Grades 9–12

3.2.9-12.I Physical Science: Forces and Interactions

Students who demonstrate understanding can analyze data to support the claim that Newton's second law of motion describes the mathematical relationship among the net force on a macroscopic object, its mass, and its acceleration.

Clarifying Statement: Examples of data could include tables or graphs of position or velocity as a function of time for objects subject to a net unbalanced force, such as a falling object, an object sliding down a ramp, or a moving object being pulled by a constant force.

Assessment Boundary: Assessment is limited to one-dimensional motion and to macroscopic objects moving at non-relativistic speeds.

Science and Engineering Practices (SEP)	Disciplinary Core Ideas (DCI)	Crosscutting Concepts (CCC)
Analyzing and Interpreting Data	PS2.A: Forces and Motion	Cause and Effect
Analyzing data in 9–12 builds on K–8 and progresses to introducing more detailed statistical analysis, the comparison of data sets for consistency, and the use of models to generate and analyze data.	 Newton's second law accurately predicts changes in the motion of macroscopic objects. 	• Empirical evidence is required to differentiate between cause and correlation and make claims about specific causes and effects.
Analyze data using tools, technologies, and/or models (e.g., computational, mathematical) in order to make valid and reliable scientific claims or determine an optimal design solution.		
Connections to Nature of Science		
Science Models, Laws, Mechanisms, and Theories Explain Natural Phenomena		
• Theories and laws provide explanations in science. Laws are statements or descriptions of the relationships among observable phenomena.		

Pennsylvania Context: Examples of Pennsylvania context include but are not limited to Pennsylvania amusement or theme parks and ski resorts.

PA Career Ready Skills: Evaluate how societal conventions may influence the perspectives of individuals.

Connections to Other Standards Content and Practices

Standard Source	Possible Connections to Other Standard(s) or Practice(s)
Agriculture (AFNR)	CS.01.02.01.a: Research technologies used in AFNR systems.



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Science, Environmental Literacy and Sustainability (NAAEE)	9-12 Strand 1.E. Organizing and analyzing information: Learners organize, analyze, and display data and information from their environmental investigations for a variety of audiences and purposes.
PA Core Standards: ELA	 CC.3.5.9-12.A: Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts attending to the precise details of explanations or descriptions. CC.3.5.11-12.A: Cite specific textual evidence to support analysis of science and technical texts, attending to important distinctions the author makes and to any gaps or inconsistencies in the account. CC.3.5.9-10.G: Translate quantitative or technical information expressed in words in a text into visual form (e.g., a table or chart) and translate information expressed visually or mathematically (e.g., in an equation) into words. CC.3.5.11-12.G: Integrate and evaluate multiple sources of information presented in diverse formats and media (e.g., quantitative data, video, multimedia) in order to address a question or solve a problem. CC.3.6.9-12.H: Draw evidence from informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.
PA Core Standards and Practices: Math	 MP.2: Reason abstractly and quantitatively. MP.4: Model with mathematics. CC.2.2.HS.D.7: Create and graph equations or inequalities to describe numbers or relationships. CC.2.2.HS.C.2: Graph and analyze functions and use their properties to make connections between the different representations. CC.2.4.HS.B.4: Recognize and evaluate random processes underlying statistical experiments.
PA Standards: Social Studies	N/A
Educational Technology (ISTE)	1.5. Computational Thinker: Students develop and employ strategies for understanding and solving problems in ways that leverage the power of technological methods to develop and test solutions.
Technology and Engineering (ITEEA)	STEL-10: Assess how similarities and differences among scientific, mathematical, engineering, and technological knowledge and skills contributed to the design of a product or system.