- Interpret diagrams of food chains and webs to explain real-world relationships or events within an ecosystem (e.g., bio magnification, invasive species, energy flow and nutrient cycle changes);
- Comprehend scenarios involving remediation and habitat restoration programs (e.g., fish populations in the Great Lakes);
- Comprehend scenarios involving niche partitioning, competition for resources, immigration/emigration from an ecosystem, or environmental change;
- Interpret and analyze Cladograms;
- Analyze data tables showing genetic relatedness between organisms.
- Use mathematical reasoning to interpret exponential or logistic growth models;
- Design or simulate a population growth model by manipulating environmental conditions;
- Given population graphs or charts containing data, analyzing the history or predict the future of an ecosystem;
- Predict the effect of geological, biological, or environmental changes on a population within an ecosystem (e.g., climate change, deforestation, human development);
- Complete a cladograms to determine relationships among organisms;
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climate change, deforestation, human development);

- Discuss the implications of technology or engineering on an ecosystem (e.g., power plant increasing water temperature);
- Use mathematical models to explain carrying capacity and homeostasis within ecosystems;
- Be given a scenario, designing an experiment to predict the effect of several possible factors on the carrying capacity.
- Use cladograms to compare and contrast the degree of relatedness between organisms.