

**SYLLABUS**  
**Introduction to Physical Science**  
**Course Content**

- 1. September: Performing Experiments through collection of data and communicating results ([HS-ETS1-2](#))**
  - Demonstrate appropriate lab safety skills.
  - Demonstrate safe utilization and proper measurement usage of the basic laboratory equipment.
  - Distinguish the different parts of a controlled experiment through case studies.
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- 2. October/November: Atomic Structure and Periodic Table Trends ([HS-PS1-1](#))**
  - Identify the names and symbols of common elements.
  - Describe the present atomic model.
  - Analyze the atomic structure's components including atom, ion, isotope, subatomic particle, atomic number, mass number, average atomic mass, and atomic mass unit
  - Identify and calculate the number of protons, neutrons, and electrons in any atom, ion, or isotope given sufficient information.
  - Determine both the full and shorthand electron configurations for an atom
  - Dissect the Periodic Table to locate atomic number, atomic mass, family, period, classification of element (metal, nonmetal, semimetal, or metalloid), and the state of the element at room temperature.
  - Identify regions of the periodic table including alkali metals, alkaline earth metals, transition metals, halogens, noble gases, lanthanide, and actinide series.
  - Relate the family or group of elements to their corresponding number of valence electrons.
  - Relate a period of elements to the energy level of valence electrons.
- 3. December/January: Chemical Bonding and Reactions([HS-PS1-4](#))**
  - Describe ionic and covalent bonding by using Lewis Dot Structures and Bohr Models.
  - Apply the law of conservation of mass by balancing chemical equations.
  - Analyze chemical equations and classify them as synthesis, decomposition, or single/double replacement.
  - Differentiate between endo and exothermic reactions.
- 4. February: Nuclear Fusion of Stars([HS-ESS1-1, 3](#))**
  - Sequence the life cycle of a star based on its mass
  - Explain why the sun is considered an average star
  - Predict the fate of our sun based on its characteristics
  - Using the HR diagram, characterize the relationship of absolute magnitude and surface temperature of stars
  - Recognize that all normal stars are powered by fusion reactions that form elements
- 5. March/April: Big Bang Theory and Waves ([HS-ESS1-2](#))**
  - Relate the sound of the Doppler effect for vehicles to the red shifting effect with stars.
  - Describe the Big Bang Theory with three pieces of evidence.
  - Relate the light spectra to the Big Bang Theory.
  - Create a light spectra to describe a fictional galaxies shift.
  - Explain why the universe is expanding.
- 6. May/June: Motion and Forces with relation with Solar System ([HS-ESS1-4](#), [HS-PS2-1](#))**
  - Define, describe, calculate, and differentiate among position, acceleration, mass, and force.
  - Apply appropriate mathematical processes to solving orbital motion problems.
  - Describe how all bodies of the solar system follow a predictable orbital path using Kepler's Law.
  - Calculate the force between two objects using the universal law of gravitation
  - Calculate the eccentricity
  - Differentiate the aphelion and perihelion
  - Describe the relationship between orbital period and the distance between two objects

## **Course Expectations & Skills**

1. Perform laboratory experiments as instructed.
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3. Design a solution to a complex real-world problem by breaking it down into smaller more manageable problems that can be solved through engineering
4. Use the periodic table as a model to predict the relative properties of elements based on the patterns of electrons in the outermost energy level of atoms
5. Develop a model to illustrate that the release or absorption of energy from a chemical reaction system depends upon the changes in total bond energy
6. Develop a model based on evidence to illustrate the life span of the sun and the role of nuclear fusion in the sun's core to release energy in the form of radiation
7. Construct an explanation of the Big Bang theory based on astronomical evidence of light spectra, motion of distant galaxies, and composition of matter in the universe
8. Communicate scientific ideas about the way stars, over their life cycle, produce elements
9. Use mathematical or computational representations to predict the motion of orbiting objects in the solar system

## **Resources**

Text Book: Science Spectrum: Physical Science 2011 Holt

Supplementary Resources: *Gizmos*

## **Grading Scale**

Major	_____	40%
Labs	_____	30%
Minor	_____	10%
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# Black Horse Pike Regional School District Curriculum Template

## Introduction to Physical Science and Physical Systems Curriculum

ENGAGING STUDENTS • FOSTERING ACHIEVEMENT • CULTIVATING 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY GLOBAL SKILLS

### Unit 1: Problem Solving Science Skills

#### PART I: UNIT RATIONALE

##### WHY ARE STUDENTS LEARNING THIS CONTENT AND THESE SKILLS?

<b>Course/Unit Title:</b> Introduction to Physical Sciences - Physical Systems /Science Skills	<b>Unit Summary:</b> <b>Prior knowledge skills assessment</b> In this unit students will be introduced to the requirements of a laboratory course. They will demonstrate safe utilization and proper measuring skills of the basic equipment of the course through activities. They will perform varying laboratory experiments and learn how to extrapolate lab data to form conclusions based on initial hypotheses. Throughout their laboratory investigations students will be able to differentiate between variables through Experimental Design. Students will be able to convert scientific units of measurements via Dimensional Analysis. A strong base in the laboratory skills and techniques will be essential for successful completion of this course. Skills will be revisited frequently throughout the year.
<b>Grade Level(s):</b> 9 -10	
<b>Essential Question(s):</b> 1. What rules must be followed in order for a laboratory activity to be performed safely? 2. How do you properly use laboratory equipment? 3. What steps must be followed in order for you to successfully complete a laboratory activities? 4. How can you effectively communicate results of a laboratory activity with other scientists?	<b>Enduring Understanding(s):</b> 1. In order for students to successfully complete this course they must understand and demonstrate the safety requirements of a laboratory course through successfully performing different laboratory activities. 2. There are many different types of lab equipment found in every classroom, with specific methods necessary for proper use of said equipment. 3. Students will understand the key elements and steps of Experimental design such as hypothesis, procedure, data collection and conclusion to successfully complete lab activities. 4. Data can either be presented in numbers or words and there are specific situations where each is appropriate through dimensional analysis.

#### PART II: INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES AND RESOURCES

##### DESCRIBE THE LEARNING TARGETS.

After each target, identify the NGSS standards that are applicable

<b>Learning Target:</b> Students will be able to: Red and Bold Apply to both IPS and PS- Just red- Just IPS 1. Demonstrate appropriate lab safety skills.	<b>NGSS</b> 1. <b>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.</b>
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<p><b>2. Demonstrate safe utilization and proper measurement usage of the basic laboratory equipment to successfully collect data</b></p> <p><b>3. Distinguish the different parts of a controlled experiment through case studies.</b></p> <p><b>4. Convert from one metric unit to another using dimensional analysis to break down into smaller steps.</b></p>	<p><b>2. 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.</b></p> <p><b>3. 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.</b></p> <p><b>4. 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.</b></p>
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**Inter-Disciplinary Connections:**

<p><i>Common Core State Standards Connections:</i></p>	
<p><i>ELA/Literacy -</i></p>	
<p><b>RST.11-12.7</b></p>	<p>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)</p>
<p><b>RST.11-12.8</b></p>	<p>Evaluate the hypotheses, 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)</p>
<p><b>RST.11-12.9</b></p>	<p><u>Synthesize information from a range of sources (e.g., texts, experiments, simulations) into a coherent understanding of a process, phenomenon, or concept, resolving conflicting information when possible.</u> (HS-ETS1-1),(HS-ETS1-3)</p>
<p><i>Mathematics -</i></p>	
<p><b>MP.2</b></p>	<p>Reason abstractly and quantitatively. (HS-ETS1-1),(HS-ETS1-3),(HS-ETS1-4)</p>
<p><b>MP.4</b></p>	<p>Model with mathematics. (HS-ETS1-1),(HS-ETS1-2),(HS-ETS1-3),(HS-ETS1-4)</p>

**Students will engage with the following text:**

<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. <i>Science Spectrum, 2001; 2011, Holt</i></b></li> <li><b>2. Any and all articles and readings pertinent to current subject matter (i.e. <i>Popular Science Magazine</i>).</b></li> <li><b>3. Any and all instructions related to current subject matter (i.e. laboratory guidelines).</b></li> </ol> <p>On a daily basis, students will enrich their reading, writing, and interpretation skills through the use of Cornell note-taking strategies. Students must read and properly interpret laboratory directions in order to successfully and safely perform laboratory activities.</p> <p><a href="#">Example of lab report rubric used to assess student performance and understanding of task.</a> - examples of strategies and modified strategies are in the District Shared Google Drive IPS/PS Folder</p>
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**Accommodations and/or modifications will be made on a case by case basis in accordance with individual student needs. They may include but not be limited to: read aloud directions to help students understand the chapter/unit, read aloud specific paragraphs to assist auditory learners, read captions in the book that describe concepts being discussed.**

**Students will write:**

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### **PART III: TRANSFER OF KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS**

#### **DESCRIBE THE LEARNING EXPERIENCE.**

##### **How will students uncover content and build skills.**

**The following instructional strategies are utilized on an as needed basis throughout the year:**

- 1. Direct Instruction**
- 2. Cornell Note-Taking**
- 3. Scaffolding**
- 4. Project Based Learning**
- 5. Peer Based Learning/Review**
- 6. Student presentations with peer review in addition to teacher assessment**
- 7. Modeling**
- 8. Drawing**
- 9. Guided Discussion with analysis/prediction/defense of conclusions**
- 10. Directed Reading**
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- 13. Technology: Microsoft Excel, PowerPoint, Word, SmartBoard, LCD Projectors**
- 14. Media Resources: [Gizmos](#), Discovery Streaming, commercial video resources, YouTube, course websites (i.e. OnCourse and Google classroom)**

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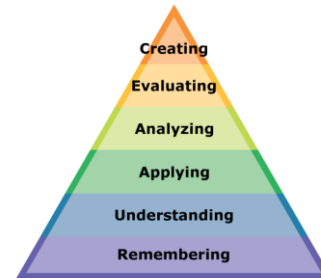
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## **PART IV: EVIDENCE OF LEARNING**

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IDENTIFY BLOOM'S LEVELS.**



### **Formative Assessments:**

The students will be assessed via multiple quizzes, tests, and laboratory assignments.

The following are examples : [Experimental Design Quiz](#) Blooms Levels- Remembering through Understanding

On a daily basis there are also many class work activities, as well as warm up and closing activities.  
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**Accommodations:** 1:1 assistance as needed, restate or rephrase instructions, answer key provided for students after completion of assignment, extended time to complete assessment, provide alternate access to any material or media via course website or Google classroom, monitor assignment book, assist in binder/notebook organization, preferential seating.

### **Summative Assessments:**

There are various summative assessments that will be used over the course of the year. These include but are not limited to Tests, Benchmarks common marking period exams, and labs. The following summative assessment is an example of a performance assessment that can be used in both IPS and Physical Systems. The students will be given a problem to solve and provided with an over-abundance of materials with which to solve the problem. The students must determine which materials are useful to adequately and collaboratively solve the problem. Students must then construct a laboratory report to present and defend their methods and conclusions. I.E. Salt and Pepper lab- Give students a box of varying materials. Tell them that you need them to separate salt and pepper (Tell them a story giving them a reason to do it, i.e. you are allergic to salt.) Have them determine at least 3 ways to separate the salt and pepper using the materials provided. Students will then write a lab report on their findings and how they used the scientific method to arrive at



**their conclusions.**

[Unit 1 Test](#) Blooms Levels- Remembering through Understanding

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## Unit 2: Atomic Theory & the Periodic Table

### PART I: UNIT RATIONALE

#### WHY ARE STUDENTS LEARNING THIS CONTENT AND THESE SKILLS?

<b>Course/Unit Title:</b> <b>Introduction to Physical Sciences - Physical Systems/ Atomic Theory &amp; Periodic Table</b>	<b>Unit Summary:</b> Atomic Theory and Arrangement of Elements  This unit is focused on the development of the theory of the atom, the structure of the atom and the organization of elements in the periodic table.
<b>Grade Level(s):</b> <b>9 -10</b>	Students will examine the structure of the atom and analyze nuclear energy as it relates to the atom. They will explore the arrangement of elements on the periodic table in reference to groups and periods, and describe trends seen in their properties.
<b>Essential Question(s):</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. How does the current atomic model explain the interactions of elements and the formation of compounds?</li><li>2. How does the arrangement of the subatomic particles of atoms relate to the reactivity and behavior of each element?</li><li>3. How are elements currently arranged on the Periodic Table?</li><li>4. What do atoms of an element have in common with other atoms of the same element?</li></ol>	<b>Enduring Understanding(s):</b> 1,2: PS1.A: Structure and Properties of Matter Each atom has a charged substructure consisting of a nucleus, which is made of protons and neutrons, surrounded by electrons  3,4: PS1.A: Structure and Properties of Matter The periodic table orders elements horizontally by the number of protons in the atom's nucleus and places those with similar chemical properties in columns. The repeating patterns of this table reflect patterns of outer electron states.

## PART II: INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES AND RESOURCES

### DESCRIBE THE LEARNING TARGETS.

After each target, identify the NGSS that are applicable

<p><b>Learning Target: Bold:</b> Identifies both courses Students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Identify the names and symbols of common elements.</li><li>2. Describe the present atomic model using the periodic table.</li><li>3. Analyze the atomic structure's components including atom, ion, isotope, subatomic particle, atomic number, mass number, average atomic mass, and atomic mass unit</li><li>4. Identify and calculate the number of protons, neutrons, and electrons in any atom, ion, or isotope given sufficient information.</li><li>5. Determine both the full and shorthand electron configurations for an atom using the Periodic table as a resource</li><li>6. Dissect the Periodic Table to locate atomic number, atomic mass, family, period, classification of element (metal, nonmetal, semimetal, or metalloid), and the state of the element at room temperature.</li><li>7. Identify regions of the periodic table including alkali metals, alkaline earth metals, transition metals, halogens, noble gases, lanthanide, and actinide series.</li><li>8. Relate the family or group of elements to their corresponding number of valence electrons.</li><li>9. Relate a period of elements to the energy level of valence electrons.</li></ol>	<p><b>NGSS</b> <b>1-9. HS-PS1-1: Use the periodic table as a model to predict the relative properties of elements based on the patterns of electrons in the outermost energy level of atoms</b></p>
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### Inter-Disciplinary Connections:

<i>Common Core State Standards Connections:</i>	
<i>ELA/Literacy -</i>	
<b>RST.9-</b>	Translate quantitative or technical information expressed in words in a text into
<b>10.7</b>	visual form (e.g., a table or chart) and translate information expressed visually or mathematically (e.g., in an equation) into words. ( <i>HS-PS1-1</i> )

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Suggestions for modified instruction and scaffolding for LEP students and/or students who need additional support are embedded in the unit plan and/or are added to the specific examples cited in the curriculum unit. The amount of scaffolding needed will depend on the level of English proficiency of each LEP student. Therefore, novice level students will need more support with the language needed to understand and demonstrate the acquisition of concepts than intermediate or advanced students.

Some of the recommended activities are computer based and require students to visit various internet sites and view animations of various processes. These animations require various players and plug-ins which may or may not already be installed on computers. Additionally some firewalls block downloading these types of files. Before assigning these activities to students it is essential for the teacher to try them on the computers that the students will use and to consult with the technology specialist if there are issues. These animations also have sound. Teachers may wish to provide headphones/speakers.

**Summative Assessments:**

Students will apply the periodic table trends to several situations. The students will evaluate the validity of these trends by analyzing data collect during the lab process.

[Atomic Theory and Periodic Table Test](#) Blooms Levels-  
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### **Performance Assessments:**

**Students will apply the periodic table trends to several situations. The students will evaluate the validity of these trends by analyzing data collect during the lab process.**

**[Penny Lab](#) Blooms Levels-Remembering, Understanding, Applying**

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## Unit 3: Chemical Bonding and Reactions

### PART I: UNIT RATIONALE

#### WHY ARE STUDENTS LEARNING THIS CONTENT AND THESE SKILLS?

<p><b>Course/Unit Title:</b> Introduction to Physical Sciences - Physical Systems/ <b>Chemical Bonding and Reactions</b></p>	<p><b>Unit Summary:</b> Chemical Bonding and Reactions</p> <p>This unit is focused on the idea that a chemical reaction is a system that affects the energy change. Examples of models could include molecular-level drawings and diagrams of reactions, graphs showing the relative energies of reactants and products, and representations showing energy is conserved.</p>
<p><b>Grade Level(s):</b> <b>9 -10</b></p>	
<p><b>Essential Question(s):</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How are electrons arranged in both the Bohr and Lewis Model?</li> <li>How do elements interact with each other?</li> <li>What is a chemical equation and why is it important that it is balanced?</li> <li>How do you predict products of a reaction?</li> </ol>	<p><b>Enduring Understanding(s):</b></p> <p>2, 4 PS1.A: Structure and Properties of Matter A stable molecule has less energy than the same set of atoms separated; one must provide at least this energy in order to take the molecule apart.</p> <p>1, 3, 4 PS1.B: Chemical Reactions Chemical processes, their rates, and whether or not energy is stored or released can be understood in terms of the collisions of molecules and the rearrangements of atoms into new molecules, with consequent changes in the sum of all bond energies in the set of molecules that are matched by changes in kinetic energy.</p>

### PART II: INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES AND RESOURCES

#### DESCRIBE THE LEARNING TARGETS.

After each target, identify the NGSS that are applicable

<p><b>Learning Target: Bold:</b> Identifies both courses Students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Describe ionic and covalent bonding by using Lewis Dot Structures and Bohr Models.</b></li> </ol>	<p><b>NGSS</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>HS-PS1-4. Develop a model based on evidence to illustrate the</b></li> </ol>
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<p>2. Apply the law of conservation of mass by balancing chemical equations.</p> <p>3. Analyze chemical equations and classify them as synthesis, decomposition, or single/double replacement.</p> <p>4. Differentiate between endo and exothermic reactions in a system.</p>	<p>relationships between systems or between components of a system. the release or absorption of energy from a chemical reaction system depends upon the changes in total bond energy.</p> <p>2. HS-PS1-4. Develop a model based on evidence to illustrate the relationships between systems or between components of a system. the release or absorption of energy from a chemical reaction system depends upon the changes in total bond energy.</p> <p>3. HS-PS1-4. Develop a model based on evidence to illustrate the relationships between systems or between components of a system. the release or absorption of energy from a chemical reaction system depends upon the changes in total bond energy.</p> <p>4. HS-PS1-4. Develop a model based on evidence to illustrate the relationships between systems or between components of a system. the release or absorption of energy from a chemical reaction system depends upon the changes in total bond energy.</p>
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<p><i>Common Core State Standards Connections:</i></p>	
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<p><b>SL.11-12.5</b></p>	<p><b>Make strategic use of digital media (e.g., textual, graphical, audio, visual, and interactive elements) in presentations to enhance understanding of findings, reasoning, and evidence and to add interest. (HS-PS1-4)</b></p>
<p><i>Mathematics -</i></p>	
<p><b>MP.4</b></p>	<p><b>Model with mathematics. (HS-PS1-4),(HS-PS1-8)</b></p>
<p><b>HSN-Q.A.1</b></p>	<p><b>Use units as a way to understand problems and to guide the solution of multi-step problems; choose and interpret units consistently in formulas; choose and interpret the scale and the origin in graphs and data displays. (HS-PS1-2),(HS-PS1-3),(HS-PS1-4),(HS-PS1-5),(HS-PS1-7),(HS-PS1-8)</b></p>
<p><b>HSN-Q.A.2</b></p>	<p><b>Define appropriate quantities for the purpose of descriptive modeling. (HS-PS1-4),(HS-PS1-7),(HS-PS1-8)</b></p>
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## **PART III: TRANSFER OF KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS**

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**APPLY**

**Formative Assessments:**

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[Predict the Product](#) Blooms Levels- Analyzing, Evaluating  
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**Summative Assessments:**

Students will apply the law of conservation of mass to several situations. The students will evaluate the validity of the law by analyzing data collect during the lab process. The students will observe the chemical reactions occurring and be able to classify the reaction type.

[Covalent and Ionic Test](#) Blooms Levels- Remembering, Understanding, Applying

[Chemical Reaction Test](#) Blooms Levels- Remembering, Understanding, Applying,  
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### Performance Assessments:

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[Law of Conservation Popcorn Lab](#) Blooms Levels- Remembering, Understanding, Applying

[RAFT RXN Project](#) Blooms Levels- Remembering, Understanding, Applying, Creating

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## Unit 4: Stars and Nuclear Fusion

### PART I: UNIT RATIONALE

#### WHY ARE STUDENTS LEARNING THIS CONTENT AND THESE SKILLS?

<b>Course/Unit Title:</b> <b>Introduction to Physical Sciences - Stars and Nuclear Fusion</b>	<b>Unit Summary:</b> This unit focuses on the energy transfer mechanisms that allow energy from nuclear fusion in the sun's core to reach Earth. Examples of evidence for the model include observations of the masses and lifetimes of other stars. In addition, nucleosynthesis, and therefore the different elements created, varies as a function of the mass of a star and the stage of its lifetime.
<b>Grade Level(s):</b> <b>9 -10</b>	
<b>Essential Question(s):</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What affects the life cycle of a star?</li> <li>2. Which life cycle is our Sun in?</li> <li>3. How can we distinguish which elements are found in stars and how are they formed?</li> <li>4. What are the two major types of spectroscopy?</li> </ol>	<b>Enduring Understanding(s):</b> <p>ESS1.A: The Universe and Its Stars</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The star called the sun is changing and will burn out over a lifespan of approximately 10 billion years.</li> <li>• The study of stars' light spectra and brightness is used to identify compositional elements of stars, their movements, and their distances from Earth. Other than the hydrogen and helium formed at the time of the Big Bang, nuclear fusion within stars produces all atomic nuclei lighter than and including iron, and the process releases electromagnetic energy. Heavier elements are produced when certain massive stars achieve a supernova stage and explode.</li> </ul> <p>PS3.D: Energy in Chemical Processes and Everyday Life            Nuclear Fusion processes in the center of the sun release the energy that ultimately reaches Earth as radiation. (secondary to HS-ESS1-1)</p>

## PART II: INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES AND RESOURCES

### DESCRIBE THE LEARNING TARGETS.

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<p><b>Learning Target: Bold:</b> Indicates both courses            Students will be able to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Sequence the life cycle of a star based on its mass</li> <li>2. Explain why the sun is considered an average star</li> <li>3. Predict the fate of our sun based on its characteristics</li> <li>4. Using the HR diagram, characterize the relationship of absolute magnitude and surface</li> </ol>	<p><b>NGSS</b></p> <p>2, 3, 4, 5 HS-ESS1-1. Develop a model based on evidence to illustrate the life span of the sun and the role of nuclear fusion in the sun's core to release energy that eventually reaches Earth in the form of radiation.</p> <p>1, HS-ESS1-3. Communicate scientific ideas about the way stars, over their life cycle, produce elements.</p>
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temperature of stars	
5. Recognize that all normal stars are powered by fusion reactions that form elements	

### **Inter-Disciplinary Connections:**

#### *Common Core State Standards Connections:*

##### *ELA/Literacy -*

- RST.11-12.1** Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, attending to important distinctions the author makes and to any gaps or inconsistencies in the account. (HS-ESS1-1),(HS-ESS1-2),(HS-ESS1-5),(HS-ESS1-6)
- WHST.9-12.1** Write arguments focused on *discipline-specific content*. (HS-ESS1-6)
- WHST.9-12.2** Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/ experiments, or technical processes. (HS-ESS1-2),(HS-ESS1-3),(HS-ESS1-5)
- SL.11-12.4** Present claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with relevant evidence, sound valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate eye contact, adequate volume, and clear pronunciation. (HS-ESS1-3)

##### *Mathematics -*

- MP.2** Reason abstractly and quantitatively. (HS-ESS1-1),(HS-ESS1-2),(HS-ESS1-3),(HS-ESS1-4),(HS-ESS1-5),(HS-ESS1-6)
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- HSA-SSE.A.1** Interpret expressions that represent a quantity in terms of its context. (HS-ESS1-1),(HS-ESS1-2),(HS-ESS1-4)
- HSA-CED.A.2** Create equations in two or more variables to represent relationships between quantities; graph equations on coordinate axes with labels and scales. (HS-ESS1-1),(HS-ESS1-2),(HS-ESS1-4)
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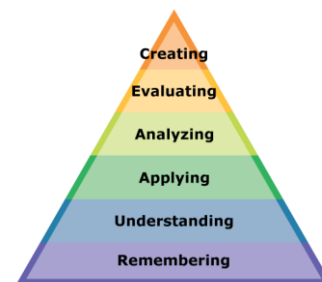
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### **Summative Assessments:**

The students will be asked to determine the life cycle a star is in based on the composition of core.

[Stars Test](#) Blooms Levels- Remembering, Understanding, Applying

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### **Performance Assessments:**

The students will be asked to complete a Nuclear fusion and fission project. .

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## Unit 5: Big Bang Theory, Waves and Spectra

### PART I: UNIT RATIONALE

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<b>Course/Unit Title:</b> <b>Introduction to Physical Sciences - Big Bang, Waves, and Light Spectra</b>	<b>Unit Summary:</b> This unit focuses on the astronomical evidence of the red shift of light from galaxies as an indication that the universe is currently expanding, the cosmic microwave background as the remnant radiation from the Big Bang, and the observed composition of ordinary matter of the universe, primarily found in stars and interstellar gases (from the spectra of electromagnetic radiation from stars), which matches that predicted by the Big Bang theory (3/4 hydrogen and 1/4 helium).
<b>Grade Level(s):</b> <b>9 -10</b>	
<b>Essential Question(s):</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. What is the evidence of the Big Bang Theory?</li> <li>2. What evidence supports the expansion of the universe?</li> <li>3. How does the light spectra relate to the Big Bang?</li> </ol>	<b>Enduring Understanding(s):</b> ESS1.A: The Universe and Its Stars <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The star called the sun is changing and will burn out over a lifespan of approximately 10 billion years.</li> <li>● The study of stars' light spectra and brightness is used to identify compositional elements of stars, their movements, and their distances from Earth. Other than the hydrogen and helium formed at the time of the Big Bang, nuclear fusion within stars produces all atomic nuclei lighter than and including iron, and the process releases electromagnetic energy. Heavier elements are produced when certain massive stars achieve a supernova stage and explode.</li> </ul> PS4.B: Electromagnetic Radiation Atoms of each element emit and absorb characteristic frequencies of light. These characteristics allow identification of the presence of an element, even in microscopic quantities.

### PART II: INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES AND RESOURCES

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**5. Explain why the universe is expanding.**

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*Mathematics -*

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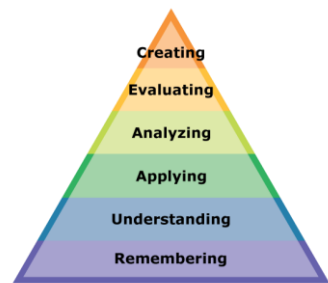
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[Doppler Shift Activity](#) Blooms Levels- Remembering, Understanding, Applying

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### **Summative Assessments:**

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[Big Bang Test](#) Blooms Levels- Remembering, Understanding, Applying, Analyzing

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### **Performance Assessments:**

The students will be asked to complete an analysis of the Shifts of Galaxies.

[Analyzing the Spectra](#) Blooms Levels- Analyzing, Evaluating

[Investigating Hubbles Law Activities](#) Blooms Levels- Remembering, Understanding, Applying, Analyzing

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## Unit 6: Motion in the Universe

### PART I: UNIT RATIONALE

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<b>Course/Unit Title:</b> <b>Introduction to Physical Sciences - Motion in the Universe</b>	<b>Unit Summary:</b> This unit focuses on Newtonian gravitational laws governing orbital motions, which apply to human-made satellites as well as planets and moons.
<b>Grade Level(s):</b> <b>9 -10</b>	Examples of data could include tables or graphs of position or velocity as one object orbits a secondary object. In addition, there is a focus on the quantitative conservation of momentum in interactions of orbiting objects.
<b>Essential Question(s):</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Why do objects travel in elliptical orbits in solar system?</li> <li>2. How can one explain and predict interactions between objects and within systems of objects?</li> <li>3. How is energy transferred and conserved?</li> </ol>	<b>Enduring Understanding(s):</b>  <b>PS2.A: Forces and Motion</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Newton’s second law accurately predicts changes in the motion of macroscopic objects.</li> <li>• Momentum is defined for a particular frame of reference; it is the mass times the velocity of the object.</li> <li>• If a system interacts with objects outside itself, the total momentum of the system can change; however, any such change is balanced by changes in the momentum of objects outside the system.</li> </ul> <b>ESS1.B: Earth and the Solar System</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kepler’s laws describe common features of the motions of orbiting objects, including their elliptical paths around the sun. Orbits may change due to the gravitational effects from, or collisions with, other objects in the solar system.</li> </ul>

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6. Differentiate the aphelion and perihelion	
7. Describe the relationship between orbital period and the distance between two objects	

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The students will be asked to complete different labs and activities to support Kepler's Laws

[Orbit Shape Activity](#) Blooms Levels- Remembering, Understanding, Applying

[Ellipse Lab](#) Blooms Levels- Remembering, Understanding, Applying

[Orbital Motion and Kepler's Law Simulation](#) Blooms Levels- Remembering, Understanding, Applying, Analyzing

[Example of lab report rubric used to assess student performance and understanding of task.](#)

- examples of assessments and modified assessment are in the District Shared Google Shared IPS/PS folder

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