

NGSS

Three Dimensions:

1. **Practices**
2. **Crosscutting**
3. **Core Ideas**



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Dimension 1: Scientific and Engineering Practices

- ___ 1. Asking **questions** (for science) and defining **problems** (for engineering)
- ___ 2. Developing and using **models**
- ___ 3. Planning and carrying out **investigations**
- ___ 4. Analyzing and interpreting **data**
- ___ 5. Using mathematics and **computational thinking**
- ___ 6. Constructing **explanations** (science) & designing **solutions** (engineering)
- ___ 7. Engaging in argument from **evidence**
- ___ 8. Obtaining, evaluating, and communicating **information**

Notes:

- ___ **Strengthening the engineering aspects** of the Next Generation Science Standards will clarify for students the relevance of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (the four STEM fields) to everyday life.
- ___ **Although engineering design is similar to scientific inquiry, there are significant differences.** For example, scientific inquiry involves the formulation of a question that can be answered through investigation, while engineering design involves the formulation of a problem that can be solved through design.

Dimension 2: Crosscutting Concepts

- ___ 1. **Patterns, Similarity, and Diversity;**
- ___ 2. **Cause and Effect;**
- ___ 3. **Scale, Proportion and Quantity**
- ___ 4. **Systems and System Models;**
- ___ 5. **Energy and Matter;**
- ___ 6. **Structure and Function;**
- ___ 7. **Stability and Change.**

Notes:

- ___ **Crosscutting concepts have application across all domains of science.** As such, they are a way of linking the different domains of science.
- ___ **The Framework emphasizes that these concepts need to be made explicit for students** because they provide an organizational schema for interrelating knowledge from various science fields into a coherent and scientifically-based view of the world.



Dimension 3: Disciplinary Core Ideas:

Disciplinary Core ideas are grouped in four domains:

- ___ 1. Physical Sciences
- ___ 2. Life Sciences
- ___ 3. Earth And Space Sciences
- ___ 4. Engineering, Technology And Applications Of Science

___ 1. PS: Physical Science:

___ Notes: The first 3 physical science core ideas answer two fundamental questions—

- ___ 1. “What is everything made of?” and
- ___ 2. “Why do things happen?”

___ Core Idea PS1: Matter and Its Interactions

- ___ PS1.A: Structure and Properties of Matter
- ___ PS1.B: Chemical Reactions
- ___ PS1.C: Nuclear Processes

___ Core Idea PS2: Motion and Stability: Forces and Interactions

- ___ PS2.A: Forces and Motion
- ___ PS2.B: Types of Interactions
- ___ PS2.C: Stability and Instability in Physical Systems

___ Core Idea PS3: Energy

- ___ PS3.A: Definitions of Energy
- ___ PS3.B: Conservation of Energy and Energy Transfer
- ___ PS3.C: Relationship Between Energy and Forces
- ___ PS3.D: Energy in Chemical Processes and Everyday Life

___ Core Idea PS4: Waves and Their Applications in Technologies for Information Transfer

- ___ PS4.A: Wave Properties
- ___ PS4.B: Electromagnetic Radiation
- ___ PS4.C: Information Technologies and Instrumentation

___ 2. LS: Life Science

___ Core Idea LS1: From Molecules to Organisms: Structures and Processes

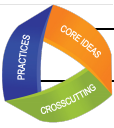
- ___ LS1.A: Structure and Function
- ___ LS1.B: Growth and Development of Organisms
- ___ LS1.C: Organization for Matter and Energy Flow in Organisms
- ___ LS1.D: Information Processing

___ Core Idea LS2: Ecosystems: Interactions, Energy, and Dynamics

- ___ LS2.A: Interdependent Relationships in Ecosystems
- ___ LS2.B: Cycles of Matter and Energy Transfer in Ecosystems
- ___ LS2.C: Ecosystem Dynamics, Functioning, and Resilience
- ___ LS2.D: Social Interactions and Group Behavior

___ Core Idea LS3: Heredity: Inheritance and Variation of Traits

- ___ LS3.A: Inheritance of Traits
- ___ LS3.B: Variation of Traits



___ **Core Idea LS4: Biological Evolution: Unity and Diversity**

- ___ LS4.A: Evidence of Common Ancestry and Diversity
- ___ LS4.B: Natural Selection
- ___ LS4.C: Adaptation
- ___ LS4.D: Biodiversity and Humans

___ **3. ESS: Earth Science**

___ **Core Idea ESS1: Earth's Place in the Universe**

- ___ ESS1.A: The Universe and Its Stars
- ___ ESS1.B: Earth and the Solar System
- ___ ESS1.C: The History of Planet Earth

___ **Core Idea ESS2: Earth's Systems**

- ___ ESS2.A: Earth Materials and Systems
- ___ ESS2.B: Plate Tectonics and Large-Scale System Interactions
- ___ ESS2.C: The Roles of Water in Earth's Surface Processes
- ___ ESS2.D: Weather and Climate
- ___ ESS2.E: Biogeology

___ **Core Idea ESS3: Earth and Human Activity**

- ___ ESS3.A: Natural Resources
- ___ ESS3.B: Natural Hazards
- ___ ESS3.C: Human Impacts on Earth Systems
- ___ ESS3.D: Global Climate Change

___ **4. ETS: Engineering, Technology And Applications Of Science**

___ **Notes:**

- ___ 1. **Technology** is any modification of the natural world made to fulfill human needs or desires.
- ___ 2. **Engineering** is a systematic and often interactive approach to designing objects, processes, and systems to meet human needs and wants.
- ___ 3. **An application of science** is any use of scientific knowledge for a specific purpose, whether to do more science; to design a product, process, or medical treatment; to develop a new technology; or to predict the impacts of human actions.

___ **Core Idea ETS1: Engineering Design**

- ___ ETS1.A: Defining and Delimiting an Engineering Problem
- ___ ETS1.B: Developing Possible Solutions
- ___ ETS1.C: Optimizing the Design Solution

___ **Core Idea ETS2: Links Among Engineering, Technology, Science, and Society**

- ___ ETS2.A: Interdependence of Science, Engineering, and Technology
- ___ ETS2.B: Influence of Engineering, Technology, and Science on Society and the Natural World