"Knowledge will bring you the opportunity to make a difference." ~ Claire Fagin ~

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Mission Statement

We commit to inspiring and empowering all students in Randolph schools to reach their full potential as unique, responsible and educated members of a global society.

Affirmative Action Statement Equality and Equity in Curriculum

The Randolph Township School district ensures that the district's curriculum and instruction are aligned to the state's standards. The curriculum provides equity in instruction, educational programs and provides all students the opportunity to interact positively with others regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender, religion, disability or socioeconomic status.

N.J.A.C. 6A:7-1.7(b): Section 504, Rehabilitation Act of 1973; N.J.S.A. 10:5; Title IX, Education Amendments of 1972

EDUCATIONAL GOALS VALUES IN EDUCATION

The statements represent the beliefs and values regarding our educational system. Education is the key to self-actualization, which is realized through achievement and self-respect. We believe our entire system must not only represent these values, but also demonstrate them in all that we do as a school system.

We believe:

- The needs of the child come first
- Mutual respect and trust are the cornerstones of a learning community
- The learning community consists of students, educators, parents, administrators, educational support personnel, the community and Board of Education members
- A successful learning community communicates honestly and openly in a non-threatening environment
- Members of our learning community have different needs at different times. There is openness to the challenge of meeting those needs in professional and supportive ways
- Assessment of professionals (i.e., educators, administrators and educational support personnel) is a dynamic process that requires review and revision based on evolving research, practices and experiences
- Development of desired capabilities comes in stages and is achieved through hard work, reflection and ongoing growth

Introduction

The Randolph School District is committed to providing equitable opportunities and supporting all students in becoming life-long learners and Future Ready global citizens. The Library Media curriculum is designed with these values at the forefront. An inquiry-based learning approach is applied to each content area throughout a student's academic career, supporting all academic areas, promoting and instructing students in the areas of research, lifelong critical thinking habits, and a love of literature. The kindergarten and first grade curriculum is aligned with New Jersey Student Learning Standards of Computer Science and Design Thinking, Career Readiness, Life Literacies and Key Skills, and English Language Arts to provide a critical foundation in the areas of library, digital, and global citizenship. Further the curriculum has been developed with a focus on the fostering CASEL (Collaboration for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning) core competencies to support students in understanding and managing emotions, setting and achieving positive goals, feeling and showing empathy for others, establish and maintaining positive relationships, and making positive decisions. Throughout this program, students will engage in cross-curricular projects that guide them in learning and applying technological skills necessary for success as Future Ready global citizens.

All students in Randolph Township Schools will be empowered to acquire knowledge and develop communication and problem-solving skills that will serve as tools to promote their lifelong learning as confident, flexible, and resourceful thinkers. This curriculum has been designed to foster students' natural curiosity by encouraging all students, regardless of gender, economic status, or cultural heritage, to develop the ability, confidence, and motivation to succeed academically and social and emotionally.

Curriculum Pacing Chart

SUGGESTED TIME ALLOTMENT	UNIT NUMBER	CONTENT - UNIT OF STUDY
8 weeks	Ι	Our Community
9 Weeks	II	Exploring Science in our World
8 weeks	III	Global Citizenship
8 weeks	IV	Sustainability
3 weeks	V	Making My Mark

TRANSFER: Participate fully in communities by demonstrating an understanding of common rules and expectations.		
STANDARDS / GOALS:	ENDURING UNDERSTANDINGS	ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS
<u>NJSLS</u> <u>Computer Science and Design Thinking</u>	Caring for shared resources helps sustain their availability and allows many to enjoy them.	• Why is it important to care for shared resources and how can I do it?
 8.1.2.CS.1 Select and operate computing devices that perform a variety of tasks accurately and quickly based on user needs and preferences. 8.1.2.CS.2 	Digital tools allow us to build community while practicing internet safety.	 How do technology tools help us connect with other individuals and ideas? Why is it important to have an understanding of digital safety?
8.1.2.CS.2 Explain the functions of common software and hardware components of computing systems.	Literature allows us to connect with others and build community.	• How can I select books that allow me to read for pleasure and make connections to my community?
8.1.2.NI.1 Model and describe how individuals use computers to connect to other individuals, places, information and ideas through a network.	<u>KNOWLEDGE</u> Students will know:	<u>SKILLS</u> Students will be able to:
8.1.2.NI.2 Describe how the internet enables individuals to connect with others worldwide.	Steps should be taken to ensure safe use of the internet.	Explain safe use of the internet. Determine if a circumstance of internet use is safe.
8.2.2.ED.1 Communicate the function of a product or device.		Express appropriate steps to follow if student feels uncomfortable when using the internet.

Career Readiness, Life Literacies and Key Skills 9.4.2.CI.2 Demonstrate originality and inventiveness in work.	Library Media has community norms to create a safe and nurturing environment.	Select books for enjoyment by incorporating a variety of strategies.
9.4.2.DC.3 Explain how to be safe online and follow safe practices when using the internet.		Manage and monitor behaviors for successful care of library media resources at school and at home.
9.4.2.DC.6 Identify respectful and responsible ways to communicate in digital environments.		Search for books appropriately.
9.4.2.TL.1 Identify the basic features of a digital tool and explain the purpose of the tool.	There are routines and procedures for successful use and sharing of computers and makerspace resources.	Navigate access to online learning communities and web-based platforms.
9.4.2.TL.4 Navigate a virtual space to build context and describe the visual content.		Demonstrate how to access class materials safely and confidently with technology tools.
9.4.2.TL.5		
Describe the difference between real and virtual experiences.	Digital identities must be managed to create a positive digital footprint.	Discuss examples of positive and negative online behaviors with peers.
9.4.5.CT.1 Identify and gather relevant data that will aid in the problem-solving process.		Collaborate to develop classroom norms for using approved educational tools.

9.4.5.DC.5 Identify the characteristics of a positive and negative online identity and the lasting implications of online activity.	Computer networks can be used to connect individuals to other individuals, places, information, and ideas.	Communicate with class members virtually with confidence.
9.4.5.DC. Compare and contrast how digital tools have changed social interactions.	The internet enables individuals to connect with others worldwide.	Access information from a device at home or at school.
9.4.5.DC.7 Explain how posting and commenting in social spaces can have positive or negative consequences.	Recognize the impact of one's feelings and thoughts on one's own behavior.	Utilize a pausing strategy to determine if a website is safe or appropriate.
English Language Arts RF1.1 Demonstrate mastery of the organization and basic features of print including those listed under Kindergarten foundation skills.		Identify trusted adults at home and school to go to with concerns.
RL1.1 Ask and answer questions about key details in a text.		Share feelings comfortably about online experiences.
RL1.2 Retell stories, including key details, and demonstrate understanding of their central message or lesson		Identify ways that digital communities allow for social interactions with positive outcomes.
RL1.7 Use illustrations and details in a story to describe its characters, setting, or events	Libraries are organized in categories.	Recognize the various sections of the library and their purpose.

RL.1.9Recognize the skills needed to establish and achie personal and educational goals.SL.1.4Describe people, places, things, and events with relevant details, expressing ideas and feelings clearly.Identify the parts of a book.CASEL Competencies Self-Awareness Identifying Emotions Self-ConfidenceKEY TERMS: circulation, borrow, return, overdu title, author, illustrator, illustrations, publisher, no fiction, fiction, print, digital, mouse, keyboard, monitor, Destiny, shelf marker, e-book, spine, cal number, keyword, subject, "Just Right" book, Makerspace, TEAMS, online, internet, posting,	alphabetical and numerical order
Describe people, places, things, and events with relevant details, expressing ideas and feelings clearly. Identify the parts of a book. CASEL Competencies Self-Awareness Identifying Emotions KEY TERMS: circulation, borrow, return, overdu title, author, illustrator, illustrations, publisher, no fiction, fiction, print, digital, mouse, keyboard, monitor, Destiny, shelf marker, e-book, spine, cal number, keyword, subject, "Just Right" book,	Utilize library media tools to look for materials in an orderly way.
Self-Awareness Identifying Emotions Self-ConfidenceKEY TERMS: circulation, borrow, return, overdu title, author, illustrator, illustrations, publisher, no fiction, fiction, print, digital, mouse, keyboard, monitor, Destiny, shelf marker, e-book, spine, cal number, keyword, subject, "Just Right" book,	Locate the different parts of a book. (i.e.: spine, call number, pages, etc)
Ethical Responsibilityvirtual, digital footprintReflectingIdentifying Problems	1-

- Recognizing proper book care i.e.: creating a book care bookmark
- Portraying good decisions to make online i.e.: creating a drawing that conveys making good choices online
- Demonstrating appropriate library citizenship based on skills related to locating a just right book, book checkout and proper use of a book i.e.: role paying events
- Selecting books that are "just right"

• Identifying the parts of a book i.e.: pointing to parts				
KEY LEARNING EVENTS AND INSTRUCTION:				
 Login to computers Access and navigate TEAMS Apply five finger rule to access "just right" books Tour Library Media Center and understand how to access resources Utilize shelf marker and discuss shelf arrangement Demonstrate library media behaviors, book care and borrowing procedures Model use of shelf markers and choose appropriate books for checkout Create a book cover using the parts of a book Understand and explain steps to take in an uncomfortable online situation 				
Develop common norms and expectationUtilize a computer mouse and keyboard	•			
 Frequent discussion around parts of boo 				
SUGGESTED TIME ALLOTMENT	8 weeks			
SUPPLEMENTAL UNIT RESOURCES	Computers with Internet Connectivity			
	CommonSenseMedia.org			
	Suggested Books			
	 Library Skills series from Capstone by Shannon Miller What Happened to Marion's Library Book? by Brooke Berg Goldisocks the Three Libearians by Jackie Mims Hopkins Shelf Elf series by Jackie Mims Hopkins Todd Parr books Penelope Popper, Book Doctor by Toni Buzzeo 			

Unit I: Our Community

Once Upon a Time, Online by David Bedford

TRANSFER: Investigate the world through curiosity and visual exploration.		
STANDARDS / GOALS:	ENDURING UNDERSTANDINGS	ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS
NJLS Computer Science and Design Thinking 8.1.2.NI.1 Model and describe how individuals use computers to connect to other individuals, places, information and ideas through a network.	Global citizens care deeply about one another and their environment.	 Why is it important to become responsible caretakers of our world? How does studying the lives and practices of scientists help us understand the world?
 8.1.2.IC.1 Compare how individuals live and work before and after the implementation of new technology. 8.2.2.ED.1 Communicate the function of a product or device. 	Curiosity and learning are skills we use in life to make good decisions.	 How can we use digital and print resources to investigate and research a topic? How do citizens build knowledge, think critically, and share new ideas with others?
8.2.2.ED.2 Collaborate to solve a simple problem, or to illustrate how	<u>KNOWLEDGE</u> Students will know:	<u>SKILLS</u> Students will be able to:
Career Readiness, Life Literacies and Key Skills 9.4.2.CI.1 Demonstrate openness to new ideas and perspectives.	Scientists are naturally curious about the world.	Study a variety of scientists to identify the qualities that all scientists have in common.
		Understand that human actions impact the world, specifically the environment and its communities.

9.4.2.CT.2	Scientists use the engineering design process to	Identify and explain the steps of the
Identify possible approaches and resources to execute a		engineering design process.
plan.	investigate their curiosities.	engineering design process.
9.4.2.CT.3		Discuss the steps a scientist uses in
Use a variety of types of thinking to solve problems.		inquiry.
9.4.2.IML.2		
Represent data in a visual format to tell a story about the		
data.	Global citizens develop an appreciation for the earth,	View images of natural phenomenon to
	its resources and those that live there.	deepen curiosity on the wonders of the
9.4.2.IML.3		world.
Use a variety of sources to find information about topics		
such as climate change, with guidance and support from		Explore images on the effects of human
adults.		interference in the natural world.
9.4.2.TL.4		
Navigate a virtual space to build context and describe the		
visual content.	Global citizens study a particular science topic in	Read and/or listen to informational texts
	order to teach and inform others about the wonders	and picture books on a variety of
9.4.2.TL.5	of the natural world.	science topics.
Describe the difference between real and virtual		1
experiences.		Select a topic of interest to investigate.
English Longuage Arts		
English Language Arts		Use print and digital text and or video
RF1.1		to investigate a science topic.
Demonstrate mastery of the organization and basic		to investigate a science topic.
features of print including those listed under		Work with follow sitizans to develop a
Kindergarten foundation skills.		Work with fellow citizens to develop a
RL1.1		list of questions to investigate.
KL1.1		

Ask and answer questions about key details in a text. RL1.2 Retell stories, including key details, and demonstrate understanding of their central message or lesson RL1.7 Use illustrations and details in a story to describe its characters, setting, or events RI1.3 Describe the connection between two individuals, events, iddee explanate of information in a text	Global citizens share their findings with fellow citizens in order to convince them to make changes to benefit the world.	Collaborate with fellow citizens to identify a problem that needs to be solved. Demonstrate new learning and understanding with others by creating a simple visual Represent an idea with graphics and words.
 ideas, or pieces of information in a text. RI1.4 Ask and answer questions to help determine or clarify the meaning of words and phrases in a text. RI1.5 Know and use various text features (e.g., headings, tables of contents, glossaries, - electronic menus, icons) to locate key facts or information in a text. R1 Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences and relevant connections from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text. 	Presentation methods have an effect on the success of shared ideas. KEY TERMS: social scientist, methods, tools, database, resources, information, global citizen, curiosity, lifelong learning, persuade, convince, collaborate, investigate, benefit, emphasize, phenomenon, engineer, importance	Emphasize or highlight the most important parts of ideas to help the audience understand priorities of the topic

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R6
Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content
and style of a text.
R7
Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well
as in words.
RL.1.9
Compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of
characters in stories.
SL5
Make strategic use of digital media and visual displays of
data to express information and enhance understanding of
presentations.
SL.1.4
Describe people, places, things, and events with relevant
details, expressing ideas and feelings clearly.
CASEL Competencies
Self-Awareness
Identifying Emotions
Self-Confidence
Empathy
Self-Management
Self-Discipline
Organizational Skills
Responsible Decision Making

Ethical Responsibility			
Reflecting			
Identifying Problems			
Analyzing Situations			
ASSESSMENT EVIDENCE: Students w	ill show their learning by:		
• Demonstrating use of a tool or method the	hat would be used by a social scientist		
• Sharing learning and understanding of in	nsights, e.g.; Padlet museum, Flipgrid or class presentation		
KEY LEARNING EVENTS AND INSTR	RUCTION:		
 Read a book about a scientist's life and work and record questions and information to build background Immerse students in tools and methods utilized by same scientist identified in the book Read, gather, and respond to information of interest Develop questions and read to answer them Create project to demonstrate learning and understanding of a class-selected topic 			
 Articulate learning process and reflect o 	 Emphasize or highlight the most important parts of their idea with others Articulate learning process and reflect on it 		
SUGGESTED TIME ALLOTMENT	9 weeks		
SUPPLEMENTAL UNIT RESOURCES	Engineering design process as described by NJSS (example here)		
	Subscription access to PebbleGo database		
	Books about scientists from the following list:		
	• KG – Joan Procter, Dragon Doctor by Patricia Valdez		
	• 1 st – The Doctor With an Eye for Eyes: the story of Dr. Patricia Bath		
	• 2 nd – The Girl Who Thought in Pictures: The Story of Dr. Temple Grandin by Julia		
	Finley Mosca		
	• 3 rd – Whoosh! Lonnie Johnson's Super Soaking Stream of Inventions		

• 4 th – <i>The Boy Who Drew Birds: the story of John James Audubon</i> by Jacqueline Davies
• 5 th – <i>Life in the Ocean: the story of Oceanographer Sylvia Earle</i> by Claire A. Nivola

TRANSFER: Use knowledge of different ideas and experiences to connect with others across the world.		
STANDARDS / GOALS:	ENDURING UNDERSTANDINGS	ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS
 NJLS Computer Science and Design Thinking 8.1.2.CS.2 Explain the functions of common software and hardware components of computing systems 8.1.2.NI.1 Model and describe how individuals use computers to connect to other individuals, places, information and ideas through a network 8.1.2.NI.2 Describe how the internet enables individuals to connect with others worldwide 8.2.2.ED.3 Select and use appropriate tools and materials to build a product using the design process. 8.2.2.ED.4 	Solving problems requires teamwork, listening and a solid understanding of available resources. Balancing online and offline activities is important for feeling happy and healthy. Individuals from different cultures may have different points of view and experiences. KNOWLEDGE Students will know: It can be fulfilling and helpful to solve problems collaboratively.	 How can I identify a problem and encourage others to help me solve it? How can technology facilitate problem solving? How can technology be both helpful and harmful? What face to face activities can I do to promote great friendships? How can different opinions or approaches solve problems? Why is it important that I understand other different people's cultures and experiences? SKILLS Students will be able to: Work collaboratively to solve a problem identified in a story using relevant information.
Identify constraints and their role in the engineering process.		Manage resources with careful planning.
Career Readiness, Life Literacies and Key Skills		

9.4.2.CI.1		Identify and gather relevant data that will aid in
Demonstrate openness to new ideas and perspectives.		the problem-solving process.
9.4.2.CI.2		
Demonstrate originality and inventiveness in work.		Persevere when faced with a challenge and try
9.4.2.CT.1		again
Gather information about an issue, such as climate change,		again
and collaboratively brainstorm ways to solve the problem.		
	Reflecting on work helps prepare us for	Demonstrate growth from both failure and
9.4.2.CT.2	future endeavors.	successful project completion.
Identify possible approaches and resources to execute a		
plan.		Reflect on project outcomes.
9.4.2.GCA:1		1 5
Articulate the role of culture in everyday life by describing		
one's own culture and comparing it to the culture of other	A balance of online and offline activities	Describe what a "good" amount of online activity
individuals.	gives you physical and mental balance.	looks like.
9.4.2.IML.4		
Compare and contrast the way information is shared in a		Explain ideas for offline activities that build
variety of contexts.		social connection.
9.4.5.CT.1	Individuals from different cultures may	Compare other cultures to each other and our
Identify and gather relevant data that will aid in the problem solving process.	have different points of view and	own.
protoni sorring process.	experiences.	С W П.
9.4.5.DC.6	caporionoos.	
Compare and contrast how digital tools have changed		Articulate how culture shapes people's
social interactions.		perspectives.

9.4.5.GCA.1		
Analyze how culture shapes individual and community perspectives and points of view.	Authors use various text structures and distinct text features to organize and	Interpret information from a variety of print and media resources.
9.4.5.IML.1	communicate information.	
Evaluate digital sources for accuracy, perspective, credibility and relevance.		Compare and contrast the way information is shared in a variety of contexts.
9.4.5.IML.6		
Use appropriate sources of information from diverse sources, contexts, disciplines and cultures to answer questions.	Reading for pleasure and informational purposes are both important ways to learn about the world.	Differentiate major characteristics of fiction and nonfiction media, understanding that it can sometimes be tricky to tell the difference.
9.4.5.IML:7		5
Evaluate the degree to which information meets a need including social emotional learning, academic and social. 9.4.5.TL.7	Coding can be used to write instructions for computers or robots to follow.	Collaborate with peers to create a simple program with a simple code such as Blockly.
Compare the common uses of at least two different digital		
tools and identify the advantages and disadvantages of using each.		Understand that coding is a type of language that we use to communicate with technology.
English Language Arts RF1.1 Demonstrate mastery of the organization and basic features of print including those listed under Kindergarten foundation skills.		Persevere when faced with a challenge and try again.
RL1.1 Ask and answer questions about key details in a text.	High quality literature is assessed and judged based on a set of criteria.	Critically review literature for themselves.

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RL1.2		
Retell stories, including key details, and demonstrate	KEY TERMS:	
understanding of their central message or lesson		
	Novel Engineering, planning, diverse,	
RL1.7	online, offline, balance, culture,	
Use illustrations and details in a story to describe its	perspective, text features, communicate,	
characters, setting, or events	informational, pleasure, coding, robotics,	
	Maker Space	
RI1.3	inalier space	
Describe the connection between two individuals, events,		
ideas, or pieces of information in a text.		
RI1.4		
Ask and answer questions to help determine or clarify the		
meaning of words and phrases in a text.		
RI1.5		
Know and use various text features (e.g., headings, tables		
of contents, glossaries, - electronic menus, icons) to locate key facts or information in a text.		
key facts of information in a text.		
R1		
Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences and relevant connections from		
it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking		
to support conclusions drawn from the text.		
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R6		
Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content		
and style of a text.		
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R7	
Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media	
and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well	
as in words.	
RL.1.9	
Compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of	
characters in stories.	
SL5	
Make strategic use of digital media and visual displays of	
data to express information and enhance understanding of	
presentations.	
SL.1.4	
Describe people, places, things, and events with relevant	
details, expressing ideas and feelings clearly.	
CASEL Competencies	
Social Awareness	
Perspective-taking	
Empathy	
Appreciating diversity	
Respect for others	
Responsible Decision Making	
Identifying problems	
Analyzing situations	
Solving problems	
Relationship Skills	
Communication	
Social engagement	
Relationship building	

Teamwork		
ASSESSMENT EVIDENCE: Students will show their learning by:		
 Recognizing media balance (i.e.; draw a picture of media balance) Working collaboratively to solve a problem identified in a story (i.e.: Novel Engineering) Explaining how culture impacts experiences (i.e.: comparing cultures with an illustration) Demonstrating knowledge of text features (i.e.: text feature scavenger hunt) Expressing differences between fiction and nonfiction (i.e.: sorting books or describing characteristics as a group) Communicating with a Maker Space device or computer with a coded sequence KEY LEARNING EVENTS AND INSTRUCTION: 		
 Compare online and offline activities, discussing impact of too much online activity Create Novel Engineering projects Read books from diverse resources and different cultures and exploring through discussion and activities Identify text features in both print and online materials as a class Determine characteristics of fiction and nonfiction Participate in Hour of Code events Review books based on book awards and honors such as Caldecott and Newbury 		
SUGGESTED TIME ALLOTMENT 8 weeks		
SUPPLEMENTAL UNIT RESOURCES Novel Engineering book suggestions: https://www.novelengineering.org/books/ Common Sense Media Resources: commonsensemedia.org Coding Websites: code.org. scratch.mit.edu, abcya, etc Subscription access to PebbleGo database Books about diverse characters/places: i.e: • Owen and Mzee by Isabella Hatkoff • The Proudest Blue by Ibtihaj Muhammad		

TRANSFER: Persevere and work together when facing big issues that affect our planet and its communities		
STANDARDS / GOALS:	ENDURING UNDERSTANDINGS	ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS
NJLS Computer Science and Design Thinking 8.1.2.DA.1 Collect and present data, including climate change data, in various visual formats. 8.1.2.IC.1	Raising awareness of issues impacting plants, animals and humans makes us more likely to become interested in helping living organisms around the world.	• How can we become more aware of issues affecting global communities?
Compare how individuals live and work before and after the implementation of new computing technology. 8.2.2.ITH.3 Identify how technology impacts or improves life.	A firm understanding of sustainability allows young people to positively impact the world.	 What are some problems facing the world today and how can I help combat them? How can I work collaboratively and persuade others to solve a problem?
8.2.2.ITH.5 Design a solution to a problem affecting the community in a collaborative team and explain the intended impact of the solution	KNOWLEDGE Students will know: Individual actions can have a positive impact on the world.	Skills Skills Skills Students will be able to: Identify specific sustainable activities that can lead to a healthier planet.
Career Readiness, Life Literacies and Key Skills 9.4.2.CI.1 Demonstrate openness to new ideas and perspectives.		Gather information about issues and brainstorm ways to solve them.
9.4.2.CI.2Demonstrate originality and inventiveness in work.9.4.2.CT.1	Individuals can plan and collaborate to solve global challenges.	Describe actions peers can take to positively impact the planet.

Gather information about an issue, such as climate change,		Develop a personal action plan for helping the
and collaboratively brainstorm ways to solve the problem.		planet from home.
9.4.2.CT.2		
Identify possible approaches and resources to execute a	Living organisms grow and survive in	Use nonfiction print and online resources to
plan.	different areas.	identify characteristics of different places that
9.4.2.DC.7		lend themselves to particular plant and animal
Describe actions peers can take to positively impact climate change.		features.
9.4.2.GCA:1		Identify how different plants and animals adapt to
Articulate the role of culture in everyday life by describing one's own culture and comparing it to the cultures of other		changing environments.
individuals.		
English Language Arts	The differences in geography and	Utilize print and online resources to obtain
RF1.1	practices across the globe lend themselves	research about different places.
Demonstrate mastery of the organization and basic features of print including those listed under Kindergarten	to different problems.	
foundation skills.		Identify differences in plants, animals and
RL1.1		cultures that stem from geography.
Ask and answer questions about key details in a text.		
This and answer questions about hey details in a text.	Sustainability means using resources in a	Understand that the sun is a major source of
RL1.2	way that future animals and plants can use	energy for people, animals and plants.
Retell stories, including key details, and demonstrate	them.	
understanding of their central message or lesson		Capturing the sun's energy in solar panels even
RL1.7		helps homes have energy.
Use illustrations and details in a story to describe its		
characters, setting, or events		

RI1.3Describe the connection between two individuals, events, ideas, or pieces of information in a text.RI1.4Ask and answer questions to help determine or clarify the meaning of words and phrases in a text.	KEY TERMS: o nline, offline, pause, balance, positive impact, negative impact, sustainable, resources, planet, organisms, action, environment, geography, solar panels, energy, persevere	
RI1.5 Know and use various text features (e.g., headings, tables of contents, glossaries, - electronic menus, icons) to locate key facts or information in a text.		
R1 Read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences and relevant connections from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text.		
R6 Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.		
R7 Integrate and evaluate content presented in diverse media and formats, including visually and quantitatively, as well as in words.		
RL.1.9 Compare and contrast the adventures and experiences of characters in stories.		

QL 5	1	
SL5		
Make strategic use of digital media and visual displays of		
data to express information and enhance understanding of		
presentations.		
SL.1.4		
Describe people, places, things, and events with relevant		
details, expressing ideas and feelings clearly.		
CASEL Competencies		
Self-Awareness		
Identifying emotions		
Accurate Self-Perception		
Recognizing Strengths		
Self Confidence		
Social Awareness		
Perspective-taking		
Empathy		
Appreciating Diversity		
Respect for others		
Responsible Decision Making		
Identifying Problems		
Analyzing Situations		
Solving Problems		
Ethical Responsibility		
Relationship Skills		
Communication		
Social Engagement		
Relationship Building		
Teamwork		
ASSESSMENT EVIDENCE: Students wil	ll show their learning by:	
• Creating a plan for taking breaks from online activity (i.e.: pause, breathe, finish up)		
- Croating a prairier arking broaks noni on	inte activity (i.e., pause, breather, innon up)	

Unit IV: Sustainability

- Developing a personal action plan for helping the planet from home that can be shared with peers (i.e.: poster or digital image)
- Comparing difficulty with agriculture in some places to sustainability of hydroponics (i.e.: "field trip" to hydroponic tower with following discussion)

KEY LEARNING EVENTS AND INSTRUCTION:

- Discuss mindfulness strategies for taking a break from technology (Pause for People lesson from Common Sense Media)
- Work together gathering information on issues affecting the planet
- Develop action plans for helping the planet
- Work together utilizing online databases and print materials to compare plants and animals and cultures from different places
- Demonstrate an understanding of sustainability of hydroponics and compare plants grown there to other places

SUGGESTED TIME ALLOTMENT	8 weeks
SUPPLEMENTAL UNIT RESOURCES	Access to hydroponics
	Common Sense Media Resources: commonsensemedia.org
	 Books to support sustainability and hydroponics including:
	 Earth! My 1st 4.54 Billion Years by Stacy McAnulty
	 Sea Bear by Lindsay Moore
	• eBook series, <i>Caring for Our Planet</i>
	Subscription access to PebbleGo database

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TRANSFER: Communicate ideas and demonstrate understanding through creative design process.						
STANDARDS / GOALS:	ENDURING UNDERSTANDINGS	ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS				
NJSLS Career Readiness, Life Literacies and Key Skills 9.4.2.CI.1 Demonstrate openness to new ideas and perspectives	Communication is more successful when the presenter has a good idea to share and an awareness of the audience.	 What would my audience appreciate? What do I want to share with others? 				
9.4.2.CI.2 Demonstrate originality and inventiveness in work	Sharing knowledge and experiences helps us connect with others.	 What are good ways to reach an audience? How can sharing my knowledge impact issues such as climate change? 				
9.4.2.DC.3 Explain how to be safe online and follow safe practices	<u>KNOWLEDGE</u> Students will know:	SKILLS Students will be able to:				
9.4.2.IML.4	Researchers utilize various experiences and skills to share findings and construct a solution or share ideas.	Reflect on experiences in Library Media from the year to assess learning.				
Compare and contrast the way information is shared in a variety of contexts (e.g.: social, academic, athletic)	solution of share ideas.	Select an event and identify a way to share about it with others.				
<u>English Language Arts</u> RL1.1						
Ask and answer questions about key details in a text.	Digital tools can be used to display data in	Choose from a selection of digital, nondigital and				
RL1.2 Retell stories, including key details, and demonstrate understanding of their central message or lesson	various ways.	MakerSpace tools to present their knowledge from the year.				

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RL1.7	KEY TERMS: communication, reflect,					
Use illustrations and details in a story to describe its	share, present, research, experiences,					
characters, setting, or events						
	digital, tools, engineering, makerspace,					
RI1.3	artifact					
Describe the connection between two individuals, events,						
ideas, or pieces of information in a text.						
RI1.4						
Ask and answer questions to help determine or clarify the						
meaning of words and phrases in a text.						
SL5						
Make strategic use of digital media and visual displays of						
data to express information and enhance understanding of						
presentations.						
CASEL Competencies						
Self-Awareness						
Identifying emotions						
Social Awareness						
Perspective-taking						
Respect for others						
Relationship Skills						
Communication						
Responsible Decision Making						
Analyzing situations						
ASSESSMENT EVIDENCE: Students will show their learning by:						

• Sharing a product or presentation with their class i.e.: MakerSpace project or digital presentation

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KEY LEARNING EVENTS AND INSTRUCTION:				
Research learning events and experiences from the past year and reflect on outcomes				
• Develop presentation or artifact to share with class				
Communicate knowledge or findings with others				
SUGGESTED TIME ALLOTMENT 3 weeks				
SUPPLEMENTAL UNIT RESOURCES	MakerSpace supplies and digital tools, as appropriate			

APPENDIX A

Library Media Crosswalk Grades K-1

Library	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
Media Unit										
Our Community	8 weeks									
Being A Social Scientist				9 weeks						
Global Citizenship						8 weeks	1			
Sustainability								8 weeks		
Making My Mark										3 weeks