6th Grade Science Curriculum Map

Month	CCA	I Can	DOK	Lit Standards
August and September	SC-M6 1.1.1	1. I can explain why/	2	RD.3 Follow
	Students will explain how or why	how mixtures can be		precisely a multi-
Structure & Transformation of	mixtures can be separated using	separated using		step procedure
matter	physical properties.	physical properties.		when carrying out
				experiments, taking
	A mixture of substances often can be	2. I can		measurements, or
	separated into the original	identify/describe	2	performing
	substances by using one or more of	evidence of chemical		technical tasks.
Critical Vocabulary:	its characteristic physical properties.	and physical changes in		
	DOK 2	matter.		RD.4 Determine
Property, Characteristic				the meaning of
Property, solubility,	SC-06-1.1.2	3. I can		symbols, key
conductivity, density, mixture,	Students will identify and describe	identify/describe		terms, and other
homogeneous mixture,	evidence of chemical and physical	evidence of chemical		domain-specific
heterogeneous mixture,	changes in matter.	and physical properties		words and phrases
physical change, chemical		in matter.		as they are used in
change, open system, closed	In chemical reactions, the total mass			a specific scientific
system, solution, matter, mass,	is conserved. Substances are often	4. I can		or technical context
and volume.	classified into groups if they react in	identify/describe that		relevant to grades 6
	similar ways. The patterns that	the total mass is		– 8 texts and
	allow classification can be used to	conserved.		topics.
	infer or understand real life	[T		DD 7.1
	applications for those substances.	5. I can analyze that		RD.7 Integrate
	DOK 2	heat travels only from		quantitative or
	SC-06-4.6.3	higher temperature to a		technical
		lower temperature.		information
	Students will understand that, on its			expressed in words
	own, heat travels only from higher			in a text with a
	temperature object/region to lower			version of that information
	temperature object or region. Heat			
	will continue to flow in this manner			expressed visually

	until the objects reach the same temperature. For example, a cup of hot water will continue to cool down until it comes to the same temperature as the surrounding area. Usually when heat is transferred to or from an object, the temperature changes. The temperature increases if heat is added and the temperature decreases if the heat is removed.			(e.g., in a flowchart, diagram, model, graph, or table.)
October and November Motion and Forces Critical Vocabulary: Position, One-dimensional motion, Force, Balanced force, Unbalanced force, Friction, Motion, Speed, Reference point, Speeding up, Slowing down, Steady speed, steep, interaction.	SC-06-1.2.1 Students will describe friction and make inferences about its effects on the motion of an object. When an unbalanced force (friction) acts on an object, the change in speed or direction depends on the size and direction of the force. DOK 3	 I can describe friction. I can make inferences about its effect on motion of an object. I can analyze unbalanced/balance d forces that act on an object. 	3	RD.3 Follow precisely a multistep procedure when carrying out experiments, taking measurements, or performing technical tasks. RD.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 6 — 8 texts and topics.

				RD.7 Integrate quantitative or technical information expressed in words in a text with a version of that information expressed visually (e.g., in a flowchart, diagram, model, graph, or table.)
December	SC-06-4.6.1	1. I can describe the	2	RD.1 Cite specific
	Students will describe or explain the	effect of the Sun's		textual evidence to
Energy Transformations	cause and effect relationships	energy on		support analysis of
	between oceans and climate.	Earth.(This means I know that the sun		science and technical texts.
	Oceans have a major effect on	plays a role in the		technical texts.
Critical Vocabulary	climate, because water in the oceans	water cycle, winds,		RD.9 Compare and
Seasons	holds a large amount of heat.	and ocean	3	contrast the
Temperature	DOK 2	currents).	3	information gained
Heat		carronas).		from experiments,
Photosynthesis	SC-06-4.6.2	2. I can explain how		simulations, video,
Heat Transfer	Students will describe:	and why seasons		or multimedia
Convection	• the effect of the Suns' energy on	occur on		sources with that
Conduction	the Earth system;	Earth.(This means I		gained from
Radiation	• the connection/relationship	can describe the		reading a text on
Rays	between the Sun's energy and	relationship		the same topic.
Energy	seasons.	between the sun's		
		energy and		
	The Sun is the major source of	seasons).		

energy for Earth. The water cycle, winds, ocean currents and growth of plants are affected by the Sun's energy. Seasons result from variations in the amount of the Sun's energy hitting Earth's surface. DOK 3

SC-06-4.6.3

Students will understand that, on its own, heat travels only from higher temperature object/region to lower temperature object or region. Heat will continue to flow in this manner until the objects reach the same temperature. For example, a cup of hot water will continue to cool down until it comes to the same temperature as the surrounding area. Usually when heat is transferred to or from an object, the temperature changes. The temperature increases if heat is added and the temperature decreases if the heat is removed.

- 3. I can explain the cause and effect relationship between the oceans and climate
- 4. I can describe the patterns that result from heat being held in the oceans.
- 5. I can describe photosynthesis role in energy storage within plants.
- 6. I can model and analyze how heat is transferred from areas of higher temperatures to areas of lower temperature.
- 7. I can analyze data to measure the effect of the sun's energy on the Earth; in terms of temperature, seasons, and plant life.

January	SC-06-2.3.2	SC-06-2.3.2	2	RD.1 Cite specific
	Students will explain cause and	1.) I can model the		textual evidence to
Rock	effect relationships in the Rock	steps/phases of the		support analysis of
Cycle/Constructive/Destructive	cycle.	rock cycle		science and
Forces		2.) I can explain		technical texts.
	Materials found in the lithosphere	the cause and effect		
	and mantle are changed in a	relationship in the		RD.6 Analyze the
	continuous process called the rock	Rock Cycle.		author's purpose in
	cycle, which can be investigated	• I can explain		providing an
	using a variety of models. Cause and	the cause and effect		explanation,
Critical Vocabulary	effect relationships should be	relationship in the	2	describing a
Rock Cycle	explored in order to draw	Rock Cycle. (For		procedure, or
Sedimentary	conclusions and make evidence-	today this means		discussing an
Igneous	based predictions of the continually	that I can identify		experiment in a
Metamorphic	changing materials.	sedimentary rocks		text.
Lithosphere	DOK 2	as well as describe		
Constructive Forces		how they form)		
Deconstructive Forces	SC-06-2.3.3 Students will compare	• I can explain		
Plate Tectonics	constructive and destructive forces	the cause and effect		
Weathering	on Earth in order to make	relationship in the		
Erosion	predictions about the nature of	Rock Cycle. (For		
Deformation	landforms.	today this means		
Faulting	T 10	that I can identify		
Deposition	Landforms are a result of a	igneous rocks as		
	combination of constructive and	well as describe		
	destructive forces. Collection and	how they form)		
	analysis of data indicates that	• I can explain		
	constructive forces include crustal	the cause and effect		
	deformation, faulting, volcanic	relationship in the		
	eruption and deposition of sediment,	Rock Cycle. (For		
	while destructive forces include	today this means		
	weathering and erosion.	that I can identify		
	DOK 2	metamorphic rocks		

as well as describe
how they form)
SC-06-2.3.3
3.) I can explain
the layers of the
earth.
4.) I can analyze
the 3 types of faults
effects on the
surface of the
Earth.
5.) I can model and
explain plate
boundaries.
6.) I can compare
constructive and
destructive forces
in earthquakes and
volcanoes as well
as in weathering
and erosion.
7.) I can make
predictions about
the nature of
landforms. (This
means I can tell
how landforms
were made along
fault lines and on
volcanic
mountains).

February	SC-06-3.5.1	1.	I can explain how	2	RD.1 Cite specific
	Students will explain that biological		mutations and		textual evidence to
Adaptation/Behavior/Biological	change over time accounts for the		adaptations and		support analysis of
Change	diversity of species developed		occur.		science and
	through gradual processes over				technical texts.
	many generations.	2.	I can justify the		
Critical Vocabulary	Biological adaptations include		need for biological		RD.5 Analyze the
Predator	changes in structures, behaviors, or		changes over time.		structure an author
Prey	physiology that enhance survival				uses to organize a
Limiting Factor	and reproductive success in a	3.	I can classify		text, including how
Adaptation	particular environment.		biological changes		the major sections
Mutation	DOK 2		of organisms as		contribute to the
Camouflage			structural,		whole and to the
Mimicry	SC-06-3.5.2		behavioral, or		understanding of
Instinct	Students will understand that		physiological.		the topic.
Behavior	regulation of an organism's internal			2	RD.8 Distinguish
Learned behavior	environment involves sensing the	4.	1		among facts,
Protective Coloring	internal environment and changing		species became		reasoned judgment
Protective Resemblance	physiological activities to keep		diverse.		based on research
Natural Selection	conditions within the range required				findings, and
Selective Breeding	to survive. Maintaining a stable	5.			speculation in a
	internal environment is essential for		effect of biological		text.
	an organism's survival.		adaptations on		
			survival and		
	SC-06-3.4.2		reproductive		
	Students will make inferences about		success.		
	the factors influencing behavior				
	based on data/evidence of various	6.	2		
	organism's behaviors.		explain limiting		
	Behavior is one kind of response an		factors.		
	organism may make to an internal				
	or environmental stimulus.				
	Observations of organisms, data	<u> </u>			

	collection/analysis, support generalizations/conclusions that a behavioral response is a set of actions determined in part by heredity and in part from experience. A behavioral response requires coordination and communication at many levels including cells, organ systems and organisms. DOK 2	7.		
March	SC-06-3.4.2 Students will make inferences about	SC-06-3.4.2	2	RD.1 Cite specific textual evidence to
Ecosystems	the factors influencing behavior	1.) I can differentiate between instinct		support analysis of
Leosystems	based on data/evidence of various	and innate		science and
	organisms' behaviors.	behavior.		technical texts.
	Behavior is one kind of response an	2.) I can make		
Critical Vocabulary	organism may make to an internal	inferences about		RD.2 Determine
Biotic Factor, Abiotic Factor,	or environmental stimulus.	factors that cause		the central ideas or
Habitat, Niche, Organism,	Observations of organisms, data	an organism to		conclusions of a
Population, Community,	collection/analysis, support	behave a certain		text: provide an
Ecosystem, Food Chain, Food	generalizations/conclusions that a	way.		accurate summary
Web, Limiting Factor,	behavioral response is a set of			of the text distinct
Population Density,	actions determined in part by	SC-06-4.7.1		from prior
Symbiosis	heredity and in part from	1.) I can compare	2	knowledge or
	experience. A behavioral response	and contrast	2	opinions.
	requires coordination and	abiotic and biotic		
	communication at many levels	factors.		
	including cells, organ systems and	2.) I can explain		

	organisms. DOK 2 SC-06-4.7.1 Students will describe the consequences of change in one or more abiotic factors on a population within an ecosystem. The number of organisms an ecosystem can support depends on the resources available and abiotic factors (e.g., quantity of light and water, range of temperatures, soil composition). DOK 2	an ecosystem. 3.) I can explain population. 4.) I can describe an abiotic factor that can cause change in an ecosystem. 5.) I can identify a biotic factor that can cause change in an ecosystem. This means I can describe the consequences of change. 6.) I can describe and distinguish cycles in nature.		
April	SC-06-3.4.1	1. I can describe	3	RD.1 Cite specific
Cells	Students will describe the	cells, tissue, and		textual evidence to
Cells	relationship between cells, tissues and organs in order to explain their	organs 2. I can explain		support analysis of science and
Critical Vocabulary	function in multicellular organisms.	the function of		technical texts.
Cell, Tissue, Organ, Organ	Tamourou in indirectional organisms.	cells, tissues, and		toominations.
System, Organism,	Specialized cells perform specialized	organs.		RD.2 Determine
Multicellular, Unicellular,	functions in multicellular organisms.	3. I can analyze the		the central ideas or
Nucleus, Vacuole,	Groups of specialized cells cooperate	relationship		conclusions of a
Chromosomes, Cell Wall,	to form tissues. Different tissues are,	between cells,		text: provide an
Cell Membrane, Chloroplast,	in turn, grouped together to form	tissues, and organs		accurate summary
Cytoplasm, Mitochondrion	larger functional units called organs.	in terms of		of the text distinct
	Examination of cells, tissues and	multicellular		from prior
	organs reveals that each type has a	organisms.		knowledge or

	distinct structure and set of			opinions.
	functions that serve the organism.			
	DOK 3			
May	SC-06-2.3.1	1.) I can record and	3	RD.1 Cite specific
	Students will explain and predict	analyze		textual evidence to
Earth-Sun- Moon System	phenomena (e.g., day, year, moon	observations about		support analysis of
	phases, eclipses) based on	the movement of		science and
	models/representations or data	objects in the solar		technical texts.
	related to the motion of objects in the	system. (This		
Critical Vocabulary	solar system (e.g., earth, sun, moon).	means performing		
Moon Phases	Observations and investigations of	investigations about		
Eclipse	patterns indicate that most objects in	the day, the year,		
Seasons	the solar system are in regular and	phases of the moon,		
Solar System	predictable motion. Evaluation of	and eclipses).		
Solstice	this data explains such phenomena as	2.) I can explain and		
Equinox	the day, the year, phases of the moon	predict how a day		
Tides	and eclipses.	occurs.		
	DOK 3	3.) I can explain and		
		predict how a year		
		occurs.		
		4.) I can explain and		
		predict how moon		
		phases occur.		
		5.) I can explain and		
		predict how		
		eclipses occur.		

WRITING STANDARD – 2

Write informative text, including the narration of scientific procedures/experiments.

WRITING STANDARD – 4

Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

WRITING STANDARD – 9

Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.