OFA Science Blueprint

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SMART Goal: By the end of the 2020-2021 school year, 77% of our students will be able to communicate and critically analyze scientific information or ideas in multiple formats through oral, graphical/diagrams, and written methods as measured by scoring a 3 or higher on a 4 point scale.

Unit Name: Earth Science Skills - (5 steps)			
Power Standards	Essential Skills	Connection to NYS Standards	
 I can draw inferences from observations. (ST6: KI2) I can calculate density by using the formula and express it with correct units. (D=M/V) (ST1: KI1) I can describe how temperature and pressure can affect the density of materials. (ST4:KI2.1) I can use collected data to create a graph. (ST6: KI5) I can interpret relationships between variables in a graph. (ST6: KI5) I can calculate the rate of change between variables using a formula and express it with the correct units. (ST1: KI1) 	2. Develop an argument or claim and support it with details and evidence 4. Organize information/See relationships, patterns/Use Models of Organization/Plan	 ST1: KI1: Mathematical Analysis: Abstraction and symbolic representation are used to communicate mathematically. ST6: KI2: Models: Models are simplified representations of objects, structures, or systems used in analysis, explanation, interpretation, or design. ST6: KI5: Patterns of Change: Identifying patterns of change is necessary for making predictions about future behavior and conditions. ST4:KI2.1: Use the concepts of density and heat energy to explain observations of weather patterns, seasonal changes, and the movements of Earth's plates. 	
Core Vocabulary	Assessments	Resources	
Observation	Ticket In/Out- Observation / Inference	WordWall of Vocabulary	
Inference	Check In- Density	Image Activity for	
Density	Ticket In/Out -Graphing Relationships	Observation/Inferences	
Direct Relationship	Check In - Graphing / Rate of Change	Density CER Activity	
Inverse Relationship	Quiz - Earth Science Skills	Bead Drop Graphing Activity	
Cyclic Change		Lab Skills Lab	
Variable		Graph Analysis Lab	

Unit Name: Mapping of the Earth and	l Landscape Unit	
Power Standards	Essential Skills	Connection to NYS Standards
 I can determine the coordinates for any location on Earth's surface. (ST4: KI1.1c) I can draw isolines by connecting points of equal value on a field map. I can interpret a field map through the use of isolines. (ST6: KI2) (ST6: KI3) (ST4: KI 2.1q) (ST1: KI3) I can calculate gradient by interpreting isolines on a field map. (ST4: KI 2.1q) (ST6: KI3) (ST1: KI1) I can draw a profile by interpreting isolines on a field map. (ST4: KI 2.1q) (ST6: KI2) I can determine the landscape region of various places in NYS by using ESRT p. 2-3. (ST4: KI: 2.1r) (ST6: KI2: Models) 	1. Analyze text or data strategically for: understanding, connections, structures, essential information, and annotation 3. Develop, use, and align common language in Vocabulary 6. Make inferences and predictions/Summarize 9. Apply background and content knowledge to skills/Demonstrate	 ST4: KI1.1c: Earth's coordinate system of latitude and longitude, with the equator and prime meridian as reference lines, is based upon Earth's rotation and our observation of the Sun and stars. ST4: KI1.1d: Earth rotates on an imaginary axis at a rate of 15 degrees per hour. To people on Earth, this turning of the planet makes it seem as though the Sun, the moon, and the stars are moving around Earth once a day. Rotation provides a basis for our system of local time; meridians of longitude are the basis for time zones. ST4: KI 2.1q: Topographic maps represent landforms through the use of contour lines that are isolines connecting points of equal elevation. Gradients and profiles can be determined from changes in elevation over a given distance. ST1: KI3: Mathematical Analysis: Critical thinking skills are used in the solution of mathematical problems. ST6: KI2: Models: Models are simplified representations of objects, structures, or systems used in analysis, explanation, interpretation, or design.

Core Vessbulows	Assessments	 ST6: KI3: Magnitude & Scale: The grouping of magnitudes of size, time, frequency, and pressures or other units of measurement into a series of relative order provides a useful way to deal with the immense range and the changes in scale that affect the behavior and design of systems. ST1: KI1: Mathematical Analysis: Abstraction and symbolic representation are used to communicate mathematically. Resources
Core Vocabulary Latitude	Ticket In - Latitude & Longitude	Latitude & Longitude Practice Activities
Latitude	1 Teket III - Latitude & Longitude	Latitude & Longitude I factice Activities
Longitude	Check In- Latitude Longitude, Altitude of	Shipwreck Activity - Latitude & Longitude
Longitude Polaris	Check In- Latitude, Longitude, Altitude of Polaris & Time Zones	Shipwreck Activity - Latitude & Longitude Minutes
Longitude Polaris Altitude	Polaris & Time Zones	Minutes
Polaris		
Polaris Altitude	Polaris & Time Zones Ticket Out - Drawing Isolines	Minutes Contour Mapping Lab
Polaris Altitude Time Zone	Polaris & Time Zones Ticket Out - Drawing Isolines Check In - Interpreting Isolines/Gradient	Minutes Contour Mapping Lab Owego Topographic Map
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Unit Name: Weathering of Earth's Surface				
Power Standards	Essential Skills	Connection to NYS Standards		
 I can identify the five characteristics of a mineral. (ST4: KI 3.1b) I can identify sedimentary rocks based on texture due to the environment of formation and using ESRT p. 7. (ST4:KI3.1c) (ST6: KI2) I can describe the difference between chemical and physical weathering. (ST4.KI2.1s) I can explain how weathering processes can affect rock types to produce landforms and features such as caves. (ST4.KI2.1s) I can explain how climate, particle size, and composition can affect the rate of weathering of rock material. (ST4.KI2.1s) (ST1: KI1) 	1. Analyze text or data strategically for: understanding, connections, structures, essential information, and annotation 2. Develop an argument or claim and support it with details and evidence 3. Develop, use, and align common language in Vocabulary 4. Organize information/See relationships, patterns/Use Models of Organization/Plan 5. Communicate clearly and effectively in reading, writing, speaking and listening/Collaborate 7. Identify main idea, theme, key phrases and issues 9. Apply background and content knowledge to skills/Demonstrate 10. Think critically and creatively/Strategize/Problem Solve (multi-step)	 ST1: KI1: Mathematical Analysis: Abstraction and symbolic representation are used to communicate mathematically ST4.KI2.1s: Weathering is the physical and chemical breakdown of rocks at or near Earth's surface. Soils are the result of weathering and biological activity over long periods of time. ST6: KI2: Models: Models are simplified representations of objects, structures, or systems used in analysis, explanation, interpretation, or design. ST4: KI: 1.2g Earth has continuously been recycling water since the outgassing of water early in its history. This constant recirculation of water at and near Earth's surface is described by the hydrologic (water) cycle. ST4: KI: 2.1r Climate variations, structure, and characteristics of bedrock influence the development of landscape features including mountains, plateaus, plains, valleys, ridges, escarpments, and stream drainage patterns. ST4: KI: 2.1t Natural agents of erosion, generally driven by gravity, 		

			remove, transport, and deposit weathered rock particles. Each agent of erosion produces distinctive changes in the material that it transports and creates characteristic surface features and landscapes. In certain erosional situations, loss of property, personal injury, and loss of life can be reduced by effective emergency preparedness.
Core Vocabulary		Assessments	Resources
Weathering	Erosion	Check In- Weathering	Planet Earth: Caves
Surface Area Biologica	al Activity	Quiz - Weathering	Water Cycle Diagram
Infiltration	Runoff	Check In- Porosity & Permeability	Porosity & Permeability CER
Transpiration	Porosity	Part 1 Test - Weathering & Groundwater	Landscapes Day 1-3 Activities
Permeability C	apillarity	Ticket In /Out- Stream Velocity (ESRT p. 6)	Landscapes Lab
Water Retention I	Discharge	Check In - Water Velocity & Discharge	Stream Divides & Drainage Basins Activity
	ovements	Ticket In / Out - Erosion & Depositional	Stream Beds Lab / Video Project
Horizontal Sorting Vertica	al Sorting	Features	Erosion/ Deposition Feature Picture
3	3	Check In - Deposition	Activity
		Part 2 Test- Erosion & Deposition	Glacial Movement CER
		r	Sand Dune Movement Activity
			Deposition Lab

Unit Name: Earth's Water		
Power Standards	Essential Skills	Connection to NYS Standards

\triangleright	I can label and define the parts of
	the Earth's water cycle. (ST4: KI:
	1.2g) (ST6: KI2: Models)
\triangleright	I can describe surface properties
	that influence the infiltration or
	runoff of water. (ST4: KI: 1.2g)
\triangleright	I can describe how changes in water
	velocity or discharge can influence
	the erosion and deposition that can
	occur in a stream. (ST4: KI: 2.111)

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- structures, essential information, and annotation
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- 4. Organize information/See relationships, patterns/Use Models of Organization/Plan
- 5. Communicate clearly and effectively in reading, writing, speaking and listening/Collaborate
- 7. Identify main idea, theme, key phrases and issues
- 9. Apply background and content knowledge to skills/Demonstrate
- 10. Think critically and creatively/Strategize/Problem Solve (multi-step)

- > ST1: KI1: Mathematical
 Analysis: Abstraction and symbolic representation are used to communicate mathematically.
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- > ST4: KI: 1.2g Earth has continuously been recycling water since the outgassing of water early in its history. This constant recirculation of water at and near Earth's surface is described by the hydrologic (water) cycle.
- > ST4: KI: 2.1u The natural agents of erosion include: Water, Wind, Mass Movements, Wave Action, Glaciers

Core Vocabulary		Assessments	Resources
Weathering	Erosion	Check In- Weathering	Planet Earth: Caves

Surface Area	Biological Activity	Quiz - Weathering	Water Cycle Diagram
Infiltration	Runoff	Check In- Porosity & Permeability	Porosity & Permeability CER
Transpiration	Porosity	Part 1 Test - Weathering & Groundwater	Landscapes Day 1-3 Activities
Permeability	Capillarity	Ticket In /Out- Stream Velocity (ESRT p. 6)	Landscapes Lab
Water Retention	Discharge	Check In - Water Velocity & Discharge	Stream Divides & Drainage Basins
Gradient	Mass Movements	Ticket In / Out - Erosion & Depositional	Activity
Horizontal Sorting	Vertical Sorting	Features	Stream Beds Lab / Video Project
		Check In - Deposition	Erosion/ Deposition Feature Picture
		Part 2 Test- Erosion & Deposition	Activity
			Glacial Movement CER
			Sand Dune Movement Activity
			Deposition Lab

Unit Name: Erosion & Deposition		
Power Standards	Essential Skills	Connection to NYS Standards

\triangleright	I can identify the erosional and
	depositional features for all agents
	of erosion. (ST4: KI: 2.1v) (ST4:
	KI: 2.1u)

- ➤ I can predict the deposition of sediments based on size, shape, and density. (ST4: KI: 2.1v)
- ➤ I can draw a diagram depicting the sorting of sediments in a horizontal or vertical pile. (ST4: KI: 2.1v)

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- > ST1: KI1: Mathematical Analysis: Abstraction and symbolic representation are used to communicate mathematically.
- > ST6: KI2: Models: Models are simplified representations of objects, structures, or systems used in analysis, explanation, interpretation, or design.
- > ST4:KI2.1: Use the concepts of density and heat energy to explain observations of weather patterns, seasonal changes, and the movements of Earth's plates.
- > **ST4: KI: 2.1u** The natural agents of erosion include: Water, Wind, Mass Movements, Wave Action, Glaciers
- > ST4: KI: 2.1v Patterns of deposition result from a loss of energy within the transporting system and are influenced by the size, shape, and density of the transported particles. Sediment deposits may be sorted or unsorted.

Core Vocabulary		Assessments	Resources
Weathering	Erosion	Check In- Weathering	Planet Earth: Caves

Surface Area	Biological Activity	Quiz - Weathering	Water Cycle Diagram
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Permeability	Capillarity	Ticket In /Out- Stream Velocity (ESRT p. 6)	Landscapes Lab
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Gradient	Mass Movements	Ticket In / Out - Erosion & Depositional	Activity
Horizontal Sorting	Vertical Sorting	Features	Stream Beds Lab / Video Project
		Check In - Deposition	Erosion/ Deposition Feature Picture
		Part 2 Test- Erosion & Deposition	Activity
			Glacial Movement CER
			Sand Dune Movement Activity
			Deposition Lab

Unit Name: Astronomy Part 1 & 2		
Power Standards	Essential Skills	Connection to NYS Standards

- ➤ I can analyze wavelengths of electromagnetic energy to describe the doppler effect.
- ➤ I can provide the evidence used to support the theory of how the universe formed- Big Bang Theory. (ST6: KI2: Models) (ST4: KI1: 1.2a)
- ➤ I can put the different structures of the universe in order from largest to smallest. (ST6: KI2: Models)
- ➤ I can explain how stars get their energy and the life cycle they go through. (ST4: KI1: 1.2b)
- ➤ I can explain the formation, age, and properties of our Sun and Solar System. (ST4: KI1: 1.2c)
- ➤ I can define and provide evidence of rotation and revolution. (ST6: KI2: Models) (ST4: KI1: 1.1a) (ST4: KI1: 1.1e)(ST4: KI1: 1.1f)(ST4: KI1: 1.1g)
- ➤ I can describe, calculate and compare the shape of the planet's orbits. (ST6: KI2: Models) (ST4: KI1:1.1b) (ST1: KI1: Mathematical Analysis)

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- > ST 1: KI1: Engineering design is an iterative process involving modeling and optimization (finding and Design the best solution within given constraints); this process is used to develop technological solutions to problems within given constraints.
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- > ST6: KI3: The grouping of magnitudes of size, time, frequency, and pressures or other units of measurement into a series of relative order provides a useful way to deal with the immense range and the changes in scale that affect the behavior and design of systems.
- > **ST4: KI1: 2.2b:** The transfer of heat energy within the atmosphere, the hydrosphere, and Earth's surface occurs as the result of radiation, convection, and conduction.
- > **ST4: KI1: 1.2a**: The universe is vast and estimated to be over ten billion years old. The current theory is that the universe was created from an explosion called the Big Bang. Evidence for this theory includes: cosmic background

➤ I can explain how the moon's position in orbit around Earth affects phenomena such as tides, eclipses, and moon phases. (ST6: KI2: Models) (ST4: KI1: 1.1i)

- radiation, a red-shift (the Doppler effect) in the light from very distant galaxies.
- > ST6: KI5: Identifying patterns of change is necessary for making predictions about future behavior and conditions. For example: graph and interpret the nature of cyclic change such as sunspots, tides, and atmospheric carbon dioxide.
- > ST4: KI1: 1.2b: Stars form when gravity causes clouds of molecules to contract until nuclear fusion of light elements into heavier ones occurs. Fusion releases great amounts of energy over millions of years.
- > ST4: KI1: 1.2c: Our solar system formed about five billion years ago from a giant cloud of gas and debris. Gravity caused Earth and the other planets to become layered according to density differences in their materials.
- > **ST4: KI1: 1.2d:** Asteroids, comets, and meteors are components of our solar system.
- > ST1: KI1: Mathematical
 Analysis: Abstraction and
 symbolic representation are used to
 communicate mathematically.
- > ST4: KI1: 1.1a: Most objects in the solar system are in regular and predictable motion.

		 ST4: KI1:1.1b Nine planets move around the Sun in nearly circular orbits. ST4: KI1: 1.1e The Foucault pendulum and the Coriolis effect provide evidence of Earth's rotation. ST4: KI1: 1.1f: Earth's changing position with regard to the Sun and the moon has noticeable effects. ST4: KI1: 1.1g Seasonal changes in the apparent positions of constellations provide evidence of Earth's revolution. ST4: KI1: 1.1a: Most objects in the solar system are in regular and predictable motion. ST4: KI1: 1.1i: Approximately 70 percent of Earth's surface is covered by a relatively thin layer of water, which responds to the gravitational attraction of the moon and the Sun with a daily cycle of high and low tides.
Core Vocabulary	Assessments	Resources
Conduction	Ticket In /Out - Methods of Energy Transfer	Heat Transfer Lab
Convection	Ticket In /Out - Electromagnetic Spectrum	Wavestown Activity

Radiation	Check In- Doppler Effect / Universe Formation	Electromagnetic Spectrum Activity
Red Shift	Quiz - Universe Formation	H- R Diagram Lab
Cosmic Background Radiation	Ticket In/Out - H- R Diagram (ESRT p. 15)	Constellation Project /Go Sky Watch
Nuclear Fusion	Check In - Stars	Nova- Pluto & Beyond
Galaxy	Unit Test - Part 1 Astronomy	Kepler's Law Lab
Constellation	Check In - Eccentricity of an ellipse	Eccentricity Activity
Terrestrial Planet	Ticket In /Out - Earth's Motions	Moon Phase Lab
Jovian Planet	Check In - Rotation / Revolution	
Geocentric	Ticket In / Out - Moon Phases	
Heliocentric	Check In - Moon Phases, Eclipses, Tides	
Celestial Object	Unit Test - Part 2 Astronomy	
Rotation		
Revolution		
Perihelion		
Aphelion		
Ellipse		
Solar Eclipse		
Lunar Eclipse		

Unit Name: Meteorology		
Power Standards	Essential Skills	Connection to NYS Standards

- ➤ I can identify selected properties of the atmosphere using my ESRT p.14. (ST6: KI2: Models)
- ➤ I can measure the five weather variables using their instruments to describe current atmospheric conditions.

(ST6: KI2: Models) (ST4: KI2: 2.1c)(ST4: KI2: 2.1d)

- ➤ I can use current atmosphere conditions to construct a station model. (ST6: KI2: Models)
 (ST4: KI2: 2.1g)
- ➤ I can explain the steps of cloud formation. (ST4: KI2: 2.1e) (ST4: KI2: 2.1f)
- ➤ I can describe the moisture and temperature characteristics of air masses. (ST4: KI2: 2.1h)
- ➤ I can describe the weather associated with high and low pressure systems. (ST6: KI2: Models) (ST4: KI2: 2.1e)
- I can describe the weather associated with frontal boundaries. (ST6: KI2: Models) (ST4: KI2: 2.1e)
 (ST4: KI2: 2.1g)
- ➤ I can forecast the weather using data from a synoptic weather map. (ST2: Key Idea 1) (ST6:

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- **ST6: KI2: Models**: Models are simplified representations of objects, structures, or systems used in analysis, explanation, interpretation, or design.
- > ST4: KI2: 2.1c: Weather patterns become evident when weather variables are observed, measured, and recorded. These variables include air temperature, air pressure, moisture (relative humidity and dewpoint), precipitation (rain, snow, hail, sleet, etc.), wind speed and direction, and cloud cover.
- ➤ **ST4: KI2: 2.1d**: Weather variables are measured using instruments such as thermometers, barometers, psychrometers, precipitation gauges, anemometers, and wind vanes.
- > **ST4: KI2: 2.1e**: Weather variables are interrelated.
- > **ST4: KI2: 2.1g**: Weather variables can be represented in a variety of formats including radar and satellite images, weather maps (including station models, isobars, and fronts), atmospheric cross-sections, and computer models.
- > ST4: KI2: 2.1f Air temperature, dewpoint, cloud formation, and precipitation are affected by the expansion and contraction of air due to vertical atmospheric movement.
- > **ST4: KI2: 2.1h** Atmospheric moisture, temperature and pressure distributions;

Key Idea 5) (ST6: KI2: Models) (ST4: KI2: 2.1e) (ST4: KI2: 2.1g) (ST4: KI2: 2.1h)		jet streams, wind; air masses and frontal boundaries; and the movement of cyclonic systems and associated tornadoes, thunderstorms, and hurricanes occur in observable patterns. > ST2: Key Idea 1: Information technology is used to retrieve, process, and communicate information as a tool to enhance learning. > ST6: Key Idea 5: Identifying patterns of change is necessary for making predictions about future behavior and conditions.
Core Vocabulary	Assessments	Resources
Atmosphere Barometer Dew Point anemometer Relative Humidity psychrometer Isobars Isotherms Air Mass Condensation Nuclei Pressure System Fronts Synoptic Weather Map	Ticket In/Out- Atmosphere (ESRT p.14) Check In- Weather Variables ,ESRT p.12-14 Quiz- Weather Variables & Station Models Check In - Clouds Ticket In/Out - Air masses Check In- Pressure & Fronts Quiz - Weather Forecasting Unit Test	Isotherm /Isobar Lab Station Model Practice Station Model Lab Relative Humidity & Dew Point Lab Cloud Height Lab Synoptic Weather Map Lab Weather Forecasting Project Storms Activity

Unit Name: Climate & Insolation		
Power Standards	Essential Skills	Connection to NYS Standards

\triangleright	I can describe how climate
	factors affect the overall
	temperature and precipitation
	of an area. (ST4: KI2: 2.2.c)
	(ST6: KI2: Models)
\triangleright	I can explain how natural and
	human influences affect the
	climate of an area. (ST4: KI2
	2.2d) (ST6: KI2: Models)
\triangleright	I can explain the daily and
	vearly changes that affect the

- I can explain the daily and yearly changes that affect the angle and intensity of insolation. (ST4: KI1:1.1h) (ST6: KI2: Models)
- I can draw the path of the sun at different times of the day and year. (ST4: KI1:1.1h)
 (ST6: KI2: Models)

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ST4: KI2: 2.2.b: The transfer of heat energy within the atmosphere, the hydrosphere, and Earth's surface occurs as a result of radiation, convection, and conduction. • Heating of Earth's surface and atmosphere by the Sun drives convection within the atmosphere and oceans, producing winds and ocean currents.

ST4: KI2: 2.2.c: A location's climate is influenced by latitude, proximity to large bodies of water, ocean currents, prevailing winds, vegetative cover, elevation, and mountain ranges.

ST4: KI2: 2.2d: Temperature and precipitation patterns are altered by: natural events such as El Niño and volcanic eruptions human influences including deforestation, urbanization, and the production of greenhouse gases such as carbon dioxide and methane.

ST4: KI1:1.1h: The Sun's apparent path through the sky varies with latitude and season.

Core Vocabulary	Assessments	Resources
Orographic Effect	Ticket In /Out- ESRT p. 4 & 14	Driest Place on Earth Video

Windward	Check In - 5 Factors of Climate	Climate Change CER
Leeward	(Imaginary Continent)	Climograph Activity
Specific Heat	Quiz - Climate	Imaginary Continent Activity
El Niño	Ticket In/Out- Daily /Yearly Changes of	Seasons Lab
La Niña	Insolation	Angle of Insolation Activity
Greenhouse gases	Check In- Seasonal Changes (orbital	Paths of the Sun Drawing Activity
Insolation	diagram)	
Vernal Equinox	Quiz - Insolation	
Autumnal Equinox	Unit Test - Climate & Insolation	
Summer Solstice		
Winter Solstice		

Unit Name: Plate Tectonics		
Power Standards	Essential Skills	Connection to NYS Standards

- I can read ESRT p. 10 to determine the Earth's interior temperature, pressure and density at different depths. (ST6: KI2: Models)
 (ST6:KI3) (ST6:KI5) (ST4: KI2: 2.1j)
- ➤ I can compare and contrast the two types of crusts. (ST4: KI2: 2.1j)
- ➤ I can provide evidence for the theory of continental drift and seafloor spreading to help support the theory of plate tectonics. (ST6: KI2: Models) (ST4: KI22.1k)
- ➤ I can describe the features and plate movement at each boundary labeled on ESRT p. 5. (ST6: KI2: Models) (ST4: KI2: 2.1n)
- ➤ I can identify igneous rocks based on texture due to the environment of formation and using ESRT p. 6. (ST4:KI3.1c) (ST6: KI2)
- ➤ I can identify metamorphic rocks based on texture due to the environment of formation and using ESRT p. 7. (ST4:KI3.1c) (ST6: KI2)

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- > ST4: KI2: 2.1j: Properties of Earth's internal structure (crust, mantle, inner core, and outer core) can be inferred from the analysis of the behavior of seismic waves (including velocity and refraction).
- > ST4: KI22.1k: The outward transfer of Earth's internal heat drives convective circulation in the mantle that moves the lithospheric plates comprising Earth's surface.
- > ST6:KI5: Patterns of Change: Identifying patterns of change is necessary for making predictions about future behavior and conditions.
- > ST4: KI2: 2.1n: Many of Earth's surface features such as mid-ocean ridges/rifts, trenches/subduction

 I can describe the driving force behind plate movement. (ST4: KI2: 2.1l) I can predict plate movement based on extinct seamounts formed from mantle hot spots. (ST4: KI2: 2.1n; ST6:KI5: Patterns of Change) I can determine the epicenter of an earthquake using triangulation. (ST4: KI2: 2.1n) I can analyze seismic waves to predict and explain shadow zone locations for an earthquake. I can use the earthquake magnitude scales to determine epicenter and the human impact. (ST4: KI2: 2.1l) 		zones/island arcs, mountain ranges (folded, faulted, and volcanic), hot spots, and the magnetic and age patterns in surface bedrock are a consequence of forces associated with plate motion and interaction. > ST4: KI2: 2.11: The lithosphere consists of separate plates that ride on the more fluid asthenosphere and move slowly in relationship to one another, creating convergent, divergent, and transform plate boundaries. These motions indicate Earth is a dynamic geologic system. Earthquakes and volcanoes present geologic hazards to humans. Loss of property, personal injury, and loss of life can be reduced by effective emergency preparedness.
Core Vocabulary Moho	Assessments Ticket In /Out- ESRT p. 10	Resources Earth's Interior Activity

Mid-Ocean Ridge	Check In - Continental Drift & Seafloor	Seafloor Spreading Activity
Trench	Spreading	Lithospheric Plate Activity
Subduction	Ticket In / Out - ESRT p. 5	Plate Boundary Activity / Map
Collision	Quiz - Plate Tectonics # 1	Interpretation
Rift	Ticket In / Out - ESRT p. 11	Finding Epicenter Lab
Hot Spot	Check In - Earthquakes / Seismic Waves	Locating an Epicenter Lab
Fault	/Epicenters	Mercalli Scale Activity
Epicenter	Quiz - Earthquakes & Epicenters	
Travel Time	Ticket In / Out- Shadow Zones	
Focus	Unit Test - Plate Tectonics	
Time of Origin		
Seismic Wave		
P-Wave		
S-Wave		
Triangulation		
Shadow Zone		
Mercalli Scale		
Richter Scale		

Unit Name: Geologic History		
Power Standards	Essential Skills	Connection to NYS Standards

- ➤ I can develop an understanding of the model of Earth's geologic time. (ST6: KI2: Models; ST4: KI1: 1.2h)
- ➤ I can analyze Earth's geologic time scale to compare the length of time of various organisms existence and geologic events to one another. (ST4: KI1:1.2i; ST6: KI3)
- ➤ I can place rock strata or geologic events in order from oldest to youngest. (ST4:KI1:1.2j; ST6: KI2: Models)
- ➤ I can correlate rock strata to determine the relative age of fossils or events over a small geographic area. (ST4:KI1:1.2j; ST6: KI2: Models)
- ➤ I can calculate the absolute age of organism or rock by using the half-life values of radioactive isotopes. (ST4:KI1:1.2j)

- 1. Analyze text or data strategically for: understanding, connections,
- structures, essential information, and annotation
- 2. Develop an argument or claim and support it with details and evidence
- 3. Develop, use, and align common language in Vocabulary
- 4. Organize information/See relationships, patterns/Use Models of Organization/Plan
- 6. Make inferences and predictions/Summarize
- 8. Evaluate and Synthesize multiple sources of information/Research
- 9. Apply background and content knowledge to skills/Demonstrate
- 10. Think critically and creatively/Strategize/Problem Solve (multi-step)

- > **ST6: KI2: Models**: Models are simplified representations of objects, structures, or systems used in analysis, explanation, interpretation, or design.
- ➤ ST6: KI3: Magnitude & Scale: The grouping of magnitudes of size, time, frequency, and pressures or other units of measurement into a series of relative order provides a useful way to deal with the immense range and the changes in scale that affect the behavior and design of systems. For Example: develop a scale model of units of geologic time
- > ST4: KI1: 1.2h: The evolution of life caused dramatic changes in the composition of Earth's atmosphere. Free oxygen did not form in the atmosphere until oxygen-producing organisms evolved.
- > ST4: KI1:1.2i: The pattern of evolution of life-forms on Earth is at least partially preserved in the rock record. Fossil evidence indicates that a wide variety of life-forms has existed in the past and that most of these forms have become extinct. Human existence has been very brief compared to the expanse of geologic time.
- > **ST6: KI2: Models**: Models are simplified representations of objects,

structures, or systems used in analysis, explanation, interpretation, or design. > ST4:Kl11.2j: Geologic history can be reconstructed by observing sequences of rock types and fossils to correlate bedrock at various locations. -The characteristics of rocks indicate the processes by which they formed and the environments in which these processes took place. Fossils preserved in rocks provide information about past environmental conditions. - Geologists have divided Earth's history into time units based upon the fossil record. Age relationships among bodies of rocks can be determined using principles of original horizontality, superposition, inclusions, cross-cutting relationships, contact metamorphism, and unconformities. The presence of volcanic ash layers, index fossils, and meteoritic debris can provide additional information.
> ST4:KI1:1.2j Geologic history can be reconstructed by observing sequences of rock types and fossils to correlate

		bedrock at various locations. The regular rate of nuclear decay (half-life time period) of radioactive isotopes allows geologists to determine the absolute age of materials found in some rocks.
Core Vocabulary	Assessments	Resources
Period Eon Epoch Era Index Fossils Correlation Unconformities Strata Outcrop Principle of Original Horizontality Principle of Cross Cutting Relationships Principle of Superposition Radioactive Isotopes Half-Life	Ticket In / Out - ESRT p. 8-9 Check In - Geologic Time Scale Ticket In / Out - Relative Age Dating Quiz - Geologic Time and Relative Age Dating Check In - Relative & Absolute Age Dating Unit Test Geologic History	Geologic Time Scale Lab Rock Correlation Lab Geologic Profiles