

COURSE GUIDE: POWER STANDARDS & LEARNING TARGETS

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SCIENCE (2)				
Students will evaluate how people impact the environment.	Students will design, test, and improve a tool that helps paleontologists solve a problem.	Students will explore the life cycle of the butterfly	Students will make and record observations.	

LEARNING TARGET DESCRIPTIONS	
 Level 3 learning targets demonstrate understanding of foundational and complex known Level 2 learning targets demonstrate understanding of foundational knowledge. 	wledge.

POWER STANDARD:	LEARNING TARGET: STUDENTS WILL	
Students will evaluate how people impact the environment.	Level 3	
	☐ List ways that they can affect the environment in a positive way	
	☐ Explain how the 3Rs (reduce, reuse, recycle) benefit the environment	
	☐ Identify how my community has been impacted over time and create solutions to protect the land, water, and air for the future	
	☐ Write a persuasive piece that emphasizes the positive effect people can have on the environment	
	Level 2	
	☐ List natural resources I use everyday	
	 Compare/contrast things that are helpful and harmful to the environment 	
	☐ Define the 3Rs (reduce, reuse, recycle) and give examples	
POWER STANDARD	LEARNING TARGET: STUDENTS WILL	
Students will design, test, and	Level 3	
improve a tool that helps scientists solve a problem.	☐ Use materials to design a device that solves a specific problem.	
	☐ Construct a 3D model to represent a large object.	
	Test and compare prototypes and use testing results to improve the design.	



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	Explain how scientists use graphs and measurement to represent data.
	Level 2
	☐ Identify how the shape of an object can determine its function.
	Describe how scientific tools have improved over time and made new discoveries possible.
	☐ Compare and contrast carnivores and herbivores based on fossil evidence.
POWER STANDARD	LEARNING TARGET: STUDENTS WILL
Students will explore the life cycle of the butterfly.	Level 3
	☐ Observe and record the different stages of a butterfly's life cycle
	☐ Identify the body parts of a caterpillar and Painted Lady butterfly
	Level 2
	Observe that a caterpillar forms a chrysalis, and a butterfly emerges from the chrysalis
	☐ Learn that caterpillars need food, air, and space to live and grow
	 Learn that a butterfly needs food to live, but it does not grow after emerging
	☐ Learn that a butterfly lays eggs, hatch into larvae
POWER STANDARD	LEARNING TARGET: STUDENTS WILL
Students will design, test, and	Level 3
improve a zoo habitat for emperor penguins	٥
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POWER STANDARD:	LEARNING TARGET: STUDENTS WILL
Students will make and record observations.	Level 3
	☐ Plan and conduct investigations to provide written evidence
	☐ Draw conclusions from observations
	☐ Use correct scientific terminology
	☐ Ask questions based on observations to find more information
	☐ Make observations to collect data to use to make comparisions
	Level 2
	☐ Form and record observations
	☐ Make predictions about an experiment
	☐ Draw a model of the experiment or components of
	☐ Compare predictions to the results of the experiment

Note:

■ The number(s) behind the course title indicate the grade(s) the course is offered.