

WHCSD Scope and Sequence

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	Quarter: 1	Quarter2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4
Strand	Physical Science (PS)	Earth Space Science (ESS)	Earth Space Science (ESS)	Life Science (LS)
Topic	Conservation of Mass and	Cycles and Patterns of Earth	Cycles and Patterns of Earth	Cycles of Matter and Flow
	Energy	and the Moon	and the Moon	of Energy
	This topic focuses on the empirical	This topic focuses on Earth's	This topic focuses on Earth's	This topic focuses on the
	evidence for the arrangements of	hydrologic cycle, patterns that	hydrologic cycle, patterns that	impact of matter and energy
	atoms on the Periodic Table of	exist in atmospheric and oceanic	exist in atmospheric and oceanic	transfer within the biotic
	Elements, conservation of mass	currents, the relationship	currents, the relationship	component of ecosystems.
	and energy, transformation and	between thermal energy and the	between thermal energy and the	
	transfer of energy.	currents, and the relative position	currents, and the relative	
		and movement of the Earth, sun	position and movement of the	
		and moon.	Earth, sun and moon.	
Content	7.PS.1: Elements can be		7.ESS.3: The atmosphere has	7.LS.1: Energy flows and
Statement	organized by properties.	7.ESS.1: The hydrologic cycle	different properties at	matter is transferred
	Elements can be classified as	illustrates the changing states	different elevations and	continuously from one
	metals, non-metals and metalloids,	of water as it moves through	contains a mixture of gases	organism to another and
	and can be organized by similar	the lithosphere, biosphere,	that cycle through the	between organisms and their
	properties such as color, solubility,	hydrosphere and atmosphere.	lithosphere, biosphere,	physical environments.
	hardness, density, conductivity,	Thermal energy is transferred as	hydrosphere and atmosphere.	Plants use the energy in light
	melting point and boiling point,	water changes state throughout	The atmosphere is held to the	to make sugars out of carbon
	viscosity, and malleability.	the cycle. The cycling of water in	Earth by the force of gravity.	dioxide and water
		the atmosphere is an important	There are defined layers of the	(photosynthesis). These
	7.PS.2: Matter can be separated	part of weather patterns on Earth.	atmosphere that have specific	materials can be used or stored
	or changed, but in a closed	The rate at which water flows	properties, such as temperature,	for later use. Organisms that
	system, the number and types of	through soil and rock is	chemical composition and	eat plants break down plant
	atoms remains constant.	dependent upon the porosity and	physical characteristics. Gases	structures to release the energy
	When substances interact and form	permeability of the soil or rock.	in the atmosphere include	and produce the materials they
	new substances the properties of		nitrogen, oxygen, water vapor,	need to survive. The organism
	the new substances may be very	7.ESS.2: Thermal-energy	carbon dioxide and other trace	may then be consumed by
	different from those of the original	transfers in the ocean and the	gases. Biogeochemical cycles	

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substances, but the amount of	atmosphere contribute to the	illustrate the movement of	other organisms for materials
mass does not change.	formation of currents, which	specific elements or molecules	and energy.
Physically combining two or more	influence global climate	(such as carbon or nitrogen)	Energy can transform from
substances form a mixture, which	patterns.	through the lithosphere,	one form to another in living
can be separated through physical	The sun is the major source of	biosphere, hydrosphere and	things. Animals get energy
processes.	energy for wind, air and ocean	atmosphere.	from oxidizing food, releasing
	currents and the hydrologic		some of its energy as heat.
7.PS.3: Energy can be	cycle. As thermal energy	7.ESS.4: The relative patterns	The total amount of matter
transformed or transferred but	transfers occur in the atmosphere	of motion and positions of	and energy remains constant,
is never lost.	and ocean, currents form. Large	Earth, moon and sun cause	even though its form and
When energy is transferred from	bodies of water can influence	solar and lunar eclipses, tides	location change.
one system to another, the quantity	weather and climate. The jet	and phases of the moon.	
of energy before transfer equals	stream is an example of an	The moon's orbit and its change	7.LS.2: In any particular
the quantity of energy after	atmospheric current and the Gulf	of position relative to Earth and	biome, the number, growth
transfer. When energy is	Stream is an example of an	sun result in different parts of	and survival of organisms
transformed from one form to	oceanic current. Ocean currents	the moon being visible from	and populations depend on
another, the total amount of energy	are influenced by factors other	Earth (phases of the moon).	biotic and abiotic factors.
remains the same.	than thermal energy, such as	A solar eclipse is when Earth	The variety of physical
	water density, mineral content	moves into the shadow of the	(abiotic) conditions that exists
7.PS.4: Energy can be	(such as salinity), ocean floor	moon (during a new moon). A	on Earth gives rise to diverse
transferred through a variety of	topography and Earth's rotation.	lunar eclipse is when the moon	environments (biomes) and
ways.	All of these factors delineate	moves into the shadow of Earth	allows for the existence of a
Mechanical energy can be	global climate patterns on Earth.	(during a full moon).	wide variety of organisms
transferred when objects push or		Gravitational force between	(biodiversity).
pull on each other over a distance.	7.ESS.3: The atmosphere has	Earth and the moon causes daily	Biomes are regional
Mechanical and electromagnetic	different properties at different	oceanic tides. When the	ecosystems characterized by
waves transfer energy when they	elevations and contains a	gravitational forces from the sun	distinct types of organisms
interact with matter.	mixture of gases that cycle	and moon align (at new and full	that have developed under
Thermal energy can be transferred	through the lithosphere,	moons) spring tides occur.	specific soil and climatic
through radiation, convection and	biosphere, hydrosphere and	When the gravitational forces of	conditions.
conduction.	atmosphere.	the sun and moon are	Ecosystems are dynamic in
An electrical circuit transfers	The atmosphere is held to the	perpendicular (at first and last	nature; the number and types
energy from a source to a device.	Earth by the force of gravity.		of species fluctuate over time.

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		There are defined layers of the atmosphere that have specific properties, such as temperature, chemical composition and physical characteristics. Gases in the atmosphere include nitrogen, oxygen, water vapor, carbon dioxide and other trace gases. Biogeochemical cycles illustrate the movement of specific elements or molecules (such as carbon or nitrogen) through the lithosphere, biosphere, hydrosphere and atmosphere. Note: <i>The emphasis is on why</i> <i>the atmosphere has defined</i> <i>layers, not on naming the layers.</i>	 quarter moons), neap tides occur. 7.ESS.5: The relative positions of Earth and the sun cause patterns we call seasons. Earth's axis is tilted at an angle of 23.5°. This tilt along with Earth's revolution around the sun, affects the amount of direct sunlight that the earth receives in a single day and throughout the year. The average daily temperature is related to the amount of direct sunlight received. 	Disruptions, deliberate or inadvertent, to the physical (abiotic) or biological (biotic) components of an ecosystem impact the composition of an ecosystem.
Resources	McGraw Hill Inspire Science ODE Model Curriculum	McGraw Hill Inspire Science ODE Model Curriculum	McGraw Hill Inspire Science ODE Model Curriculum	McGraw Hill Inspire Science ODE Model Curriculum
Notes	*PS.1 This is the conceptual introduction of the Periodic Table of Elements and should be limited to classifications based on observable properties; it should not include the names of the families. *PS.2 Under these standards, classifying specific changes as chemical or physical is not appropriate.		*ESS.3 The emphasis is on why the atmosphere has defined layers, not on naming the layers	*LS.1 Chemical reactions in terms of subatomic structures of atoms are not appropriate at this grade level. Chemical reactions are presented as the rearrangement of atoms in molecules.

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	*PS.4 Energy transfers should be experiential and observable at this grade level.		
Vocabulary			

Quarter(s) 1-4 SCIENCE INQUIRY AND APPLICATIONS

During the years of grades 5 through 8, all students must have developed the ability to:

SIA 1:Identify questions that can be answered through scientific investigations;

SIA 2:Design and conduct a scientific investigation; Use appropriate mathematics, tools and techniques to gather data and information

SIA 3: Analyze and interpret data; Develop descriptions, models, explanations and predictions;

SIA 4: Think critically and logically to connect evidence and explanations;

SIA 5:Recognize and analyze alternative explanations and predictions;

SIA 6: Communicate scientific procedures and explanations.