

Kindergarten

3.3.K.A Earth and Space Sciences: Earth's Systems

Students who demonstrate understanding can use and share observations of local weather conditions to describe patterns over time.

Clarifying Statement: Examples of qualitative observations could include descriptions of the weather (such as sunny, cloudy, rainy, and warm); examples of quantitative observations could include numbers of sunny, windy, and rainy days in a month. Examples of patterns could include that it is usually cooler in the morning than in the afternoon and the number of sunny days versus cloudy days in different months.

Assessment Boundary: Assessment of quantitative observations limited to whole numbers and relative measures such as warmer/cooler.

Science and Engineering Practices (SEP)	Disciplinary Core Ideas (DCI)	Crosscutting Concepts (CCC)
Analyzing and Interpreting Data	Weather and Climate	Patterns
 Analyzing data in K–2 builds on prior experiences and progresses to collecting, recording, and sharing observations. Use observations (firsthand or from media) to describe patterns in the natural world in order to answer scientific questions. 	 Weather is the combination of sunlight, wind, snow or rain, and temperature in a particular region at a particular time. People measure these conditions to describe and record the weather and to notice patterns over time. 	Patterns in the natural world can be observed, used to describe phenomena, and used as evidence.
Connections to Nature of Science		
Science Knowledge Is Based on Empirical Evidence		
Scientists look for patterns and order when making observations about the world.		

Pennsylvania Context: Examples of Pennsylvania context include that Pennsylvania has four distinct seasons.

PA Career Ready Skills: Interact in pro-social ways (e.g., reciprocal conversation, turn taking, sharing) with peers and adults.

Connections to Other Standards Content and Practices

Standard Source	Possible Connections to Other Standard(s) or Practice(s)
Agriculture (AFNR)	CS.06.01.01.a: Research and explain the foundational cycles in AFNR (e.g., water cycle, nutrient cycle, carbon cycle, etc.).
Science, Environmental Literacy and Sustainability (NAAEE)	K-4 Strand 1.E. Organizing and analyzing information: Learners describe data and organize information to search for relationships and patterns concerning the environment and environmental topics.
PA Core Standards: ELA	CC.1.4.K.V: Participate in individual or shared research projects on a topic of interest.

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



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PA Core Standards and Practices: Math	MP.2: Reason abstractly and quantitatively. MP.4: Model with mathematics. CC.2.4.K.A.1: Describe and compare attributes of length, area, weight, and capacity of everyday objects. CC.2.4.K.A.4: Classify objects and count the number of objects in each category.
PA Standards: Social Studies	7.3.K.A: Describe how weather affects daily life.
Educational Technology (ISTE)	1.6. Creative Communicator: Students communicate clearly and express themselves creatively for a variety of purposes using the platforms, tools, styles, formats and digital media appropriate to their goals.
Technology and Engineering (ITEEA)	STEL-3A: Apply concepts and skills from technology and engineering activities that reinforce concepts and skills across multiple content areas.