

# New York State P-12 Science Learning Standards

## HS. Interdependent Relationships in Ecosystems

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

- HS-LS2-1. Use mathematical and/or computational representations to support explanations of biotic and abiotic factors that affect carrying capacity of ecosystems at different scales.** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on quantitative analysis and comparison of the relationships among interdependent factors including boundaries, resources, climate and competition. Examples of mathematical comparisons could include graphs, charts, histograms, and population changes gathered from simulations or historical data sets.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment does not include deriving mathematical equations to make comparisons.]
- HS-LS2-2. Use mathematical representations to support and revise explanations based on evidence about factors affecting biodiversity and populations in ecosystems of different scales.** [Clarification Statement: Examples of mathematical representations could include finding the average, determining trends, and using graphical comparisons of multiple sets of data.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment is limited to provided data.]
- HS-LS2-6. Evaluate the claims, evidence, and reasoning that the complex interactions in ecosystems maintain relatively consistent numbers and types of organisms in stable conditions, but changing conditions may result in a new ecosystem.** [Clarification Statement: Examples of changes in ecosystem conditions could include ecological succession, modest biological or physical changes, such as moderate hunting or seasonal floods; and extreme changes, such as volcanic eruption or sea level rise.]
- HS-LS2-7. Design, evaluate, and refine a solution for reducing the impacts of human activities on the environment and biodiversity.\*** [Clarification Statement: Examples of human activities could include urbanization, building dams, and dissemination of invasive species. Examples of solutions could include simulations, product development, technological innovations, and/or legislation.]
- HS-LS2-8. Evaluate the evidence for the role of group behavior on individual and species' chances to survive and reproduce.** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on: (1) distinguishing between group and individual behavior, (2) identifying evidence supporting the outcomes of group behavior, and (3) developing logical and reasonable arguments based on evidence. Examples of group behaviors could include flocking, schooling, herding, and cooperative behaviors such as hunting, migrating, and swarming.]

The performance expectations above were developed using the following elements from the NRC document *A Framework for K-12 Science Education*:

### Science and Engineering Practices

#### Using Mathematics and Computational Thinking

Mathematical and computational thinking in 9-12 builds on K-8 experiences and progresses to using algebraic thinking and analysis, a range of linear and nonlinear functions including trigonometric functions, exponentials and logarithms, and computational tools for statistical analysis to analyze, represent, and model data. Simple computational simulations are created and used based on mathematical models of basic assumptions.

- Use mathematical and/or computational representations of phenomena or design solutions to support explanations. (HS-LS2-1)
- Use mathematical representations of phenomena or design solutions to support and revise explanations. (HS-LS2-2)
- Create or revise a simulation of a phenomenon, designed device, process, or system. (HS-LS2-7)

#### Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions

Constructing explanations and designing solutions in 9-12 builds on K-8 experiences and progresses to explanations and designs that are supported by multiple and independent student-generated sources of evidence consistent with scientific ideas, principles, and theories.

- Design, evaluate, and refine a solution to a complex real-world problem, based on scientific knowledge, student-generated sources of evidence, prioritized criteria, and tradeoff considerations. (HS-LS2-7)

#### Engaging in Argument from Evidence

Engaging in argument from evidence in 9-12 builds from K-8 experiences and progresses to using appropriate and sufficient evidence and scientific reasoning to defend and critique claims and explanations about the natural and designed world(s). Arguments may also come from current scientific or historical episodes in science.

- Evaluate the claims, evidence, and reasoning behind currently accepted explanations or solutions to determine the merits of arguments. (HS-LS2-6)
- Evaluate the evidence behind currently accepted explanations or solutions to determine the merits of arguments. (HS-LS2-8)

#### Connections to Nature of Science

#### Scientific Knowledge is Open to Revision in Light of New Evidence

- Most scientific knowledge is quite durable, but is, in principle, subject to change based on new evidence and/or reinterpretation of existing evidence. (HS-LS2-2)
- Scientific argumentation is a mode of logical discourse used to clarify the strength of relationships between ideas and evidence that may result in revision of an

### Disciplinary Core Ideas

#### LS2.A: Interdependent Relationships in Ecosystems

- Ecosystems have carrying capacities, which are limits to the numbers of organisms and populations they can support. Organisms would have the capacity to produce populations of great size were it not for the fact that environments and resources are finite. This fundamental tension affects the abundance (number of individuals) of species in any given ecosystem. (HS-LS2-1),(HS-LS2-2)
- (NYSED) Carrying capacity results from the availability of biotic and abiotic factors and from challenges such as predation, competition, and disease. (HS-LS2-1),(HS-LS2-2)

#### LS2.C: Ecosystem Dynamics, Functioning, and Resilience

- A complex set of interactions within an ecosystem can keep its numbers and types of organisms relatively constant over long periods of time under stable conditions. If a modest biological or physical disturbance to an ecosystem occurs, it may return to its more or less original status (i.e., the ecosystem is resilient), as opposed to becoming a very different ecosystem. Extreme fluctuations in conditions or the size of any population, however, can challenge the functioning of ecosystems in terms of resources and habitat availability. (HS-LS2-2),(HS-LS2-6)
- Moreover, anthropogenic changes (induced by human activity) in the environment—including habitat destruction, pollution, introduction of invasive species, overexploitation, and climate change—can disrupt an ecosystem and threaten the survival of some species. (HS-LS2-7)

#### LS2.D: Social Interactions and Group Behavior

- Group behavior has evolved because membership can increase the chances of survival for individuals and their genetic relatives. (HS-LS2-8)

#### LS4.D: Biodiversity and Humans

- Biodiversity is increased by the formation of new species (speciation) and decreased by the loss of species (extinction). (secondary to HS-LS2-7)
- Humans depend on the living world for the resources and other benefits provided by biodiversity. But human activity is also having adverse impacts on biodiversity through overpopulation, overexploitation, habitat destruction, pollution, introduction of invasive species, and climate change. Thus sustaining biodiversity so that ecosystem functioning and productivity are maintained is essential to supporting and enhancing life on Earth. Sustaining biodiversity also aids humanity by preserving landscapes of recreational or inspirational value. (secondary to HS-LS2-7)

### Crosscutting Concepts

#### Cause and Effect

- Empirical evidence is required to differentiate between cause and correlation and make claims about specific causes and effects. (HS-LS2-7),(HS-LS2-8)

#### Scale, Proportion, and Quantity

- The significance of a phenomenon is dependent on the scale, proportion, and quantity at which it occurs. (HS-LS2-1)
- Using the concept of orders of magnitude allows one to understand how a model at one scale relates to a model at another scale. (HS-LS2-2)

#### Stability and Change

- Much of science deals with constructing explanations of how things change and how they remain stable. (HS-LS2-6),(HS-LS2-7)

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explanation. (HS-LS2-6),(HS-LS2-8)	<b>ETS1.B: Developing Possible Solutions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When evaluating solutions, it is important to take into account a range of constraints, including cost, safety, reliability, and aesthetics, and to consider social, cultural, and environmental impacts. (secondary to HS-LS2-7)</li> </ul>	
<i>Connections to other DCIs in this grade-band:</i> <b>HS.ESS2.D</b> (HS-LS2-7),(HS-LS4-6); <b>HS.ESS2.E</b> (HS-LS2-2),(HS-LS2-6),(HS-LS2-7),(HS-LS4-6); <b>HS.ESS3.A</b> (HS-LS2-2),(HS-LS2-7),(HS-LS4-6); <b>HS.ESS3.C</b> (HS-LS2-2),(HS-LS2-7),(HS-LS4-6); <b>HS.ESS3.D</b> (HS-LS2-2),(HS-LS4-6)		
<i>Articulation of DCIs across grade-bands:</i> <b>MS.LS1.B</b> (HS-LS2-8); <b>MS.LS2.A</b> (HS-LS2-1),(HS-LS2-2),(HS-LS2-6); <b>MS.LS2.C</b> (HS-LS2-1),(HS-LS2-2),(HS-LS2-6),(HS-LS2-7),(HS-LS4-6); <b>MS.ESS2.E</b> (HS-LS2-6); <b>MS.ESS3.A</b> (HS-LS2-1); <b>MS.ESS3.C</b> (HS-LS2-1),(HS-LS2-2),(HS-LS2-6),(HS-LS2-7),(HS-LS4-6); <b>MS.ESS3.D</b> (HS-LS2-7)		
<i>New York State Next Generation Learning Standards:</i>		
<i>ELA/Literacy –</i>		
<b>9-10.RST.8</b>	Assess the extent to which the reasoning and evidence in a source support the author's claim or a recommendation for solving a scientific or technical problem. (HS-LS2-6),(HS-LS2-7),(HS-LS2-8)	
<b>11-12.RST.1</b>	Cite specific evidence to support analysis of scientific and technical texts, charts, diagrams, etc., attending to the precise details of the source, and attending to important distinctions the author makes and to any gaps or inconsistencies in the account. (HS-LS2-1),(HS-LS2-2),(HS-LS2-6),(HS-LS2-8)	
<b>11-12.RST.7</b>	Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., quantitative data, video, multimedia) in order to address a question or solve a problem. (HS-LS2-6),(HS-LS2-7),(HS-LS2-8)	
<b>11-12.RST.8</b>	Evaluate the data, analysis, and conclusions in a science or technical text, verifying the data when possible and corroborating or challenging conclusions with other sources of information. (HS-LS2-6),(HS-LS2-7),(HS-LS2-8)	
<b>9-10.WHST.2</b>	Write informative/explanatory text focused on discipline-specific content. (HS-LS2-1),(HS-LS2-2)	
<b>11-12.WHST.2</b>	Write explanatory and analytical text focused on discipline-specific content and which uses strategies for conveying information like those used in the respective discipline. (HS-LS2-1),(HS-LS2-2)	
<b>11-12.WHST.5</b>	Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), analyze a topic, or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation. (HS-LS2-7),(HS-LS4-6)	
<i>Mathematics –</i>		
<b>MP.2</b>	Reason abstractly and quantitatively. (HS-LS2-1),(HS-LS2-2),(HS-LS2-6),(HS-LS2-7)	
<b>MP.4</b>	Model with Mathematics. (HS-LS2-1),(HS-LS2-2)	
<b>AI-N.Q.1</b>	Select quantities and use units as a way to: i) interpret and guide the solution of multi-step problems; ii) choose and interpret units consistently in formulas; and iii) choose and interpret the scale and the origin in graphs and data displays. (HS-LS2-1),(HS-LS2-2),(HS-LS2-7)	
<b>AI-N.Q.3</b>	Choose a level of accuracy appropriate to limitations on measurement and context when reporting quantities. (HS-LS2-1),(HS-LS2-2),(HS-LS2-7)	
<b>AI-S.ID.1</b>	Represent data with plots on the real number line (dot plots, histograms, and box plots). (HS-LS2-6)	
<b>AII-S.IC.6a</b>	Use the tools of statistics to draw conclusions from numerical summaries. (HS-LS2-6)	
<b>AII-S.IC.6b</b>	Use the language of statistics to critique claims from informational texts. For example, causation vs correlation, bias, measures of center and spread. (HS-LS2-6)	
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## HS. Earth's Systems

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

- HS. ESS2-2. Analyze geoscience data to make the claim that one change to Earth's surface can create feedbacks that cause changes to Earth's systems.** [Clarification Statement: Examples should include climate feedbacks, such as how an increase in greenhouse gases causes a rise in global temperatures that melts glacial ice, which reduces the amount of sunlight reflected from Earth's surface, increasing surface temperatures and further reducing the amount of ice. Examples could also be taken from other system interactions, such as how the loss of ground vegetation causes an increase in water runoff and soil erosion; how dammed rivers increase groundwater recharge, decrease sediment transport, and increase coastal erosion; or how the loss of wetlands causes a decrease in local humidity that further reduces the wetland extent.]
- HS. ESS2-3. Develop a model based on evidence of Earth's interior to describe the cycling of matter by thermal convection.** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on both a one-dimensional model of Earth, with radial layers determined by density, and a three-dimensional model, which is controlled by mantle convection and the resulting plate tectonics. Rocks and minerals can be identified and classified using various tests and protocols that determine their physical and chemical properties. Examples of evidence include maps of Earth's three-dimensional structure obtained from seismic waves, records of the rate of change of Earth's magnetic field (as constraints on convection in the outer core), and identification of the composition of Earth's layers from high-pressure laboratory experiments.]
- HS-ESS2-5. Plan and conduct an investigation of the properties of water and its effects on Earth materials and surface processes.** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on mechanical and chemical investigations with water and a variety of solid materials to provide the evidence for connections between the hydrologic cycle and system interactions commonly known as the rock cycle. Examples of mechanical investigations include stream transportation (erosion) and deposition using a stream table, infiltration and runoff by measuring permeability and porosity of different materials, or frost wedging by the expansion of water as it freezes. Examples of chemical investigations include chemical weathering and recrystallization (by testing the solubility of different materials) or melt generation (by examining how water lowers the melting temperature of most solids).]
- HS-ESS2-6. Develop a quantitative model to describe the cycling of carbon among the hydrosphere, atmosphere, geosphere, and biosphere.** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on modeling biogeochemical cycles that include the cycling of carbon through the ocean, atmosphere, soil, and biosphere (including humans), providing the foundation for living organisms.]
- HS-ESS2-7. Construct an argument based on evidence about the coevolution of Earth's systems and life on Earth.** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on the dynamic causes, effects, and feedbacks between the biosphere and Earth's other systems, whereby geoscience factors control the evolution of life, which in turn continuously alters Earth's surface. Examples include how the outgassing of water from Earth's interior caused the development of Earth's early oceans leading to the evolution of microorganisms and stromatolites; how photosynthetic life altered the atmosphere through the production of oxygen, which in turn increased weathering rates and allowed for the evolution of animal life; how microbial life on land increased the formation of soil, which in turn allowed for the evolution of land plants; or how the evolution of corals created reefs that altered patterns of erosion and deposition along coastlines and provided habitats for the evolution of new life forms.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment does not include a comprehensive understanding of the mechanisms of how the biosphere interacts with all of Earth's other systems.]

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Science and Engineering Practices	Disciplinary Core Ideas	Crosscutting Concepts
<p><b>Developing and Using Models</b> Modeling in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to using, synthesizing, and developing models to predict and show relationships among variables between systems and their components in the natural and designed world(s).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Develop a model based on evidence to illustrate the relationships between systems or between components of a system. (HS-ESS2-3), (HS-ESS2-6)</li> </ul> <p><b>Planning and Carrying Out Investigations</b> Planning and carrying out investigations in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to include investigations that provide evidence for and test conceptual, mathematical, physical, and empirical models.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plan and conduct an investigation individually and collaboratively to produce data to serve as the basis for evidence, and in the design: decide on types, how much, and accuracy of data needed to produce reliable measurements and consider limitations on the precision of the data (e.g., number of trials, cost, risk, time), and refine the design accordingly. (HS-ESS2-5)</li> </ul> <p><b>Analyzing and Interpreting Data</b> Analyzing data in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to introducing more detailed statistical analysis, the comparison of data sets for consistency, and the use of models to generate and analyze data.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyze data using tools, technologies, and/or models (e.g., computational, mathematical) in order to make valid and reliable scientific claims or determine an optimal design solution. (HS-ESS2-2)</li> </ul> <p><b>Engaging in Argument from Evidence</b> Engaging in argument from evidence in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to using appropriate and sufficient evidence and scientific reasoning to defend and critique claims and explanations about the natural and designed world(s). Arguments may also come from current scientific or historical episodes in science.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Construct an oral and written argument or counter-arguments based on data and evidence. (HS-ESS2-7)</li> </ul>	<p><b>ESS2.A: Earth Materials and Systems</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Earth's systems, being dynamic and interacting, cause feedback effects that can increase or decrease the original changes (HS-ESS2-2)</li> <li>Evidence from deep probes and seismic waves, reconstructions of historical changes in Earth's surface and its magnetic field, and an understanding of physical and chemical processes lead to a model of Earth with a hot but solid inner core, a liquid outer core, a solid mantle and crust. Motions of the mantle and its plates occur primarily through thermal convection, which involves the cycling of matter due to the outward flow of energy from Earth's interior and gravitational movement of denser materials toward the interior. (HS-ESS2-3)</li> </ul> <p><b>ESS2.B: Plate Tectonics and Large-Scale System Interactions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(NYSSED) Residual heat from Earth's formation and the radioactive decay of unstable isotopes in Earth's interior continually generate energy that is absorbed by Earth's mantle and crust, driving mantle convection. Plate tectonics can be viewed as the surface expression of mantle convection. (HS-ESS2-3)</li> <li>(NYSSED) Minerals are the building blocks of igneous, metamorphic, and sedimentary rocks and can be identified using physical and chemical characteristics. These rock types are evidence of stages of constant recycling of Earth material by surface processes and convection currents in the mantle. (HS-ESS2-3)</li> </ul> <p><b>ESS2.C: The Roles of Water in Earth's Surface Processes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The abundance of liquid water on Earth's surface and its unique combination of physical and chemical properties are central to the planet's dynamics. These properties include water's exceptional capacity to absorb, store, and release large amounts of energy, transmit sunlight, expand upon freezing, dissolve and transport materials, and lower the viscosities and melting points of rocks. (HS-ESS2-5)</li> </ul> <p><b>ESS2.D: Weather and Climate</b></p>	<p><b>Energy and Matter</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The total amount of energy and matter in closed systems is conserved. (HS-ESS2-6)</li> <li>Energy drives the cycling of matter within and between systems. (HS-ESS2-3)</li> </ul> <p><b>Structure and Function</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The functions and properties of natural and designed objects and systems can be inferred from their overall structure, the way their components are shaped and used, and the molecular substructures of its various materials. (HS-ESS2-5)</li> </ul> <p><b>Stability and Change</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Much of science deals with constructing explanations of how things change and how they remain stable. (HS-ESS2-7)</li> <li>Feedback (negative or positive) can stabilize or destabilize a system. (HS-ESS2-2)</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">-----</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Connections to Engineering, Technology, and Applications of Science</b></p> <p><b>Interdependence of Science, Engineering, and Technology</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Science and engineering complement each other in the cycle known as research and development (R&amp;D). Many R&amp;D projects may involve scientists, engineers, and others with wide ranges of expertise. (HS-ESS2-3)</li> </ul> <p><b>Influence of Engineering, Technology, and Science on Society and the Natural World</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New technologies can have deep impacts on society and the environment,</li> </ul>

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Connections to Nature of Science</b></p> <p><b>Scientific Knowledge is Based on Empirical Evidence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Science knowledge is based on empirical evidence. (HS-ESS2-3)</li> <li>▪ Science disciplines share common rules of evidence used to evaluate explanations about natural systems. (HS-ESS2-3)</li> </ul> <p>Science includes the process of coordinating patterns of evidence with current theory. (HS-ESS2-3)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The foundation for Earth’s global climate systems is the electromagnetic radiation from the sun, as well as its reflection, absorption, storage, and redistribution among the atmosphere, ocean, and land systems, and this energy’s re-radiation into space. (HS-ESS2-2)</li> <li>▪ Gradual atmospheric changes were due to plants and other organisms that captured carbon dioxide and released oxygen. (HS-ESS2-6),(HS-ESS2-7)</li> <li>▪ Changes in the atmosphere due to human activity have increased carbon dioxide concentrations and thus affect climate. (HS-ESS2-6)</li> </ul> <p><b>ESS2.E: Biogeology</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The many dynamic and delicate feedbacks between the biosphere and other Earth systems cause a continual co-evolution of Earth’s surface and the life that exists on it. (HS-ESS2-7)</li> </ul> <p><b>PS4.A: Wave Properties</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Geologists use seismic waves and their reflection at interfaces between layers to probe structures deep in the planet. (secondary to HS-ESS2-3)</li> </ul>	<p>including some that were not anticipated. Analysis of costs and benefits is a critical aspect of decisions about technology. (HS-ESS2-2)</p>
<p><i>Connections to other DCIs in this grade-band:</i> <b>HS.PS1.A</b> (HS-ESS2-5),(HS-ESS2-6); <b>HS.PS1.B</b> (HS-ESS2-5),(HS-ESS2-6); <b>HS.PS2.B</b> (HS-ESS2-3); <b>HS.PS3.B</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-3),(HS-ESS2-5); <b>HS.PS3.D</b> (HS-ESS2-3),(HS-ESS2-6); <b>HS.PS4.B</b> (HS-ESS2-2); <b>HS.LS1.C</b> (HS-ESS2-6); <b>HS.LS2.A</b> (HS-ESS2-7); <b>HS.LS2.B</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-6); <b>HS.LS2.C</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-5),(HS-ESS2-6); <b>HS.LS4.A</b> (HS-ESS2-7); <b>HS.LS4.B</b> (HS-ESS2-7); <b>HS.LS4.C</b> (HS-ESS2-7); <b>HS.LS4.D</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-7); <b>HS.ESS3.C</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-5),(HS-ESS2-6); <b>HS.ESS3.D</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-6)</p>		
<p><i>Articulation of DCIs across grade-bands:</i> <b>MS.PS1.A</b> (HS-ESS2-3),(HS-ESS2-5),(HS-ESS2-6); <b>MS.PS1.B</b> (HS-ESS2-3); <b>MS.PS2.B</b> (HS-ESS2-3); <b>MS.PS3.A</b> (HS-ESS2-3); <b>MS.PS3.B</b> (HS-ESS2-3); <b>MS.PS3.D</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-6); <b>MS.PS4.B</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-5),(HS-ESS2-6); <b>MS.LS2.A</b> (HS-ESS2-7); <b>MS.LS2.B</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-6); <b>MS.LS2.C</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-7); <b>MS.LS4.A</b> (HS-ESS2-7); <b>MS.LS4.B</b> (HS-ESS2-7); <b>MS.LS4.C</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-7); <b>MS.ESS1.C</b> (HS-ESS2-7); <b>MS.ESS2.A</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-3),(HS-ESS2-5),(HS-ESS2-6),(HS-ESS2-7); <b>MS.ESS2.B</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-3),(HS-ESS2-6); <b>MS.ESS2.C</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-5),(HS-ESS2-6),(HS-ESS2-7); <b>MS.ESS2.D</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-5); <b>MS.ESS3.C</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-6); <b>MS.ESS3.D</b> (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-6)</p>		
<p><i>New York State Next Generation Learning Standards:</i></p> <p><i>ELA/Literacy –</i></p> <p><b>11-12.RST.1</b> Cite specific evidence to support analysis of scientific and technical texts, charts, diagrams, etc., attending to the precise details of the source, and attending to important distinctions the author makes and to any gaps or inconsistencies in the account. (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-3)</p> <p><b>11-12.RST.2</b> Determine the key ideas or conclusions of a source; summarize complex concepts, processes, or information presented in a source by paraphrasing in precise and accurate terms. (HS-ESS2-2)</p> <p><b>9-12.WHST.1</b> Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content. (HS-ESS2-2)</p> <p><b>9-12.WHST.5</b> Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question), analyze a topic, or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation. (HS-ESS2-5)</p> <p><b>11-12.SL.5</b> Make strategic use of digital media and/or visual displays in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence, and to add elements of interest to engage the audience. (HS-ESS2-3)</p> <p><i>Mathematics –</i></p> <p><b>MP.2</b> Reason abstractly and quantitatively. (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-3),(HS-ESS2-6)</p> <p><b>MP.4</b> Model with Mathematics. (HS-ESS2-3), (HS-ESS2-6)</p> <p><b>AI-N.Q.1</b> Select quantities and use units as a way to: i) interpret and guide the solution of multi-step problems; ii) choose and interpret units consistently in formulas; and iii) choose and interpret the scale and the origin in graphs and data displays. (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-3),(HS-ESS2-6)</p> <p><b>AI-N.Q.3</b> Choose a level of accuracy appropriate to limitations on measurement and context when reporting quantities. (HS-ESS2-2),(HS-ESS2-3),(HS-ESS2-5),(HS-ESS2-6)</p>		
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## HS. Weather and Climate

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

- HS. ESS2-4. Use a model to describe how variations in the flow of energy into and out of Earth’s systems result in changes in climate.** [Clarification Statement: Examples of the causes of climate change differ by timescale, over 1-10 years: large volcanic eruption, ocean circulation; 10-100s of years: changes in human activity, ocean circulation, solar output; 10-100s of thousands of years: changes to Earth’s orbit and the orientation of its axis; and 10-100s of millions of years: long-term changes in atmospheric composition and plate tectonic movement.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment of the results of changes in climate is limited to changes in surface temperatures, precipitation patterns, glacial ice volumes, sea levels, and biosphere distribution.]
- HS-ESS3-5. Analyze geoscience data and the results from global climate models to make an evidence-based forecast of the current rate of global or regional climate change and associated future impacts to Earth systems.** [Clarification Statement: Examples of evidence, for both data and climate model outputs, are for climate changes (such as precipitation and temperature) and their associated impacts (such as on sea level, glacial ice volumes, or atmosphere and ocean composition).] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment is limited to one example of a climate change and its associated impacts.]
- HS-ESS2-8. Evaluate data and communicate information to explain how the movement and interactions of air masses result in changes in weather conditions.** [Clarification Statement: Examples of evidence sources could include station models, surface weather maps, satellite images, radar, and accepted forecast models. Emphasis should focus on communicating how the uneven heating of Earth’s surface and prevailing global winds drive the movement of air masses and their corresponding circulation patterns, the interaction of different air masses at frontal boundaries, and resulting weather phenomena.] [Assessment Boundary: Analysis is limited to surface weather maps and general weather patterns associated with high and low pressure systems.]

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Science and Engineering Practices	Disciplinary Core Ideas	Crosscutting Concepts
<p><b>Developing and Using Models</b> Modeling in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to using, synthesizing, and developing models to predict and show relationships among variables between systems and their components in the natural and designed world(s).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use a model to provide mechanistic accounts of phenomena. (HS-ESS2-4)</li> </ul> <p><b>Analyzing and Interpreting Data</b> Analyzing data in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to introducing more detailed statistical analysis, the comparison of data sets for consistency, and the use of models to generate and analyze data.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Analyze data using tools, technologies and/or models (e.g., computational or mathematical) in order to make valid and reliable scientific claims or determine optimal design solution. (HS-ESS3-5)</li> </ul> <p><b>Obtaining, Evaluating, and Communicating Information</b> Obtaining, evaluating and communicating information in 9-12 builds on K-8 experiences and progresses to evaluating the validity and reliability of the claims, methods, and designs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Communicate scientific ideas (e.g., about phenomena and/or the process of development and the design and performance of a proposed process or system) in multiple formats (including orally, graphically, textually, and mathematically). (HS-ESS2-8)</li> </ul> <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Connections to Nature of Science</b></p> <p><b>Scientific Investigations Use a Variety of Methods</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Science investigations use diverse methods and do not always use the same set of procedures to obtain data. (HS-ESS3-5)</li> <li>New technologies advance scientific knowledge. (HS-ESS3-5)</li> </ul> <p><b>Scientific Knowledge is Based on Empirical Evidence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Science knowledge is based on empirical evidence. (HS-ESS3-5)</li> <li>Science arguments are strengthened by multiple lines of evidence supporting a single explanation. (HS-ESS2-4), (HS-ESS3-5)</li> </ul>	<p><b>ESS1.B: Earth and the Solar System</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cyclical changes in the shape of Earth’s orbit around the sun, together with changes in the tilt of the planet’s axis of rotation, both occurring over hundreds of thousands of years, have altered the intensity and distribution of sunlight falling on the earth. These phenomena cause a cycle of ice ages and other gradual climate changes. (secondary to HS-ESS2-4)</li> </ul> <p><b>ESS2.A: Earth Materials and Systems</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The geological record shows that changes to global and regional climate can be caused by interactions among changes in the sun’s energy output or Earth’s orbit, tectonic events, ocean circulation, volcanic activity, glaciers, vegetation, and human activities. These changes can occur on a variety of time scales from sudden (e.g., volcanic ash clouds) to intermediate (ice ages) to very long-term tectonic cycles. (HS-ESS2-4)</li> </ul> <p><b>ESS2.D: Weather and Climate</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The foundation for Earth’s global climate systems is the electromagnetic radiation from the sun, as well as its reflection, absorption, storage, and redistribution among the atmosphere, ocean, and land systems, and this energy’s re-radiation into space. (HS-ESS2-4),(secondary to HS-ESS2-2)</li> <li>Changes in the atmosphere due to human activity have increased carbon dioxide concentrations and thus affect climate. (HS-ESS2-4)</li> <li>(NYSED) Concepts of density and heat energy can be used to explain observations of weather patterns (HS-ESS2-8).</li> </ul> <p><b>ESS3.D: Global Climate Change</b></p> <p>Though the magnitudes of human impacts are greater than they have ever been, so too are human abilities to model, predict, and manage current and future impacts. (HS-ESS3-5)</p>	<p><b>Patterns</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Different patterns may be observed at each of the scales at which a system is studied and can provide evidence for causality in explanations of phenomena. (HS-ESS2-8)</li> <li>Empirical evidence is needed to identify patterns. (HS-ESS2-8)</li> </ul> <p><b>Cause and Effect</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Empirical evidence is required to differentiate between cause and correlation and make claims about specific causes and effects. (HS-ESS2-4)</li> </ul> <p><b>Stability and Change</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Change and rates of change can be quantified and modeled over very short or very long periods of time. Some system changes are irreversible. (HS-ESS3-5)</li> </ul>
<p><i>Connections to other DCIs in this grade-band:</i> <b>HS.PS3.A</b> (HS-ESS2-4); <b>HS.PS3.B</b> (HS-ESS2-4),(HS-ESS3-5); <b>HS.PS3.D</b> (HS-ESS3-5); <b>HS.LS1.C</b> (HS-ESS3-5); <b>HS.LS2.C</b> (HS-ESS2-4); <b>HS.ESS1.C</b> (HS-ESS2-4); <b>HS.ESS2.D</b> (HS-ESS3-5); <b>HS.ESS3.C</b> (HS-ESS2-4); <b>HS.ESS3.D</b> (HS-ESS2-4)</p>		
<p><i>Articulation of DCIs across grade-bands:</i> <b>MS.PS3.A</b> (HS-ESS2-4); <b>MS.PS3.B</b> (HS-ESS2-4),(HS-ESS3-5); <b>MS.PS3.D</b> (HS-ESS2-4),(HS-ESS3-5); <b>MS.PS4.B</b> (HS-ESS2-4); <b>MS.LS1.C</b> (HS-ESS2-4); <b>MS.LS2.B</b> (HS-ESS2-4); <b>MS.LS2.C</b> (HS-ESS2-4); <b>MS.ESS2.A</b> (HS-ESS2-4),(HS-ESS3-5); <b>MS.ESS2.B</b> (HS-ESS2-4); <b>MS.ESS2.C</b> (HS-ESS2-4); <b>MS.ESS2.D</b> (HS-ESS2-4),(HS-ESS3-5); <b>MS.ESS3.B</b> (HS-ESS3-5); <b>MS.ESS3.C</b> (HS-ESS2-4),(HS-ESS3-5); <b>MS.ESS3.D</b> (HS-ESS2-4),(HS-ESS3-5)</p>		
<p><i>New York State Next Generation Learning Standards: ELA/Literacy –</i></p> <p><b>11-12.RST.1</b> Cite specific evidence to support analysis of scientific and technical texts, charts, diagrams, etc., attending to the precise details of the source, and attending to important distinctions the author makes and to any gaps or inconsistencies in the account. (HS-ESS3-5),(HS-ESS2-8)</p> <p><b>11-12.RST.2</b> Determine the key ideas or conclusions of a source; summarize complex concepts, processes, or information presented in a source by paraphrasing in precise and accurate terms. (HS-ESS3-5)</p> <p><b>11-12.RST.7</b> Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., quantitative data, video, multimedia) in order to</p>		

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<b>11-12.SL.5</b>	address a question or solve a problem. (HS-ESS3-5),(HS-ESS2-8) Make strategic use of digital media and/or visual displays in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence, and to add elements of interest to engage the audience. (HS-ESS2-4)
<i>Mathematics –</i>	
<b>MP.2</b>	Reason abstractly and quantitatively. (HS-ESS2-4),(HS-ESS3-5),(HS-ESS2-8)
<b>MP.4</b>	Model with Mathematics. (HS-ESS2-4)
<b>AI-N.Q.1</b>	Select quantities and use units as a way to: i) interpret and guide the solution of multi-step problems; ii) choose and interpret units consistently in formulas; and iii) choose and interpret the scale and the origin in graphs and data displays. (HS-ESS2-4),(HS-ESS3-5)
<b>AI-N.Q.3</b>	Choose a level of accuracy appropriate to limitations on measurement and context when reporting quantities. (HS-ESS2-4),(HS-ESS3-5),(HS-ESS2-8)
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## HS. Human Sustainability

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

- HS-ESS3-1. Construct an explanation based on evidence for how the availability of natural resources, occurrence of natural hazards, and changes in climate have influenced human activity.** [Clarification Statement: Examples of key natural resources include access to fresh water (such as rivers, lakes, and groundwater), regions of fertile soils such as river deltas, and high concentrations of minerals and fossil fuels. Examples of natural hazards can be from interior processes (such as volcanic eruptions and earthquakes), surface processes (such as tsunamis, mass wasting and soil erosion), and severe weather (such as blizzards, hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, and droughts). Examples of the results of changes in climate that can affect populations or drive mass migrations include changes to sea level, regional patterns of temperature and precipitation, and the types of crops and livestock that can be raised.]
- HS-ESS3-2. Evaluate competing design solutions for developing, managing, and utilizing energy and mineral resources based on cost-benefit ratios.\*** [Clarification Statement: Emphasis is on the conservation, recycling, and reuse of resources (such as minerals and metals) where possible, and on minimizing impacts where it is not. Examples include developing best practices for agricultural soil use, mining (for coal, tar sands, and oil shales), and pumping (for petroleum and natural gas). Science knowledge indicates what can happen in natural systems—not what should happen.]
- HS-ESS3-3. Create a computational simulation to illustrate the relationships among management of natural resources, the sustainability of human populations, and biodiversity.** [Clarification Statement: Examples of factors that affect the management of natural resources include costs of resource extraction and waste management, per-capita consumption, and the development of new technologies. Examples of factors that affect human sustainability include agricultural efficiency, levels of conservation, and urban planning.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment for computational simulations is limited to using provided multi-parameter programs or constructing simplified spreadsheet calculations.]
- HS-ESS3-4. Evaluate or refine a technological solution that reduces impacts of human activities on natural systems.\*** [Clarification Statement: Examples of data on the impacts of human activities could include the quantities and types of pollutants released, changes to biomass and species diversity, or areal changes in land surface use (such as for urban development, agriculture and livestock, or surface mining). Examples for limiting future impacts could range from local efforts (such as reducing, reusing, and recycling resources) to large-scale geoengineering design solutions (such as altering global temperatures by making large changes to the atmosphere or ocean).]
- HS-ESS3-6. Use a computational representation to illustrate the relationships among Earth systems and how those relationships are being modified due to human activity.\*** [Clarification Statement: Examples of Earth systems to be considered are the hydrosphere, atmosphere, cryosphere, geosphere, and/or biosphere. An example of the far-reaching impacts from a human activity is how an increase in atmospheric carbon dioxide results in an increase in photosynthetic biomass on land and an increase in ocean acidification, with resulting impacts on sea organism health and marine populations.] [Assessment Boundary: Assessment does not include running computational representations but is limited to using the published results of scientific computational models.]

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Science and Engineering Practices	Disciplinary Core Ideas	Crosscutting Concepts
<p><b>Using Mathematics and Computational Thinking</b> Mathematical and computational thinking in 9-12 builds on K-8 experiences and progresses to using algebraic thinking and analysis, a range of linear and nonlinear functions including trigonometric functions, exponentials and logarithms, and computational tools for statistical analysis to analyze, represent, and model data. Simple computational simulations are created and used based on mathematical models of basic assumptions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Create a computational model or simulation of a phenomenon, designed device, process, or system. (HS-ESS3-3)</li> <li>▪ Use a computational representation of phenomena or design solutions to describe and/or support claims and/or explanations. (HS-ESS3-6)</li> </ul> <p><b>Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions</b> Constructing explanations and designing solutions in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to explanations and designs that are supported by multiple and independent student-generated sources of evidence consistent with scientific knowledge, principles, and theories.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Construct an explanation based on valid and reliable evidence obtained from a variety of sources (including students’ own investigations, models, theories, simulations, peer review) and the assumption that theories and laws that describe the natural world operate today as they did in the past and will continue to do so in the future. (HS-ESS3-1)</li> <li>▪ Design or refine a solution to a complex real-world problem, based on scientific knowledge, student-generated sources of evidence, prioritized criteria, and tradeoff considerations. (HS-ESS3-4)</li> </ul> <p><b>Engaging in Argument from Evidence</b> Engaging in argument from evidence in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to using appropriate</p>	<p><b>ESS2.D: Weather and Climate</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Current models predict that, although future regional climate changes will be complex and varied, average global temperatures will continue to rise. The outcomes predicted by global climate models strongly depend on the amounts of human-generated greenhouse gases added to the atmosphere each year and by the ways in which these gases are absorbed by the ocean and biosphere. (secondary to HS-ESS3-6)</li> </ul> <p><b>ESS3.A: Natural Resources</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Resource availability has guided the development of human society. (HS-ESS3-1)</li> <li>▪ All forms of energy production and other resource extraction have associated economic, social, environmental, and geopolitical costs and risks as well as benefits. New technologies and social regulations can change the balance of these factors. (HS-ESS3-2)</li> </ul> <p><b>ESS3.B: Natural Hazards</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Natural hazards and other geologic events have shaped the course of human history; [they] have significantly altered the sizes of human populations and have driven human migrations. (HS-ESS3-1)</li> </ul> <p><b>ESS3.C: Human Impacts on Earth Systems</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The sustainability of human societies and the biodiversity that supports them requires responsible management of natural resources. (HS-ESS3-3)</li> <li>▪ Scientists and engineers can make major contributions by developing technologies that produce less pollution and waste and that preclude ecosystem degradation. (HS-ESS3-4)</li> </ul> <p><b>ESS3.D: Global Climate Change</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Through computer simulations and other studies, important discoveries are still being made about how the ocean, the atmosphere, and the biosphere interact and are modified in response to human activities. (HS-ESS3-6)</li> </ul> <p><b>ETS1.B. Developing Possible Solutions</b> When evaluating solutions, it is important to take into</p>	<p><b>Cause and Effect</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Empirical evidence is required to differentiate between cause and correlation and make claims about specific causes and effects. (HS-ESS3-1)</li> </ul> <p><b>Systems and System Models</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ When investigating or describing a system, the boundaries and initial conditions of the system need to be defined and their inputs and outputs analyzed and described using models. (HS-ESS3-6)</li> </ul> <p><b>Stability and Change</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Change and rates of change can be quantified and modeled over very short or very long periods of time. Some system changes are irreversible. (HS-ESS3-3)</li> <li>▪ Feedback (negative or positive) can stabilize or destabilize a system. (HS-ESS3-4)</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">-----</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Connections to Engineering, Technology, and Applications of Science</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-----</p> <p><b>Influence of Engineering, Technology, and Science on Society and the Natural World</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Modern civilization depends on major technological systems. (HS-ESS3-1),(HS-ESS3-3)</li> <li>▪ Engineers continuously modify these systems to increase benefits while decreasing costs and risks. (HS-ESS3-2),(HS-ESS3-4)</li> <li>▪ New technologies can have deep impacts on society and the environment, including some that were not anticipated. (HS-ESS3-3)</li> <li>▪ Analysis of costs and benefits is a critical aspect of decisions about technology. (HS-ESS3-2)</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">-----</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Connections to Nature of Science</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-----</p> <p><b>Science is a Human Endeavor</b></p>

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<p>and sufficient evidence and scientific reasoning to defend and critique claims and explanations about natural and designed world(s). Arguments may also come from current scientific or historical episodes in science.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evaluate competing design solutions to a real-world problem based on scientific ideas and principles, empirical evidence, and logical arguments regarding relevant factors (e.g. economic, societal, environmental, ethical considerations). (HS-ESS3-2)</li> </ul>	<p>account a range of constraints, including cost, safety, reliability, and aesthetics, and to consider social, cultural, and environmental impacts. (secondary to HS-ESS3-2),(secondary to HS-ESS3-4)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scientific knowledge is a result of human endeavors, imagination, and creativity. (HS-ESS3-3)</li> </ul> <p><b>Science Addresses Questions About the Natural and Material World</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Science and technology may raise ethical issues for which science, by itself, does not provide answers and solutions. (HS-ESS3-2)</li> <li>Science knowledge indicates what can happen in natural systems—not what should happen. The latter involves ethics, values, and human decisions about the use of knowledge. (HS-ESS3-2)</li> <li>Many decisions are not made using science alone, but rely on social and cultural contexts to resolve issues. (HS-ESS3-2)</li> </ul>
<p><i>Connections to other DCIs in this grade-band:</i> <b>HS.PS1.B</b> (HS-ESS3-3); <b>HS.PS3.B</b> (HS-ESS3-2); <b>HS.PS3.D</b> (HS-ESS3-2); <b>HS.LS2.A</b> (HS-ESS3-2),(HS-ESS3-3); <b>HS.LS2.B</b> (HS-ESS3-2),(HS-ESS3-3),(HS-ESS3-6); <b>HS.LS2.C</b> (HS-ESS3-3),(HS-ESS3-4),(HS-ESS3-6); <b>HS.LS4.D</b> (HS-ESS3-2),(HS-ESS3-3),(HS-ESS3-4),(HS-ESS3-6); <b>HS.ESS2.A</b> (HS-ESS3-2),(HS-ESS3-3),(HS-ESS3-6); <b>HS.ESS2.E</b> (HS-ESS3-3)</p>		
<p><i>Articulation of DCIs across grade-bands:</i> <b>MS.PS1.B</b> (HS-ESS3-3); <b>MS.PS3.D</b> (HS-ESS3-2); <b>MS.LS2.A</b> (HS-ESS3-1),(HS-ESS3-2),(HS-ESS3-3); <b>MS.LS2.B</b> (HS-ESS3-2),(HS-ESS3-3); <b>MS.LS2.C</b> (HS-ESS3-3),(HS-ESS3-4),(HS-ESS3-6); <b>MS.LS4.C</b> (HS-ESS3-3); <b>MS.LS4.D</b> (HS-ESS3-1),(HS-ESS3-2),(HS-ESS3-3); <b>MS.ESS2.A</b> (HS-ESS3-1),(HS-ESS3-3),(HS-ESS3-4),(HS-ESS3-6); <b>MS.ESS2.C</b> (HS-ESS3-6); <b>MS.ESS3.A</b> (HS-ESS3-1),(HS-ESS3-2),(HS-ESS3-3); <b>MS.ESS3.B</b> (HS-ESS3-1),(HS-ESS3-4); <b>MS.ESS3.C</b> (HS-ESS3-2),(HS-ESS3-3),(HS-ESS3-4),(HS-ESS3-6); <b>MS.ESS3.D</b> (HS-ESS3-4),(HS-ESS3-6)</p>		
<p><i>New York State Next Generation Learning Standards:</i></p> <p><i>ELA/Literacy –</i></p> <p><b>11-12.RST.1</b> Cite specific evidence to support analysis of scientific and technical texts, charts, diagrams, etc., attending to the precise details of the source, and attending to important distinctions the author makes and to any gaps or inconsistencies in the account. (HS-ESS3-1),(HS-ESS3-2),(HS-ESS3-4)</p> <p><b>11-12.RST.8</b> Evaluate the data, analysis, and conclusions in a science or technical text, verifying the data when possible and corroborating or challenging conclusions with other sources of information. (HS-ESS3-2),(HS-ESS3-4)</p> <p><b>9-10.WHST.2</b> Write informative/explanatory text focused on discipline-specific content. (HS-ESS3-1)</p> <p><b>11-12.WHST.2</b> Write explanatory and analytical text focused on discipline-specific content and which uses strategies for conveying information like those used in the respective discipline. (HS-ESS3-1)</p> <p><i>Mathematics –</i></p> <p><b>MP.2</b> Reason abstractly and quantitatively. (HS-ESS3-1),(HS-ESS3-2),(HS-ESS3-3),(HS-ESS3-4),(HS-ESS3-6)</p> <p><b>MP.4</b> Model with Mathematics. (HS-ESS3-3),(HS-ESS3-6)</p> <p><b>AI-N.Q.1</b> Select quantities and use units as a way to: i) interpret and guide the solution of multi-step problems; ii) choose and interpret units consistently in formulas; and iii) choose and interpret the scale and the origin in graphs and data displays. (HS-ESS3-1),(HS-ESS3-4),(HS-ESS3-6)</p> <p><b>AI-N.Q.3</b> Choose a level of accuracy appropriate to limitations on measurement and context when reporting quantities. (HS-ESS3-1),(HS-ESS3-4),(HS-ESS3-6)</p> <p>*Connection boxes updated as of September 2018</p>		

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## HS. Engineering Design

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

- HS-ETS1-1. Analyze a major global challenge to specify qualitative and quantitative criteria and constraints for solutions that account for societal needs and wants.**
- HS-ETS1-2. Design a solution to a complex real-world problem by breaking it down into smaller, more manageable problems that can be solved through engineering.**
- HS-ETS1-3. Evaluate a solution to a complex real-world problem based on prioritized criteria and trade-offs that account for a range of constraints, including cost, safety, reliability, and aesthetics, as well as possible social, cultural, and environmental impacts.**
- HS-ETS1-4. Use a computer simulation to model the impact of proposed solutions to a complex real-world problem with numerous criteria and constraints on interactions within and between systems relevant to the problem.**

The performance expectations above were developed using the following elements from the NRC document *A Framework for K-12 Science Education*:

Science and Engineering Practices	Disciplinary Core Ideas	Crosscutting Concepts
<p><b>Asking Questions and Defining Problems</b> Asking questions and defining problems in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to formulating, refining, and evaluating empirically testable questions and design problems using models and simulations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Analyze complex real-world problems by specifying criteria and constraints for successful solutions. (HS-ETS1-1)</li> </ul> <p><b>Using Mathematics and Computational Thinking</b> Mathematical and computational thinking in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to using algebraic thinking and analysis, a range of linear and nonlinear functions including trigonometric functions, exponentials and logarithms, and computational tools for statistical analysis to analyze, represent, and model data. Simple computational simulations are created and used based on mathematical models of basic assumptions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Use mathematical models and/or computer simulations to predict the effects of a design solution on systems and/or the interactions between systems. (HS-ETS1-4)</li> </ul> <p><b>Constructing Explanations and Designing Solutions</b> Constructing explanations and designing solutions in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to explanations and designs that are supported by multiple and independent student-generated sources of evidence consistent with scientific ideas, principles and theories.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Design a solution to a complex real-world problem, based on scientific knowledge, student-generated sources of evidence, prioritized criteria, and tradeoff considerations. (HS-ETS1-2)</li> <li>▪ Evaluate a solution to a complex real-world problem, based on scientific knowledge, student-generated sources of evidence, prioritized criteria, and tradeoff considerations. (HS-ETS1-3)</li> </ul>	<p><b>ETS1.A: Defining and Delimiting Engineering Problems</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Criteria and constraints also include satisfying any requirements set by society, such as taking issues of risk mitigation into account, and they should be quantified to the extent possible and stated in such a way that one can tell if a given design meets them. (HS-ETS1-1)</li> <li>▪ Humanity faces major global challenges today, such as the need for supplies of clean water and food or for energy sources that minimize pollution, which can be addressed through engineering. These global challenges also may have manifestations in local communities. (HS-ETS1-1)</li> </ul> <p><b>ETS1.B: Developing Possible Solutions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ When evaluating solutions, it is important to take into account a range of constraints, including cost, safety, reliability, and aesthetics, and to consider social, cultural, and environmental impacts. (HS-ETS1-3)</li> <li>▪ Both physical models and computers can be used in various ways to aid in the engineering design process. Computers are useful for a variety of purposes, such as running simulations to test different ways of solving a problem or to see which one is most efficient or economical; and in making a persuasive presentation to a client about how a given design will meet his or her needs. (HS-ETS1-4)</li> </ul> <p><b>ETS1.C: Optimizing the Design Solution</b> Criteria may need to be broken down into simpler ones that can be approached systematically, and decisions about the priority of certain criteria over others (trade-offs) may be needed. (HS-ETS1-2)</p>	<p><b>Systems and System Models</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Models (e.g., physical, mathematical, computer models) can be used to simulate systems and interactions—including energy, matter, and information flows— within and between systems at different scales. (HS-ETS1-4)</li> </ul> <hr style="border: 0.5px dashed black;"/> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;"><b>Connections to Engineering, Technology, and Applications of Science</b></p> <p><b>Influence of Science, Engineering, and Technology on Society and the Natural World</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ New technologies can have deep impacts on society and the environment, including some that were not anticipated. Analysis of costs and benefits is a critical aspect of decisions about technology. (HS-ETS1-1) (HS-ETS1-3)</li> </ul>

*Connections to HS-ETS1.A: Defining and Delimiting Engineering Problems include:*

**Physical Science:** HS-PS2-3, HS-PS3-3

*Connections to HS-ETS1.B: Designing Solutions to Engineering Problems include:*

**Earth and Space Science:** HS-ESS3-2, HS-ESS3-4, **Life Science:** HS-LS2-7, HS-LS4-6

*Connections to HS-ETS1.C: Optimizing the Design Solution include:*

**Physical Science:** HS-PS1-6, HS-PS2-3

*Articulation of DCIs across grade-bands:* **MS.ETS1.A** (HS-ETS1-1),(HS-ETS1-2),(HS-ETS1-3),(HS-ETS1-4); **MS.ETS1.B** (HS-ETS1-2),(HS-ETS1-3),(HS-ETS1-4); **MS.ETS1.C** (HS-ETS1-2),(HS-ETS1-4)

*New York State Next Generation Learning Standards:*

*ELA/Literacy –*

- 11-12.RST.7** Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., quantitative data, video, multimedia) in order to address a question or solve a problem. (HS-ETS1-1),(HS-ETS1-3)
- 11-12.RST.8** Evaluate the data, analysis, and conclusions in a science or technical text, verifying the data when possible and corroborating or challenging conclusions with other sources of information. (HS-ETS1-1),(HS-ETS1-3)
- 11-12.RST.9** Compare and contrast findings presented in a source to those from other sources (including their own experiments), noting when the findings support or contradict previous explanations or accounts. (HS-ETS1-1),(HS-ETS1-3)

*Mathematics –*

- MP.2** Reason abstractly and quantitatively. (HS-ETS1-1),(HS-ETS1-3),(HS-ETS1-4)
- MP.4** Model with Mathematics. (HS-ETS1-1),(HS-ETS1-2),(HS-ETS1-3),(HS-ETS1-4)

\*Connection boxes updated as of September 2018

\*The performance expectations marked with an asterisk integrate traditional science content with engineering through a Practice or Disciplinary Core Idea.

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