WAUCONDA SCHOOL DISTRICT 118 UNIT PLANNING ORGANIZER

Subject: Biology Storylining

Grade Level or Course: 11th Grade

Unit: Unit 2 (Homeostasis)

Pacing: 6-7 Weeks

STAGE 1 – DESIRED RESULTS

Essential Questions/Target Objectives:

- How are organisms interdependent within their environment?
- How have humans impacted ecosystems and its communities?
- How does homeostasis maintain balance in ecosystems?
- How does homeostasis maintain balance in organisms?
- How does homeostasis maintain balance in cells?

Big Ideas/Major Concepts:

- Food chains and food webs
- Energy flow in ecosystems
- Keystone species
- Ecosystem homeostasis
- Abiotic v. biotic limiting factors
- Carrying capacity of populations
- Allelic and phenotypic frequencies in populations
- Natural selection and selective pressures
- Genetic Drift
- Sea urchin structure and physiology
- Ocean acidification
- Carbon and nitrogen cycles
- Mammalian dive response (feedback mechanisms)
- Human impact on ecosystems
- Transport of molecules during digestion and respiration
- Photosynthesis
- Cellular respiration

NGSS Performance Standards:

- LS1-2: Develop and use a model to illustrate the hierarchical organization of interacting systems that provide specific functions within multicellular organisms.
- LS1-3: Plan and conduct an investigation to provide evidence that feedback mechanisms maintain homeostasis.
- LS1-5: Use a model to illustrate how photosynthesis transforms light energy into stored chemical energy.

- LS 1-6: Construct and revise an explanation based on evidence for how carbon, hydrogen, and oxygen from sugar molecules may combine with other elements to form amino acids and/or other large carbon-based molecules.
- LS 1-7: Use a model to illustrate that cellular respiration is a chemical process whereby the bonds of food molecules and oxygen molecules are broken and the bonds in new compounds are formed resulting in a net transfer of energy.
- LS2-1: Use mathematical and/or computational representations to support explanations of factors that affect carrying capacity of ecosystems at different scales.
- LS 2-2: Use mathematical representations to support and revise explanations based on evidence about factors affecting biodiversity and populations in ecosystems of different scales.
- LS 2-3: Construct and revise an explanation based on evidence for the cycling of matter and flow of energy in aerobic and anaerobic conditions.
- LS 2-4: Use mathematical representations to support claims for the cycling of matter and flow of energy among organisms in an ecosystem.
- LS 2-5: Develop a model to illustrate the role of photosynthesis and cellular respiration in the cycling of carbon among the biosphere, atmosphere, hydrosphere, and geosphere.
- 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.
- LS2-7: Design, evaluate, and refine a solution for reducing the impacts of human activities on the environment and biodiversity.
- LS 4-3: Apply concepts of statistics and probability to support explanations that organisms with an advantageous heritable trait tend to increase in proportion to organisms lacking this trait.
- LS 4-4: Construct an explanation based on evidence for how natural selection leads to adaptation of populations.
- LS4-5: Evaluate the evidence supporting claims that changes in the environmental conditions may result in (1) increases in the numbers of individuals in some species, (2) the emergence of new species over time, and (3) the extinction of other species.
- LS4-6: Create or revise a simulation to test a solution to mitigate adverse impacts of human activity on biodiversity.

NGSS - Science and Engineering Practices:

- SEP 1: Asking and defining problems
- SEP 2: Developing and using models
- SEP 4: Analyzing and interpreting data
- SEP 5: Using mathematics and computational thinking
- SEP 6: Constructing explanations and designing solutions
- SEP 7: Engaging in argument from evidence
- SEP 8: Obtaining, evaluating, and communicating information

NGSS - Disciplinary Core Ideas:

- LS1.A: Structure and Function
- LS1.C: Organization for Matter and Energy Flow in Organisms
- LS2.A: Interdependent Relationships in Ecosystems
- LS2.B: Cycles of Matter and Energy Transfer in Ecosystems

- LS2.C: Ecosystem Dynamics, Functioning, and Resilience
- LS4.B: Natural Selection
- LS4.C: Adaptation
- LS4.D: Biodiversity and Humans
- ETS1.B: Developing Possible Solutions

NGSS - Cross-Cutting Concepts:

- Cause and Effect
- Patterns
- Stability and Change
- Scale, Proportion, and Quantity
- Energy and Matter
- Structure and Function
- Systems and System Models

STAGE 2 – EVIDENCE

Concepts Performance Tasks 21st Century Skills - Science and **Engineering Practices** (Big Ideas and Themes) (What students will be able to do) • Food chains and food webs • LS1-2: Develop and use a SEP 1: Asking and defining • Energy flow in ecosystems model to illustrate the problems SEP 2: Developing and • Keystone species hierarchical organization of • Ecosystem homeostasis interacting systems that using models • Abiotic v. biotic limiting provide specific functions SEP 4: Analyzing and factors within multicellular interpreting data organisms. SEP 5: Using mathematics • Carrying capacity of • LS1-3: Plan and conduct an and computational thinking populations • Allelic and phenotypic investigation to provide SEP 6: Constructing frequencies in populations evidence that feedback explanations and designing mechanisms maintain • Natural selection and solutions selective pressures homeostasis. • SEP 7: Engaging in • Genetic Drift • LS1-5: Use a model to argument from evidence • Sea urchin structure and SEP 8: Obtaining, illustrate how evaluating, and physiology photosynthesis transforms • Ocean acidification light energy into stored communicating information • Carbon and nitrogen cycles chemical energy. • LS 1-6: Construct and revise • Mammalian dive response (feedback mechanisms) an explanation based on

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Common Summative Assessments:

- Homeostasis Day 1 Assessment
- Homeostasis Day 2 Assessment

Common Formative Assessments:

- Pacific Northwest Food Chains Activity
- Building Keystone Models Activity
- Abiotic Factors Activity
- Carrying Capacity Data Sets and Analysis Activity
- Urchin Hunting and Natural Selection Lab
- Virtual Urchin Part 1-3 Activity
- Sea Urchin Dissection Lab
- Testing Sea Water for CO₂ and pH Lab
- Ocean Acidification and Egg Lab
- Human Impacts on the Ecosystem Activity with CER
- Sea Urchin Close Read Activity
- Carbon and Nitrogen Cycle Close Read Activity
- Mammalian Dive Response Lab
- Transport Modeling Activities Digestion and Respiration
- Energy Game

Modified Summative Assessments:

- Differentiated and Spanish versions available for summative assessments

Modified Formative Assessments:

- Differentiated and Spanish versions available for all labs and activities

STAGE 3 – LEARNING PLAN (INSTRUCTIONAL PLANNING)

Suggested Resources/Materials/Informational Texts

Suggested Research-based Effective Instructional Strategies

Academic Vocabulary/	Enrichment/Extensions/	Interdisciplinary
Word Wall	Modifications	Connection

Essential Vocabulary:	