

BEMIDJI AREA SCHOOLS
Outcomes in Mathematics - Statistics

Strand	Standard	No.	Benchmark
Data Analysis & Probability	Display and analyze data; use various measures associated with data to draw conclusions, identify trends and describe relationships.	9.4.1.1	Describe a data set using data displays, such as box-and-whisker plots; describe and compare data sets using summary statistics, including measures of center, location and spread. Measures of center and location include mean, median, quartile and percentile. Measures of spread include standard deviation, range and inter-quartile range. Know how to use calculators, spreadsheets or other technology to display data and calculate summary statistics.
		9.4.1.2	Analyze the effects on summary statistics of changes in data sets. <i>For example:</i> Understand how inserting or deleting a data point may affect the mean and standard deviation. <i>Another example:</i> Understand how the median and interquartile range are affected when the entire data set is transformed by adding a constant to each data value or multiplying each data value by a constant.
		9.4.1.3	Use scatterplots to analyze patterns and describe relationships between two variables. Using technology, determine regression lines (line of best fit) and correlation coefficients; use regression lines to make predictions and correlation coefficients to assess the reliability of those predictions.
		9.4.1.4	Use the mean and standard deviation of a data set to fit it to a normal distribution (bell-shaped curve) 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. <i>For example:</i> After performing several measurements of some attribute of an irregular physical object, it is appropriate to fit the data to a normal distribution and draw conclusions about measurement error. <i>Another example:</i> When data involving two very different populations is combined, the resulting histogram may show two distinct peaks, and fitting the data to a normal distribution is not appropriate.
Explain the uses of data and statistical thinking to draw inferences, make predictions and justify conclusions.		9.4.2.1	Evaluate reports based on data published in the media by identifying the source of the data, the design of the study, and the way the data are analyzed and displayed. Show how graphs and data can be distorted to support different points of view. Know how to use spreadsheet tables and graphs or graphing technology to recognize and analyze distortions in data displays. <i>For example:</i> Shifting data on the vertical axis can make relative changes appear deceptively large.
		9.4.2.2	Identify and explain misleading uses of data; recognize when arguments based on data confuse correlation and causation.
		9.4.2.3	Explain the impact of sampling methods, bias and the phrasing of questions asked during data collection.

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Data Analysis & Probability	Calculate probabilities and apply probability concepts to solve real-world and mathematical problems.	9.4.3.1	Select and apply counting procedures, such as the multiplication and addition principles and tree diagrams, to determine the size of a sample space (the number of possible outcomes) and to calculate probabilities. <i>For example:</i> If one girl and one boy are picked at random from a class with 20 girls and 15 boys, there are $20 \times 15 = 300$ different possibilities, so the probability that a particular girl is chosen together with a particular boy is $\frac{1}{300}$.
		9.4.3.2	Calculate experimental probabilities by performing simulations or experiments involving a probability model and using relative frequencies of outcomes.
		9.4.3.3	Understand that the Law of Large Numbers expresses a relationship between the probabilities in a probability model and the experimental probabilities found by performing simulations or experiments involving the model.
		9.4.3.4	Use random numbers generated by a calculator or a spreadsheet, or taken from a table, to perform probability simulations and to introduce fairness into decision making. <i>For example:</i> If a group of students needs to fairly select one of its members to lead a discussion, they can use a random number to determine the selection.
		9.4.3.5	Apply probability concepts such as intersections, unions and complements of events, and conditional probability and independence, to calculate probabilities and solve problems. <i>For example:</i> The probability of tossing at least one head when flipping a fair coin three times can be calculated by looking at the complement of this event (flipping three tails in a row).
		9.4.3.6	Describe the concepts of intersections, unions and complements using Venn diagrams. Understand the relationships between these concepts and the words AND, OR, NOT, as used in computerized searches and spreadsheets.
		9.4.3.7	Understand and use simple probability formulas involving intersections, unions and complements of events. <i>For example:</i> If the probability of an event is p , then the probability of the complement of an event is $1 - p$; the probability of the intersection of two independent events is the product of their probabilities. <i>Another example:</i> The probability of the union of two events equals the sum of the probabilities of the two individual events minus the probability of the intersection of the events.
		9.4.3.8	Apply probability concepts to real-world situations to make informed decisions. <i>For example:</i> Explain why a hockey coach might decide near the end of the game to pull the goalie to add another forward position player if the team is behind. <i>Another example:</i> Consider the role that probabilities play in health care decisions, such as deciding between having eye surgery and wearing glasses.

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Data Analysis & Probability	Calculate probabilities and apply probability concepts to solve real-world and mathematical problems.	9.4.3.9	Use the relationship between conditional probabilities and relative frequencies in contingency tables. <i>For example:</i> A table that displays percentages relating gender (male or female) and handedness (right-handed or left-handed) can be used to determine the conditional probability of being left-handed, given that the gender is male.