

Bemidji Area Schools

Grades 10-12 Aerospace Engineering Science Outcomes

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| 1. The Nature of Science and Engineering | 1. The Practice of Science | 1. Science is a way of knowing about the natural world and is characterized by empirical criteria, logical argument and skeptical review. | 9.1.1.1.1 Explain the implications of the assumption that the rules of the universe are the same everywhere and these rules can be discovered by careful and systematic investigation. | General discussion of hypothesis, theory and law and how they do not lie on a continuum. |
| | | | 9.1.1.1.2 Understand that scientists conduct investigations for a variety of reasons, including: to discover new aspects of the natural world, to explain observed phenomena, to test the conclusions of prior investigations, or to test the predictions of current theories. | General discussion on the history of flight and how it evolved over time. History of flight presentation. |
| | | | 9.1.1.1.3 Explain how the traditions and norms of science define the bounds of professional scientific practice and reveal instances of scientific error or misconduct. <i>For example:</i> The use of peer review, publications and presentations. | Discussion on NASA and the negative side of the race to space. History of flight presentation. |
| | | | 9.1.1.1.5 Identify sources of bias and explain how bias might influence the direction of research and the interpretation of data. <i>For example:</i> How funding of research can influence questions studied, procedures used, analysis of data, and communication of results. | Discussion on the funding of NASA and how it changes with different Presidents. |
| | | | 9.1.1.1.6 Describe how changes in scientific knowledge generally occur in incremental steps that include and build on earlier knowledge. | General discussion on the history of flight. History of flight presentations. |
| | 2. The Practice of Engineering | 1. Engineering is a way of addressing human needs by applying science concepts and mathematical techniques to develop new products, tools, processes and systems. | 9.1.2.1.1 Understand that engineering designs and products are often continually checked and critiqued for alternatives, risks, costs and benefits, so that subsequent designs are refined and improved. <i>For example:</i> If the price of an essential raw material changes, the product design may need to be changed. | Discussion on engineering. Designing a glider with limited supplies project. |
| | | | 9.1.2.1.2 Recognize that risk analysis is used to determine the potential positive and negative consequences of using a new technology or design, including the evaluation of causes and effects of failures. <i>For example:</i> Risks and benefits associated with using lithium batteries. | Study of how advanced technology can hinder a mission or make it a success. |

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| 1. The Nature of Science and Engineering | 2. The Practice of Engineering | 1. Engineering is a way of addressing human needs by applying science concepts and mathematical techniques to develop new products, tools, processes and systems. | 9.1.2.1.3 Explain and give examples of how, in the design of a device, engineers consider how it is to be manufactured, operated, maintained, replaced and disposed of. | Airfoil design project. |
| | | 2. Engineering design is an analytical and creative process of devising a solution to meet a need or solve a specific problem. | 9.1.2.2.1 Identify a problem and the associated constraints on possible design solutions. <i>For example:</i> Constraints can include time, money, scientific knowledge and available technology. | Airfoil design project. Glider design project. |
| | | | 9.1.2.2.2 Develop possible solutions to an engineering problem and evaluate them using conceptual, physical and mathematical models to determine the extent to which the solutions meet the design specifications. <i>For example:</i> Develop a prototype to test the quality, efficiency and productivity of a product. | Airfoil design and wind tunnel testing. |
| | 3. Interactions Among Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, and Society | 2. Men and women throughout the history of all cultures, including Minnesota American Indian tribes and communities, have been involved in engineering design and scientific inquiry. | 9.1.3.2.2 Analyze possible careers in science and engineering in terms of education requirements, working practices and rewards. | General discussion on the careers in Aerospace Engineering and astrophysics and what education requirements each field requires. |
| | | | 3. Science and engineering operate in the context of society and both influence and are influenced by this context. | 9.1.3.3.1 Describe how values and constraints affect science and engineering. <i>For example:</i> Economic, environmental, social, political, ethical, health, safety, and sustainability issues. |
| | | 9.1.3.3.3 Describe how scientific investigations and engineering processes require multi-disciplinary contributions and efforts. <i>For example:</i> Nanotechnology, climate change, agriculture, or biotechnology. | | Research project on the effects that space has on the human body and how experts from different disciplines have to work together for a successful mission. |

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| | | | 9.1.3.4.2 Determine and use appropriate safety procedures, tools, computers and measurement instruments in science and engineering contexts. <i>For example:</i> Consideration of chemical and biological hazards in the lab. | Lab safety procedure discussion. Demonstration of proper use of lab tools and safety equipment. |
| | | | 9.1.3.4.3 Select and use appropriate numeric, symbolic, pictorial, or graphical representation to communicate scientific ideas, procedures and experimental results. | Students will present their designs and experimental results using various methods including graphs and diagrams. |
| | | | 9.1.3.4.4 Relate the reliability of data to consistency of results, identify sources of error, and suggest ways to improve the data collection and analysis. <i>For example:</i> Use statistical analysis or error analysis to make judgments about the validity of results | The students will include error analysis with all of their experiments which will be used to determine validity of their results. |
| | | | 9.1.3.4.5 Demonstrate how unit consistency and dimensional analysis can guide the calculation of quantitative solutions and verification of results. | Demonstration on unit conversions and students will carry units through out their calculations to verify their solutions. |
| | | | 9.1.3.4.6 Analyze the strengths and limitations of physical, conceptual, mathematical and computer models used by scientists and engineers. | Students will keep a journal throughout the class which will include the advantages and limitations of all the programs, models and equipment used in the course. |

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| 2. Physical Science | 2. Motion | 2. An object's mass and the forces on it affect the motion of an object. | 9.2.2.2.1 Recognize that inertia is the property of an object that causes it to resist changes in motion. | Discussion and examples of Newton's 3 laws of motion. |
| | | | 9.2.2.2.2 Explain and calculate the acceleration of an object subjected to a set of forces in one dimension ($F=ma$). | Discussion and examples of Newton's 3 laws of motion. Model rocket design and engine testing. |
| | | | 9.2.2.2.3 Demonstrate that whenever one object exerts force on another, a force equal in magnitude and opposite in direction is exerted by the second object back on the first object. | Discussion and examples of Newton's 3 laws of motion. Model rocket design and engine testing. Glider design and launching. |
| | | | 9.2.2.2.4 Use Newton's universal law of gravitation to describe and calculate the attraction between massive objects based on the distance between them. <i>For example:</i> Calculate the weight of a person on different planets using data of the mass and radius of the planets. | Discussion and examples of Newton's Universal Law of Gravitation. Students will be able to calculate the gravitational pull of a planet and the escape velocity needed to leave a planet or moon. |
| | | 1. The periodic table illustrates how patterns in the physical and chemical properties of elements are related to atomic structure. | 9C.2.1.1.2 Identify and compare trends on the periodic table, including reactivity and relative sizes of atoms and ions; use the trends to explain the properties of subgroups, including metals, non-metals, alkali metals, alkaline earth metals, halogens and noble gases. | |
| 1. The Nature of Science and Engineering | 3. Interactions Among Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, and Society | 3. Developments in physics affect society and societal concerns affect the field of physics. | 9P.1.3.3.1 Describe changes in society that have resulted from significant discoveries and advances in technology in physics. <i>For example:</i> Transistors, generators, radio/television, or microwave ovens. | Discussion on the history of science. |
| | | 4. Physical and mathematical models are used to describe physical systems. | 9P.1.3.4.1 Use significant figures and an understanding of accuracy and precision in scientific measurements to determine and express the uncertainty of a result. | Discussion on error analysis measurement lab with error analysis. |
| 2. Physical Science | 2. Motion | 1. Forces and inertia determine the motion of objects. | 9P.2.2.1.1 Use vectors and free-body diagrams to describe force, position, velocity and acceleration of objects in two-dimensional space. | Discussion and examples on force diagrams understanding flight activity. |

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| | | 1. Forces and inertia determine the motion of objects. | 9P.2.2.1.2 Apply Newton's three laws of motion to calculate and analyze the effect of forces and momentum on motion. | Discussion and examples on Newton's 3 laws and momentum rocket design and engine test. Understanding flight activity. |
| | | 1. Forces and inertia determine the motion of objects. | 9P.2.2.1.3 Use gravitational force to explain the motion of objects near Earth and in the universe. | Discussion and examples on Newton's Law of Universal Gravitation. |
| | | 2. When objects change their motion or interact with other objects in the absence of frictional forces, the total amount of mechanical energy remains constant. | 9P.2.2.2.2 Describe and calculate the change in velocity for objects when forces are applied perpendicular to the direction of motion. <i>For example:</i> Objects in orbit. | Discussion on centripetal acceleration and force wind tunnel testing. |
| | | 2. When objects change their motion or interact with other objects in the absence of frictional forces, the total amount of mechanical energy remains constant. | 9P.2.2.2.3 Use conservation of momentum and conservation of energy to analyze an elastic collision of two solid objects in one-dimensional motion. | Discussion and examples on energy and collisions. Satellite collision video. |