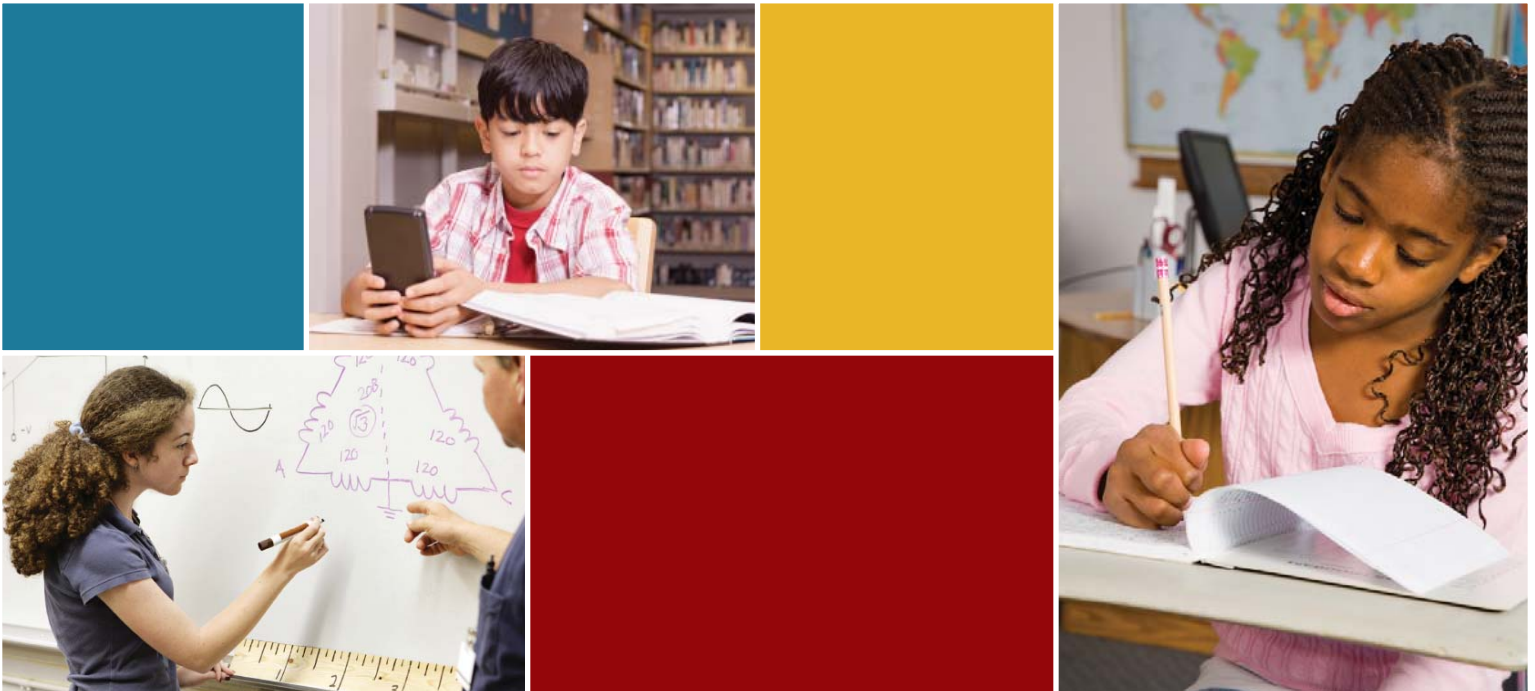


First Grade

Mathematics





## Colorado Academic Standards in Mathematics and The Common Core State Standards for Mathematics

On December 10, 2009, the Colorado State Board of Education adopted the revised Mathematics Academic Standards, along with academic standards in nine other content areas, creating Colorado's first fully aligned preschool through high school academic expectations. Developed by a broad spectrum of Coloradans representing Pre-K and K-12 education, higher education, and business, utilizing the best national and international exemplars, the intention of these standards is to prepare Colorado schoolchildren for achievement at each grade level, and ultimately, for successful performance in postsecondary institutions and/or the workforce.

Concurrent to the revision of the Colorado standards was the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) initiative, whose process and purpose significantly overlapped with that of the Colorado Academic Standards. Led by the Council of Chief State School Officers (CCSSO) and the National Governors Association (NGA), these standards present a national perspective on academic expectations for students, Kindergarten through High School in the United States.

Upon the release of the Common Core State Standards for Mathematics on June 2, 2010, the Colorado Department of Education began a gap analysis process to determine the degree to which the expectations of the Colorado Academic Standards aligned with the Common Core. The independent analysis proved a nearly 95% alignment between the two sets of standards. On August 2, 2010, the Colorado State Board of Education adopted the Common Core State Standards, and requested the integration of the Common Core State Standards and the Colorado Academic Standards.

In partnership with the dedicated members of the Colorado Standards Revision Subcommittee in Mathematics, this document represents the integration of the combined academic content of both sets of standards, maintaining the unique aspects of the Colorado Academic Standards, which include personal financial literacy, 21<sup>st</sup> century skills, school readiness competencies, postsecondary and workforce readiness competencies, and preschool expectations. The result is a world-class set of standards that are greater than the sum of their parts.

The Colorado Department of Education encourages you to review the Common Core State Standards and the extensive appendices at [www.corestandards.org](http://www.corestandards.org). While all the expectations of the Common Core State Standards are embedded and **coded with CCSS:** in this document, additional information on the development and the intentions behind the Common Core State Standards can be found on the website.

## Colorado Academic Standards Mathematics Standards

*"Pure mathematics is, in its way, the poetry of logical ideas."  
Albert Einstein*

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*"If America is to maintain our high standard of living, we must continue to innovate. We are competing with nations many times our size. We don't have a single brain to waste. Math and science are the engines of innovation. With these engines we can lead the world. We must demystify math and science so that all students feel the joy that follows understanding."  
Dr. Michael Brown, Nobel Prize Laureate*

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In the 21<sup>st</sup> century, a vibrant democracy depends on the full, informed participation of all people. We have a vast and rapidly growing trove of information available at any moment. However, being *informed* means, in part, using one's sense of number, shape, data and symbols to organize, interpret, make and assess the validity of claims about quantitative information. In short, informed members of society know and do mathematics.

Mathematics is indispensable for understanding our world. In addition to providing the tools of arithmetic, algebra, geometry and statistics, it offers a way of thinking about patterns and relationships of quantity and space and the connections among them. Mathematical reasoning allows us to devise and evaluate methods for solving problems, make and test conjectures about properties and relationships, and model the world around us.

## Standards Organization and Construction

As the subcommittee began the revision process to improve the existing standards, it became evident that the way the standards information was organized, defined, and constructed needed to change from the existing documents. The new design is intended to provide more clarity and direction for teachers, and to show how 21<sup>st</sup> century skills and the elements of school readiness and postsecondary and workforce readiness indicators give depth and context to essential learning.

The “Continuum of State Standards Definitions” section that follows shows the hierarchical order of the standards components. The “Standards Template” section demonstrates how this continuum is put into practice.

The elements of the revised standards are:

**Prepared Graduate Competencies:** The preschool through twelfth-grade concepts and skills that all students who complete the Colorado education system must master to ensure their success in a postsecondary and workforce setting.

**Standard:** The topical organization of an academic content area.

**High School Expectations:** The articulation of the concepts and skills of a standard that indicates a student is making progress toward being a prepared graduate. *What do students need to know in high school?*

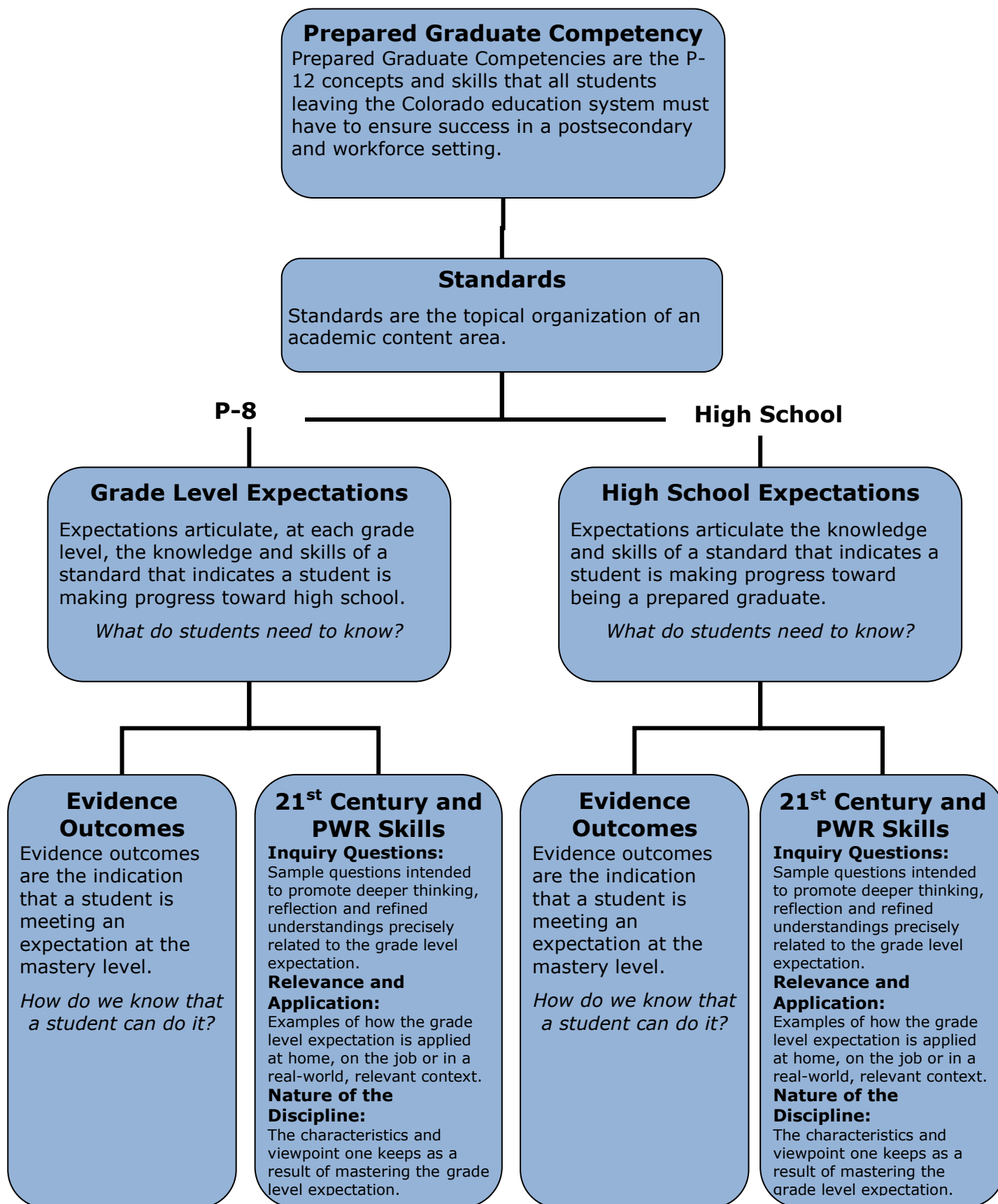
**Grade Level Expectations:** The articulation (at each grade level), concepts, and skills of a standard that indicate a student is making progress toward being ready for high school. *What do students need to know from preschool through eighth grade?*

**Evidence Outcomes:** The indication that a student is meeting an expectation at the mastery level. *How do we know that a student can do it?*

**21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills and Readiness Competencies:** Includes the following:

- ***Inquiry Questions:***  
Sample questions are intended to promote deeper thinking, reflection and refined understandings precisely related to the grade level expectation.
- ***Relevance and Application:***  
Examples of how the grade level expectation is applied at home, on the job or in a real-world, relevant context.
- ***Nature of the Discipline:***  
The characteristics and viewpoint one keeps as a result of mastering the grade level expectation.

## Continuum of State Standards Definitions



## STANDARDS TEMPLATE

**Content Area: NAME OF CONTENT AREA**

**Standard:** The topical organization of an academic content area.

**Prepared Graduates:**

- The P-12 concepts and skills that all students who complete the Colorado education system must master to ensure their success in a postsecondary and workforce setting

### High School and Grade Level Expectations

**Concepts and skills students master:**

Grade Level Expectation: High Schools: The articulation of the concepts and skills of a standard that indicates a student is making progress toward being a prepared graduate.

Grade Level Expectations: The articulation, at each grade level, the concepts and skills of a standard that indicates a student is making progress toward being ready for high school.

*What do students need to know?*

**Evidence Outcomes**

**Students can:**

Evidence outcomes are the indication that a student is meeting an expectation at the mastery level.

*How do we know that a student can do it?*

**21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills and Readiness Competencies**

**Inquiry Questions:**

Sample questions intended to promote deeper thinking, reflection and refined understandings precisely related to the grade level expectation.

**Relevance and Application:**

Examples of how the grade level expectation is applied at home, on the job or in a real-world, relevant context.

**Nature of the Discipline:**

The characteristics and viewpoint one keeps as a result of mastering the grade level expectation.

## Prepared Graduate Competencies in Mathematics

The prepared graduate competencies are the preschool through twelfth-grade concepts and skills that all students who complete the Colorado education system must master to ensure their success in a postsecondary and workforce setting.

Prepared graduates in mathematics:

- Understand the structure and properties of our number system. At their most basic level numbers are abstract symbols that represent real-world quantities
- Understand quantity through estimation, precision, order of magnitude, and comparison. The reasonableness of answers relies on the ability to judge appropriateness, compare, estimate, and analyze error
- Are fluent with basic numerical and symbolic facts and algorithms, and are able to select and use appropriate (mental math, paper and pencil, and technology) methods based on an understanding of their efficiency, precision, and transparency
- Make both relative (multiplicative) and absolute (arithmetic) comparisons between quantities. Multiplicative thinking underlies proportional reasoning
- Recognize and make sense of the many ways that variability, chance, and randomness appear in a variety of contexts
- Solve problems and make decisions that depend on understanding, explaining, and quantifying the variability in data
- Understand that equivalence is a foundation of mathematics represented in numbers, shapes, measures, expressions, and equations
- Make sound predictions and generalizations based on patterns and relationships that arise from numbers, shapes, symbols, and data
- Apply transformation to numbers, shapes, functional representations, and data
- Make claims about relationships among numbers, shapes, symbols, and data and defend those claims by relying on the properties that are the structure of mathematics
- Communicate effective logical arguments using mathematical justification and proof. Mathematical argumentation involves making and testing conjectures, drawing valid conclusions, and justifying thinking
- Use critical thinking to recognize problematic aspects of situations, create mathematical models, and present and defend solutions

## Colorado Academic Standards Mathematics

The Colorado academic standards in mathematics are the topical organization of the concepts and skills every Colorado student should know and be able to do throughout their preschool through twelfth-grade experience.

### 1. **Number Sense, Properties, and Operations**

Number sense provides students with a firm foundation in mathematics. Students build a deep understanding of quantity, ways of representing numbers, relationships among numbers, and number systems. Students learn that numbers are governed by properties and understanding these properties leads to fluency with operations.

### 2. **Patterns, Functions, and Algebraic Structures**

Pattern sense gives students a lens with which to understand trends and commonalities. Students recognize and represent mathematical relationships and analyze change. Students learn that the structures of algebra allow complex ideas to be expressed succinctly.

### 3.

### **Data**

#### **Analysis, Statistics, and Probability**

Data and probability sense provides students with tools to understand information and uncertainty. Students ask questions and gather and use data to answer them. Students use a variety of data analysis and statistics strategies to analyze, develop and evaluate inferences based on data. Probability provides the foundation for collecting, describing, and interpreting data.

### 4. **Shape, Dimension, and Geometric Relationships**

Geometric sense allows students to comprehend space and shape. Students analyze the characteristics and relationships of shapes and structures, engage in logical reasoning, and use tools and techniques to determine measurement. Students learn that geometry and measurement are useful in representing and solving problems in the real world as well as in mathematics.

### **Modeling Across the Standards**

Modeling links classroom mathematics and statistics to everyday life, work, and decision-making. Modeling is the process of choosing and using appropriate mathematics and statistics to analyze empirical situations, to understand them better, and to improve decisions. When making mathematical models, technology is valuable for varying assumptions, exploring consequences, and comparing predictions with data. Modeling is best interpreted not as a collection of isolated topics but rather in relation to other standards, specific modeling standards appear throughout the high school standards indicated by a star symbol (\*).



## **Standards for Mathematical Practice from The Common Core State Standards for Mathematics**

The Standards for Mathematical Practice have been included in the Nature of Mathematics section in each Grade Level Expectation of the Colorado Academic Standards. The following definitions and explanation of the Standards for Mathematical Practice from the Common Core State Standards can be found on pages 6, 7, and 8 in the Common Core State Standards for Mathematics. Each Mathematical Practices statement has been notated with (MP) at the end of the statement.

### **Mathematics | Standards for Mathematical Practice**

*The Standards for Mathematical Practice describe varieties of expertise that mathematics educators at all levels should seek to develop in their students. These practices rest on important “processes and proficiencies” with longstanding importance in mathematics education. The first of these are the NCTM process standards of problem solving, reasoning and proof, communication, representation, and connections. The second are the strands of mathematical proficiency specified in the National Research Council’s report *Adding It Up*: adaptive reasoning, strategic competence, conceptual understanding (comprehension of mathematical concepts, operations and relations), procedural fluency (skill in carrying out procedures flexibly, accurately, efficiently and appropriately), and productive disposition (habitual inclination to see mathematics as sensible, useful, and worthwhile, coupled with a belief in diligence and one’s own efficacy).*

#### **1. Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.**

*Mathematically proficient students start by explaining to themselves the meaning of a problem and looking for entry points to its solution. They analyze givens, constraints, relationships, and goals. They make conjectures about the form and meaning of the solution and plan a solution pathway rather than simply jumping into a solution attempt. They consider analogous problems, and try special cases and simpler forms of the original problem in order to gain insight into its solution. They monitor and evaluate their progress and change course if necessary. Older students might, depending on the context of the problem, transform algebraic expressions or change the viewing window on their graphing calculator to get the information they need. Mathematically proficient students can explain correspondences between equations, verbal descriptions, tables, and graphs or draw diagrams of important features and relationships, graph data, and search for regularity or trends. Younger students might rely on using concrete objects or pictures to help conceptualize and solve a problem. Mathematically proficient students check their answers to problems using a different method, and they continually ask themselves, “Does this make sense?” They can understand the approaches of others to solving complex problems and identify correspondences between different approaches.*

#### **2. Reason abstractly and quantitatively.**

*Mathematically proficient students make sense of quantities and their relationships in problem situations. They bring two complementary abilities to bear on problems involving quantitative relationships: the ability to decontextualize—to abstract a given situation and represent it symbolically and manipulate the representing symbols as if they have a life of their own, without necessarily attending to their referents—and the ability to contextualize, to pause as needed during the manipulation process in order to probe into the referents for the symbols involved. Quantitative reasoning entails habits of creating a coherent representation of the problem at hand; considering the units involved; attending to the meaning of quantities, not just how to compute them; and knowing and flexibly using different properties of operations and objects.*

#### **3. Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.**

*Mathematically proficient students understand and use stated assumptions, definitions, and previously established results in constructing arguments. They make conjectures and build a logical progression of statements to explore the truth of their conjectures. They are able to analyze situations by breaking them into cases, and can recognize and use counterexamples. They justify their conclusions, communicate them to others, and respond to the arguments of others. They reason inductively about data, making plausible arguments that take into account the context from which the data arose.*

Mathematically proficient students are also able to compare the effectiveness of two plausible arguments, distinguish correct logic or reasoning from that which is flawed, and—if there is a flaw in an argument—explain what it is. Elementary students can construct arguments using concrete referents such as objects, drawings, diagrams, and actions. Such arguments can make sense and be correct, even though they are not generalized or made formal until later grades. Later, students learn to determine domains to which an argument applies. Students at all grades can listen or read the arguments of others, decide whether they make sense, and ask useful questions to clarify or improve the arguments.

#### **4. Model with mathematics.**

Mathematically proficient students can apply the mathematics they know to solve problems arising in everyday life, society, and the workplace. In early grades, this might be as simple as writing an addition equation to describe a situation. In middle grades, a student might apply proportional reasoning to plan a school event or analyze a problem in the community. By high school, a student might use geometry to solve a design problem or use a function to describe how one quantity of interest depends on another. Mathematically proficient students who can apply what they know are comfortable making assumptions and approximations to simplify a complicated situation, realizing that these may need revision later. They are able to identify important quantities in a practical situation and map their relationships using such tools as diagrams, two-way tables, graphs, flowcharts and formulas. They can analyze those relationships mathematically to draw conclusions. They routinely interpret their mathematical results in the context of the situation and reflect on whether the results make sense, possibly improving the model if it has not served its purpose.

#### **5. Use appropriate tools strategically.**

Mathematically proficient students consider the available tools when solving a mathematical problem. These tools might include pencil and paper, concrete models, a ruler, a protractor, a calculator, a spreadsheet, a computer algebra system, a statistical package, or dynamic geometry software. Proficient students are sufficiently familiar with tools appropriate for their grade or course to make sound decisions about when each of these tools might be helpful, recognizing both the insight to be gained and their limitations. For example, mathematically proficient high school students analyze graphs of functions and solutions generated using a graphing calculator. They detect possible errors by strategically using estimation and other mathematical knowledge. When making mathematical models, they know that technology can enable them to visualize the results of varying assumptions, explore consequences, and compare predictions with data. Mathematically proficient students at various grade levels are able to identify relevant external mathematical resources, such as digital content located on a website, and use them to pose or solve problems. They are able to use technological tools to explore and deepen their understanding of concepts.

#### **6. Attend to precision.**

Mathematically proficient students try to communicate precisely to others. They try to use clear definitions in discussion with others and in their own reasoning. They state the meaning of the symbols they choose, including using the equal sign consistently and appropriately. They are careful about specifying units of measure, and labeling axes to clarify the correspondence with quantities in a problem. They calculate accurately and efficiently, express numerical answers with a degree of precision appropriate for the problem context. In the elementary grades, students give carefully formulated explanations to each other. By the time they reach high school they have learned to examine claims and make explicit use of definitions.

#### **7. Look for and make use of structure.**

Mathematically proficient students look closely to discern a pattern or structure. Young students, for example, might notice that three and seven more is the same amount as seven and three more, or they may sort a collection of shapes according to how many sides the shapes have. Later, students will see  $7 \times 8$  equals the well remembered  $7 \times 5 + 7 \times 3$ , in preparation for learning about the distributive property. In the expression  $x^2 + 9x + 14$ , older students can see the 14 as  $2 \times 7$  and the 9 as  $2 + 7$ . They recognize the significance of an existing line in a geometric figure and can use the strategy of drawing an auxiliary line for solving problems. They also can step back for an overview and shift perspective. They can see complicated things, such as some algebraic expressions, as single objects or

as being composed of several objects. For example, they can see  $5 - 3(x - y)^2$  as 5 minus a positive number times a square and use that to realize that its value cannot be more than 5 for any real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ .

#### **8. Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.**

Mathematically proficient students notice if calculations are repeated, and look both for general methods and for shortcuts. Upper elementary students might notice when dividing 25 by 11 that they are repeating the same calculations over and over again, and conclude they have a repeating decimal. By paying attention to the calculation of slope as they repeatedly check whether points are on the line through  $(1, 2)$  with slope 3, middle school students might abstract the equation  $(y - 2)/(x - 1) = 3$ . Noticing the regularity in the way terms cancel when expanding  $(x - 1)(x + 1)$ ,  $(x - 1)(x^2 + x + 1)$ , and  $(x - 1)(x^3 + x^2 + x + 1)$  might lead them to the general formula for the sum of a geometric series. As they work to solve a problem, mathematically proficient students maintain oversight of the process, while attending to the details. They continually evaluate the reasonableness of their intermediate results.

#### **Connecting the Standards for Mathematical Practice to the Standards for Mathematical Content**

The Standards for Mathematical Practice describe ways in which developing student practitioners of the discipline of mathematics increasingly ought to engage with the subject matter as they grow in mathematical maturity and expertise throughout the elementary, middle and high school years. Designers of curricula, assessments, and professional development should all attend to the need to connect the mathematical practices to mathematical content in mathematics instruction. The Standards for Mathematical Content are a balanced combination of procedure and understanding. Expectations that begin with the word "understand" are often especially good opportunities to connect the practices to the content. Students who lack understanding of a topic may rely on procedures too heavily. Without a flexible base from which to work, they may be less likely to consider analogous problems, represent problems coherently, justify conclusions, apply the mathematics to practical situations, use technology mindfully to work with the mathematics, explain the mathematics accurately to other students, step back for an overview, or deviate from a known procedure to find a shortcut. In short, a lack of understanding effectively prevents a student from engaging in the mathematical practices. In this respect, those content standards which set an expectation of understanding are potential "points of intersection" between the Standards for Mathematical Content and the Standards for Mathematical Practice. These points of intersection are intended to be weighted toward central and generative concepts in the school mathematics curriculum that most merit the time, resources, innovative energies, and focus necessary to qualitatively improve the curriculum, instruction, assessment, professional development, and student achievement in mathematics.

# Mathematics

## Grade Level Expectations at a Glance

Standard	Grade Level Expectation
<b>First Grade</b>	
1. Number Sense, Properties, and Operations	1. The whole number system describes place value relationships within and beyond 100 and forms the foundation for efficient algorithms 2. Number relationships can be used to solve addition and subtraction problems
2. Patterns, Functions, and Algebraic Structures	Expectations for this standard are integrated into the other standards at this grade level.
3. Data Analysis, Statistics, and Probability	1. Visual displays of information can be used to answer questions
4. Shape, Dimension, and Geometric Relationships	1. Shapes can be described by defining attributes and created by composing and decomposing 2. Measurement is used to compare and order objects and events

From the Common State Standards for Mathematics, Page 13.

### **Mathematics | Grade 1**

*In Grade 1, instructional time should focus on four critical areas: (1) developing understanding of addition, subtraction, and strategies for addition and subtraction within 20; (2) developing understanding of whole number relationships and place value, including grouping in tens and ones; (3) developing understanding of linear measurement and measuring lengths as iterating length units; and (4) reasoning about attributes of, and composing and decomposing geometric shapes.*

*(1) Students develop strategies for adding and subtracting whole numbers based on their prior work with small numbers. They use a variety of models, including discrete objects and length-based models (e.g., cubes connected to form lengths), to model add-to, take-from, put-together, take-apart, and compare situations to develop meaning for the operations of addition and subtraction, and to develop strategies to solve arithmetic problems with these operations. Students understand connections between counting and addition and subtraction (e.g., adding two is the same as counting on two). They use properties of addition to add whole numbers and to create and use increasingly sophisticated strategies based on these properties (e.g., "making tens") to solve addition and subtraction problems within 20. By comparing a variety of solution strategies, children build their understanding of the relationship between addition and subtraction.*

*(2) Students develop, discuss, and use efficient, accurate, and generalizable methods to add within 100 and subtract multiples of 10. They compare whole numbers (at least to 100) to develop understanding of and solve problems involving their relative sizes. They think of whole numbers between 10 and 100 in terms of tens and ones (especially recognizing the numbers 11 to 19 as composed of a ten and some ones). Through activities that build number sense, they understand the order of the counting numbers and their relative magnitudes.*

*(3) Students develop an understanding of the meaning and processes of measurement, including underlying concepts such as iterating (the mental activity of building up the length of an object with equal-sized units) and the transitivity principle for indirect measurement.<sup>1</sup>*

*(4) Students compose and decompose plane or solid figures (e.g., put two triangles together to make a quadrilateral) and build understanding of part-whole relationships as well as the properties of the*

*original and composite shapes. As they combine shapes, they recognize them from different perspectives and orientations, describe their geometric attributes, and determine how they are alike and different, to develop the background for measurement and for initial understandings of properties such as congruence and symmetry*

*<sup>1</sup>Students should apply the principle of transitivity of measurement to make indirect comparisons, but they need not use this technical term.*

## **21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills and Readiness Competencies in Mathematics**

Mathematics in Colorado's description of 21<sup>st</sup> century skills is a synthesis of the essential abilities students must apply in our rapidly changing world. Today's mathematics students need a repertoire of knowledge and skills that are more diverse, complex, and integrated than any previous generation. Mathematics is inherently demonstrated in each of Colorado 21<sup>st</sup> century skills, as follows:

### Critical Thinking and Reasoning

Mathematics is a discipline grounded in critical thinking and reasoning. Doing mathematics involves recognizing problematic aspects of situations, devising and carrying out strategies, evaluating the reasonableness of solutions, and justifying methods, strategies, and solutions. Mathematics provides the grammar and structure that make it possible to describe patterns that exist in nature and society.

### Information Literacy

The discipline of mathematics equips students with tools and habits of mind to organize and interpret quantitative data. Informationally literate mathematics students effectively use learning tools, including technology, and clearly communicate using mathematical language.

### Collaboration

Mathematics is a social discipline involving the exchange of ideas. In the course of doing mathematics, students offer ideas, strategies, solutions, justifications, and proofs for others to evaluate. In turn, the mathematics student interprets and evaluates the ideas, strategies, solutions, justifications and proofs of others.

### Self-Direction

Doing mathematics requires a productive disposition and self-direction. It involves monitoring and assessing one's mathematical thinking and persistence in searching for patterns, relationships, and sensible solutions.

### Invention

Mathematics is a dynamic discipline, ever expanding as new ideas are contributed. Invention is the key element as students make and test conjectures, create mathematical models of real-world phenomena, generalize results, and make connections among ideas, strategies and solutions.

## **Colorado’s Description for School Readiness**

*(Adopted by the State Board of Education, December 2008)*

School readiness describes both the preparedness of a child to engage in and benefit from learning experiences, and the ability of a school to meet the needs of all students enrolled in publicly funded preschools or kindergartens. School readiness is enhanced when schools, families, and community service providers work collaboratively to ensure that every child is ready for higher levels of learning in academic content.

## **Colorado’s Description of Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness**

*(Adopted by the State Board of Education, June 2009)*

Postsecondary and workforce readiness describes the knowledge, skills, and behaviors essential for high school graduates to be prepared to enter college and the workforce and to compete in the global economy. The description assumes students have developed consistent intellectual growth throughout their high school career as a result of academic work that is increasingly challenging, engaging, and coherent. Postsecondary education and workforce readiness assumes that students are ready and able to demonstrate the following without the need for remediation: Critical thinking and problem-solving; finding and using information/information technology; creativity and innovation; global and cultural awareness; civic responsibility; work ethic; personal responsibility; communication; and collaboration.

## **How These Skills and Competencies are Embedded in the Revised Standards**

Three themes are used to describe these important skills and competencies and are interwoven throughout the standards: *inquiry questions; relevance and application; and the nature of each discipline*. These competencies should not be thought of stand-alone concepts, but should be integrated throughout the curriculum in all grade levels. Just as it is impossible to teach thinking skills to students without the content to think about, it is equally impossible for students to understand the content of a discipline without grappling with complex questions and the investigation of topics.

**Inquiry Questions** – Inquiry is a multifaceted process requiring students to think and pursue understanding. Inquiry demands that students (a) engage in an active observation and questioning process; (b) investigate to gather evidence; (c) formulate explanations based on evidence; (d) communicate and justify explanations, and; (e) reflect and refine ideas. Inquiry is more than hands-on activities; it requires students to cognitively wrestle with core concepts as they make sense of new ideas.

**Relevance and Application** – The hallmark of learning a discipline is the ability to apply the knowledge, skills, and concepts in real-world, relevant contexts. Components of this include solving problems, developing, adapting, and refining solutions for the betterment of society. The application of a discipline, including how technology assists or accelerates the work, enables students to more fully appreciate how the mastery of the grade level expectation matters after formal schooling is complete.

**Nature of Discipline** – The unique advantage of a discipline is the perspective it gives the mind to see the world and situations differently. The characteristics and viewpoint one keeps as a result of mastering the grade level expectation is the nature of the discipline retained in the mind’s eye.

# 1. Number Sense, Properties, and Operations

Number sense provides students with a firm foundation in mathematics. Students build a deep understanding of quantity, ways of representing numbers, relationships among numbers, and number systems. Students learn that numbers are governed by properties, and understanding these properties leads to fluency with operations.

## Prepared Graduates

The prepared graduate competencies are the preschool through twelfth-grade concepts and skills that all students who complete the Colorado education system must master to ensure their success in a postsecondary and workforce setting.

### Prepared Graduate Competencies in the Number Sense, Properties, and Operations Standard are:

- Understand the structure and properties of our number system. At their most basic level numbers are abstract symbols that represent real-world quantities
- Understand quantity through estimation, precision, order of magnitude, and comparison. The reasonableness of answers relies on the ability to judge appropriateness, compare, estimate, and analyze error
- Are fluent with basic numerical and symbolic facts and algorithms, and are able to select and use appropriate (mental math, paper and pencil, and technology) methods based on an understanding of their efficiency, precision, and transparency
- Make both relative (multiplicative) and absolute (arithmetic) comparisons between quantities. Multiplicative thinking underlies proportional reasoning
- Understand that equivalence is a foundation of mathematics represented in numbers, shapes, measures, expressions, and equations
- Apply transformation to numbers, shapes, functional representations, and data



## Content Area: Mathematics

### Standard: 1. Number Sense, Properties, and Operations

#### Prepared Graduates:

- Understand the structure and properties of our number system. At their most basic level numbers are abstract symbols that represent real-world quantities

#### Grade Level Expectation: First Grade

##### Concepts and skills students master:

1. The whole number system describes place value relationships within and beyond 100 and forms the foundation for efficient algorithms

##### Evidence Outcomes

###### Students can:

- a. Count to 120 (CCSS: 1.NBT.1)
  - i. Count starting at any number less than 120. (CCSS: 1.NBT.1)
  - ii. Within 120, read and write numerals and represent a number of objects with a written numeral. (CCSS: 1.NBT.1)
- b. Represent and use the digits of a two-digit number. (CCSS: 1.NBT.2)
  - i. Represent the digits of a two-digit number as tens and ones.<sup>1</sup> (CCSS: 1.NBT.2)
  - ii. Compare two two-digit numbers based on meanings of the tens and ones digits, recording the results of comparisons with the symbols  $>$ ,  $=$ , and  $<$ . (CCSS: 1.NBT.3)
  - iii. Compare two sets of objects, including pennies, up to at least 25 using language such as "three more or three fewer" (PFL)
- c. Use place value and properties of operations to add and subtract. (CCSS: 1.NBT)
  - i. Add within 100, including adding a two-digit number and a one-digit number and adding a two-digit number and a multiple of ten, using concrete models or drawings, and/or the relationship between addition and subtraction. (CCSS: 1.NBT.4)
  - ii. Identify coins and find the value of a collection of two coins (PFL)
  - iii. Mentally find 10 more or 10 less than any two-digit number, without counting; explain the reasoning used. (CCSS: 1.NBT.5)
  - iv. Subtract multiples of 10 in the range 10-90 from multiples of 10 in the range 10-90 (positive or zero differences), using concrete models or drawings and strategies based on place value, properties of operations, and/or the relationship between addition and subtraction. (CCSS: 1.NBT.6)
  - v. Relate addition and subtraction strategies to a written method and explain the reasoning used. (CCSS: 1.NBT.4 and 1.NBT.6)

##### 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills and Readiness Competencies

###### Inquiry Questions:

1. Can numbers always be related to tens?
2. Why not always count by one?
3. Why was a place value system developed?
4. How does a position of a digit affect its value?
5. How big is 100?

###### Relevance and Application:

1. The comparison of numbers helps to communicate and to make sense of the world. (For example, if someone has two more dollars than another, gets four more points than another, or takes out three fewer forks than needed.)

###### Nature of Mathematics:

1. Mathematics involves visualization and representation of ideas.
2. Numbers are used to count and order both real and imaginary objects.
3. Mathematicians reason abstractly and quantitatively. (MP)
4. Mathematicians look for and make use of structure. (MP)

## Content Area: Mathematics

### Standard: 1. Number Sense, Properties, and Operations

#### Prepared Graduates:

- Apply transformation to numbers, shapes, functional representations, and data

#### Grade Level Expectation: First Grade

##### Concepts and skills students master:

2. Number relationships can be used to solve addition and subtraction problems

##### Evidence Outcomes

###### Students can:

- Represent and solve problems involving addition and subtraction. (CCSS: 1.OA)
  - Use addition and subtraction within 20 to solve word problems.<sup>2</sup> (CCSS: 1.OA.1)
  - Solve word problems that call for addition of three whole numbers whose sum is less than or equal to 20.<sup>3</sup> (CCSS: 1.OA.2)
- Apply properties of operations and the relationship between addition and subtraction. (CCSS: 1.OA)
  - Apply properties of operations as strategies to add and subtract.<sup>4</sup> (CCSS: 1.OA.3)
  - Relate subtraction to unknown-addend problem.<sup>5</sup> (CCSS: 1.OA.4)
- Add and subtract within 20. (CCSS: 1.OA)
  - Relate counting to addition and subtraction.<sup>6</sup> (CCSS: 1.OA.5)
  - Add and subtract within 20 using multiple strategies.<sup>7</sup> (CCSS: 1.OA.6)
  - Demonstrate fluency for addition and subtraction within 10. (CCSS: 1.OA.6)
- Use addition and subtraction equations to show number relationships. (CCSS: 1.OA)
  - Use the equal sign to demonstrate equality in number relationships.<sup>8</sup> (CCSS: 1.OA.7)
  - Determine the unknown whole number in an addition or subtraction equation relating three whole numbers.<sup>9</sup> (CCSS: 1.OA.8)

##### 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills and Readiness Competencies

###### Inquiry Questions:

- What is addition and how is it used?
- What is subtraction and how is it used?
- How are addition and subtraction related?

###### Relevance and Application:

- Addition and subtraction are used to model real-world situations such as computing saving or spending, finding the number of days until a special day, or determining an amount needed to earn a reward.
- Fluency with addition and subtraction facts helps to quickly find answers to important questions.

###### Nature of Mathematics:

- Mathematicians use addition and subtraction to take numbers apart and put them back together in order to understand number relationships.
- Mathematicians make sense of problems and persevere in solving them. (MP)
- Mathematicians look for and make use of structure. (MP)

## Standard: 1. Number Sense, Properties, and Operations First Grade

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<sup>1</sup> 10 can be thought of as a bundle of ten ones — called a “ten.” (CCSS: 1.NBT.2a)

The numbers from 11 to 19 are composed of a ten and one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, or nine ones. (CCSS: 1.NBT.2b)

The numbers 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90 refer to one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, or nine tens (and 0 ones). (CCSS: 1.NBT.2c)

<sup>2</sup> involving situations of adding to, taking from, putting together, taking apart, and comparing, with unknowns in all positions, e.g., by using objects, drawings, and equations with a symbol for the unknown number to represent the problem. (CCSS: 1.OA.1)

<sup>3</sup> e.g., by using objects, drawings, and equations with a symbol for the unknown number to represent the problem. (CCSS: 1.OA.2)

<sup>4</sup> Examples: If  $8 + 3 = 11$  is known, then  $3 + 8 = 11$  is also known. (Commutative property of addition.) To add  $2 + 6 + 4$ , the second two numbers can be added to make a ten, so  $2 + 6 + 4 = 2 + 10 = 12$ . (Associative property of addition.) (CCSS: 1.OA.3)

<sup>5</sup> For example, subtract  $10 - 8$  by finding the number that makes 10 when added to 8. (CCSS: 1.OA.4)

<sup>6</sup> e.g., by counting on 2 to add 2. (CCSS: 1.OA.5)

<sup>7</sup> Use strategies such as counting on; making ten (e.g.,  $8 + 6 = 8 + 2 + 4 = 10 + 4 = 14$ ); decomposing a number leading to a ten (e.g.,  $13 - 4 = 13 - 3 - 1 = 10 - 1 = 9$ ); using the relationship between addition and subtraction (e.g., knowing that  $8 + 4 = 12$ , one knows  $12 - 8 = 4$ ); and creating equivalent but easier or known sums (e.g., adding  $6 + 7$  by creating the known equivalent  $6 + 6 + 1 = 12 + 1 = 13$ ). (CCSS: 1.OA.6)

<sup>8</sup> Understand the meaning of the equal sign, and determine if equations involving addition and subtraction are true or false. *For example, which of the following equations are true and which are false?  $6 = 6$ ,  $7 = 8 - 1$ ,  $5 + 2 = 2 + 5$ ,  $4 + 1 = 5 + 2$ .* (CCSS: 1.OA.7)

<sup>9</sup> For example, determine the unknown number that makes the equation true in each of the equations  $8 + ? = 11$ ,  $5 = \square - 3$ ,  $6 + 6 = \square$  (CCSS: 1.OA.8)

## 2. Patterns, Functions, and Algebraic Structures

Pattern sense gives students a lens with which to understand trends and commonalities. Being a student of mathematics involves recognizing and representing mathematical relationships and analyzing change. Students learn that the structures of algebra allow complex ideas to be expressed succinctly.

### Prepared Graduates

The prepared graduate competencies are the preschool through twelfth-grade concepts and skills that all students who complete the Colorado education system must have to ensure success in a postsecondary and workforce setting.

#### **Prepared Graduate Competencies in the 2. Patterns, Functions, and Algebraic Structures Standard are:**

- Are fluent with basic numerical and symbolic facts and algorithms, and are able to select and use appropriate (mental math, paper and pencil, and technology) methods based on an understanding of their efficiency, precision, and transparency
- Understand that equivalence is a foundation of mathematics represented in numbers, shapes, measures, expressions, and equations
- Make sound predictions and generalizations based on patterns and relationships that arise from numbers, shapes, symbols, and data
- Make claims about relationships among numbers, shapes, symbols, and data and defend those claims by relying on the properties that are the structure of mathematics
- Use critical thinking to recognize problematic aspects of situations, create mathematical models, and present and defend solutions

**Content Area: Mathematics**

**Standard: 2. Patterns, Functions, and Algebraic Structures**

**Prepared Graduates:**

**Grade Level Expectation: PRESCHOOL THROUGH THIRD GRADE**

**Concepts and skills students master:**

**Evidence Outcomes**                      **21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills and Readiness Competencies**

**Students can:**

**Expectations for this standard are integrated into the other standards at preschool through third grade.**

**Inquiry Questions:**

**Relevance and Application:**

**Nature of Mathematics:**

# 3. Data Analysis, Statistics, and Probability

Data and probability sense provides students with tools to understand information and uncertainty. Students ask questions and gather and use data to answer them. Students use a variety of data analysis and statistics strategies to analyze, develop and evaluate inferences based on data. Probability provides the foundation for collecting, describing, and interpreting data.

## Prepared Graduates

The prepared graduate competencies are the preschool through twelfth-grade concepts and skills that all students who complete the Colorado education system must master to ensure their success in a postsecondary and workforce setting.

**Prepared Graduate Competencies in the 3. Data Analysis, Statistics, and Probability Standard are:**

- Recognize and make sense of the many ways that variability, chance, and randomness appear in a variety of contexts
- Solve problems and make decisions that depend on understanding, explaining, and quantifying the variability in data
- Communicate effective logical arguments using mathematical justification and proof. Mathematical argumentation involves making and testing conjectures, drawing valid conclusions, and justifying thinking
- Use critical thinking to recognize problematic aspects of situations, create mathematical models, and present and defend solutions

**Content Area: Mathematics**

**Standard: 3. Data Analysis, Statistics, and Probability**

**Prepared Graduates:**

- Solve problems and make decisions that depend on understanding, explaining, and quantifying the variability in data

**Grade Level Expectation: First Grade**

**Concepts and skills students master:**

1. Visual displays of information can used to answer questions

**Evidence Outcomes**

**Students can:**

- a. Represent and interpret data. (CCSS: 1.MD)
  - i. Organize, represent, and interpret data with up to three categories. (CCSS: 1.MD.4)
  - ii. Ask and answer questions about the total number of data points how many in each category, and how many more or less are in one category than in another. (CCSS: 1.MD.4)

**21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills and Readiness Competencies**

**Inquiry Questions:**

1. What kinds of questions generate data?
2. What questions can be answered by a data representation?

**Relevance and Application:**

1. People use graphs and charts to communicate information and learn about a class or community such as the kinds of cars people drive, or favorite ice cream flavors of a class.

**Nature of Mathematics:**

1. Mathematicians organize and explain random information
2. Mathematicians model with mathematics. (MP)

# 4. Shape, Dimension, and Geometric Relationships

Geometric sense allows students to comprehend space and shape. Students analyze the characteristics and relationships of shapes and structures, engage in logical reasoning, and use tools and techniques to determine measurement. Students learn that geometry and measurement are useful in representing and solving problems in the real world as well as in mathematics.

## Prepared Graduates

The prepared graduate competencies are the preschool through twelfth-grade concepts and skills that all students who complete the Colorado education system must master to ensure their success in a postsecondary and workforce setting.

### Prepared Graduate Competencies in the 4. Shape, Dimension, and Geometric Relationships standard are:

- Understand quantity through estimation, precision, order of magnitude, and comparison. The reasonableness of answers relies on the ability to judge appropriateness, compare, estimate, and analyze error
- Make sound predictions and generalizations based on patterns and relationships that arise from numbers, shapes, symbols, and data
- Apply transformation to numbers, shapes, functional representations, and data
- Make claims about relationships among numbers, shapes, symbols, and data and defend those claims by relying on the properties that are the structure of mathematics
- Use critical thinking to recognize problematic aspects of situations, create mathematical models, and present and defend solutions



## Content Area: Mathematics

### Standard: 4. Shape, Dimension, and Geometric Relationships

#### Prepared Graduates:

- Make claims about relationships among numbers, shapes, symbols, and data and defend those claims by relying on the properties that are the structure of mathematics

#### Grade Level Expectation: First Grade

##### Concepts and skills students master:

1. Shapes can be described by defining attributes and created by composing and decomposing

##### Evidence Outcomes

###### Students can:

- a. Distinguish between defining attributes<sup>1</sup> versus non-defining attributes.<sup>2</sup> (CCSS: 1.G.1)
- b. Build and draw shapes to possess defining attributes. (CCSS: 1.G.1)
- c. Compose two-dimensional shapes<sup>3</sup> or three-dimensional shapes<sup>4</sup> to create a composite shape, and compose new shapes from the composite shape. (CCSS: 1.G.2)
- d. Partition circles and rectangles into two and four equal shares. (CCSS: 1.G.3)
  - i. Describe shares using the words halves, fourths, and quarters, and use the phrases half of, fourth of, and quarter of. (CCSS: 1.G.3)
  - ii. Describe the whole as two of, or four of the equal shares.<sup>5</sup> (CCSS: 1.G.3)

##### 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills and Readiness Competencies

###### Inquiry Questions:

1. What shapes can be combined to create a square?
2. What shapes can be combined to create a circle?

###### Relevance and Application:

1. Many objects in the world can be described using geometric shapes and relationships such as architecture, objects in your home, and things in the natural world. Geometry gives us the language to describe these objects.
2. Representation of ideas through drawing is an important form of communication. Some ideas are easier to communicate through pictures than through words such as the idea of a circle, or an idea for the design of a couch.

###### Nature of Mathematics:

1. Geometers use shapes to represent the similarity and difference of objects.
2. Mathematicians model with mathematics. (MP)
3. Mathematicians look for and make use of structure. (MP)

**Content Area: Mathematics**

**Standard: 4. Shape, Dimension, and Geometric Relationships**

**Prepared Graduates:**

- Understand quantity through estimation, precision, order of magnitude, and comparison. The reasonableness of answers relies on the ability to judge appropriateness, compare, estimate, and analyze error

**Grade Level Expectation: First Grade**

**Concepts and skills students master:**

2. Measurement is used to compare and order objects and events

**Evidence Outcomes**

**Students can:**

- a. Measure lengths indirectly and by iterating length units. (CCSS: 1.MD)
  - i. Order three objects by length; compare the lengths of two objects indirectly by using a third object. (CCSS: 1.MD.1)
  - ii. Express the length of an object as a whole number of length units.<sup>6</sup> (CCSS: 1.MD.2)
- b. Tell and write time. (CCSS: 1.MD)
  - i. Tell and write time in hours and half-hours using analog and digital clocks. (CCSS: 1.MD.3)

**21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills and Readiness Competencies**

**Inquiry Questions:**

- 1. How can you tell when one thing is bigger than another?
- 2. Why do we measure objects and time?
- 3. How are length and time different? How are they the same?

**Relevance and Application:**

- 1. Time measurement is a means to organize and structure each day and our lives, and to describe tempo in music.
- 2. Measurement helps to understand and describe the world such as comparing heights of friends, describing how heavy something is, or how much something holds.

**Nature of Mathematics:**

- 1. With only a few words, mathematicians use measurable attributes to describe countless objects.
- 2. Mathematicians use appropriate tools strategically. (MP)
- 3. Mathematicians attend to precision. (MP)

**Standard: 4. Shape, Dimension, and Geometric Relationships**  
**First Grade**

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<sup>1</sup> e.g., triangles are closed and three-sided. (CCSS: 1.G.1)

<sup>2</sup> e.g., color, orientation, overall size. (CCSS: 1.G.1)

<sup>3</sup> rectangles, squares, trapezoids, triangles, half-circles, and quarter-circles. (CCSS: 1.G.2)

<sup>4</sup> cubes, right rectangular prisms, right circular cones, and right circular cylinders. (CCSS: 1.G.2)

<sup>5</sup> Understand for these examples that decomposing into more equal shares creates smaller shares. (CCSS: 1.G.3)

<sup>6</sup> By laying multiple copies of a shorter object (the length unit) end to end; understand that the length measurement of an object is the number of same-size length units that span it with no gaps or overlaps. Limit to contexts where the object being measured is spanned by a whole number of length units with no gaps or overlaps. (CCSS: 1.MD.2)

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