

AP Physics B Yearly Standards

Units	Priority Standards	Supporting Standards	Science Practices
Unit 1: Fluids	1.A The internal structure of a systemdetermines many properties of thesystem. 1.E Materials have many macroscopicproperties that result from thearrangement and interactions of theatoms and molecules that make upthe material. 3.A All forces share certain commoncharacteristics when considered byobservers in inertial referenceframes. 3.B Classically, the acceleration of anobject interacting with other objectscan be predicted by using $\overline{a} = \frac{\Sigma F}{m}$ 3.C At the macroscopic level,forces can be categorized as eitherlong-range (action-at-a-distance)forces or contact forces. 5.B The energy of a system is	 1.A.5.2 Construct representations of how the properties of a system are determined by the interactions of its constituent substructures. [SP 1.1, 1.4, 7.1] 1.E.1.1 Predict the densities, differences in densities, or changes in densities under different conditions for natural phenomena and design an investigation to verify the prediction. [SP 4.2, 6.4] 1.E.1.2 Select from experimental data the information necessary to determine the densities of several objects. [SP 4.1, 6.4] 3.A.2.1 Represent forces in diagrams or mathematically using appropriately labeled vectors with magnitude, direction, and units during the analysis of a situation. [SP 1.1] 	 1.1 The student can create representations and models of natural or man-made phenomena and systems in the domain. 1.4 The student can use representations and models to analyze situations or solve problems qualitatively and quantitatively.* 7.1 The student can connect phenomena and models across spatial and temporal scales.* 4.1 The student can justify the selection of the kind of data needed to answer a particular scientific question. 4.2 The student can design a plan for collecting data to answer a particular scientific question. 6.4 The student can make claims and predictions about natural phenomena based on scientific theories and models. 6.1 The student can justify claims with evidence.* 6.2 The student can construct explanations of phenomena based on

conserved. 5.F	3.A.3.2 Construct an explanation for why an	evidence produced through scientific practices
Classically, the mass of a system is	object cannot exert a force on itself. [SP	7.2 The student can connect concepts
conserved	6.1]	in and across domain(s) to generalize or
	3.A.3.3	extrapolate in and/or across enduring
	Describe a force as an interaction	understandings and/or big ideas.
	between two objects and identify both	<u>1.5</u> The student can re-express key
	objects for any force. [SP 1.4]	elements of natural phenomena across
	3.A.3.4	multiple representations in the domain.
	Make claims about the force on an	<u>2.2</u> The student can apply mathematical
	object due to the presence of other	routines to quantities that describe
	objects with the same properties: mass,	natural phenomena
	electric charge.	<u>2.1</u> The student can justify the selection
	[SP 6.1, 6.4]	of a mathematical routine to solve
	<u>3.A.4.1</u>	problems.
	Construct explanations of physical	
	situations involving the interaction of	
	bodies using Newton's third law	
	and the representation of	
	action-reaction pairs of forces. [SP 1.4,	
	6.2]	
	<u>3.A.4.2</u>	
	Make claims and predictions about the	
	action-reaction pairs of forces when two	
	objects interact using Newton's third	
	law.	
	[SP 6.4, 7.2]	
	<u>3.A.4.3</u>	
	Analyze situations involving interactions	
	among several objects by using	
	free-body diagrams that include the	
	application of Newton's third law to	
	identify forces. [SP 1.4]	
	<u>3.B.1.3</u>	

Re-express a free-body diagram
representation into a mathematical
representation and solve the
mathematical representation for the
acceleration of the object.
[SP 1.5, 2.2]
<u>3.B.1.4</u>
Predict the motion of an object subject
to forces exerted by several objects
using an application of Newton's second
law in a variety of physical situations.
[SP 6.4, 7.2]
3.B.2.1
Create and use free-body diagrams to
analyze physical situations to solve
problems with motion qualitatively and
guantitatively.
[SP 1.1, 1.4, 2.2]
3.C.4.1
Make claims about various contact
forces between objects based on the
microscopic cause of those forces. [SP
6.1]
3.C.4.2
Explain contact forces (tension, friction,
normal, buoyant, spring) as arising from
interatomic electric forces and that they
therefore have certain directions. [SP
6.2]
5.B.10.1
Make calculations related to a moving
fluid using Bernoulli's equation. [SP 2.2]
5.B.10.2
Make calculations related to a moving

Unit 2: Thermody namics	<u>1.A</u> The internal structure of a system determines many properties of the	pressure. [SP 2.2] 5.B.10.3 Make calculations related to a moving fluid using Bernoulli's equation and the continuity equation. [SP 2.2] 5.B.10.4 Construct an explanation of Bernoulli's equation in terms of the conservation of energy. [SP 6.2] 5.F.1.1 Make calculations of quantities related to flow of a fluid, using mass conservation principles (the continuity equation). [SP 2.1, 2.2, 7.2] 1.A.5.2 Construct representations of how the properties of	<u>1.1</u> The student can create representations and models of natural or man-made phenomena and systems
	system. <u>7.A</u> The surgestion of an ideal area area	a system are determined by the interactions of its	in the domain.* <u>1.4</u> The student can use
	The properties of an ideal gas can be explained in terms of a small number of macroscopic variables, including temperature and pressure. 3.A All forces share certain common characteristics when considered by observers in inertial reference frames. 3.B Classically, the acceleration of an	constituent substructures. [SP 1.1, 1.4, 7.1] <u>7.A.1.1</u> Make claims about how the pressure of an ideal gas is connected to the force exerted by molecules on the walls of the container and how changes in pressure affect the thermal equilibrium of the system. [SP 6.4, 7.2] <u>7.A.1.2</u>	representations and models to analyze situations or solve problems qualitatively and quantitatively.* 7.1 The student can connect phenomena and models across spatial and temporal scales.* 2.2 The student can apply mathematical routines to quantities that describe natural phenomena. 3.2 The student can refine scientific questions. 4.2 The student can design a plan for

object interacting with other objects	Treating a gas molecule	collecting data to answer a particular
can be predicted by using	as an object (i.e., ignoring its	scientific question.
$\overline{a} = \frac{\Sigma F}{m}$	internal structure), analyze	<u>5.1</u> The student can analyze data to
3. <u>C</u>	qualitatively the collisions	identify patterns or relationships.
At the macroscopic level, forces	with a container wall and	6.4 The student can make claims and
can be categorized as either	determine the cause of	predictions about natural phenomena
-	pressure, and at thermal	based on scientific theories and models
long-range (action-at-a-distance)	equilibrium, quantitatively	7.2 The student can connect concepts
forces or contact forces.	calculate the pressure, force,	in and across domain(s) to generalize or
<u>4.C</u>	or area for a thermodynamic	extrapolate in and/or across enduring
Interactions with other objects or	problem given two of the	understandings and/or big ideas.
systems can change the total	variables. [SP 1.4, 2.2]	6.1 The student can justify claims with
energy of a system	7.A.2.1	evidence.*
<u>5.B</u>	Qualitatively connect the	6.2 The student can construct
The energy of a system is	average of all kinetic energies	explanations of phenomena based on
conserved.	of molecules in a system	evidence produced through scientific
<u>5.D</u>	to the temperature of the	practices.
The linear momentum of a system	system. [SP 7.1]	<u>1.5</u> The student can re-express key
is conserved.	7.A.2.2	elements of natural phenomena across
<u>1.E</u>	Connect the statistical	multiple representations in the domain.
Materials have many macroscopic	distribution of microscopic	1.2 The student can describe
properties that result from the	kinetic energies of	representations and models of natural
arrangement and interactions of the	molecules to the	or man-made phenomena and
atoms and molecules that make up	macroscopic temperature	systems in the domain
the material	of the system and relate	<u>2.1</u> The student can justify the selection
<u>7.B</u>	this to thermodynamic	of a mathematical routine to solve
The tendency of isolated systems	processes. [SP 7.1]	problems.
to move toward states with higher		4.1 The student can justify the selection
disorder is described by probability	7.A.3.1	of the kind of data needed to answer a
	Extrapolate from pressure	
	and temperature or volume	particular scientific question.*
	and temperature data	
	to make the prediction	
	that there is a temperature	
	at which the pressure	

or volume extrapolates
to zero. [SP 6.4, 7.2]
<u>7.A.3.2</u>
Design a plan for collecting
data to determine the
relationships between
pressure, volume, and
temperature, and/or the
amount of an ideal gas; and
to refine a scientific question
proposing an incorrect
relationship between the
variables. [SP 3.2, 4.2]
<u>7.A.3.3</u>
Analyze graphical
representations of
macroscopic variables for an
ideal gas to determine the
relationships between these
variables and to ultimately
determine the ideal gas
law PV = nRT. [SP 5.1]
<u>3.A.2.1</u>
Represent forces in diagrams
or mathematically using
appropriately labeled vectors
with magnitude, direction,
and units during the analysis
of a situation. [SP 1.1]
3.A.3.2
Construct an explanation for
why an object cannot exert a
force on itself. [SP 6.1]
<u>3.A.3.3</u>

	Describe a force as an	
	interaction between two	
	objects and identify both	
	objects for any force. [SP 1.4]	
	3.A.3.4	
	Make claims about the force	
	on an object due to the	
	presence of other objects	
	with the same properties:	
	mass, electric charge.	
	[SP 6.1, 6.4]	
	3.A.4.1	
	Construct explanations of	
	physical situations involving	
	the interaction of bodies	
	using Newton's third law	
	and the representation	
	of action-reaction pairs of	
	forces. [SP 1.4, 6.2]	
	<u>3.A.4.2</u>	
	Make claims and predictions	
	about the action-reaction pairs	
	of forces when two objects	
	interact using Newton's third	
	law. [SP 6.4, 7.2]	
	<u>3.A.4.3</u>	
	Analyze situations involving	
	interactions among several	
	objects by using free-body	
	diagrams that include the	
	application of Newton's third	
	law to identify forces. [SP 1.4]	
	<u>3.B.1.3</u>	
	Re-express a free-body	

diagram representation into a
mathematical representation
and solve the mathematical
representation for the
acceleration of the object.
[SP 1.5, 2.2]
<u>3.B.1.4</u>
Predict the motion of an
object subject to forces
exerted by several objects
using an application
of Newton's second law
in a variety of physical
situations. [SP 6.4, 7.2]
<u>3.B.2.1</u>
Create and use free-body
diagrams to analyze physical
situations to solve problems
with motion qualitatively
and quantitatively. [SP 1.1,
1.4, 2.2]
<u>3.C.4.1</u>
Make claims about various
contact forces between
objects based on the
microscopic cause of those
forces. [SP 6.1]
<u>3.C.4.2</u>
Explain contact forces
(tension, friction, normal,
buoyant, spring) as arising
from interatomic electric
forces and that they
therefore have certain

directions. [SP 6.2]
<u>4.C.3.1</u>
Make predictions about
the direction of energy
transfer due to temperature
differences based on
interactions at the
microscopic level. [SP 6.4]
<u>5.B.2.1</u>
Calculate the expected
behavior of a system using
the object model (i.e., by
ignoring changes in internal
structure) to analyze a
situation. Then, when the
model fails, justify the use
of conservation of energy
principles to calculate
the change in internal
energy due to changes in
internal structure because
the object is actually a
system. [SP 1.4, 2.1]
<u>5.B.4.1</u>
Describe and make
predictions about
the internal energy of
systems. [SP 6.4, 7.2]
5.B.4.2
Calculate changes in kinetic
energy and potential energy
of a system using information
from representations of that
system. [SP 1.4, 2.1, 2.2]

[SP 1.4, 2.1, 2.2]
<u>5.B.5.4</u>
Make claims about the
interaction between a system
and its environment in which
the environment exerts a
force on the system, thus
doing work on the system
and changing the energy of
the system (kinetic energy
plus potential energy).
[SP 6.4, 7.2]
<u>5.B.5.5</u>
Predict and calculate the
energy transfer to (i.e., the
work done on) an object or
system from information
about a force exerted on the
object or system through a
distance. [SP 2.2, 6.4]
<u>5.B.5.6</u>
Design an experiment and
analyze graphical data
in which interpretations
of the area under a
pressure-volume curve are
needed to determine the
work done on or by the object
or system. [SP 4.2, 5.1]
<u>5.B.6.1</u>
Describe the models
that represent processes
by which energy can be
transferred between a system

and its environment because of differences in temperature: conduction, convection, and radiation. [SP 1.2] 5.B.7.1 Predict qualitative changes in the internal energy of a thermodynamic system involving transfer of energy due to heat or work done, and justify those predictions in terms of conservation of energy principles. [SP 6.4, 7.2] 5.B.7.2 Create a plot of pressure versus volume for a thermodynamic process from given data. [SP 1.1] 5.B.7.3 Make calculations of internal energy changes, heat, or work, based on conservation of energy principles (i.e., the first law of thermodynamics), using a plot of pressure versus volume for a thermodynamic process.	
versus volume for a	
[SP 1.1, 1.4, 2.2]	
<u>5.D.1.6</u>	
Make predictions of the	
dynamical properties of	
a system undergoing a	
collision by application of the	

principle of linear momentum
conservation and the
principle of the conservation
of energy in situations in
which an elastic collision may
also be assumed. [SP 6.4]
<u>5.D.1.7</u>
Classify a given collision
situation as elastic or
inelastic, justify the selection
of conservation of linear
momentum and restoration
of kinetic energy as the
appropriate principles for
analyzing an elastic collision,
solve for missing variables,
and calculate their values.
[SP 2.1, 2.2]
5.D.2.5
Classify a given collision
situation as elastic or
inelastic, justify the
selection of conservation
of linear momentum as the
appropriate solution method
for an inelastic collision,
recognize that there is a
common final velocity for
the colliding objects in
the totally inelastic case,
solve for missing variables,
and calculate their values.
[SP 2.1, 2.2]
<u>5.D.2.6</u>

Unit 3: Electric Force, Field, and	1.A The internal structure of a system determines many properties of the	it or from it in a thermal process. [SP 6.2] 7.B.2.1 Connect qualitatively the second law of thermodynamics in terms of the state function called entropy and how it (entropy) behaves in reversible and irreversible processes. [SP 7.1] 1.A.5.2 Construct representations of how the properties of	1.1 The student can create representations and models of natural or man-made phenomena and systems
		process. [SP 6.2]	

Potential	system.	a system are determined	in the domain.*
Polential	5	a system are determined by the interactions of its	
	<u>1.B</u>	constituent substructures.	<u>1.4</u> The student can use
	Electric charge is a property of an		representations and models to analyze
	object or system that affects its	[SP 1.1, 1.4, 7.1]	situations or solve problems
	interactions with	1.B.1.1	qualitatively and quantitatively.*
	other objects or systems containing	Make claims about natural	7.1 The student can connect
	charge.	phenomena based on	phenomena and models across spatial
	<u>5.C</u>	conservation of electric	and temporal scales.*
	The electric charge of a system is	charge. [SP 6.4]	6.2 The student can construct
	conserved.	<u>1.B.1.2</u>	explanations of phenomena based on
	<u>4.E</u>	Make predictions, using the	evidence produced through scientific
	The electric and magnetic	conservation of electric	practices.
	properties of a system can change	charge, about the sign and	6.4 The student can make claims and
	in response to the	relative quantity of net charge	predictions about natural phenomena
	presence of, or changes in, other	of objects or systems after	based on scientific theories and models.
	objects or systems.	various charging processes,	<u>7.2</u> The student can connect concepts
	<u>1.E</u>	including conservation of	in and across domain(s) to generalize or
	Materials have many macroscopic	charge in simple circuits.	extrapolate in and/or across enduring
	properties that result from the	[SP 6.4, 7.2]	understandings and/or big ideas.
	arrangement and	<u>1.B.2.1</u>	<u>4.1</u> The student can justify the selection
	interactions of the atoms and	Construct an explanation	of the kind of data needed to answer a
	molecules that make up the	of the two charge model of	particular scientific question.
	material	electric charge based on	<u>4.2</u> The student can design a plan for
	<u>3.A</u>	evidence produced through	collecting data to answer a particular
	All forces share certain common	scientific practices. [SP 6.2]	scientific question.*
	characteristics when considered by	<u>1.B.2.2</u>	5.1 The student can analyze data to
	observers in	Make a qualitative prediction	identify patterns or relationships
	inertial reference frames.	about the distribution of	3.2 The student can refine scientific
	<u>3.B</u>	positive and negative electric	questions.
	Classically, the acceleration of an	charges within neutral systems	5.3 The student can evaluate the
	object interacting with other objects	as they undergo various	evidence provided by data sets in
	can be predicted by using	processes. [SP 6.4, 7.2]	relation to a particular scientific question <u>6.1</u> The student can justify claims with
	$\overline{a} = \frac{\Sigma F}{\overline{a}}$	<u>1.B.2.3</u>	evidence.*
	^m m	Challenge claims that	
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 3.C At the macroscopic level, forces can be categorized as either long-range (action-at-a-distance) forces or contact forces 3.G Certain types of forces are considered fundamental. 2.A A field associates a value of some physical quantity with every point in space. Field models are useful for describing interactions that occur at a distance (long-range forces) as well as a variety of other physical phenomena 2.C An electric field is caused by an object with electric charge. 2.E Physicists often construct a map of isolines connecting points of equal value for some quantity related to a field and use these maps to help visualize the field. 5.B The energy of a system is conserved. 	polarization of electric charge or separation of charge must result in a net charge on the object. [SP 6.1] 1.B.3.1 Construct an explanation that challenges the claim that an electric charge smaller than the elementary charge has been isolated. [SP 1.5, 6.1, 7.2] 5.C.2.1 Predict electric charges on objects within a system by application of the principle of charge conservation within a system. [SP 6.4] 5.C.2.2 Design a plan to collect data on the electrical charging of objects and electric charge induction on neutral objects and qualitatively analyze that data. [SP 4.2, 5.1] 5.C.2.3 Justify the selection of data relevant to an investigation of the electrical charging of objects and electric charge induction on neutral objects. [SP 4.1] 4.E.3.1 Make predictions about	 1.5 The student can re-express key elements of natural phenomena across multiple representations in the domain.* 2.2 The student can apply mathematical routines to quantities that describe natural phenomena 2.1 The student can justify the selection of a mathematical routine to solve problems
	the redistribution of charge	

during charging by friction, conduction, and induction. [SP 6.4] <u>4.E.3.2</u> Make predictions about	
the redistribution of charge	
caused by the electric	
field due to other systems,	
resulting in charged or	
polarized objects. [SP 6.4, 7.2]	
<u>4.E.3.3</u>	
Construct a representation of the distribution of fixed and	
mobile charge in insulators and conductors. [SP 1.1, 1.4, 6.4]	
<u>4.E.3.4</u>	
Construct a representation of	
the distribution of fixed and	
mobile charge in insulators	
and conductors that	
predicts charge distribution	
in processes involving	
induction or conduction.	
[SP 1.1, 1.4, 6.4]	
<u>4.E.3.5</u>	
Plan and/or analyze the	
results of experiments	
in which electric-charge	
rearrangement occurs by	
electrostatic induction,	
or be able to refine a	
scientific question relating	
to such an experiment by	
identifying anomalies in	

	a data set or procedure.	
	[SP 3.2, 4.1, 4.2, 5.1, 5.3]	
	3.A.2.1	
	Represent forces in diagrams	
	or mathematically using	
	appropriately labeled vectors	
	with magnitude, direction,	
	and units during the analysis	
	of a situation. [SP 1.1]	
	3.A.3.2	
	Construct an explanation for	
	why an object cannot exert a	
	force on itself. [SP 6.1]	
	3.A.3.3	
	Describe a force as an	
	interaction between	
	two objects and identify both	
	objects for any force. [SP 1.4]	
	<u>3.A.3.4</u>	
	Make claims about the force	
	on an object due to the	
	presence of other objects	
	with the same properties:	
	mass, electric charge.	
	[SP 6.1, 6.4]	
	3.A.4.1	
	Construct explanations of	
	physical situations involving	
	the interaction of bodies	
	using Newton's third law	
	and the representation of	
	action-reaction pairs of	
	forces. [SP 1.4, 6.2]	
	3.A.4.2	

Make claims and predictions	
about the action-reaction	
pairs of forces when	
two objects interact	
using Newton's third law.	
[SP 6.4, 7.2]	
<u>3.A.4.3</u>	
Analyze situations involving	
interactions among several	
objects by using free-body	
diagrams that include the	
application of Newton's third	
law to identify forces. [SP 1.4]	
3.B.1.3	
Re-express a free-body	
diagram representation into a	
mathematical representation	
and solve the mathematical	
representation for the	
acceleration of the object.	
[SP 1.5, 2.2]	
3.B.1.4	
Predict the motion of an	
object subject to forces	
exerted by several objects	
using an application of	
Newton's second law in a	
variety of physical situations.	
[SP 6.4, 7.2]	
<u>3.B.2.1</u>	
Create and use free-body	
diagrams to analyze physical	
situations to solve problems	
with motion qualitatively	

	and quantitatively.	
	[SP 1.1, 1.4, 2.2]	
	<u>3.C.2.1</u>	
	Make predictions about the	
	interaction between two	
	electric point charges, using	
	Coulomb's law qualitatively	
	and quantitatively.	
	[SP 2.2, 6.4]	
	<u>3.C.2.2</u>	
	Connect the concepts	
	of gravitational force and	
	electric force to compare	
	similarities and differences	
	between the forces. [SP 7.2]	
	3.C.2.3	
	Describe the electric	
	force that results from	
	the interaction of several	
	separated point charges	
	(generally two to four point	
	charges, though more are	
	permitted in situations of high	
	symmetry) using appropriate	
	mathematics. [SP 2.2]	
	3.G.1.2	
	Connect the strength of the	
	gravitational force between	
	two objects to the spatial	
	scale of the situation and	
	the masses of the objects	
	involved and compare that	
	strength with other types of	
	forces. [SP 7.1]	

<u>3.G.2.1</u>
Connect the strength of
electromagnetic forces
with the spatial scale of the
situation, the magnitude of
the electric charges, and the
motion of the electrically
charged objects involved.
[SP 7.1]
<u>2.C.1.1</u>
Predict the direction and
the magnitude of the force
exerted on an object with an
electric charge q placed in
an electric field E using the
mathematical model of the
relation between an electric
force and an electric field:
F=qE
a vector relation. [SP 6.4, 7.2]
<u>2.C.1.2</u>
Calculate any one of the
variables—electric force,
electric charge, and electric
field—at a point given the
values and sign or direction
of the other two quantities.
[SP 2.2]
<u>2.C.2.1</u>
Qualitatively and
semi quantitatively apply the
vector relationship between
the electric field and the net
electric charge creating that

field. [SP 2.2, 6.4]
<u>2.C.3.1</u>
Explain the inverse square
dependence of the
electric field surrounding
a spherically symmetric,
electrically charged object.
[SP 6.2]
2.C.4.1
Distinguish the
characteristics that differ
between monopole
fields (gravitational field
of spherical mass and
electrical field due to
single-point charge) and
dipole fields (electric dipole
field and magnetic field)
and make claims about
the spatial behavior of the
fields using qualitative or
semiquantitative arguments
based on vector addition
of fields due to each
point source, including
identifying the locations
and signs of sources from a
vector diagram of the field.
[SP 2.2, 6.4, 7.2]
<u>2.C.4.2</u>
Apply mathematical routines
to determine the magnitude
and direction of the electric
field at specified points in the

vicinity of a small set (two to
four) of point charges and
express the results in terms
of magnitude and direction
of the field in a visual
representation by drawing
field vectors of appropriate
length and direction at the
specified points. [SP 1.4, 2.2]
<u>2.C.5.1</u>
Create representations of
the magnitude and direction
of the electric field at
various distances (small
compared with plate size)
from two electrically charged
plates of equal magnitude
and opposite signs, and be
able to recognize that the
assumption of uniform field
is not appropriate near edges
of plates. [SP 1.1, 2.2]
<u>2.C.5.2</u>
Calculate the magnitude and
determine the direction of
the electric field between
two electrically charged
parallel plates, given the
charge of each plate, or the
electric potential difference
and plate separation. [SP 2.2]
<u>2.C.5.3</u>
Represent the motion of
an electrically charged

particle in the uniform field
between two oppositely
charged plates, and express
the connection of this
motion to projectile motion
of an object with mass in
Earth's gravitational field.
[SP 1.1, 2.2, 7.1]
2.E.1.1
Construct or interpret visual
representations of the
isolines of equal gravitational
potential energy per unit
mass and refer to each line as
a gravitational equipotential.
[SP 1.4, 6.4, 7.2]
2.E.2.1
Determine the structure of
isolines of electric potential
by constructing them
in a given electric field.
[SP 6.4, 7.2]
2.E.2.2
Predict the structure of
isolines of electric potential
by constructing them in
a given electric field, and
make connections between
these isolines and those
found in a gravitational field.
[SP 6.4, 7.2]
<u>2.E.2.3</u>
Construct isolines of electric
potential in an electric field,

	and determine the effect of that field on electrically charged objects, qualitatively using the concept of isolines. [SP 1.4] 2.E.3.1 Apply mathematical routines to calculate the average value of the magnitude of the electric field in a region from a description of the electric potential in that region using the displacement along the line on which the difference in potential is evaluated. [SP 2.2] 2.E.3.2 Apply the concept of the isoline representation of electric potential for a given electric charge distribution to predict the average value of the electric field in the region. [SP 1.4, 6.4] 5.B.2.1 Calculate the expected behavior of a system using the object model (i.e., by ignoring changes in internal structure) to analyze a situation. Then, when the model fails, justify the use	

change in internal energy
due to changes in internal
structure because the
object is actually a system.
[SP 1.4, 2.1]
<u>5.B.4.1</u>
Describe and make
predictions about the
internal energy of systems.
[SP 6.4, 7.2]
<u>5.B.4.2</u>
Calculate changes in kinetic
energy and potential energy
of a system using information
from representations of that
system. [SP 1.4, 2.1, 2.2]
<u>5.B.5.4</u>
Make claims about the
interaction between a system
and its environment in which
the environment exerts a
force on the system, thus
doing work on the system
and changing the energy of
the system (kinetic energy
plus potential energy).
[SP 6.4, 7.2]
<u>5.B.5.5</u>
Predict and calculate the
energy transfer to (i.e., the
work done on) an object or
system from information
about a force exerted on the
object or system through a

		distance. [SP 2.2, 6.4]	
Unit 4: Circuits	1.B Electric charge is a property of an object or system that affects its interactions with other objects or systems containing charge. 1.E Materials have many macroscopic properties that result from the arrangement and interactions of the atoms and molecules that make up the material. 4.E The electric and magnetic properties of a system can change in response to the presence of, or changes in, other objects or systems. 5.B The electric charge of a system is conserved. 5.C The electric charge of a system is conserved.	 1.B.1.1 Make claims about natural phenomena based on conservation of electric charge. [SP 6.4] 1.B.1.2 Make predictions, using the conservation of electric charge, about the sign and relative quantity of net charge of objects or systems after various charging processes, including conservation of charge in simple circuits. [SP 6.4, 7.2] 1.B.2.1 Construct an explanation of the two charge model of electric charge based on evidence produced through scientific practices. [SP 6.2] 1.B.2.2 Make a qualitative prediction about the distribution of positive and negative electric charges within neutral systems as they undergo various processes. [SP 6.4, 7.2] 1.B.2.3 Challenge claims that polarization of electric charge must result in a net charge on the object. [SP 6.1] 1.E.2.1 Select and justify the data needed to 	 6.1 The student can justify claims with evidence.* 6.2 The student can construct explanations of phenomena based on evidence produced through scientific practices.* 6.4 The student can make claims and predictions about natural phenomena based on scientific theories and models.* 7.2 The student can connect concepts in and across domain(s) to generalize or extrapolate in and/or across enduring understandings and/or big ideas.* 4.1 The student can apply mathematical routines to quantities that describe natural phenomena. 4.1 The student can justify the selection of the kind of data needed to answer a particular scientific question. 2.2 The student can justify the selection of the kind of data needed to answer a particular scientific question. 4.1 The student can justify the selection of the kind of data needed to answer a particular scientific question. 5.1 The student can design a plan for collecting data to answer a particular scientific question. 5.1 The student can re-express key elements of natural phenomena across multiple representations

determine resistivity for a given material. [SP 4.1] 4.E.4.1 Make predictions about the properties of resistors and/or capacitors when placed in a simple circuit based on the geometry of the circuit element and supported by scientific theories and mathematical relationships. [SP 2.2, 6.4] 4.E.4.2 Design a plan for the collection of data to determine the effect of changing the geometry and/or materials on the resistance or capacitance of a circuit element, and relate results to the basic properties of resistors and capacitors. [SP 4.1, 4.2] 4.E.4.3 Analyze data to determine the effect of changing the geometry and/or materials on the resistance or capacitance of a circuit element, and relate results to the basic properties of resistors and capacitors. [SP 5.1] 4.E.5.1 Make and justify a quantitative prediction of the effect of a change in	in the domain. 2.1 The student can justify the selection of a mathematical routine to solve problems 5.3 The student can evaluate the evidence provided by data sets in relation to a particular scientific question 1.4 The student can use representations and models to analyze situations or solve problems qualitatively and quantitatively
on the resistance or capacitance of a circuit element, and relate results to the basic properties of resistors and capacitors. [SP 5.1] 4.E.5.1	

<u>4.E.5.2</u>	
Make and justify a qualitative prediction	n
of the effect of a change in values or	
arrangements of one or two circuit	
elements on currents and potential	
differences in a circuit containing a sm	all
number of sources of emf, resistors,	
capacitors, and switches	
in series and/or parallel.	
[SP 6.1, 6.4]	
4.E.5.3	
Plan data collection strategies and	
perform data analysis to examine	
the values of currents and potential	
differences in an electric circuit that is	
modified by changing or rearranging	
circuit elements, including sources of	
emf, resistors, and capacitors.	
[SP 2.2, 4.2, 5.1]	
5.B.9.4	
Analyze experimental data including a	n
analysis of experimental uncertainty th	
will demonstrate the validity of	
Kirchhoff's loop rule: ΔV=0. [SP 5.1]	
5.B.9.5	
Describe and make predictions	
regarding electrical potential difference	
charge, and current in steady- state	
circuits composed of various	
combinations of resistors and capacito	rs
using conservation of energy principle	
(Kirchhoff's loop rule). [SP 6.4]	-
5.B.9.6	
Mathematically express the changes i	

	electric potential energy of a loop in a multi loop electrical circuit, and justify this expression using the principle of the conservation of energy. [SP 2.1, 2.2] 5.B.9.7 Refine and analyze a scientific question for an experiment using Kirchhoff's loop rule for circuits that includes determination of internal resistance of the battery and analysis of a non-ohmic resistor. [SP 4.1, 4.2, 5.1, 5.3] 5.B.9.8 Translate between graphical and symbolic representations of experimental data describing relationships among power, current, and potential difference across a resistor. [SP 1.5] 5.C.3.4 Predict or describe current values in series and parallel arrangements of resistors and other branching circuits using Kirchhoff's junction rule, and explain the relationship of the rule to the law of charge conservation. [SP 6.4, 7.2] 5.C.3.5 Determine missing values and direction of electric current in branches of a circuit with resistors and NO capacitors from values and directions of current in other branches of the circuit through appropriate selection of nodes and	
	appropriate selection of nodes and application of the junction rule. [SP 1.4,	

		 2.2] 5.C.3.6 Determine missing values and direction of electric current in branches of a circuit with both resistors and capacitors from values and directions of current in other branches of the circuit through appropriate selection of nodes and application of the junction rule. [SP 1.4, 2.2] 5.C.3.7 Determine missing values, direction of electric current, charge of capacitors at steady state, and potential differences within a circuit with resistors and capacitors from values and directions of current in other branches of the circuit. [SP 1.4, 2.2] 	
Unit 5: Magnetis m	 <u>1.A</u> The internal structure of a system determines many properties of the system. <u>1.E</u> Materials have many macroscopic properties that result from the arrangement and interactions of the atoms and molecules that make up the material. <u>2.A</u> A field associates a value of some physical quantity with every point in 	 <u>1.A.5.2</u> Construct representations of how the properties of a system are determined by the interactions of its constituent substructures. [SP 1.1, 1.4, 7.1] <u>2.C.4.1</u> Distinguish the characteristics that differ between monopole fields (gravitational field of spherical mass and electrical field due to 	 <u>1.1</u> The student can create representations and models of natural or man-made phenomena and systems in the domain. <u>1.4</u> The student can use representations and models to analyze situations or solve problems qualitatively and quantitatively.* <u>7.1</u> The student can connect phenomena and models across spatial and temporal scales.* <u>2.2</u> The student can apply mathematical routines to quantities that describe natural phenomena.

 space. Field models are useful for describing interactions that occur at a distance (long-range forces) as well as a variety of other physical phenomena. 2.C An electric field is caused by an object with electric charge 2.D A magnetic field is caused by a magnet or moving electrically charged object. Magnetic fields observed in nature always seem to be produced either by moving charged objects or by magnetic dipoles or combinations of dipoles and never by single poles. 3.C At the macroscopic level, forces can be categorized as either long-range (action-at-a-distance) forces or contact forces. 3.A All forces share certain common characteristics when considered by observers in inertial reference frames. 3.B Classically, the acceleration of an object interacting with other objects can be predicted by using 	single-point charge) and dipole fields (electric dipole field and magnetic field) and make claims about the spatial behavior of the fields using qualitative or semiquantitative arguments based on vector addition of fields due to each point source, including identifying the locations and signs of sources from a vector diagram of the field. [SP 2.2, 6.4, 7.2] 2.D.1.1 Apply mathematical routines to express the force exerted on a moving charged object by a magnetic field. [SP 2.2] 2.D.2.1 Create a verbal or visual representation of a magnetic field around a straight wire or a pair of parallel wires. [SP 1.1] 2.D.3.1 Describe the orientation of a magnetic field in general and the particular cases of a compass in the magnetic field of Earth and iron filings surrounding a bar magnet. [SP 1.2]	 6.4 The student can make claims and predictions about natural phenomena based on scientific theories and models 7.2 The student can connect concepts in and across domain(s) to generalize or extrapolate in and/or across enduring understandings and/or big ideas. 1.2 The student can describe representations and models of natural or man-made phenomena and systems in the domain 4.2 The student can design a plan for collecting data to answer a particular scientific question. 5.1 The student can analyze data to identify patterns or relationships. 6.1 The student can construct explanations of phenomena based on evidence produced through scientific practices
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$\overline{a} = \frac{\Sigma F}{m}$ 3.G Certain types of forces are considered fundamental. 4.E The electric and magnetic properties of a system can change in response to the presence of, or changes in, other objects or systems.	 2.D.4.1 Qualitatively analyze the magnetic behavior of a bar magnet composed of ferromagnetic material. [SP 1.4] 3.C.3.1 Use right-hand rules to analyze a situation involving a current-carrying conductor and a moving electrically charged object to determine the direction of the magnetic force exerted on the charged object due to the magnetic field created by the current-carrying conductor. [SP 1.4] 3.C.3.2 Plan a data collection strategy appropriate to an investigation of the direction of the direction of the direction of the specific set of equipment and instruments, and analyze the resulting data to arrive at a conclusion. [SP 4.2, 5.1] 3.A.2.1 Represent forces in diagrams or mathematically using appropriately labeled vectors with magnitude, direction,	
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	and units during the analysis	
	of a situation. [SP 1.1]	
	<u>3.A.3.2</u>	
	Construct an explanation for	
	why an object cannot exert a	
	force on itself. [SP 6.1]	
	<u>3.A.3.3</u>	
	Describe a force as an	
	interaction between two	
	objects and identify both	
	objects for any force. [SP 1.4]	
	<u>3.A.3.4</u>	
	Make claims about the force	
	on an object due to the	
	presence of other objects with	
	the same properties: mass,	
	electric charge. [SP 6.1, 6.4]	
	<u>3.A.4.1</u>	
	Construct explanations of	
	physical situations involving	
	the interaction of bodies	
	using Newton's third law and	
	the representation of action-	
	reaction pairs of forces.	
	[SP 1.4, 6.2]	
	<u>3.A.4.2</u>	
	Make claims and predictions	
	about the action-reaction pairs	
	of forces when two objects	
	interact using Newton's third	
	law. [SP 6.4, 7.2]	
	<u>3.A.4.3</u>	
	Analyze situations involving	
	interactions among several	

	objects by using free-body diagrams that include the application of Newton's third law to identify forces. [SP 1.4] 3.B.1.3 Re-express a free-body diagram representation into a mathematical representation and solve the mathematical representation for the acceleration of the object. [SP 1.5, 2.2] 3.B.1.4 Predict the motion of an object subject to forces exerted by several objects using an application of Newton's second law in a variety of physical situations. [SP 6.4, 7.2] 3.B.2.1 Create and use free-body diagrams to analyze physical situations to solve problems with motion qualitatively and quantitatively. [SP 1.1, 1.4, 2.2] 3.G.2.1 Connect the strength of electromagnetic forces with the spatial scale of the situation, the magnitude of the electric charges, and the	
	the electric charges, and the motion of the electrically	

Unit 6:	6.A	charged objects involved. [SP 7.1] 4.E.1.1 Use representations and models to qualitatively describe the magnetic properties of some materials that can be affected by magnetic properties of other objects in the system. [SP 1.1, 1.4, 2.2] 4.E.2.1 Construct an explanation of the function of a simple electromagnetic device in which an induced emf is produced by a changing magnetic flux through an area defined by a current loop (i.e., a simple microphone or generator) or of the effect on behavior of a device in which an induced emf is produced by a constant magnetic field through a changing area. [SP 6.4]	1.2 The student can describe
Optics	A wave is a traveling disturbance that transfers energy and momentum. 6.F	<u>b.A.1.2</u> Describe representations of transverse and longitudinal waves. [SP 1.2] <u>6.A.1.3</u>	representations and models of natural or man-made phenomena and systems in the domain <u>5.1</u> The student can analyze data to

Electromagnetic radiation can be	Analyze data (or a visual	identify patterns or relationships.
modeled as waves or as	representation) to identify	6.2 The student can construct
fundamental particles.	patterns that indicate that a	explanations of phenomena based on
<u>6.B</u>	particular mechanical wave	evidence produced through scientific
A periodic wave is one that repeats	is polarized, and construct	practices.
as a function of both time and	an explanation of the fact	6.4 The student can make claims and
position and can	that the wave must have	predictions about natural phenomena
be described by its amplitude,	a vibration perpendicular	based on scientific theories and models.
frequency, wavelength, speed, and	to the direction of energy	7.2 The student can connect concepts
energy.	propagation. [SP 5.1, 6.2]	in and across domain(s) to generalize or
<u>6.E</u>	<u>6.A.2.2</u>	extrapolate in and/or across enduring
The direction of propagation of a	Contrast mechanical and	understandings and/or big ideas.
wave such as light may be	electromagnetic waves	1.1 The student can create
changed when the wave	in terms of the need for a	representations and models of natural
encounters an interface between	medium in wave propagation.	or man-made phenomena and systems
two media.	[SP 6.4, 7.2]	in the domain.
<u>6.C</u>	<u>6.F.1.1</u>	1.5 The student can re-express key
Only waves exhibit interference	Make qualitative comparisons	elements of natural phenomena across
and diffraction.	of the wavelengths of types	multiple representations in the domain.
	of electromagnetic radiation.	1.4 The student can use
	[SP 6.4, 7.2]	representations and models to analyze
	<u>6.F.2.1</u>	situations or solve problems
	Describe representations and	qualitatively and quantitatively.*
	models of electromagnetic	<u>4.1</u> The student can justify the selection
	waves that explain the	of the kind of data needed to answer a
	transmission of energy	particular scientific question.
	when no medium is present.	5.2 The student can refine observations
	[SP 1.1]	and
	<u>6.B.3.1</u>	measurements based on data analysis.
	Construct an equation	5.3 The student can evaluate the
	relating the wavelength and	evidence provided by
	amplitude of a wave from a	data sets in relation to a particular
	graphical representation of	scientific question
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value as a function of position	routines to quantities that describe
at a given time instant and	natural phenomena.
vice versa, or construct	<u>3.2</u> The student can refine scientific
an equation relating the	questions.
frequency or period and	
amplitude of a wave from a	
graphical representation of	
the electric or magnetic field	
value at a given position as	
a function of time and vice	
versa. [SP 1.5]	
<u>6.E.1.1</u>	
Make claims using	
connections across concepts	
about the behavior of light	
as the wave travels from	
one medium into another, as	
some is transmitted, some	
is reflected, and some is	
absorbed. [SP 6.4, 7.2]	
<u>6.E.2.1</u>	
Make predictions about	
the locations of object and	
image relative to the location	
of a reflecting surface. The	
prediction should be based	
on the model of specular	
reflection with all angles	
measured relative to the	
normal to the surface.	
[SP 6.4, 7.2]	
6.E.3.1	
Describe models of light	
traveling across a boundary	

from one transparent material
to another when the speed
of propagation changes,
causing a change in the
path of the light ray at the
boundary of the two media.
[SP 1.1, 1.4]
<u>6.E.3.2</u>
Plan data collection
strategies as well as perform
data analysis and evaluation
of the evidence for finding
the relationship between the
angle of incidence and the
angle of refraction for light
crossing boundaries from
one transparent material
to another (Snell's law).
[SP 4.1, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3]
6.E.3.3
Make claims and predictions
about path changes for light
traveling across a boundary
from one transparent material
to another at non-normal
angles resulting from
changes in the speed of
propagation. [SP 6.4, 7.2]
6.E.4.1
Plan data collection
strategies and perform data
analysis and evaluation
of evidence about the
formation of images due

to reflection of light from
curved spherical mirrors.
[SP 3.2, 4.1, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3]
<u>6.E.4.2</u>
Use quantitative and
qualitative representations
and models to analyze
situations and solve
problems about image
formation occurring due to
the reflection of light from
surfaces. [SP 1.4, 2.2]
<u>6.E.5.1</u>
Use quantitative and
qualitative representations
and models to analyze
situations and solve
problems about image
formation occurring due to
the refraction of light through
thin lenses. [SP 1.4, 2.2]
<u>6.E.5.2</u>
Plan data collection
strategies, perform data
analysis and evaluation
of evidence, and refine
scientific questions about
the formation of images due
to refraction for thin lenses.
[SP 3.2, 4.1, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3]
<u>6.C.1.1</u>
Make claims and predictions
about the net disturbance
that occurs when two waves

overlap. Examples include	
standing waves. [SP 6.4, 7.2]	
<u>6.C.1.2</u>	
Construct representations to	
graphically analyze situations	
in which two waves overlap	
over time using the principle	
of superposition. [SP 1.4]	
<u>6.C.2.1</u>	
Make claims about the	
diffraction pattern produced	
when a wave passes	
through a small opening,	
and qualitatively apply the	
wave model to quantities that	
describe the generation of	
a diffraction pattern when	
a wave passes through an	
opening whose dimensions	
are comparable to the	
wavelength of the wave.	
[SP 1.4, 6.4, 7.2]	
6.C.3.1	
Qualitatively apply the wave	
model to quantities that	
describe the generation	
of interference patterns	
to make predictions about	
interference patterns that	
form when waves pass	
through a set of openings	
whose spacing and widths	
are small compared with the	
wavelength of the waves.	

		[SP 1.4, 6.4] <u>6.C.4.1</u> Predict and explain, using representations and models, the ability or inability of waves to transfer energy around corners and behind obstacles in terms of the diffraction property of waves in situations involving various kinds of wave phenomena, including sound and light. [SP 6.4, 7.2]	
Unit 7: Quantum, Atomic, and Nuclear Physics	 1.A The internal structure of a system determines many properties of the system 3.G Certain types of forces are considered fundamental. 5.C The electric charge of a system is conserved. 5.D The linear momentum of a system is conserved. 5.G Nucleon number is conserved. 5.B The energy of a system is conserved. 1.C	 1.A.2.1 Construct representations of the differences between a fundamental particle and a system composed of fundamental particles, and relate this to the properties and scales of the systems being investigated. [SP 1.1, 7.1] 1.A.4.1 Construct representations of the energy-level structure of an electron in an atom, and relate this to the properties and scales of the systems being investigated. [SP 1.1, 7.1] 3.G.3.1	 1.1 The student can create representations and models of natural or man-made phenomena and systems in the domain. 1.2 The student can describe representations and models of natural or man-made phenomena and systems in the domain 1.4 The student can use representations and models to analyze situations or solve problems qualitatively and quantitatively.* 7.2 The student can connect concepts in and across domain(s) to generalize or extrapolate in and/or across enduring understandings and/or big ideas 7.1 The student can connect phenomena and models across spatial and temporal scales.*

Objects and systems have properties of inertial mass and gravitational mass that are experimentally verified to be the same and satisfy conservation principles.

<u>4.C</u>

Interactions with other objects or systems can change the total energy of a system.

<u>1.D</u>

Classical mechanics cannot describe all properties of objects.

<u>6.C</u>

Only waves exhibit interference and diffraction.

<u>6.G</u>

All matter can be modeled as waves or particles.

<u>6.F</u>

Electromagnetic radiation can be modeled as waves or as fundamental particles.

<u>7.C</u>

At the quantum scale, matter is described by a wave function, which leads to a probabilistic description of the microscopic world. Identify the strong force as the force that is responsible for holding the nucleus together. [SP 7.2] <u>5.C.1.1</u>

Analyze electric charge conservation for nuclear and elementary particle reactions, and make predictions related to such reactions based on conservation of charge. [SP 6.4, 7.2]

<u>5.D.1.6</u>

Make predictions of the dynamical properties of a system undergoing a collision by application of the principle of linear momentum conservation and the principle of the conservation of energy in situations in which an elastic collision may also be assumed. [SP 6.4]

<u>5.D.1.7</u>

Classify a given collision situation as elastic or inelastic, justify the selection of conservation of linear momentum and restoration of kinetic energy as the appropriate principles for analyzing an elastic collision, solve for missing variables, and calculate their values. **2.2** The student can apply mathematical routines to quantities that describe natural phenomena

<u>2.1</u> The student can justify the selection of a mathematical routine to solve problems.

<u>6.4</u> The student can make claims and predictions about natural phenomena based on scientific theories and models.

<u>2.3</u> The student can estimate numerically quantities

that describe natural phenomena

<u>6.3</u> The student can articulate the reasons

that scientific explanations and theories are

refined or replaced

<u>6.1</u> The student can justify claims with evidence.

7.1 The student can connect phenomena and models across spatial and temporal scales

[SP 2.1, 2.2]	
<u>5.D.2.5</u>	
Classify a given collision	
situation as elastic or	
inelastic, justify the	
selection of conservation	
of linear momentum as the	
appropriate solution method	
for an inelastic collision,	
recognize that there is a	
common final velocity for	
the colliding objects in	
the totally inelastic case,	
solve for missing variables,	
and calculate their values.	
[SP 2.1, 2.2]	
5.D.2.6	
Apply the conservation of	
linear momentum to a closed	
system of objects involved	
in an inelastic collision to	
predict the change in kinetic	
energy. [SP 6.4, 7.2]	
5.D.3.2	
Make predictions about the	
velocity of the center of	
mass for interactions within	
a defined one-dimensional	
system. [SP 6.4]	
5.D.3.3	
Make predictions about the	
velocity of the center of	
mass for interactions within	
a defined two-dimensional	

system. [SP 6.4]
<u>5.G.1.1</u>
Apply conservation of
nucleon number and
conservation of electric
charge to make predictions
about nuclear reactions
and decays such as
fission, fusion, alpha decay,
beta decay, or gamma
decay. [SP 6.4]
<u>5.B.2.1</u>
Calculate the expected
behavior of a system using
the object model (i.e., by
ignoring changes in internal
structure) to analyze a
situation. Then, when the
model fails, justify the use
of conservation of energy
principles to calculate
the change in internal
energy due to changes in
internal structure because
the object is actually a
system. [SP 1.4, 2.1]
<u>5.B.4.1</u>
Describe and make
predictions about the
internal energy of systems.
[SP 6.4, 7.2]
5.B.4.2
Calculate changes in kinetic
energy and potential energy

	of a system using information	
	from representations of that	
	system. [SP 1.4, 2.1, 2.2]	
	<u>5.B.5.4</u>	
	Make claims about the	
	interaction between a system	
	and its environment in which	
	the environment exerts a	
	force on the system, thus	
	doing work on the system	
	and changing the energy of	
	the system (kinetic energy	
	plus potential energy).	
	[SP 6.4, 7.2]	
	<u>5.B.8.1</u>	
	Describe emission or	
	absorption spectra	
	associated with electronic	
	or nuclear transitions as	
	transitions between allowed	
	energy states of the atom	
	in terms of the principle	
	of energy conservation,	
	including characterization	
	of the frequency of radiation	
	emitted or absorbed.	
	[SP 1.2, 7.2]	
	<u>5.B.11.1</u>	
	Apply conservation of	
	mass and conservation	
	of energy concepts to a	
	natural phenomenon, and	
	use the equation E=mc ² to	
	make a related calculation.	

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	[SP 2.2, 7.2]	
	<u>1.C.4.1</u>	
	Articulate the reasons that	
	the theory of conservation	
	of mass was replaced by the	
	theory of conservation of	
	mass–energy. [SP 6.3]	
	4.C.4.1	
	Apply mathematical routines	
	to describe the relationship	
	between mass and energy,	
	and apply this concept	
	across domains of scale.	
	[SP 2.2, 2.3, 7.2]	
	<u>1.D.1.1</u>	
	Explain why classical	
	mechanics cannot describe	
	all properties of objects by	
	articulating the reasons that	
	classical mechanics must	
	be refined and an alternative	
	explanation developed when	
	classical particles display	
	wave properties. [SP 6.3]	
	<u>1.D.3.1</u>	
	Articulate the reasons that	
	classical mechanics must be	
	replaced by special relativity	
	to describe the experimental	
	results and theoretical	
	predictions that show that	
	the properties of space	
	and time are not absolute.	
	[Students will be expected	

to recognize situations in
which nonrelativistic classical
physics breaks down and
to explain how relativity
addresses that breakdown,
but students will not be
expected to know in which of
two reference frames a given
series of events corresponds
to a greater or lesser time
interval, or a greater or lesser
spatial distance; they will just
need to know that observers
in the two reference frames
can "disagree" about some
time and distance intervals.]
[SP 6.3, 7.1]
6.C.1.1
Make claims and predictions
about the net disturbance
that occurs when two waves
overlap. Examples include
standing waves. [SP 6.4, 7.2]
6.C.1.2
Construct representations to
graphically analyze situations
in which two waves overlap
over time using the principle
of superposition. [SP 1.4]
<u>6.C.2.1</u>
Make claims about the
diffraction pattern produced
when a wave passes through a
small opening, and qualitatively

apply the wave model to	
quantities that describe the	
generation of a diffraction	
pattern when a wave passes	
through an opening whose	
dimensions are comparable	
to the wavelength of the wave.	
[SP 1.4, 6.4, 7.2]	
<u>6.C.3.1</u>	
Qualitatively apply the wave	
model to quantities that	
describe the generation	
of interference patterns	
to make predictions about	
interference patterns that	
form when waves pass	
through a set of openings	
whose spacing and widths	
are small compared with the	
wavelength of the waves.	
[SP 1.4, 6.4]	
<u>6.C.4.1</u>	
Predict and explain, using	
representations and models,	
the ability or inability of	
waves to transfer energy	
around corners and behind	
obstacles in terms of the	
diffraction property of waves	
in situations involving various	
kinds of wave phenomena,	
including sound and light.	
[SP 6.4, 7.2]	
<u>6.G.1.1</u>	

Make predictions about
using the scale of the
problem to determine at what
regimes a particle or wave
model is more appropriate.
[SP 6.4, 7.1]
<u>6.G.2.1</u>
Articulate the evidence
supporting the claim that
a wave model of matter
is appropriate to explain
the diffraction of matter
interacting with a crystal,
given conditions where
a particle of matter has
momentum corresponding
to a de Broglie wavelength
smaller than the separation
between adjacent atoms in
the crystal. [SP 6.1]
6.G.2.2
Predict the dependence of
major features of a diffraction
pattern (e.g., spacing
between interference
maxima) based on the
particle speed and de Broglie
wavelength of electrons in
an electron beam interacting
with a crystal. (De Broglie
wavelength need not be
given, so students may need
to obtain it.) [SP 6.4]
<u>6.F.3.1</u>

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	Support the photon model of	
	radiant energy with evidence	
	provided by the photoelectric	
	effect. [SP 6.4]	
	<u>6.F.4.1</u>	
	Select a model of radiant	
	energy that is appropriate to	
	the spatial or temporal scale	
	of an interaction with matter.	
	[SP 6.4, 7.1]	
	7.C.1.1	
	Use a graphical wave function	
	representation of a particle	
	to predict qualitatively the	
	probability of finding a	
	particle in a specific spatial	
	region. [SP 1.4]	
	7.C.2.1	
	Use a standing wave model	
	in which an electron orbit	
	circumference is an integer	
	multiple of the de Broglie	
	wavelength to give a	
	qualitative explanation that	
	accounts for the existence	
	of specific allowed energy	
	states of an electron in an	
	atom. [SP 1.4]	
	7.C.3.1	
	Predict the number of	
	radioactive nuclei remaining	
	in a sample after a certain	
	period of time, and also	
	predict the missing species	
	product the missing species	

(alpha, beta, gamma) in a
radioactive decay. [SP 6.4]
<u>7.C.4.1</u>
Construct or interpret
representations of transitions
between atomic energy
states involving the emission
and absorption of photons.
[For questions addressing
stimulated emission,
students will not be expected
to recall the details of the
process, such as the fact that
the emitted photons have the
same frequency and phase
as the incident photon; but
given a representation of
the process, students are
expected to make inferences
such as figuring out from
energy conservation that,
since the atom loses energy
in the process, the emitted
photons taken together must
carry more energy than the
incident photon.] [SP 1.1, 1.2]