GENERAL NOTES

While the content focus of this course is consistent with the Earth/Space Science course, students will explore these concepts in greater depth. In general, the academic pace and rigor will be greatly increased for honors level course work. Laboratory investigations that include the use of scientific inquiry, research, measurement, problem solving, laboratory apparatus and technologies, experimental procedures, and safety procedures are an integral part of this course. The National Science Teachers Association (NSTA) recommends that at the high school level, all students should be in the science lab or field, collecting data every week. School laboratory investigations (labs) are defined by the National Research Council (NRC) as an experience in the laboratory, classroom, or the field that provides students with opportunities to interact directly with natural phenomena or with data collected by others using tools, materials, data collection techniques, and models (NRC, 2006, p. 3). Laboratory investigations in the high school classroom should help all students develop a growing understanding of the complexity and ambiguity of empirical work, as well as the skills to calibrate and troubleshoot equipment used to make observations. Learners should understand measurement error; and have the skills to aggregate, interpret, and present the resulting data (National Research Council, 2006, p.77; NSTA, 2007).

Special Notes:
Instructional Practices
Teaching from a range of complex text is optimized when teachers in all subject areas implement the following strategies on a routine basis:
1. Ensuring wide reading from complex text that varies in length.
2. Making close reading and rereading of texts central to lessons.
3. Emphasizing text-specific complex questions, and cognitively complex tasks, reinforce focus on the text and cultivate independence.
4. Emphasizing students supporting answers based upon evidence from the text.
5. Providing extensive research and writing opportunities (claims and evidence).

- Asking questions (for science) and defining problems (for engineering).
- Developing and using models.
- Planning and carrying out investigations.
- Analyzing and interpreting data.
- Using mathematics, information and computer technology, and computational thinking.
- Constructing explanations (for science) and designing solutions (for engineering).
- Engaging in argument from evidence.
- Obtaining, evaluating, and communicating information.

English Language Development ELD Standards Special Notes Section:
Teachers are required to provide listening, speaking, reading and writing instruction that allows English language learners (ELL) to communicate information, ideas and concepts for academic success in the content area of Science. For the given level of English language proficiency and with visual, graphic, or interactive support, students will interact with grade level words, expressions, sentences and discourse to process or produce language necessary for academic success The ELD standard should specify a relevant content area concept or topic of study chosen by curriculum developers and teachers which maximizes an ELL's need for communication and social skills. To access an ELL supporting document which delineates performance definitions and descriptors, please click on the following link:
For additional information on the development and implementation of the ELD standards, please contact the Bureau of Student Achievement through Language Acquisition at sala@fldoe.org.

Course Standards
Integrate Standards for Mathematical Practice (MP) as applicable.
- MAFS.K12.MP.1.1 Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
- MAFS.K12.MP.2.1 Reason abstractly and quantitatively.
- MAFS.K12.MP.3.1 Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.
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<td>SC.912.E.5.1:</td>
<td>Cite evidence used to develop and verify the scientific theory of the Big Bang (also known as the Big Bang Theory) of the origin of the universe. Remarks/Examples: Explain evidence to support the formation of the universe, which has been expanding for approximately 15 billion year (e.g. ratio of <strong>gases</strong>, red-shift from distant <strong>galaxies</strong>, and cosmic background radiation). Florida Standards Connections: MAFS.K12.MP.7: Look for and make use of structure.</td>
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<td>SC.912.E.5.2:</td>
<td>Identify patterns in the organization and distribution of matter in the universe and the forces that determine them. Remarks/Examples: Identify patterns that influence the formation, hierarchy, and motions of the various kinds of objects in the solar system and the role of <strong>gravity</strong> and inertia on these motions (include the Sun, Earth, and <strong>Moon</strong>, planets, satellites, comets, <strong>asteroids</strong>, star clusters, <strong>galaxies</strong>, <strong>galaxy</strong> clusters). Recognize that the universe contains many billions of <strong>galaxies</strong>, and each <strong>galaxy</strong> contains many billions of stars. Recognize that constellations are contrived associations of stars that do not reflect functional relationships in space.</td>
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<td>SC.912.E.5.3:</td>
<td>Describe and predict how the initial mass of a star determines its evolution. Remarks/Examples: Compare and contrast the evolution of stars of different masses (include the three outcomes of stellar evolution based on mass: <strong>black hole</strong>, <strong>neutron</strong> star, white dwarf). Differentiate between the different types of stars found on the Hertzsprung-Russell diagram and the balance between gravitational collapse and nuclear <strong>fusion</strong> in determining the color, brightness, and life span of a star.</td>
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<td>SC.912.E.5.4:</td>
<td>Explain the physical properties of the Sun and its dynamic nature and connect them to conditions and events on Earth. Remarks/Examples: Describe the physical properties of the Sun (sunspot cycles, solar flares, prominences, layers of the Sun, coronal mass ejections, and nuclear reactions) and the impact of the Sun as the main source of external energy for the Earth.</td>
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<td>Describe the formation of planetary systems based on our knowledge of our Solar System and apply this knowledge to newly discovered planetary systems. Remarks/Examples: Describe how evidence from the study of our Solar System and newly discovered extra solar planetary systems supports the Nebular theory of the formation of planetary systems.</td>
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<td>SC.912.E.5.6:</td>
<td>Develop logical connections through physical principles, including Kepler's and Newton's Laws about the relationships and the effects of Earth, <strong>Moon</strong>, and Sun on each other. Remarks/Examples: Explain that Kepler's <strong>laws</strong> determine the orbits of objects in the solar system and recognize that Kepler's <strong>laws</strong> are a direct consequence of Newton's <strong>Law</strong> of Universal Gravitation and <strong>Laws</strong> of <strong>Motion</strong>.</td>
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<td>Relate the history of and explain the justification for future space exploration and continuing technology development. Remarks/Examples: Identify examples of historical space exploration (e.g. telescopes, high altitude balloons, lunar landers, deep-space probes, space station) that had significant impact on current space exploration and recognize the importance of continued exploration in space. Connect the concepts of radiation and the electromagnetic spectrum to the use of historical and newly-developed observational tools.</td>
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<td>SC.912.E.5.8:</td>
<td>Analyze the broad effects of space exploration on the economy and culture of Florida. Remarks/Examples: Describe how <strong>frequency</strong> is related to the characteristics of <strong>electromagnetic radiation</strong> and recognize how spectroscopy is used to detect and interpret information from <strong>electromagnetic radiation</strong> sources.</td>
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<td>Describe and apply the coordinate system used to locate objects in the sky. Remarks/Examples: Discuss how scientists determine the location of constellations, celestial spheres, and sky maps. Compare and contrast the celestial coordinate system (equatorial system) to the use of <strong>latitude</strong> and longitude to specify locations on Earth. Recognize the use of right ascension and declination in the location of objects in space, including stars and constellations.</td>
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<td>Describe and differentiate the layers of Earth and the interactions among them. Remarks/Examples: Discuss how scientists determine the location of constellations, celestial spheres, and sky maps. Compare and contrast the celestial coordinate system (equatorial system) to the use of <strong>latitude</strong> and longitude to specify locations on Earth. Recognize the use of right ascension and declination in the location of objects in space, including stars and constellations. Connect surface features to surface processes that are responsible for their formation.</td>
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<td>SC.912.E.5.11:</td>
<td>Recognize the importance of the study of seismic wave data and how it can be used to determine the internal structure, <strong>density</strong> variations, and dynamic processes between Earth's layers. Remarks/Examples: Connect surface features to surface processes that are responsible for their formation.</td>
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<td>SC.912.E.6.1:</td>
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analyze the scientific theory of plate tectonics and identify related major processes and features as a result of moving plates.

**SC.912.E.6.3:**

**Remarks/Examples:**
Discuss the development of plate tectonic theory, which is derived from the combination of two theories: continental drift and seafloor spreading. Compare and contrast the three primary types of plate boundaries (convergent, divergent, and transform). Explain the origin of geologic features and processes that result from plate tectonics (e.g., earthquakes, volcanoes, trenches, mid-ocean ridges, island arcs and chains, hot spots, earthquake distribution, tsunamis, mountain ranges).

analyze how specific geologic processes and features are expressed in Florida and elsewhere.

**SC.912.E.6.4:**

**Remarks/Examples:**
Describe the effect of ocean and Gulf water currents, gravel mining, beach accretion, dune development, aquifers and ground water, salt water intrusion, springs, and sink holes on the formation of the Florida peninsula. Explain the effects of latitude, elevation, topography (land surface type), proximity to large bodies of water, and temperature of ocean currents, on climate in Florida.

describe the geologic development of the present day oceans and identify commonly found features.

**SC.912.E.6.5:**

**Remarks/Examples:**
Describe the topography of the ocean floor and how it formed (e.g. plate tectonics, sea level changes).

analyze the movement of matter and energy through the different biogeochemical cycles, including water and carbon.

**SC.912.E.7.1:**

**Remarks/Examples:**
Analyze the causes of the various kinds of surface and deep water motion within the oceans and their impacts on the transfer of energy between the poles and the equator.

explain how the scientific theory of evolution is supported by the fossil record, comparative anatomy, comparative embryology, biogeography, molecular biology, and observed evolutionary change.

**SC.912.L.15:**

**Remarks/Examples:**
Analyze how sea level changes over time have exposed and inundated continental shelves, created and destroyed inland seas, and shaped the surface of the Earth.

review the scientific theory of evolution and identify related major processes and features as a result of moving plates.

**SC.912.L.15.1:**

**Remarks/Examples:**
Analyze how the scientific theory of evolution is supported by the fossil record, comparative anatomy, comparative embryology, biogeography, molecular biology, and observed evolutionary change.

**Remarks/Examples:**
Annually assessed on Biology EOC. Also assesses SC.912.N.1.3, SC.912.N.1.4, and SC.912.N.2.1.
### SC.912.N.1.1
Define a problem based on a specific body of knowledge, for example: biology, chemistry, physics, and earth/space science, and do the following:

1. Pose questions about the natural world, (Articulate the purpose of the investigation and identify the relevant scientific concepts).
2. Conduct systematic observations, (Write procedures that are clear and replicable. Identify observables and examine relationships between test (independent) variable and outcome (dependent) variable. Employ appropriate methods for accurate and consistent observations; conduct and record measurements at appropriate levels of precision. Follow safety guidelines).
3. Examine books and other sources of information to see what is already known,
4. Review what is known in light of empirical evidence, (Examine whether available empirical evidence can be interpreted in terms of existing knowledge and models, and if not, modify or develop new models).
5. Plan investigations, (Design and evaluate a scientific investigation).
6. Use tools to gather, analyze, and interpret data (this includes the use of measurement in metric and other systems, and also the generation and interpretation of graphical representations of data, including data tables and graphs), (Collect data or evidence in an organized way. Properly use instruments, equipment, and materials (e.g., scales, probeware, meter sticks, microscopes, computers) including set-up, calibration, technique, maintenance, and storage).
7. Pose answers, explanations, or descriptions of events,
8. Generate explanations that explicate or describe natural phenomena (inferences),
9. Use appropriate evidence and reasoning to justify these explanations to others,
10. Communicate results of scientific investigations, and
11. Evaluate the merits of the explanations produced by others.

#### Remarks/Examples:

Florida Standards Connections for 6-12 Literacy in Science

For Students in Grades 9-10

LAFS.910.RST.1.1 Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, attending to the precise details of explanations or descriptions.

LAFS.910.RST.1.3 Follow precisely a complex multistep procedure when carrying out experiments, taking measurements, or performing technical tasks attending to special cases or exceptions defined in the text.

LAFS.910.RST.3.7 Translate quantitative or technical information expressed in words in a text into visual form (e.g., a table or chart) and translate information expressed visually or mathematically (e.g., in an equation) into words.

LAFS.910.WHST.1.2 Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/ experiments, or technical processes.

LAFS.910.WHST.3.9 Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.

For Students in Grades 11-12

LAFS.1112.RST.1.1 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.

LAFS.1112.RST.1.3 Follow precisely a complex multistep procedure when carrying out experiments, taking measurements, or performing technical tasks analyze the specific results based on explanations in the text.

LAFS.1112.RST.3.7 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.

LAFS.1112.WHST.1.2 Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/ experiments, or technical processes.

LAFS.1112.WHST.3.9 Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.

Florida Standards Connections for Mathematical Practices

MAFS.K12.MP.1: Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.

MAFS.K12.MP.2: Reason abstractly and quantitatively.

MAFS.K12.MP.3: Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others. [Viable arguments include evidence.]

MAFS.K12.MP.4: Model with mathematics.

MAFS.K12.MP.5: Use appropriate tools strategically.

MAFS.K12.MP.6: Attend to precision.

MAFS.K12.MP.7: Look for and make use of structure.

MAFS.K12.MP.8: Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.

Recognize that the strength or usefulness of a scientific claim is evaluated through scientific argumentation, which depends on critical and logical thinking, and the active consideration of alternative scientific explanations to explain the data presented.

#### Remarks/Examples:

Florida Standards Connections: MAFS.K12.MP.2: Reason abstractly and quantitatively

MAFS.K12.MP.3: Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others

Identify sources of information and assess their reliability according to the strict standards of scientific investigation.

#### Remarks/Examples:

Read, interpret, and examine the credibility and validity of scientific claims in different sources of information, such as scientific articles, advertisements, or media stories. Strict standards of science include controlled variables, sufficient sample size, replication of results, empirical and measurable evidence, and the concept of falsification.

Florida Standards Connections: [LAFS.910.RST.1.1](https://example.com) | [LAFS.1112.RST.1.1](https://example.com)

Describe and provide examples of how similar investigations conducted in many parts of the world result in the same outcome.
### SC.912.N.1.5
**Remarks/Examples:** Recognize that contributions to science can be made and have been made by people from all over the world.

**Florida Standards Connections:** MAFS.K12.MP.1: Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.

### SC.912.N.1.6
**Remarks/Examples:** Describe how scientific inferences are drawn from scientific observations and provide examples from the content being studied.

**Florida Standards Connections:** MAFS.K12.MP.1: Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them, and MAFS.K12.MP.2: Reason abstractly and quantitatively.

### SC.912.N.2.1
**Remarks/Examples:** Collect data/evidence and use tables/graphs to draw conclusions and make inferences based on patterns or trends in the data.

**Florida Standards Connections:** MAFS.K12.MP.1: Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.

### SC.912.N.2.2
**Remarks/Examples:** Identify which questions can be answered through science and which questions are outside the boundaries of scientific investigation, such as questions addressed by other ways of knowing, such as art, philosophy, and religion.

**Florida Standards Connections:** MAFS.K12.MP.1: Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them, and MAFS.K12.MP.3: Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.

### SC.912.N.2.3
**Remarks/Examples:** Explain that scientific knowledge is both durable and robust and open to change. Scientific knowledge can change because it is often examined and re-examined by new investigations and scientific argumentation. Because of these frequent examinations, scientific knowledge becomes stronger, leading to its durability.

**Florida Standards Connections:** MAFS.K12.MP.1: Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them and MAFS.K12.MP.3: Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.

### SC.912.N.2.4
**Remarks/Examples:** Identify scientific questions that can be disproved by experimentation/testing. Recognize that pseudoscience is a claim, belief, or practice which is presented as scientific, but does not adhere to strict standards of science (e.g. controlled variables, sample size, replicability, empirical and measurable evidence, and the concept of falsification).

**Florida Standards Connections:** MAFS.K12.MP.1: Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them and MAFS.K12.MP.3: Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.

### SC.912.N.2.5
**Remarks/Examples:** Recognize that scientific questions, observations, and conclusions may be influenced by the existing state of scientific knowledge, the social and cultural context of the researcher, and the observer's experiences and expectations. Identify possible bias in qualitative and quantitative data analysis.

**Florida Standards Connections:** MAFS.K12.MP.1: Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them, and MAFS.K12.MP.3: Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.

### SC.912.N.3.1
**Remarks/Examples:** Explain that a scientific theory is the culmination of many scientific investigations drawing together all the current evidence concerning a substantial range of phenomena; thus, a scientific theory represents the most powerful explanation scientists have to offer.

**Florida Standards Connections:** MAFS.K12.MP.1: Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them, and MAFS.K12.MP.3: Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.

### SC.912.N.3.2
**Remarks/Examples:** Recognize that theories do not become laws, nor do laws become theories; theories are well supported explanations and laws are well supported descriptions.

**Florida Standards Connections:** MAFS.K12.MP.1: Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them, and MAFS.K12.MP.3: Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.

### SC.912.N.3.3
**Remarks/Examples:** Describe the function of models in science, and identify the wide range of models used in science.

**Florida Standards Connections:** MAFS.K12.MP.1: Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them, and MAFS.K12.MP.4: Model with mathematics.

### SC.912.N.4.1
**Remarks/Examples:** Explain how scientific knowledge and reasoning provide an empirically-based perspective to inform society's decision making.

**Florida Standards Connections:** MAFS.K12.MP.1: Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them, and MAFS.K12.MP.2: Reason abstractly and quantitatively.

### SC.912.N.4.2
**Remarks/Examples:** Weigh the merits of alternative strategies for solving a specific societal problem by comparing a number of different costs and benefits, such as human, economic, and environmental.

**Florida Standards Connections:** MAFS.K12.MP.1: Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them, and MAFS.K12.MP.2: Reason abstractly and quantitatively.
Describe heat as the energy transferred by convection, conduction, and radiation, and explain the connection of heat to change in temperature or states of matter.

**Remarks/Examples:**
Explain the mechanisms (convection, conduction and radiation) of heat transfer. Explain how heat is transferred (energy in motion) from a region of higher temperature to a region of lower temperature until equilibrium is established. Solve problems involving heat flow and temperature changes by using known values of specific heat and/or phase change constants (latent heat). Explain the phase transitions and temperature changes demonstrated by a heating or cooling curve.

**SC.912.P.10.4:**

Compare the magnitude and range of the four fundamental forces (gravitational, electromagnetic, weak nuclear, strong nuclear).

**Remarks/Examples:**
Recognize and discuss the effect of each force on the structure of matter and the evidence for it.

**SC.912.P.10.10:**

Explain and compare nuclear reactions (radioactive decay, fission and fusion), the energy changes associated with them and their associated safety issues.

**SC.912.P.10.11:**

Identify the three main types of radioactive decay (alpha, beta, and gamma) and compare their properties (composition, mass, charge, and penetrating power). Explain the concept of half-life for an isotope (e.g. C-14 is used to determine the age of objects) and calculate the amount of a radioactive substance remaining after an integral number of half-lives have passed. Recognize that the energy release per gram of material is much larger in nuclear fusion or fission reactions than in chemical reactions due to the large amount of energy related to small amounts of mass by equation \( E = mc^2 \).

**SC.912.P.10.18:**

Explain the relationship between moving charges and magnetic fields, as well as changing magnetic fields and electric fields, and their application to modern technologies.

**Remarks/Examples:**
Explain that moving electric charges produce magnetic forces and moving magnets produce electric forces. Recognize the Lorentz force is the force on a point charge due to electromagnetic fields and occurs in many devices, including mass spectrometers.

**SC.912.P.10.19:**

Describe the measurable properties of waves (velocity, frequency, wavelength, amplitude, period, reflection and refraction) and explain the relationships among them. Recognize the source of all waves is a vibration and waves carry energy from one place to another. Distinguish between transverse and longitudinal waves in mechanical media, such as springs and ropes, and on the earth (seismic waves). Describe sound as a longitudinal wave whose speed depends on the properties of the medium in which it propagates.

**Remarks/Examples:**
Analyze the motion of an object in terms of its position, velocity, and acceleration (with respect to a frame of reference) as functions of time.

**Remarks/Examples:**
Solve problems involving distance, velocity, speed, and acceleration. Create and interpret graphs of 1-dimensional motion, such as position versus time, distance versus time, speed versus time, velocity versus time, and acceleration versus time where acceleration is constant.

**SC.912.P.12.2:**

Describe how the gravitational force between two objects depends on their masses and the distance between them.

**Remarks/Examples:**
Describe Newton's law of universal gravitation in terms of the attraction between two objects, their masses, and the inverse square of the distance between them.

**LAFS.910.RST.1.1:**
Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, attending to the precise details of explanations or descriptions.

**LAFS.910.RST.1.2:**
Determine the central ideas or conclusions of a text; trace the text's explanation or depiction of a complex process, phenomenon, or concept; provide an accurate summary of the text.

**LAFS.910.RST.1.3:**
Follow precisely a complex multistep procedure when carrying out experiments, taking measurements, or performing technical tasks, attending to special cases or exceptions defined in the text.

**LAFS.910.RST.2.4:**
Determine the meaning of symbols, key terms, and other domain-specific words and phrases as they are used in a specific scientific or technical context relevant to grades 9–10 texts and topics.

**LAFS.910.RST.2.5:**
Analyze the structure of the relationships among concepts in a text, including relationships among key terms (e.g., force, friction, reaction force, energy).

**LAFS.910.RST.2.6:**
Analyze the author's purpose in providing an explanation, describing a procedure, or discussing an experiment in a text, defining the question the author seeks to address.

**LAFS.910.RST.3.7:**
Translate quantitative or technical information expressed in words in a text into visual form (e.g., a table or chart) and translate information expressed visually or mathematically (e.g., in an equation) into words.

**LAFS.910.RST.3.8:**
Assess the extent to which the reasoning and evidence in a text support the author's claim or a recommendation for solving a scientific or technical problem.
**LAFS.910.RST.3.9:** Compare and contrast findings presented in a text to those from other sources (including their own experiments), noting when the findings support or contradict previous explanations or accounts.

**LAFS.910.RST.4.10:** By the end of grade 10, read and comprehend science/technical texts in the grades 9–10 text complexity band independently and proficiently.

**LAFS.910.SL.1.1:** Initiate and participate effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on grades 9–10 topics, texts, and issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively.

a. Come to discussions prepared, having read and researched material under study; explicitly draw on that preparation by referring to evidence from texts and other research on the topic or issue to stimulate a thoughtful, well-reasoned exchange of ideas.

b. Work with peers to set rules for collegial discussions and decision-making (e.g., informal consensus, taking votes on key issues, presentation of alternate views), clear goals and deadlines, and individual roles as needed.

c. Propel conversations by posing and responding to questions that relate the current discussion to broader themes or larger ideas; actively incorporate others into the discussion; and clarify, verify, or challenge ideas and conclusions.

d. Respond thoughtfully to diverse perspectives, summarize points of agreement and disagreement, and, when warranted, qualify or justify their own views and understanding and make new connections in light of the evidence and reasoning presented.

**LAFS.910.SL.1.2:** Integrate multiple sources of information presented in diverse media or formats (e.g., visually, quantitatively, orally) evaluating the credibility and accuracy of each source.

**LAFS.910.SL.1.3:** Present information, findings, and supporting evidence clearly, concisely, and logically such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, substance, and style are appropriate to purpose, audience, and task.

**LAFS.910.SL.2.4:** 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.

**LAFS.910.SL.2.5:** Write arguments focused on discipline-specific content.

a. Introduce precise claim(s), distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and create an organization that establishes clear relationships among the claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.

b. Develop claim(s) and counterclaims fairly, supplying data and evidence for each while pointing out the strengths and limitations of both claim(s) and counterclaims in a discipline-appropriate form and in a manner that anticipates the audience's knowledge level and concerns.

c. Use words, phrases, and clauses to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships between claim(s) and reasons, between reasons and evidence, and between claim(s) and counterclaims.

d. Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing.

e. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from or supports the argument presented.

**LAFS.910.WHST.1.1:** Write informative/explanatory texts, including the narration of historical events, scientific procedures/ experiments, or technical processes.

a. Introduce a topic and organize ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.

b. Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.

c. Use varied transitions and sentence structures to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.

d. Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic and convey a style appropriate to the discipline and context as well as to the expertise of likely readers.

e. Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing.

f. Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).

**LAFS.910.WHST.1.2:** Develop clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

**LAFS.910.WHST.2.4:** Use technology, including the Internet, to produce, publish, and update individual or shared writing products, taking advantage of technology's capacity to link to other information and to display information flexibly and dynamically.

**LAFS.910.WHST.2.6:** Conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question (including a self-generated question) or solve a problem; narrow or broaden the inquiry when appropriate; synthesize multiple sources on the subject, demonstrating understanding of the subject under investigation.

**LAFS.910.WHST.3.7:** Gather relevant information from multiple authoritative print and digital sources, using advanced searches effectively; assess the usefulness of each source in answering the research question; integrate information into the text selectively to maintain the flow of ideas, avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for citation.

**LAFS.910.WHST.3.8:** Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.

**LAFS.910.WHST.4.10:** Write routinely over extended time frames (time for reflection and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.

**MAFS.912.F-IF.2.4:** For a function that models a relationship between two quantities, interpret key features of graphs and tables in terms of the quantities, and sketch graphs showing key features given a verbal description of the relationship. Key features include: intercepts; intervals where the function is increasing, decreasing, positive, or negative; relative maximums and minimums; symmetries; end behavior; and periodicity.

**MAFS.912.F-IF.3.7:** Graph functions expressed symbolically and show key features of the graph, by hand in simple cases and using technology for more complicated cases.

a. Graph linear and quadratic functions and show intercepts, maxima, and minima.

b. Graph square root, cube root, and piecewise-defined functions, including step functions and absolute value functions.

c. Graph polynomial functions, identifying zeros when suitable factorizations are available, and showing end behavior.

d. Graph rational functions, identifying zeros and asymptotes when suitable factorizations are available, and showing end behavior.

e. Graph exponential and logarithmic functions, showing intercepts and end behavior, and trigonometric functions, showing period, midline, and amplitude, and using phase shift.

**MAFS.912.G-MG.1.2:** Apply concepts of density based on area and volume in modeling situations (e.g., persons per square mile, BTUs per cubic foot).

**MAFS.912.N-Q.1.1:** 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.
MAFS.912.N-Q.1.3: Choose a level of accuracy appropriate to limitations on measurement when reporting quantities.

MAFS.912.S-IC.2.6: Evaluate reports based on data.

MAFS.912.S-ID.1.1: Represent data with plots on the real number line (dot plots, histograms, and box plots).

Remarks/Examples:
In grades 6 – 8, students describe center and spread in a data distribution. Here they choose a summary statistic appropriate to the characteristics of the data distribution, such as the shape of the distribution or the existence of extreme data points.

MAFS.912.S-ID.1.2: Use statistics appropriate to the shape of the data distribution to compare center (median, mean) and spread (interquartile range, standard deviation) of two or more different data sets.

Remarks/Examples:
In grades 6 – 8, students describe center and spread in a data distribution. Here they choose a summary statistic appropriate to the characteristics of the data distribution, such as the shape of the distribution or the existence of extreme data points.

MAFS.912.S-ID.1.3: Interpret differences in shape, center, and spread in the context of the data sets, accounting for possible effects of extreme data points (outliers).

Remarks/Examples:
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MAFS.912.S-ID.1.4: Use the mean and standard deviation of a data set to fit it to a normal distribution and to estimate population percentages. Recognize that there are data sets for which such a procedure is not appropriate. Use calculators, spreadsheets, and tables to estimate areas under the normal curve.

MAFS.912.S-ID.1.5: Summarize categorical data for two categories in two-way frequency tables. Interpret relative frequencies in the context of the data (including joint, marginal, and conditional relative frequencies). Recognize possible associations and trends in the data.

MAFS.912.S-ID.2.6: Represent data on two quantitative variables on a scatter plot, and describe how the variables are related.

a. Fit a function to the data; use functions fitted to data to solve problems in the context of the data. Use given functions or choose a function suggested by the context. Emphasize linear, and exponential models.

b. Informally assess the fit of a function by plotting and analyzing residuals.

c. Fit a linear function for a scatter plot that suggests a linear association.

Remarks/Examples:
Students take a more sophisticated look at using a linear function to model the relationship between two numerical variables. In addition to fitting a line to data, students assess how well the model fits by analyzing residuals.

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