

Grades 9-12

3.5.9-12.NN Technology and Engineering: Nature and Characteristics of Technology and Engineering

Students who demonstrate understanding can analyze the rate of technological and engineering development and predict future diffusion and adoption of new innovations and technologies.

Clarifying Statement: The rate of development of inventions and innovations is affected by many factors, such as time and monetary investment. Many new technologies build upon previous technologies, often resulting in quick development and dispersion. For example, the rapid development of consumer scale drone technologies has built upon earlier military applications of these devices.

Assessment Boundary: N/A

Science and Engineering Practices (SEP)

Developing & Using Models

Modeling in 9–12 builds on K–8 experiences and progresses to using, synthesizing, and developing models to predict and show relationships among variables between systems and their components in the natural and designed world(s).

 Develop and/or use multiple types of models to provide mechanistic accounts and/or predict phenomena, and move flexibly between model types based on merits and limitations.

Disciplinary Core Ideas (DCI)

Developing Possible Solutions

 When evaluating solutions it is important to take into account a range of constraints including cost, safety, reliability and aesthetics and to consider social, cultural and environmental impacts.

Technology and Engineering Practices (TEP)

Making and Doing

 Demonstrates the ability to regulate and improve making and doing skills.

Optimism

 Shows persistence in addressing technological problems and finding solutions to those problems.

Pennsylvania Context: N/A

Pennsylvania Career Ready Skills: Evaluate consequences from a personal, and civic perspective to inform decision making.

Connections to Other Standards Content and Practices

Science, Technology & Engineering, and Environment Literacy & Sustainability (STEELS)



Standard Source	Possible Connections to Other Standard(s) or Practice(s)
PA Core Standards: Reading and Writing in Science and Technical Areas	CC.1.2.3.G: Use information gained from text features to demonstrate understanding of a text. CC.1.2.4.G: Interpret various presentations of information within a text or digital source and explain how the information contributes to an understanding of text in which it appears. CC.1.2.5.G: Draw on information from multiple print or digital sources, demonstrating the ability to locate an answer to a question quickly or to solve a problem efficiently. CC.1.4.3.V: Conduct short research projects that build knowledge about a topic. CC.1.4.4.V: Conduct short research projects that build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic. CC.1.4.5.V: Conduct short research projects that use several sources to build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic. CC.1.4.3.W: Recall information from experiences or gather information from print and digital sources; take brief notes on sources and sort evidence into provided categories.
PA Core Standards: Reading and Writing in Science and Technical Areas (continued)	CC.1.4.4.W: Recall relevant information from experiences or gather relevant information from print and digital sources; take notes and categorize information, and provide a list of sources. CC.1.4.5.W: Recall relevant information from experiences or gather relevant information from print and digital sources; summarize or paraphrase information in notes and finished work, and provide a list of sources.
PA Core Standards and Practices: Math	N/A
Integrated Standards for Science, Environment & Ecology, and Technology & Engineering Standards Grades K–12	N/A