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Applied Academic Credit Benchmarks

Mississippi Department of Education 2007 Mississippi Mathematics Framework Revised

21st Century Skills and Information and Communication Technologies Literacy Standards

In defining 21st century learning, the Partnership for 21st Century Skills has embraced five content and skill areas that represent the essential knowledge for the 21st century: global awareness; civic engagement; financial, economic, and business literacy; learning skills that encompass problem-solving, critical-thinking, and self-directional skills; and Information and Communication Technology (ICT) literacy.

National Educational Technology Standards for Students

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ACT College Readiness Standards



The College Readiness Standards are sets of statements intended to help students understand what is expected of them in preparation for the ACT. These standards are integrated into teaching and assessment strategies throughout the curriculum framework.

Preface

Secondary vocational–technical education programs in Mississippi are faced with many challenges resulting from sweeping educational reforms at the national and state levels. Schools and teachers are increasingly being held accountable for providing true learning activities to every student in the classroom. This accountability is measured through increased requirements for mastery and attainment of competency as documented through both formative and summative assessments.

The courses in this document reflect the statutory requirements as found in Section 37-3-49, Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended (Section 37-3-46). In addition, this curriculum reflects guidelines imposed by federal and state mandates (Laws, 1988, ch. 487, §14; Laws, 1991, ch. 423, §1; Laws, 1992, ch. 519, §4 eff. from and after July 1, 1992; Carl D. Perkins Vocational Education Act IV, 2007; and No Child Left Behind Act of 2001).



Carpentry Executive Summary

Program Description

The curriculum framework for this program was developed in partnership with the Mississippi Construction Education Foundation (MCEF). MCEF is the accredited sponsor for the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER).

When developing this curriculum, writers recognized the importance of differentiating instruction and meeting the needs of the 21st century learner. Teaching strategies included a blend of online and face-to-face instruction. Teaching strategies are aligned with Contren Connect e-books, online lectures, video presentations, online quizzes, active figures, and Spanish content. Students will have access to this information to learn new content as well as review, reinforce, or revise work.

Industry Certification

The NCCER developed and published a set of industry standards that are taught nationwide by contractors, associations, construction users, and secondary and postsecondary schools called the **Contren Learning Series**. When developing this set of standards, the NCCER assembled a team of subject matter experts that represented construction companies and schools across the nation. Each committee met several times and combined experts' knowledge and experience to finalize the set of national industry standards.

As a part of the accreditation process, all Mississippi construction instructors will be required to successfully complete the **Instructor Certification Training Program**. This program ensures that instructors possess a deep knowledge of content of the standards.

This state-of-the-art curriculum is modeled after the eight Mississippi **NCCER Accredited Training and Education Facilities (ATEF)**. In order to become an NCCER ATEF program, school districts must meet a set of guidelines including the following:

1. Use the approved curriculum.
2. All instructors must be NCCER certified.
3. All completed Form 200s and release forms on all student completions are to be forwarded to MCEF for proper approval. MCEF will in turn forward to NCCER for processing.
4. Follow NCCER guidelines on test security and performance profiles.
5. Have an active advisory committee with at least two commercial contractors involved.
6. Follow safety practices and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) standards used in the class and lab areas.
7. Involve commercial contractors in class presentations or field trips.
8. All construction programs must be included in the accreditation process.
9. Show active involvement in student leadership development (e.g., VICA and SkillsUSA).
10. Provide demonstrated placement into construction-related occupations, and provide timely reports to MCEF.

Districts will be required to complete a self-evaluation of all programs and host a site visit from industry to ensure proper lab, safety, and instructional procedures are in place.

Assessment

Students will be assessed using the Carpentry MS-CPAS2 test. The MS-CPAS2 blueprint can be found at <http://info.rcu.msstate.edu/services/curriculum.asp>. If there are questions regarding assessment of this program, please contact the construction instructional design specialists at the Research and Curriculum Unit at 662.325.2510.

Student Prerequisites

In order for students to be successful in the Carpentry program, the following student prerequisites are in place:

1. C or higher in English (the previous year)
2. C or higher in Math (last course taken or the instructor can specify the math)
or
3. Instructor Approval and TABE Reading Score (eighth grade or higher)
or
4. Instructor Approval

Proposed Applied Academic Credit

Applied Math content from the curriculum was aligned to the 2007 Mississippi Math Framework Revised Academic Benchmarks. It is proposed that upon the completion of this program, students will earn 1/2 Applied Math credit that can be used for graduation requirements.

The applied academic credit has ***not*** been approved by the Mississippi Commission on School Accreditation or by the State Board of Education. If there are questions regarding applied academic credit, please contact the Coordinator of Workforce Education at the Research and Curriculum Unit at 662.325.2510.

Licensure Requirements

Teacher license 977 is required to teach Carpentry. The requirements for the 977 licensure endorsement are listed below:

1. Applicant must hold a 2-year college degree (associate's degree) or higher from an accredited institution of higher education.
2. Applicant with an associate's degree must have at least 2 years of verifiable occupational experience in the past 10 years. Experience must be appropriate to the subject to be taught. Applicant with a bachelor's or higher degree must have at least 1 year of verifiable occupational experience in the past 10 years. Experience must be appropriate to the subject to be taught.
3. Applicant must enroll immediately in the Vocational Instructor Preparation (VIP) or the Redesign Education Program (REP).
4. Applicant must complete the individualized Professional Development Plan (PDP) requirements of the VIP or REP prior to the expiration date of the 3-year vocational license.
5. Applicant must validate occupational competency by earning a passing score on the Commercial Carpentry assessment through NCCER National Craft Assessment and Certification Program.
6. Applicant must successfully complete the Contren Instructor Certification.
7. Applicant must successfully complete an MDE-approved computer literacy certification exam.
8. Applicant must successfully complete certification for an online learning workshop, module, or course that is approved by the MDE.
9. Applicant must successfully complete the Construction certification workshop, module, or course that is approved by the MDE.

Note: If the applicant meets all requirements listed above, that applicant will be issued a **977** endorsement—a 5-year license. If the applicant does not meet **all** requirements, the applicant will be issued a 3-year endorsement (license), and all requirements stated above must be satisfied prior to the ending date of that license.

Professional Learning

The professional learning itinerary for the middle school or individual pathways can be found at <http://redesign.rcu.msstate.edu>. If you have specific questions about the content of each training session provided, please contact the Research and Curriculum Unit at 662.325.2510, and ask for the Professional Learning Specialist.

Course Outlines

This curriculum framework allows options for local school districts to meet student needs and scheduling demands. One option groups units into two one-Carnegie-unit courses. The second option groups units into one two-Carnegie-unit course. A discussion of each option is provided below.

Option 1

Upon completion of this option, the student will be trained to take the **Contren Level 1 Certification** exam. This curriculum consists of two one-credit courses, which should be completed in the following sequence:

1. Theory and Application of Carpentry I (Course Code: 993111)
2. Theory and Application of Carpentry II (Course Code: 993112)

Course Description: Theory and Application of Carpentry I includes an in-depth study of materials used in the carpentry field, foundations, and floor framing. This course also reinforces safety related to the construction industry. This one-Carnegie-unit course should only be taken after students successfully pass Introduction to Construction.

Course Description: Theory and Application of Carpentry II includes an in-depth study of wall and ceiling framing, roof framing, windows and doors, and stair layout. This course also reinforces safety related to the construction industry. This one-Carnegie-unit course should only be taken after students successfully pass Theory and Application of Carpentry, Part A.

Theory and Application of Carpentry I (Course Code: 993111)

Unit	Title	Hours
10	Orientation (Review and Reinforcement)	5
11	Basic Safety (Review and Reinforcement)	10
12	Construction Math	30
13	Introduction to Materials Used in Construction	20
14	Footing, Foundation, and Floor Framing	75
		140

Theory and Application of Carpentry II (Course Code: 993112)

Unit	Title	Hours
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15	Wall, Ceiling, and Roof Framing	86
16	Windows, Doors, and Stairs	54
		140

Option 2

This option will prepare students for employment in the content area chosen and prepare students to complete the **Contren Level 1 Certification**. Students are encouraged to take this certification exam. This curriculum consists of one two-credit course, which should be completed in the following sequence:

2. Carpentry (Course Code: 993110)

Course Description: The Carpentry course consists of an in-depth study of foundations; wall and ceiling framing; room framing; windows and doors; and stair layout. Upon the completion of this course, students will have the knowledge to complete the Contren Level I Certification.

Carpentry (Course Code: 993110)

Unit	Title	Hours
10	Orientation (Review and Reinforcement)	5
11	Basic Safety (Review and Reinforcement)	10
12	Construction Math	30
13	Introduction to Materials Used in Construction	20
14	Footing, Foundation, and Floor Framing	75
15	Wall, Ceiling, and Roof Framing	86
16	Windows, Doors, and Stairs	54
		280

Blueprint

You will find the blueprint that corresponds to this document at <http://redesign.rcu.msstate.edu/curriculum/>.

Research Synopsis

By implementing the National Center for Construction Education and Research in the construction skills standards to the Construction Pathway, students who successfully master the curriculum should have the skills required to enter the workforce or pursue an advanced degree. These skills are based on industry-validated performance indicators. The pathway will include applied instruction designed to articulate with programs offered in Mississippi’s community and junior colleges.

Industry Job Data – Employment Projections 2004 to 2014 for Mississippi

Note: Compiled by Mississippi Department of Employment Security and Labor Market Information Department

Construction	2004 Employment	2014 Projected Employment	Total Projected Avg. Annual Job Openings	Average Hourly	Average Annual
Construction Managers/Supervisors	14,390	15,940	284	\$24.00	\$46,080
Construction Workers	37,610	42,620	1,150	\$13.60	\$26,112
Construction Helpers	4,050	4,740	220	\$11.00	\$22,830

Industry Comments and Quotes

- A survey of industry representatives provided insight into skills needed for students completing the Construction Pathway.
- Many employers have training programs available to allow employees to advance.
- The expectations of employers primarily centered on employability or “soft” skills. Many indicated that dependability was a prime need for employment.
- Employers expect employees to have integrity, a strong work ethic, a good attitude, and customer service skills. They expect employees to be punctual, willing to stick with the job, able to prioritize and organize, and interested in helping people. Maturity level is the key concern.
- Employees should have skills related to safety, blueprints, hand and power tools, and math and measuring.
- Students should be exposed to the general idea of how a building is constructed but should also have specialized skills.
- Modify Building Trades to have a year of fundamentals and basic construction techniques and a year of specialization in a specific area.
- Retain the 2-year individual programs to include fundamentals and a specialized area to include carpentry, electrical, or masonry.

Articulation

High School Program	Community College Program	Community College Course
Carpentry	Commercial/Residential Maintenance	CRM 1214 - Carpentry

Academic Integration

The Construction Pathway requires strong basic math and measuring skills and algebra and geometry. Communication skills include written and oral communications, following directions, listening, reading, and problem solving.

Course Content

Carpentry
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Building materials• Ceilings• Foundations• Framing• Floors• Roofing• Windows, doors, and stairs
The area of specialization will include topics above in more detail.

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Using This Document

Each secondary vocational–technical course consists of a series of instructional units that focus on a common theme. All units have been written using a common format, which includes the following components:

Unit Number and Title

Suggested Time on Task

An estimated number of clock hours of instruction that should be required to teach the competencies and objectives of the unit. A minimum of 140 hours of instruction is required for each Carnegie unit credit. The curriculum framework should account for approximately 75–80% of the time in the course.

Competencies and Suggested Objectives

A competency represents a general concept or performance that students are expected to master as a requirement for satisfactorily completing a unit. Students will be expected to receive instruction on all competencies. The suggested objectives represent the enabling and supporting knowledge and performances that will indicate mastery of the competency at the course level.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

This section of each unit indicates research-based strategies that can be used to enable students to master each competency. Emphasis has been placed on strategies that reflect active learning methodologies. Teachers should feel free to modify or enhance these suggestions based on needs of their students and resources available in order to provide optimum learning experiences for their students.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

This section indicates research-based strategies that can be used to measure student mastery. Examples of suggested strategies could include rubrics, class participation, reflection, and journaling. Again, teachers should feel free to modify or enhance these suggested assessment strategies based on local needs and resources.

Integrated Academic Topics, 21st Century Skills and Information and Communication Technology Literacy Standards, ACT College Readiness Standards, and Technology Standards for Students

This section identifies related academic topics as required in the Subject Area Testing Program (SATP) in Algebra I, Biology I, English II, and U. S. History from 1877, which are integrated into the content of the unit. Research-based teaching strategies also incorporate ACT College Readiness standards. This section also identifies the 21st Century Skills and Information and Communication Technology Literacy skills. In addition, national technology standards for students are associated with the competencies, and suggested objectives for the unit are also identified.

References

A list of suggested references is provided for each unit. The list includes some of the primary instructional resources that may be used to teach the competencies and suggested objectives. Again, these resources are suggested, and the list may be modified or enhanced based on needs and abilities of students and on available resources.

Carpentry

Unit 1: Orientation (Review and Reinforcement)

Competency 1: Review local program and vocational center policies and procedures. (DOK 1) ^{EMP}

Suggested Objectives

- Review local program and vocational center policies and procedures including dress code, attendance, technology acceptable use policy, academic requirements, discipline, shop/lab rules and regulations, and transportation regulations.
- Give a brief overview of the course, and explain to students what Construction Technology II is, why it is important for students to know the content of the course, and how it will be delivered.
- Preview the school handbook, the technology acceptable use policy, and all other safety procedures for the classroom and building level.
- Preview course objectives, program policy, and the industry standards.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Use the classroom presentation station to present local program and vocational center policies and procedures. Have students divide components of the student handbook. Have the group use the jigsaw method to read the handbook to become aware of what is expected of them in relation to the policies and procedures of the school. This will include dress code, attendance, academic requirements, discipline, and transportation regulations. Have students work together in pairs. A student with a higher reading ability will partner with a student with a lower reading ability to get a better understanding of the school's program policies and procedures.
- Describe general policies and procedures for participating in the Construction: Carpentry Concentration II course. Share the electronic portfolio checklist and expectations with students. Discuss potential industry certifications in detail.
- Provide each student with a written list of safety rules for the classroom and laboratory. Have students and parents/guardians sign a contract agreeing to abide by these rules at all times.
- Provide students with an overview of the equipment, materials, and other resources in the Construction: Carpentry Concentration II lab.
- Discuss workplace skills related to team building. Have students participate in team-building activities and critique their roles and actions within the team.
- Have students create and role-play shop safety scenarios. ^{R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5}
_{T1,T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}

NOTE: Required written tests will follow each section of guidelines for shop/lab safety rules and procedures.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Have students and parents/guardians sign a contract agreeing to school policies and procedures.
- Assess the written report with the **Written Report Rubric** on rules and regulations.
- Assess student orientation knowledge through teacher observations and a written unit test. File the completed test to document student mastery of the school and program policies and procedures.
- Document mastery of safety skills and techniques by administering a written and performance safety test (100% accuracy required) and signed contracts.
- Observe role-playing activity and students' critiques. Continue to observe teamwork throughout the year and critique as needed.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

NOTE: Students are required to complete the written safety test with 100% accuracy before entering the shop for lab activities. This test will be documented in the student file.

Competency 2: Describe employment opportunities and responsibilities. (DOK 1)^{EMP}

Suggested Objectives

- a. Describe employment opportunities including potential earnings, employee benefits, job availability, working conditions, and educational requirements.
- b. Describe basic employee responsibilities and appropriate work ethics of those working in the construction industry.
- c. Classify stages of progress within the carpentry trade.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Use the Contren Series Core Text Basic Employability Skills Unit and Carpentry Level I Orientation to the Trade Unit in text and online to define trade terms related to basic employability skills. Discuss the chapter, and perform the related activities to promote awareness of employability skills. Have students use career software and Internet resources to measure their aptitudes and abilities for particular careers. Have students use the Internet to research a list of careers for which they will be qualified upon program completion. Encourage students to use available resources (college catalogs, college Web sites, etc.) to research information about postsecondary educational opportunities. Finally, have students select a career in the field and outline educational and skill requirements, expected job growth, and entry-level salaries. Utilize the Mississippi State University Experts service on the MSU Web site to conduct research on the chosen career.^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6}
- Have students use traditional and electronic resources to produce a product of choice that answers the following questions in detail:
 - What should employers expect from employees?
 - What should employees expect from employers?
 - What is an apprenticeship program? What should the trainee expect from the apprenticeship committee?
 - How do productivity, positive attitude, and safety impact the construction site?
 - What would you do if you found that a colleague was abusing drugs and alcohol at work?
- Discuss the parts of a resume, cover letter, and/or job application, and provide each student a written sample. Have each student use the Internet or newspapers to choose a job for which he or she is qualified and prepare a resume and cover letter that can be used to apply for the selected job. Have students upload this information to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6}
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Assessment will be determined by a matching test for definitions and the level of success regarding the Contren activities. Lessons involving writing and math skills will be integrated with the appropriate department.
- Use the **Resume Rubric** and **Cover Letter Rubric** to evaluate the resume and cover letter.
- Use the **Presentation Rubric** to evaluate the presentation.
- Review career software printout to assess student aptitudes and abilities.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Competency 3: Explore leadership skills and personal development opportunities provided students by student organizations to include SkillsUSA. (DOK 2)^{EMP}

Suggested Objectives

- a. Demonstrate effective team-building and leadership skills.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Have a current or former member discuss the student organization. Have the students brainstorm community service ideas and organize a community service project. Have students research leaders in construction and prepare a written/oral presentation. Include leadership responsibilities, qualities, and so forth. Have students select specific contests in which they want to compete. Throughout the course, have students work toward regional, state, and national competitions.^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5} CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T1,T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Show students a SkillsUSA promotional video. Develop a construction crew for various projects. A crew leader will oversee the projects.^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5} CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Use a **Written Report Rubric** and a **Presentation Rubric** to assess the research project. Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Competency 4: Demonstrate the ability to follow verbal and written instructions and communicate effectively in on-the-job situations. (DOK 2)^{COM}

Suggested Objectives

- a. Follow basic written and verbal instructions.
- b. Effectively communicate in on-the-job situations.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Utilize the Contren module on communication skills to present concepts and ideas. Engage students in a game such as Simon Says to introduce the importance of following instructions. Give students a list of simple tasks that require action. Have students complete tasks according to written instructions only. Give students a list of verbal instructions that require action. Have students complete tasks according to verbal instructions only. Have students discuss the pros and cons of trying to follow written and verbal instructions and the importance of following instructions thoroughly. Have students follow the emergency drill procedures.^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6} CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Guide students in a brainstorming session of different ways people communicate. Divide students into pairs to simulate an interview process. One student would be the potential employer and be supplied with questions generated by the instructor. The other student would be the applicant. The dialogue could be videotaped and shown to the class for discussion about strengths and weaknesses of the communication.^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6} CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Assign students to a group project that requires them to make class presentations in various formats such as Photo Story, PowerPoint, or Movie Maker. Assign different formats to each group, and discuss the strengths and weaknesses of each format after the presentation.^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5} CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Utilize rubrics and checklists for following written and verbal instructions.
- Utilize the **Interview Rubric** for the interview process.
- Utilize the **Presentation Rubric** for group presentations.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Standards

21st Century Skills Standards

- CS1 Flexibility and Adaptability
- CS2 Initiative and Self-Direction
- CS3 Social and Cross-Cultural Skills
- CS4 Productivity and Accountability
- CS5 Leadership and Responsibility

ACT College Readiness Standards

- E1 Topic Development in Terms of Purpose and Focus
- E2 Organization, Unity, and Coherence
- E3 Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy
- E4 Sentence Structure and Formation
- E5 Conventions of Usage
- E6 Conventions of Punctuation
- R1 Main Ideas and Author’s Approach
- R2 Supporting Details
- R3 Sequential, Comparative, and Cause–Effect Relationships
- R5 Meaning of Words
- R6 Generalizations and Conclusions
- W1 Expressing Judgments
- W2 Focusing on the Topic
- W3 Developing a Position
- W4 Organizing Ideas
- W5 Using Language

National Industry Standards

- EMP - Employability Skills
- OTT - Orientation to the Trade

National Educational Technology Standards

- T1 Creativity and Innovation
- T2 Communication and Collaboration
- T3 Research and Information Fluency
- T4 Critical Thinking, Problem Solving, and Decision Making
- T5 Digital Citizenship
- T6 Technology Operations and Concepts

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Suggested Rubrics and Checklists

Cover Letter Rubric

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

PERIOD: _____



	Excellent 4 Points	Proficient 3 Points	Needs Improvement 2 points	Unsatisfactory 1 Point	Score
Layout/Design	Creatively designed, easily read, excellent business letter	Attractive, easy to read, good business letter	Appears busy or boring, difficult to read, needs improvement	Unattractive or inappropriate, very difficult to read, not acceptable	
Information, Style, Audience, and Tone	Accurate and complete information; very well written and presented	Well written and interesting to read	Some information provided but is limited or inaccurate	Poorly written, inaccurate, or incomplete	
Accurate Parts	Complete with all required parts	Some elements missing	Most elements missing or out of place	Proper form for a letter not used	
Grammar, Punctuation, and Wording	Excellent presentation, style, grammar, and punctuation	Fair presentation, style, grammar, and punctuation	Missing information; inaccurate punctuation and/or grammar	Poor grammar, punctuation, and wording	
Following Directions and Guidelines	Always on task; always followed directions	Followed directions with some guidance	Required a good bit of extra guidance	Did not follow directions, and did not ask for extra help	
Total					

Comments:

Interview Rubric



NAME: _____

DATE: _____

PERIOD: _____

	Excellent 4 Points	Good 3 Points	Needs Improvement 2 Points	Unacceptable 1 Point	Score
Body language Displays confidence					
Eye contact Maintains good eye contact with interviewer					
Introduction Provides a self-introduction					
Handshakes Extends hand and shakes firmly					
Dress Dressed appropriately for an interview; business attire					
Language Concise and grammatically correct					
Questions Asks appropriate questions; demonstrates a knowledge of the business					
Closure Responds appropriately					
TOTAL					

Presentation Rubric

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

PERIOD: _____

	Exemplary 4 points	Accomplished 3 points	Developing 2 points	Beginning 1 point	Score
Content	Clear, appropriate, and correct	Mostly clear, appropriate, and correct	Somewhat confusing, incorrect, or flawed	Confusing, incorrect, or flawed	
Clarity	Logical, interesting sequence	Logical sequence	Unclear sequence	No sequence	
Presentation	Clear voice and precise pronunciation	Clear voice and mostly correct pronunciation	Low voice and incorrect pronunciation	Mumbling and incorrect pronunciation	
Visual Aids	Attractive, accurate, and grammatically correct	Adequate, mostly accurate, and few grammatical errors	Poorly planned, somewhat accurate, and some grammatical errors	Weak, inaccurate, and many grammatical errors	
Length	Appropriate length	Slightly too long or short	Moderately too long or short	Extremely too long or short	
Eye Contact	Maintains eye contact, seldom looking at notes	Maintains eye contact most of time but frequently returns to notes	Occasionally uses eye contact but reads most of information	No eye contact because reading information	
TOTAL					

Comments:

Resume Rubric



NAME: _____

DATE: _____

PERIOD: _____

	Excellent 25 Points	Well Done 20 Points	Meets Standards 15 Points	Beginning 10 Points	No Evidence 0 Points	Score
Format	Resume contains name, address, objective, education, experience, and references. All words are spelled correctly.	Contains at least six of the criteria and no more than two spelling errors	Contains at least five of the criteria and no more than four spelling errors	Contains minimal information and more than four spelling errors	Assignment not submitted	
Education	Education includes all schools attended, graduation dates, diploma/degree awarded, and major field of study.	Education includes three of the criteria.	Education includes two of the criteria.	Education includes one of the criteria.	Assignment not submitted	
Experience	Experience includes internships, entry-level jobs, and current position.	Experience includes two of the criteria.	Experience includes one of the criteria.	Experience includes current position only.	Assignment not submitted	
Factual	Contains factual names and dates and is believable	Contains fairly believable resume with factual names or dates	Resume has unrealistic dates or names.	Resume is unrealistic and contains conflicting information.	Assignment not submitted	
TOTAL						

Comments:

Written Report Rubric



NAME: _____

DATE: _____

PERIOD: _____

	Exemplary 4 Points	Accomplished 3 Points	Developing 2 Points	Beginning 1 Point	Score
Content	Clear thesis and focus that remain apparent	Thesis and focus that remain apparent	Addresses subject matter with minimal support	Does not focus on topic	
Grammar	Correct and effective use of grammar and mechanics	Occasional errors in use of grammar and mechanics	Problems in use of grammar and mechanics	Repeated errors in use of grammar and mechanics	
Organization	Ideas flow smoothly and logically with clarity and coherence.	Logical order and appropriate sequencing of ideas with adequate transition	Some evidence of an organizational plan or strategy	Lacks organization	
Total					

Comments:

Note: Safety should be integrated throughout the entire Carpentry course. Content should not be taught in isolation; rather, it should be taught and reinforced throughout the entire program.

Carpentry

Unit 2: Basic Safety (Review and Reinforcement)

Competency 1: Describe general safety rules for working in a shop/lab and industry. (DOK 1) ^{SAF}

Suggested Objectives

- Describe how to avoid on-site accidents.
- Compare and contrast the relationship between housekeeping and safety.
- Carry out all safety rules and company safety policies.
- Summarize the importance of reporting all on-the-job injuries, accidents, and near misses.
- Review the need for evacuation policies and the importance of following them.
- Research employer's substances abuse policy and how it relates to safety.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Identify, discuss, and demonstrate terms, rules, and procedures related to shop/lab and industry safety. Use the Contren Core Text Basic Safety Unit and Level I Orientation to the Trade Unit and Contren Connect related units as a resource. Terms may include but are not limited to apparatus, arch, arc weld, combustible, competent person, concealed receptacle, confined space, cross-bracing, dross, electrical distribution panel, excavation, extension ladder, flammable, flash, flashback, flash burn, flash goggles, flash point, ground, guarded, hand line, hazard communication standard, lanyard, lock-out/tag-out, management system, material safety data sheet (MSDS), maximum intended load, mid-rail, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), permit-required confined space, personal protective equipment, planked, proximity work, qualified person, respirator, scaffold, shoring, signaler, slag, stepladder, straight ladder, switch enclosure, toeboard, top rail, trench, trencher, welding shield, and wind stock (Contren Core Text and online Basic Safety Unit and Level I Orientation to the Trade Unit). Provide the students with a list of terms, and have them define, illustrate, and create an analogy or metaphor for each term. Provide the students with a list of terms, and have them define the terms. Pair the students to quiz each other on the definitions in preparation for a written exam. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Use the guidelines provided for personal safety (i.e., clothing, jewelry, hair, eyes, and ears). Divide the students into pairs, and assign each pair one of the guidelines. Each pair will demonstrate the “do’s and don’ts” of the guideline. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Have an industry speaker present to the class the necessity of safety in the work environment. Have students write a summary of the presentation. Divide the students into teams, and have them develop scenarios of hazards and accidents using the Contren Series Core Text and online, Basic Safety Unit, publications, and the Internet. This will include tools; spills; working around welding; improper use of barriers, ladders, or scaffolds; use of material safety data sheet (MSDS) information; fires; and electrical situations. In a game type situation, one team will read a scenario and the other teams will compete to be the first to provide the proper safety measures that should have been used to prevent the hazardous situation or accident. Points will be awarded to the teams with the correct answers. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Have students interview their industry mentors, conduct research online, or use traditional classroom resources to research employer substance abuse policies. Have students write a brief outline to explain the process of employer substance abuse policies and consequences of violating the policies. Have students illustrate their outline using word processing or Inspiration software. Have students summarize the importance of following the employee substance abuse policy by creating a podcast. Have students post the podcast to their electronic portfolios.

- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Student participation will be monitored by the teacher, and the written exam will be utilized to test student knowledge.
- The “do’s and don’ts” exercise will be critiqued with a peer review.
- The teams will be rewarded according to the points earned from the game. This could be extra points, classroom privileges, and so forth.
- Written exams will be utilized to test student knowledge.
- Use the **Podcast Rubric** to evaluate student podcasts.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Competency 2: Identify and apply safety around welding operations. (DOK 1)^{SAF}

Suggested Objectives

- Use proper safety practices when welding or working around welding operations.
- Use proper safety practices when welding in or near trenches and excavations.
- Explain the term “proximity work.”

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Show illustrations of injuries caused by failure to observe safety precautions in welding operations. Have a welding professional speak to the class concerning safety. Have students write a brief report on the speaker’s message and content. E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5
CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6
- Have students observe a welding operation and see the firsthand dangers associated with welding. Model appropriate safety procedures when performing welding operations. Have students use technology to produce a flowchart describing the process of performing a welding operation and the safety precautions that should be taken throughout the process. CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Assess students’ written work with the **Written Report Rubric**.
- Utilize Contren written and performance assessments.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Competency 3: Explain the appropriate safety precautions to take around common jobsite hazards. (DOK 1)^{SAF}

Suggested Objectives

- Perform safety requirements for working in confined areas.
- Explain and practice lock-out/tag-out procedures.
- Explain the different barriers and barricades and how they are used.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Provide color-coded illustrations of common safety barriers and barricades. Have students identify common safety colors to demonstrate awareness of coding. Have students illustrate and write in their own words an explanation about the color-coded illustrations of common safety barriers and barricades. Have students post this to their Blackboard electronic Web sites. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Demonstrate lock-out/tag-out procedures, and provide safety rules related to these procedures. Have students perform lock-out/tag-out on a piece of shop or lab equipment. Have students make a flowchart to show the critical stages of the procedure. ^{R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Use the **Lock-out/Tag-out Checklist** to observe student understanding of the procedure.
- Utilize Contren written and performance assessments.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Competency 4: Demonstrate the appropriate use and care of personal protective equipment (PPE). (DOK 2) ^{SAF}

Suggested Objectives

- Identify commonly used PPE items.
- Understand proper use of PPE.
- Demonstrate appropriate care for PPE.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Have an industry speaker present to the class the necessity of safety in the work environment. Have students take and display a collection of photographs displaying the importance of safety in the workplace. Have students write a descriptive paragraph summarizing the collection of photographs. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Provide examples of damaged or misused safety equipment, and allow students to identify defects. Have students create a poem, song, or rap that includes relevant information about using PPE. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Show students how to appropriately care for PPE. Have students demonstrate appropriate care for PPE.
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Utilize the established **Written Report Rubric** to evaluate the picture collection and summary.
- Observe student activity to evaluate concept retention.
- Evaluate student presentations according to the **Presentation Rubric**.
- Utilize Contren written and performance assessments.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

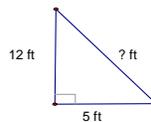
Competency 5: Explain lifting and the use of ladders and scaffolds. (DOK 1)^{SAF, ALGI4}

Suggested Objectives

- Identify and explain the procedures for lifting heavy objects.
- Inspect and safely work with various ladders and scaffolds.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Have students design posters depicting the correct and incorrect ways to lift. Have students demonstrate safe lifting procedures.^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Discuss ladder safety and OSHA and ANSI requirements related to ladder safety. Have students demonstrate proper ladder usage.^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Have the students solve for the missing side of a right triangle using the Pythagorean theorem. For example, a construction worker needs a ladder to reach the top of a building that is 12 ft high. The ladder will safely rest on the ground 5 ft from the bottom of the building. How long should the worker let out the ladder?^{M1, M2, M4, M6, M7 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T1,T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}



- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Utilize the **Poster Rubric** for assessing student work.
- Utilize the **Ladder Safety Checklist** to evaluate student performance.
- Utilize an answer key to evaluate the problem-solving situation.
- Utilize Contren written and performance assessments.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Competency 6: Explain the material safety data sheet (MSDS). (DOK 1)^{SAF}

Suggested Objectives

- Explain the function of the MSDS.
- Interpret the requirements of the MSDS.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Provide students with examples of MSDS. Explain parts of MSDS.^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Have students work in groups to locate information from MSDS.^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Utilize the **Group Work Rubric** for evaluating student work.
- Utilize Contren written and performance assessments.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Competency 7: Explain fires and safety procedures related to fires. (DOK 1) ^{SAF}

Suggested Objectives

- Explain the process by which fires start.
- Explain fire prevention of various flammable liquids.
- Explain the classes of fires and the types of extinguishers.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Have students illustrate the fire triangle (using Contren text and online, Internet resources, or PowerPoint presentations as a guide.) In the illustration, have students label the different components of the fire triangle and discuss the importance of each component. ^{R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Provide students with necessary terminology. Terminology may include but is not limited to flash point, fire prevention, fuel, oxygen, heat, flammable, combustibles, Class A, Class B, Class C, Class D, and fire extinguisher. Explain the classes of fires and the applicable fire extinguishers to put out these types of fires. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Bring in a local fire department representative to give a fire safety presentation and lead the class in a discussion about fires. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Check terminology through a matching quiz or other type of objective assessment.
- Use the established **Group/Classroom Discussion Rubric** to evaluate student participation.
- Utilize Contren written and performance assessments. Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Competency 8: Explain safety in and around electrical situations. (DOK 1) ^{SAF}

Suggested Objectives

- Explain injuries that can result when electrical contact occurs.
- Explain safety around electrical hazards.
- Explain action to take when an electrical shock occurs.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Have students research electrical safety procedures. Have students use a diagram to illustrate the purpose of each safety procedure and the procedure as it relates to a particular electrical safety issue. Invite the physics or technology applications instructor to team teach an electrical safety unit.
- Have students brainstorm potential injuries from electrical shock to check prior knowledge. Use pictures and graphics to illustrate electrical injuries and hazards. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Utilize Allied Health students or other medical personnel to explain electrical injury first aid. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Provide students with electrical safety guides or checklists. ^{R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Use the established **Group/Classroom Discussion Rubric** to evaluate student participation.
- Observe student participation in discussions by outside presenters.

- Utilize Contren written and performance assessments.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Standards

21st Century Skills Standards

- CS1 Flexibility and Adaptability
- CS2 Initiative and Self-Direction
- CS3 Social and Cross-Cultural Skills
- CS4 Productivity and Accountability
- CS5 Leadership and Responsibility

MS Academic Standards

- ALGI 4 Demonstrate and apply various formulas in problem-solving situations.

ACT College Readiness Standards

- E1 Topic Development in Terms of Purpose and Focus
- E2 Organization, Unity, and Coherence
- E3 Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy
- E4 Sentence Structure and Formation
- E5 Conventions of Usage
- E6 Conventions of Punctuation
- R1 Main Ideas and Author’s Approach
- R2 Supporting Details
- R3 Sequential, Comparative, and Cause–Effect Relationships
- R5 Meaning of Words
- R6 Generalizations and Conclusions
- W1 Expressing Judgments
- W2 Focusing on the Topic
- W3 Developing a Position
- W4 Organizing Ideas
- W5 Using Language

National Industry Standards

- SAF - Basic Safety

National Educational Technology Standards

- T2 Communication and Collaboration
- T3 Research and Information Fluency
- T4 Critical Thinking, Problem Solving, and Decision Making
- T5 Digital Citizenship
- T6 Technology Operations and Concepts

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Suggested Rubrics and Checklists

Group/Classroom Discussion Rubric



NAME: _____

DATE: _____

PERIOD: _____

	Beginning 1 point	Developing 2 points	Accomplished 3 points	Exemplary 4 points	Score
Group Discussions	Rarely contributed to discussions of the group	Contributed good effort to discussions of the group	Contributed great effort to discussions of the group	Contributed exceptional effort to discussions of the group	
On-task Behavior	Exhibited on-task behavior inconsistently	Exhibited on-task behavior some of the time	Exhibited on-task behavior most of the time	Exhibited on-task behavior consistently	
Helping Others	Did not assist other group members	Seldom assisted other group members	Occasionally assisted other group members	Assisted other group members	
Listening	Ignored ideas of group members	Seldom listened to ideas of group members	Occasionally listened to ideas of group members	Always listened to ideas of group members	
Total					

Comments:

Presentation Rubric

NAME: _____

DATE: _____

PERIOD: _____

	Exemplary 4 points	Accomplished 3 points	Developing 2 points	Beginning 1 point	Score
Content	Clear, appropriate, and correct	Mostly clear, appropriate, and correct	Somewhat confusing, incorrect, or flawed	Confusing, incorrect, or flawed	
Clarity	Logical, interesting sequence	Logical sequence	Unclear sequence	No sequence	
Presentation	Clear voice and precise pronunciation	Clear voice and mostly correct pronunciation	Low voice and incorrect pronunciation	Mumbling and incorrect pronunciation	
Visual Aids	Attractive, accurate, and grammatically correct	Adequate, mostly accurate, and few grammatical errors	Poorly planned, somewhat accurate, and some grammatical errors	Weak, inaccurate, and many grammatical errors	
Length	Appropriate length	Slightly too long or short	Moderately too long or short	Extremely too long or short	
Eye Contact	Maintains eye contact, seldom looking at notes	Maintains eye contact most of time but frequently returns to notes	Occasionally uses eye contact but reads most of information	No eye contact because reading information	
TOTAL					

Comments:

Group Work Rubric



NAME: _____

DATE: _____

PERIOD: _____

	Beginning 1 point	Developing 2 points	Accomplished 3 points	Exemplary 4 points	Score
Group Discussions	Rarely contributed to discussions of the group	Contributed good effort to discussions of the group	Contributed great effort to discussions of the group	Contributed exceptional effort to discussions of the group	
On-task Behavior	Exhibited on-task behavior inconsistently	Exhibited on-task behavior some of the time	Exhibited on-task behavior most of the time	Exhibited on-task behavior consistently	
Helping Others	Did not assist other group members	Seldom assisted other group members	Occasionally assisted other group members	Assisted other group members	
Listening	Ignored ideas of group members	Seldom listened to ideas of group members	Occasionally listened to ideas of group members	Always listened to ideas of group members	
Total					

Comments:

Poster Rubric



NAME: _____ DATE: _____ PERIOD: _____

	Exemplary 4 Points	Accomplished 3 Points	Developing 2 Points	Beginning 1 Point	Score
Required Content	The poster includes all required content elements as well as additional information.	All required content elements are included on the poster.	All but one of the required content elements are included on the poster.	Several required content elements are missing.	
Labels	All items of importance on the poster are clearly labeled with labels that are easy to read.	Almost all items of importance on the poster are clearly labeled with labels that are easy to read.	Many items of importance on the poster are clearly labeled with labels that are easy to read.	Labels are too small to read, or no important items are labeled.	
Attractiveness	The poster is exceptionally attractive in terms of design, layout, and neatness.	The poster is attractive in terms of design, layout, and neatness.	The poster is acceptably attractive though it may be a bit messy.	The poster is distractingly messy or very poorly designed.	
Grammar	There are no grammatical or mechanical mistakes on the poster.	There are one to two grammatical or mechanical mistakes on the poster.	There are three to four grammatical or mechanical mistakes on the poster.	There are more than four grammatical or mechanical mistakes on the poster.	
Total					

Comments:

Ladder Safety Checklist



NAME: _____ DATE: _____ PERIOD: _____

- _____ The ladder has been properly set up and is used in accordance with safety instructions and warnings.
- _____ The body is centered on the ladder.
- _____ Hold the ladder with one hand while working with the other.
- _____ Move materials with extreme caution.
- _____ Climb facing the ladder, and maintain a firm grip.
- _____ Move one step at a time firmly setting one foot before moving the other.
- _____ Haul materials up on a line.

Lock-out/Tag-out Checklist



NAME: _____ DATE: _____ PERIOD: _____

- _____ 1. Identify all sources of electrical energy for the equipment or circuits in question.
- _____ 2. Disable backup energy sources such as generators and batteries.
- _____ 3. Identify all shut-offs for each energy source.
- _____ 4. Notify all personnel that equipment and circuitry must be shut off, locked out, and tagged out. (Simply turning a switch off is NOT enough.)
- _____ 5. Shut off energy sources, and lock switchgear in the **OFF** position. Each worker should apply his or her individual lock. Do not give your key to anyone.
- _____ 6. Test equipment and circuitry to make sure they are de-energized. This must be done by a qualified person.
- _____ 7. Deplete stored energy by bleeding, blocking, grounding, and so forth.
- _____ 8. Apply a tag to alert other workers that an energy source or piece of equipment has been locked out.
- _____ 9. Make sure everyone is safe and accounted for before equipment and circuits are unlocked and turned back on. Note that only a qualified person may determine when it is safe to re-energize circuits.

Source: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health. (n.d.). Section 7: Safety model stage 3—controlling hazards: Safe work environment. In *Electrical safety: Safety and health for electrical trades student manual*. Retrieved January 10, 2008, from <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/docs/2002-123/2002-123d.html#>

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Written Report Rubric



NAME: _____

DATE: _____

PERIOD: _____

	Exemplary 4 Points	Accomplished 3 Points	Developing 2 Points	Beginning 1 Point	Score
Content	Clear thesis and focus that remain apparent	Thesis and focus that remain apparent	Addresses subject matter with minimal support	Does not focus on topic	
Grammar	Correct and effective use of grammar and mechanics	Occasional errors in use of grammar and mechanics	Problems in use of grammar and mechanics	Repeated errors in use of grammar and mechanics	
Organization	Ideas flow smoothly and logically with clarity and coherence.	Logical order and appropriate sequencing of ideas with adequate transition	Some evidence of an organizational plan or strategy	Lacks organization	
Total					

Comments:

Carpentry

Unit 3: Construction Math

NOTE: Construction Math should be integrated throughout the entire Carpentry course. Content should not be taught in isolation; rather, it should be taught and reinforced throughout the entire program.

Competency 1: Apply basic mathematics for carpentry. (DOK 2) MAT PRA2, PRA4, TTA3

Suggested Objectives

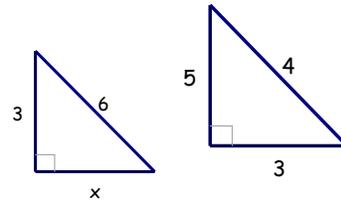
- Solve basic algebraic equations.
- Calculate area and volume of simple geometric figures.
- Apply basic math to solve simple geometric figures and problems.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Discuss and demonstrate the mathematic applications in carpentry. Use an equation balance applet (found by searching the Internet) to help students understand solving equations. Have students apply the applications in solving real work-related problems using the Contren Carpentry Level I Roof Framing Unit text and online or other materials. M1, M2, M4, M6, M7 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Use Power Solids to help students develop volume formulas, especially for students who have a difficult time memorizing formulas. For example, fill the Power Solid cone with water (or rice) and pour it into the Power Solid cylinder. Repeat this process until the cylinder is full. It will take three times to fill the cylinder because the volume of a cone is one third the volume of a cylinder that has equal radius and height. M1, M2, M4, M6, M7 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T1,T2,T3,T4,T5,T6

- Have students analyze problems that have been worked to find errors. For example, Bob sets up the following equation to find the value of x: $3^2 + 6^2 = x^2$. Is he correct? Why or why not?

Is it possible for a right triangle to have the given side lengths? Why or why not? M1, M2, M4, M6, M7 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T1, T2,T3,T4,T5,T6



- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Assessment of the Power Solid cylinder activity will be teacher observation.
- Equation problems will be assessed with an answer key.
- Assessment of the problems will be Contren examinations and performance examinations.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Standards

21st Century Skills Standards

- CS1 Flexibility and Adaptability
- CS2 Initiative and Self-Direction
- CS3 Social and Cross-Cultural Skills
- CS4 Productivity and Accountability
- CS5 Leadership and Responsibility

MS Academic Standards

- PRA2 Apply properties to simplify algebraic expressions, solve linear equations, and inequalities and apply principles of graphing.
- PRA4 Understand measurable attributes of objects, and apply various formulas in problem-solving situations.
- TTA1 Understand relationships between numbers and their properties and perform operations fluently.

ACT College Readiness Standards

- E1 Topic Development in Terms of Purpose and Focus
- E2 Organization, Unity, and Coherence
- E3 Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy
- E4 Sentence Structure and Formation
- E5 Conventions of Usage
- E6 Conventions of Punctuation
- M1 Basic Operations and Applications
- M2 Probability, Statistics, and Data Analysis
- M4 Expressions, Equations, and Inequalities
- M6 Properties of Plane Figures
- M7 Measurement

National Industry Standards

- MAT - Introduction to Construction Math

National Educational Technology Standards

- T1 Creativity and Innovation
- T2 Communication and Collaboration
- T3 Research and Information Fluency
- T4 Critical Thinking, Problem Solving, and Decision Making
- T5 Digital Citizenship
- T6 Technology Operations and Concepts

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Carpentry

Unit 4 Introduction to Materials Used in Construction

NOTE: Materials Used in Construction should be integrated throughout the entire Carpentry course. Content should not be taught in isolation; rather, it should be taught and reinforced throughout the entire program.

Competency 1: Identify, use, and select appropriate wood building materials used in the construction industry. (DOK 3)^{BMF}

Suggested Objectives

- Identify the terms commonly used in discussing wood and lumber.
- Review building materials discussed in Construction Technology I.
- Explain how plywood is manufactured, graded, and used.
- Identify various types of hardwoods and softwoods and the various types of imperfections that are found in the lumber.
- Identify various types of building panels, and identify their uses.
- Identify the uses and safety precautions associated with pressure-treated lumber.
- Describe the proper method of caring for lumber and wood building materials at the jobsite.
- State the uses of various types of engineered lumber.
- Calculate the quantities of lumber and building materials using accepted standards. (See local building codes.)

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Discuss the terms that apply to wood and lumber. Terms may include but are not limited to butt joint, cantilever, catalyst, galvanized, gypsum, header, jambs, japanned, joist, material safety data sheet (MSDS), millwork, nail set, pith, rafter, resins, sheathing, shiplap, sill plate, stringer, tongue-and-groove, and vaulted ceiling. Have students perform tasks related to these terms and take pictures illustrating the term. Have students create a pictorial dictionary that includes a picture and a description of each term. Divide the students into groups to quiz each other on the terms provided. R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Provide a handout to describe how plywood is manufactured, graded, and used. Perform an activity to show examples of plywood, and have students explain the grading process (Contren Level I Wood Building Materials Fasteners and Adhesives Unit in text and online). Provide students with samples of panels, and have them identify and state their uses. R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Provide students with an MSDS related to safety precautions dealing with pressure-treated lumber. Have them use the MSDS to identify safety hazards associated with pressure-treated lumber. Demonstrate the proper methods for sorting and stacking building materials. Have students perform the proper methods. R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5,T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Provide students with a handout, and have them identify the various types of engineered lumber and their applications (Contren Level I Wood Building Materials Fasteners and Adhesives Unit in text and online). R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T1,T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Explain the procedures for calculating lumber and building materials for a given job. Provide the students with a scenario, and have them perform the calculation. M1, M2, M4, M6, M7 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Schedule an actual or virtual field trip to a lumber company, building supply, or other related

industry. Have the students write a journal entry about the field trip. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}

- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Assess term identification with a written quiz.
- Assess student procedures using a **Performance Assessment Rubric**.
- Assess students with an identification answer key.
- Assess the scenario according to the correctness of the calculation.
- Use the **Field Trip Checklist** and **Journal Rubric** to assess the field trip.
- Utilize Contren written and performance assessments.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Competency 2: Describe, use, and select the appropriate wood building fasteners and adhesives used in the construction industry. (DOK 3) ^{BMF}

Suggested Objectives

- a. List the basic types of screws and their uses.
- b. Identify the different types of anchors and their uses.
- c. Describe the common types of adhesives used in construction work, and explain their uses.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Using the Contren Level I Wood Building Materials Fasteners and Adhesives Unit in text and online, discuss the various fasteners and adhesives, and have students perform the appropriate activities identifying the various fasteners and adhesives. ^{R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Have students compare and contrast different wood building fasteners and adhesives and list specific situations or scenarios in which the specific fasteners and adhesives could be used.
- Have students create a pictorial directory describing the names, types, and uses of different fasteners and adhesives. The pictorial directory can be created using a digital camera or a poster board and real nails that have been glued or taped to the poster board. The director should include the following:

Nails

- Common nails
- Box nails
- Finish nails
- Casting nails
- Duplex or scaffold (doublehead) nails
- T-nails
- Drywall (ratchet) nails
- Cut nails
- Masonry nails
- Common roofing nails
- Roofing panel nails

Staples

- Chisel
- Crosscut chisel

- Outside chisel
- Inside chisel
- Spears
- Divergent
- Outside chisel divergent

Screws

- Wood screws
- Sheet metal screws
- Drywall screws
- Lag screws
- Machine screws
- Bolts

Anchors

- Masonry anchors
 - Wedge
 - Sleeve
 - Stud
 - Double expansion
 - Nail anchor
 - Drop-in anchor
 - Anchor bolt
- Hollow-wall /Anchor

Adhesives

- Toggle bolt
- Auger
- Plastic toggle
- Plastic insert
- Fiber insert

Glues

- Animal or hide glue
- Polyvinyl or white glue
- Casein glue
- Urea formaldehyde or plastic resin glue
- Resorcinol resin or waterproof glue
- Contact cement

Construction Adhesives

- Construction adhesives
 - Neoprene adhesive
 - Contact cement
 - Drywall adhesive
 - Instant-bond glue
 - Epoxies
- Give students different scenarios related to fasteners and adhesives. Have students select the most appropriate fastener or adhesive for the given scenario. Have students document mastery of this knowledge and post that documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.
 - Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Evaluate pictorial director for accuracy and neatness.
- Assess according to the materials provided in the Contren materials.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Standards

21st Century Skills Standards

- CS1 Flexibility and Adaptability
- CS2 Initiative and Self-Direction
- CS3 Social and Cross-Cultural Skills
- CS4 Productivity and Accountability
- CS5 Leadership and Responsibility

ACT College Readiness Standards

- R1 Main Ideas and Author’s Approach
- R2 Supporting Details
- R3 Sequential, Comparative, and Cause–Effect Relationships
- R5 Meaning of Words
- R6 Generalizations and Conclusions
- W1 Expressing Judgments
- W2 Focusing on the Topic
- W3 Developing a Position
- W4 Organizing Ideas
- W5 Using Language

National Industry Standards

BMF - Building Materials, Fasteners, and Adhesives

National Educational Technology Standards

- T1 Creativity and Innovation
- T2 Communication and Collaboration
- T3 Research and Information Fluency
- T4 Critical Thinking, Problem Solving, and Decision Making
- T5 Digital Citizenship
- T6 Technology Operations and Concepts

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Suggested Rubrics and Checklists

Performance Assessment Rubric

Student's Name _____

Date _____

Task to Be Performed _____



	Possible Points	Points Awarded
Safety Personal safety (glasses, clothing, etc.) Safe use of tool Safely perform the task	25	
Performance of the Task Insert specific procedures for each performance activity. Follow the task instructions Perform the task efficiently Perform the task satisfactorily	50	
Lab Maintenance Area cleanup (clean and tidy) Area organization (before, during, and after the task)	25	
Total	100	

Comments for deductions:

Instructor's Signature _____

Journal Rubric



NAME: _____

DATE: _____

PERIOD: _____

CATEGORY	Excellent 4	Very Good 3	Satisfactory 2	Needs Work 1	Score
Writing Quality	There is a strong writing style and ability to express concepts learned. Excellent spelling, grammar, syntax, spelling, etc.	There is a good writing style and ability to express concepts learned. Very good grammar, syntax, spelling, etc.	There is a writing style that conveys meaning adequately. Some minor grammatical, syntax, and spelling errors	There is difficulty in expressing concepts. There is limited syntax. There are noticeable grammatical and spelling mistakes.	
Content	Clear and complete description of the activity is recorded. All major points are documented.	Very good description of the activity is recorded. Most major points are documented.	Good description of the activity is recorded. Some major points have been omitted.	Limited description of the activity is recorded. Very few major points are documented.	
Insight and Understanding	Definite insights into the implications of the activity are recorded. Awareness of complexity of issues and situations is present.	Some insight into the issue or situation is recorded. Some sense of complexity is present.	Insight is present from a more simplistic standpoint.	Only limited insight into the issue or situation is recorded.	
Application	Content of the activity is connected to the student's personal life and goals.	Content of the activity is connected to the field of construction.	Content of the activity is related to life in general.	Only limited connections are made between the content of the activity and the surrounding world.	
Total					

Comments:

Carpentry

Unit 5: Footing, Foundation, and Floor Framing

Competency 1: Identify, plan, and construct types of footing and foundations used in carpentry. (DOK 3)
ICR

Suggested Objectives

- a. Set up a level or transit for determining grade or elevation prior to digging a foundation.
- b. Calculate the amount of materials needed for a given foundation, including forms, concrete, moisture barrier, and reinforcement materials.
- c. Set up batter boards to proper elevation.
- d. Explain how building lines are established using batter boards.
- e. Identify different types of concrete structures that require the construction of edge forms:
 - Slabs with or without a foundation
 - Parking lots
 - Driveways and streets
 - Sidewalks
 - Approaches
- f. Demonstrate the ability to construct and disassemble edge forms for the following:
 - A slab-on-grade with the existing foundation
 - A slab-on-grade with an integral foundation
- g. Explain the purpose of a screed, and identify the different types of screeds.
- h. Demonstrate the ability to set screeds on grade.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Determine student prior knowledge through circle maps or direct questioning concerning foundations. Have students define and illustrate terms related to footing and/or foundations. Terms may include but are not limited to bulkhead, concrete form, construction joint, cross slope, flatwork, footing, foundation, frost line, monolithic pour (monolithic slab), pier, piles, plyform, screed, screeding, slab, slab-on-grade (slab-at-grade), subgrade, and walers.^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Provide visual examples of foundation types (e.g., Internet, magazines, or photographs). Utilize construction drawings to illustrate foundation types. Provide students with a list of terms, types, and definitions relating to foundations. The students should be able to apply the terms by labeling and/or defining parts of a given foundation.^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Have students brainstorm ideas of possible effects of poor foundations. Ask questions such as the following:
 - What effect does weak or unstable soil have on the foundation?
 - How does climate affect the foundation design?
 - Why do foundation building codes vary in different parts of the country?^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Demonstrate the proper setup and use of a builder's level or transit in the shop/lab or mock building site. Allow each student to practice setting up the transit with instructors' supervision in the shop/lab or mock building site.^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Discuss the process for preparing a footing and/or foundation. Have the students calculate the materials to complete the process for preparing a given foundation.^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, M1, M2, M4, M6, M7 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}

- Discuss the placement and installation of batter boards. Have students participate in the setup demonstration in a mock building site. Divide the students into groups, and have them set up batter boards according to given specifications in a mock building site. E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1
CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Quiz students' understanding of terms.
- Assess the labeling activity with a definition checklist.
- The brainstorming activity will be assessed through teacher observation.
- Engage in dialogue with individual students as they set up the transit, and assess through teacher observation.
- The calculation activity will be assessed according to the correct calculation process.
- The demonstration will be assessed according to teacher observation.
- The setup of the batter board will be assessed according to a performance evaluation.
- Utilize Contren written and performance assessments.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Competency 2: Identify floor systems. (DOK 2) FSY, TTA3, TTA4

Suggested Objectives

- Identify the different types of framing systems.
- Describe floor system requirements from drawings and specifications.
- Identify floor and sill framing support members.
- Describe the methods used to fasten sills and floor framing systems to the foundation.
- Select the correct girder/beam size using specific floor load and span data.
- Describe different types of floor joists.
- Identify different types of bridging.
- Describe and explain different types of sub-flooring materials.
- Estimate the amount of material needed to frame a floor assembly.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Using classroom lecture, inform students of the different types of floor framing systems (Contren Level 1 Floor Systems Unit in text and online). Allow students to research the history of different framing methods and report on strengths and weaknesses of each. Have students develop a timeline that illustrates the different history component. E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5 CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6
- Utilize construction videos to demonstrate floor framing techniques. Provide a span table to illustrate requirements for a floor system. Have students determine lumber size for a given spacing and span. R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, M1, M2, M4, M6, M7 CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6
- Describe the various floor and sill framing support members. Identify different methods used to fasten sills to a foundation. Demonstrate different methods used to fasten sills to a foundation. Have the students match the appropriate fasteners for floor framing with their purpose. E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6 CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6
- Have students select the correct girder/beam and joist size from a given blueprint and/or table (Contren Level 1 Floor Systems Unit in text and online). Have the students identify the different types of floor joists and bridging by labeling a drawing. Demonstrate the installation of floor joists and bridging. E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6 CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6

- Have students identify sub-floor materials. Demonstrate installation of sub-floor materials. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6}
- Have the students estimate the materials needed for a floor assembly according to specifications provided. ^{M1, M2, M4, M6, M7 CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6}
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Assess any reports using an established **Written Report Rubric**.
- Assess student understanding of interpreting tables by ensuring proper selection of materials using an answer key.
- Use a matching quiz to allow students to demonstrate understanding of appropriate fasteners.
- Labeling activities are to be assessed by using an answer key for the worksheet.
- Utilize Contren written and performance assessments.
- Estimates will be assessed using an answer key.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Competency 3: Plan and construct floor systems. (DOK 3) ^{FSY, TTA3, TTA4}

Suggested Objectives

- Plan a floor system for construction to include a comprehensive material list and detailed plan of a floor system to scale.
- Construct a floor system for a detailed plan.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Divide the students into groups. Explain the proper method of developing a material list. Provide an example material list for students to utilize. Have groups create a comprehensive material list for the plan created. Give students predetermined parameters, and have them draw a plan to scale. ^{R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5 CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6}
- Have groups construct an actual floor system based on a plan. Have students peer evaluate the work throughout the process. Have students document mastery of planning and constructing a floor system by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios. ^{R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6}
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- The project will be assessed by teacher observation, a material list answer key, and comparison of the plan to an answer key.
- The construction project will be assessed with a **Performance Assessment Rubric**.
- Utilize Contren written and performance assessments.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Standards

21st Century Skills Standards

- CS1 Flexibility and Adaptability
- CS2 Initiative and Self-Direction
- CS3 Social and Cross-Cultural Skills
- CS4 Productivity and Accountability
- CS5 Leadership and Responsibility

MS Academic Standards

- TTA3 Understand geometric principles of polygons, angles, and figures.
- TTA4 Demonstrate and apply various formulas in problem-solving situations.

ACT College Readiness Standards

- E1 Topic Development in Terms of Purpose and Focus
- E2 Organization, Unity, and Coherence
- E3 Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy
- E4 Sentence Structure and Formation
- E5 Conventions of Usage
- E6 Conventions of Punctuation
- M1 Basic Operations and Applications
- M2 Probability, Statistics, and Data Analysis
- M4 Expressions, Equations, and Inequalities
- M6 Properties of Plane Figures
- M7 Measurement
- R1 Main Ideas and Author's Approach
- R2 Supporting Details
- R3 Sequential, Comparative, and Cause–Effect Relationships
- R5 Meaning of Words
- R6 Generalizations and Conclusions
- W1 Expressing Judgments
- W2 Focusing on the Topic
- W3 Developing a Position
- W4 Organizing Ideas
- W5 Using Language

National Industry Standards

- ICR - Introduction to Concrete, Reinforcing Materials, and Forms
- FSY - Floor Systems

National Educational Technology Standards

- T2 Communication and Collaboration
- T3 Research and Information Fluency
- T4 Critical Thinking, Problem Solving, and Decision Making
- T5 Digital Citizenship
- T6 Technology Operations and Concepts

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Suggested Rubrics and Checklists

Written Report Rubric



NAME: _____

DATE: _____

PERIOD: _____

	Exemplary 4 Points	Accomplished 3 Points	Developing 2 Points	Beginning 1 Point	Score
Content	Clear thesis and focus that remain apparent	Thesis and focus that remain apparent	Addresses subject matter with minimal support	Does not focus on topic	
Grammar	Correct and effective use of grammar and mechanics	Occasional errors in use of grammar and mechanics	Problems in use of grammar and mechanics	Repeated errors in use of grammar and mechanics	
Organization	Ideas flow smoothly and logically with clarity and coherence.	Logical order and appropriate sequencing of ideas with adequate transition	Some evidence of an organizational plan or strategy	Lacks organization	
Total					

Comments:

Performance Assessment Rubric

Student's Name _____

Date _____

Task to Be Performed _____



	Possible Points	Points Awarded
Safety Personal safety (glasses, clothing, etc.) Safe use of tool Safely perform the task	25	
Performance of the Task Insert specific procedures for each performance activity. Follow the task instructions Perform the task efficiently Perform the task satisfactorily	50	
Lab Maintenance Area cleanup (clean and tidy) Area organization (before, during, and after the task)	25	
Total	100	

Comments for deductions:

Instructor's Signature _____

Carpentry

Unit 6: Wall, Ceiling, and Roof Framing

Competency 1: Research, lay out, and construct wall framing. (DOK 3) ^{WCF, TTA3, TTA4}

Suggested Objectives

- Describe the different components of a wall layout.
- Explain the procedures for layout and assembly of interior and exterior wall frames (laying out a wood frame wall, including plates, corner posts, door and window openings, partition T's, bracing, and firestops).
- Perform the proper procedure for assembling and erecting an exterior wall.
- Classify the appropriate materials and methods used for installing sheathing on walls.
- Perform layout and assembly of a given size wall.
- Calculate framing and sheathing materials needed for a wall assembly.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Have students identify the tools, materials, components, and terms related to wall layout. Demonstrate the procedures for laying out a wood frame wall, including plates, corner posts, door and window openings, partition T's, bracing, and fire stops. Use wall framing video to illustrate the proper procedures. Have students complete an exercise to determine door and window rough opening sizes from a blueprint schedule. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, M1, M2, M4, M6, M7}
CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6
- Demonstrate procedures for assembling and erecting an exterior wall. Describe the common materials and methods used for installing sheathing on walls. Demonstrate how to lay out, assemble, erect, and brace exterior walls for a frame building. Divide students into groups, and have the students lay out and assemble a wall according to specifications provided. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5} T2, T3, T4, T5, T6
- Have students estimate the materials required to frame walls as an individual exercise. ^{M1, M2, M4, M6, M7} CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- The door and window exercise will be assessed by instructor evaluation of the worksheet.
- The layout and assemble exercise will be assessed according to a performance evaluation.
- The estimation exercise will be assessed as correctly performed according to an answer key.
- Utilize Contren written and performance assessments.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Competency 2: Lay out and construct ceiling framing. (DOK 3) ^{WCF, TTA3, TTA4}

Suggested Objectives

- Identify and describe the components needed to estimate and assemble a ceiling layout.
- Construct a ceiling frame according to specified instructions or plans.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Discuss and have students identify tools and materials and terms related to labeling the components of a ceiling layout from a blank ceiling frame worksheet. Estimate the materials

required to frame ceilings. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, M1, M2, M4, M6, M7}
CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6

- Demonstrate and have students perform the procedures for laying out a ceiling. Discuss the procedures for cutting and installing ceiling joists on a wood frame building. Have students utilize the procedures to cut and construct ceiling framing. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6,}
CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- The labeling and estimating activities will be assessed with the corresponding answer key.
- The ceiling layout framing will be assessed using a performance evaluation.
- Utilize the Contren written and performance assessments for the unit.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Competency 3: Describe principles of roof framing. (DOK 2) ^{RFR, TTA3}

Suggested Objectives

- a. Define roof framing members and terms.
- b. Identify the basic roof styles.
- c. Discuss methods used to calculate the length of a rafter.
- d. Identify types of roof trusses.
- e. Calculate the length of a rafter for a given size roof.
- f. Identify various types of sheathing used in roof construction.
- g. Estimate materials needed to frame and sheathe a given size roof.
- h. Frame a gable roof.
- i. Sheathe and apply roofing felt on a gable roof.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Describe the various roof framing members and terms. Using handouts and/or text/online resources (Contren Level I Roof Framing Unit in text and online), describe the basic roof styles. Take students on a field trip or virtual field trip to see various roof styles. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5} T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Using text/online resources (Contren Level I Roof Framing Unit in text and online), an overhead projector, or handouts, describe the different types of roof trusses. Develop academic integration utilizing the geometry class to explain the mathematics involved in roof framing. Instruct the students on how to calculate the length of a rafter on a given size roof using a framing square or speed square. Students will perform calculations using provided specifications to calculate rafter lengths. ^{M1, M2, M4, M6, M7 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5} T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Display the various types of roof sheathing by using small pieces of sheathing as examples. Using the marker board, instruct students how to calculate materials needed to frame and sheathe a given size roof. Students will calculate the materials from given specifications. ^{W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, M1, M2, M4, M6, M7 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5} T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Demonstrate how to frame a gable roof properly by using a small scale roof in the lab or by using a small building. Demonstrate how to install sheathing properly on a given size gable roof. Students will be divided into groups and will perform the proper procedures for framing and sheathing a gable roof. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5} T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Terms and styles activities will be assessed by the **Teacher Observation Rubric** and **Field Trip Checklist**.
- The specifications calculation activity will be assessed by checking the correct calculations.
- The material calculations will be assessed using an answer key.
- The framing and sheathing exercise will be assessed by the **Performance Assessment Rubric**.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Standards

21st Century Skills Standards

- CS1 Flexibility and Adaptability
- CS2 Initiative and Self-Direction
- CS3 Social and Cross-Cultural Skills
- CS4 Productivity and Accountability
- CS5 Leadership and Responsibility

MS Academic Standards

- TTA3 Understand geometric principles of polygons, angles, and figures.
- TTA4 Demonstrate and apply various formulas in problem-solving situations.

ACT College Readiness Standards

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- E2 Organization, Unity, and Coherence
- E3 Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy
- E4 Sentence Structure and Formation
- E5 Conventions of Usage
- E6 Conventions of Punctuation
- M1 Basic Operations and Applications
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- M6 Properties of Plane Figures
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- R6 Generalizations and Conclusions
- W1 Expressing Judgments
- W2 Focusing on the Topic
- W3 Developing a Position
- W4 Organizing Ideas
- W5 Using Language

National Industry Standards

- WCF - Wall and Ceiling Framing
- RFR - Roof Framing

National Educational Technology Standards

- T2 Communication and Collaboration
- T3 Research and Information Fluency
- T4 Critical Thinking, Problem Solving, and Decision Making
- T5 Digital Citizenship

T6 Technology Operations and Concepts

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Suggested Rubrics and Checklists

Performance Assessment Rubric

Student's Name _____

Date _____

Task to Be Performed _____



	Possible Points	Points Awarded
Safety Personal safety (glasses, clothing, etc.) Safe use of tool Safely perform the task	25	
Performance of the Task Insert specific procedures for each performance activity. Follow the task instructions Perform the task efficiently Perform the task satisfactorily	50	
Lab Maintenance Area cleanup (clean and tidy) Area organization (before, during, and after the task)	25	
Total	100	

Comments for deductions:

Instructor's Signature _____

Carpentry

Unit 7: Windows, Doors, and Stairs

Competency 1: Install windows and doors. (DOK 3)^{WED}

Suggested Objectives

- Describe the various types of windows commonly used in construction.
- List the parts of a window.
- State requirements for proper window installation.
- Install a pre-hung window.
- Identify various types of doors commonly used in construction.
- Identify the parts of door construction.
- Identify types of thresholds used with exterior doors.
- Install pre-hung doors.
- Identify and install various types of locksets used on doors.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Using text resources (Contren Level I Windows and Exterior Doors Unit in text and online) and/or an overhead projector and/or PowerPoint slides, describe the various types of windows used in construction. Describe the parts of a window. Have students label the parts of the various types of windows. Discuss the requirements for proper window installation. Demonstrate how to install a pre-hung window properly. Gather manufacturers' catalogs or photographs of local buildings containing examples of different types of windows and present them to the class. Have students install a pre-hung window. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Using text resources (Contren Level I Windows and Exterior Doors Unit in text and online) and/or an overhead projector and/or PowerPoint slides, describe the various types of interior and exterior doors used in construction. Discuss the requirements for proper door installation. Demonstrate how to install a pre-hung door properly. Have students install a pre-hung door. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Have each student research various types of locksets. Have students demonstrate the use and purpose for these locks in an oral presentation. ^{E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6}
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- The labeling exercise will be assessed using a correctly labeled drawing.
- Installation of pre-hung windows will be assessed using the performance evaluation.
- Installation of windows and pre-hung doors will be assessed with the performance evaluation.
- Evaluate the oral presentation with a rubric, including content and organization.
- Utilize Contren written and performance assessments.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Competency 2: Identify the types and parts of stairs. (DOK 1)^{BSL}

Suggested Objectives

- a. Classify stairs according to the type such as open, closed, winding, geometrical, and spiral.
- b. Recognize common stair components such as tread, riser, stringer, skirt-board, and cleats.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Brainstorm and discuss types and parts of a stairwell. Allow students to attempt to identify the different types and parts of stairs according to their previous knowledge. Explain the proper terminology for stair styles and parts. Have students develop a poster illustrating different styles and parts of stairs. E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T1, T2, T3, T4, T5, T6
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Use the established **Poster Rubric** for evaluation of student knowledge of stair styles and parts.
- Utilize Contren written and performance assessments.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Competency 3: Measure and calculate the rise, run, and stairwell openings. (DOK 2) BSL, TTA2

Suggested Objectives

- a. Explain rise and run in relation to a given platform height.
- b. Define rules for determining the rise and run for a given set of stairs.
- c. Determine the number of treads and risers for a given platform height.
- d. Identify codes and standards for determining rise, run, and stairwell openings.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Utilize stair construction videos for explanation of rise and run. Sketch illustrations on white board or handouts for students to see examples of rise and run. Bring in an advisory committee member skilled in the trade area to provide explanation of stair construction. E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6 CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6
- Explain the use of a construction calculator in determining rise and run of stairs. Provide students with an exercise to determine total treads needed for a given overall rise and run. Have student groups research the Internet, code books, and texts for standards and codes related to stair construction. Students will report findings to the class and how these findings would affect the construction process. E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6, R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, W1, W2, W3, W4, W5, M1, M2, M4, M6, M7 CS1, CS2, CS3, CS4, CS5 T2, T3, T4, T5, T6
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- Use the **Guest Speaker Form** to assess the presentation.
- Assess student understanding of the construction calculator through teacher observation.
- Assess student activities with an exercise answer key.
- Use the **Group Report Rubric** to assess group presentations.
- Utilize Contren written and performance assessments.

Competency 4: Lay out and cut stair stringers. (DOK 3) BSL, TTA3

Suggested Objectives

- a. Demonstrate ability in selecting appropriate material for stair stringers.
- b. Understand and be familiar with the use of the framing square and stair gauges in marking stringer cuts.
- c. Demonstrate ability in marking a stair stringer accurately.
- d. Demonstrate ability to cut a stair stringer accurately.

Suggested Teaching Strategies

- Have student groups contact a local building supply to ask questions about appropriate lumber sizes for stair stringers. E1, E2, E3, E4, E5, E6 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Demonstrate the use of a framing square by utilizing stair gauges to mark a stair stringer according to accepted practice. Assist students to set stair gauges and make practice marks on a stair stringer. Provide an opportunity for each student to lay out and cut a sample stair stringer to a specified rise and run. R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6, M1, M2, M4, M6, M7 CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4,CS5 T2,T3,T4,T5,T6
- Utilize Contren Connect for review and reinforcement.

Suggested Assessment Strategies

- The building supply activity will be evaluated by the **Group Work Rubric**.
- The teacher will observe students as they perform practice.
- Students' layout and cuts will be evaluated according to an established performance assessment.
- Utilize Contren written and performance assessments.
- Have students show mastery of this competency by posting documentation to their Blackboard electronic portfolios.

Standards

21st Century Skills Standards

- CS1 Flexibility and Adaptability
- CS2 Initiative and Self-Direction
- CS3 Social and Cross-Cultural Skills
- CS4 Productivity and Accountability
- CS5 Leadership and Responsibility

MS Academic Standards

- TTA2 Understand, represent, and analyze patterns, relations, and functions.
- TTA3 Understand geometric principles of polygons, angles, and figures.

ACT College Readiness Standards

- E1 Topic Development in Terms of Purpose and Focus
- E2 Organization, Unity, and Coherence
- E3 Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy
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- E6 Conventions of Punctuation
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- W2 Focusing on the Topic
- W3 Developing a Position
- W4 Organizing Ideas
- W5 Using Language

National Industry Standards

- WED - Windows and Exterior Doors
- BSL - Basic Stair Layout

National Educational Technology Standards

- T1 Creativity and Innovation
- T2 Communication and Collaboration
- T3 Research and Information Fluency
- T4 Critical Thinking, Problem Solving, and Decision Making
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Suggested Rubrics and Checklists

Group Work Rubric



NAME: _____

DATE: _____

PERIOD: _____

	Beginning 1 point	Developing 2 points	Accomplished 3 points	Exemplary 4 points	Score
Group Discussions	Rarely contributed to discussions of the group	Contributed good effort to discussions of the group	Contributed great effort to discussions of the group	Contributed exceptional effort to discussions of the group	
On-task Behavior	Exhibited on-task behavior inconsistently	Exhibited on-task behavior some of the time	Exhibited on-task behavior most of the time	Exhibited on-task behavior consistently	
Helping Others	Did not assist other group members	Seldom assisted other group members	Occasionally assisted other group members	Assisted other group members	
Listening	Ignored ideas of group members	Seldom listened to ideas of group members	Occasionally listened to ideas of group members	Always listened to ideas of group members	
Total					

Comments:

Poster Rubric



NAME: _____ DATE: _____ PERIOD: _____

	Exemplary 4 Points	Accomplished 3 Points	Developing 2 Points	Beginning 1 Point	Score
Required Content	The poster includes all required content elements as well as additional information.	All required content elements are included on the poster.	All but one of the required content elements are included on the poster.	Several required content elements are missing.	
Labels	All items of importance on the poster are clearly labeled with labels that are easy to read.	Almost all items of importance on the poster are clearly labeled with labels that are easy to read.	Many items of importance on the poster are clearly labeled with labels that are easy to read.	Labels are too small to read, or no important items are labeled.	
Attractiveness	The poster is exceptionally attractive in terms of design, layout, and neatness.	The poster is attractive in terms of design, layout, and neatness.	The poster is acceptably attractive though it may be a bit messy.	The poster is distractingly messy or very poorly designed.	
Grammar	There are no grammatical or mechanical mistakes on the poster.	There are one to two grammatical or mechanical mistakes on the poster.	There are three to four grammatical or mechanical mistakes on the poster.	There are more than four grammatical or mechanical mistakes on the poster.	
Total					

Comments:

Student Competency Profile for Carpentry

Student's Name: _____

This record is intended to serve as a method of noting student achievement of the competencies in each unit. It can be duplicated for each student and can serve as a cumulative record of competencies achieved in the course.

In the blank before each competency, place the date on which the student mastered the competency.

Unit 1: Orientation (Review and Reinforcement)

- _____ 1 Review local program and vocational center policies and procedures.
- _____ 2 Describe employment opportunities and responsibilities.
Explore leadership skills and personal development opportunities provided students by
- _____ 3 student organizations to include SkillsUSA.
- _____ 4 Demonstrate the ability to follow verbal and written instructions and communicate effectively in on-the-job situations.

Unit 2: Basic Safety (Review and Reinforcement)

- _____ 1 Describe general safety rules for working in a shop/lab and industry.
- _____ 2 Identify and apply safety around welding operations.
- _____ 3 Explain the appropriate safety precautions to take around common jobsite hazards.
- _____ 4 Demonstrate the appropriate use and care of personal protective equipment.
- _____ 5 Explain lifting and the use of ladders and scaffolds.
- _____ 6 Explain the material safety data sheet (MSDS).
- _____ 7 Explain fires and safety procedures related to fires.
- _____ 8 Explain safety in and around electrical situations.

Unit 3: Construction Math

- _____ 1 Apply basic mathematics for carpentry.

Unit 4: Introduction to Materials Used in Construction

- _____ 1 Identify, use, and select appropriate wood building materials used in the construction industry.
- _____ 2 Describe, use, and select the appropriate wood building fasteners and adhesives used in the construction industry.

Unit 5: Footing, Foundation, and Floor Framing

- _____ 1 Identify, plan, and construct types of footing and foundations used in carpentry.
- _____ 2 Identify floor systems.
- _____ 3 Plan and construct floor systems.

Unit 6: Wall, Ceiling, and Roof Framing

- _____ 1 Research, layout, and construct wall framing.
- _____ 2 Lay out and construct ceiling framing.
- _____ 3 Describe principles of roof framing.

Unit 7: Windows, Doors, and Stairs

- _____ 1 Install windows and doors.
- _____ 2 Identify the types and parts of stairs.
- _____ 3 Measure and calculate the rise, run, and stairwell openings.
- _____ 4 Lay out and cut stair stringers.

Recommended Tools and Equipment

Carpentry

Capitalized Items

1. Student computers in a networked environment with Internet access (10)
2. Networkable laser printer
3. Saw, sliding compound miter (2)
4. Saw, radial arm (1)
5. Saw, table (2)

Non-capitalized Items (for class size of 20)

1. Biscuit joiner/jointer (1)
2. Bit, expansion (2)
3. Level, laser with tripod and leveling rod (1)
4. Level, carpenter's aluminum (or wood) (48 in.) (2)
5. Level, carpenter's aluminum (or wood) (24 in.) (2)
6. Nailer, pneumatic finish (2)
7. Plane, electric block (2)
8. Pocket hole machine (1)
9. Saw, circular (6 1/2-in. portable, 24-V cordless) (1)
10. Saw, hole set (1 in. to 2 1/2 in. with arbor) (1)

Appendix A: 21st Century Skills Standards¹

- CLS1 Flexibility and Adaptability
- CLS2 Initiative and Self-Direction
- CLS3 Social and Cross-Cultural Skills
- CLS4 Productivity and Accountability
- CLS5 Leadership and Responsibility

Today's life and work environments require far more than thinking skills and content knowledge. The ability to navigate the complex life and work environments in the globally competitive information age requires students to pay rigorous attention to developing adequate life and career skills.

CS 1 Flexibility and Adaptability

- Adapting to varied roles and responsibilities
- Working effectively in a climate of ambiguity and changing priorities

CS 2 Initiative and Self-Direction

- Monitoring one's own understanding and learning needs
- Going beyond basic mastery of skills and/or curriculum to explore and expand one's own learning and opportunities to gain expertise
- Demonstrating initiative to advance skill levels toward a professional level
- Defining, prioritizing, and completing tasks without direct oversight
- Utilizing time efficiently and managing workload
- Demonstrating commitment to learning as a lifelong process

CS 3 Social and Cross-Cultural Skills

- Working appropriately and productively with others
- Leveraging the collective intelligence of groups when appropriate
- Bridging cultural differences and using differing perspectives to increase innovation and the quality of work

CS 4 Productivity and Accountability

- Setting and meeting high standards and goals for delivering quality work on time
- Demonstrating diligence and a positive work ethic (e.g., being punctual and reliable)

CS 5 Leadership and Responsibility

- Using interpersonal and problem-solving skills to influence and guide others toward a goal
- Leveraging strengths of others to accomplish a common goal
- Demonstrating integrity and ethical behavior
- Acting responsibly with the interests of the larger community in mind

¹ *21st century skills*. (n.d.). Washington, DC: Partnership for 21st Century Skills.

Appendix B: Mississippi Academic Standards

SEVENTH-GRADE MATH

SGM1. Apply concepts of rational numbers and perform basic operations emphasizing the concepts of ratio, proportion, and percent with and without the use of calculators.

- a. Use the order of operations to simplify and/or evaluate whole numbers (including exponents and grouping symbols). (DOK 1)
- b. Solve problems involving addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division of rational numbers. Express answers in simplest form. (DOK 2)
- c. Convert among decimals, fractions, mixed numbers, and percents. (DOK 1)
- d. Evaluate and estimate powers and square roots of real numbers. (DOK 2)
- e. Explain the relationship between standard form and scientific notation. (DOK 1)
- f. Multiply and divide numbers written in scientific notation. (DOK 1)
- g. Solve real-life problems involving unit price, unit rate, sales price, sales tax, discount, simple interest, commission, and rates of commission. (DOK 1)
- h. Solve contextual problems requiring the comparison, ordering, and application of integers. (DOK 2)
- i. Develop a logical argument to demonstrate the ‘denseness’ of rational numbers. (DOK 3)

SGM2. Develop and apply the basic operations of rational numbers to algebraic and numerical tasks. Create and apply algebraic expressions and equations.

- a. Recognize, describe, and state the rule of generalized numerical and geometric patterns using tables, graphs, words, and symbols. (DOK 2)
- b. Solve equations that represent algebraic and real-world problems using multiple methods including the real number properties. (DOK 1)
- c. Formulate algebraic expressions, equations, and inequalities to reflect a given situation and vice versa. (DOK 2)
- d. Complete a function table based on a given rule and vice versa. (DOK 1)
- e. Identify the following properties using variables, and apply them in solving problems: (DOK 1)
 - Zero property of multiplication
 - Inverse properties of addition/subtraction and multiplication/division
 - Commutative and associative properties of addition and multiplication
 - Identity properties of addition and multiplication
 - Distributive properties of multiplication over addition and subtraction
- f. Predict the shape of a graph from a function table. (DOK 2)

SGM3. Apply geometric relationships of angles, two- and three-dimensional shapes, and transformations.

- a. Classify and compare three-dimensional shapes using their properties. (DOK 1)
- b. Construct two-dimensional representations of three-dimensional objects. (DOK 2)
- c. Justify the congruency or symmetry of two figures. (DOK 2)
- d. Perform transformations (rigid and non-rigid motions) on two-dimensional figures using the coordinate plane. (DOK 2)
- e. Create an argument using the Pythagorean theorem principles to show that a triangle is a right triangle. (DOK 2)

- f. Construct and classify angles. (DOK 2)

SGM4. Apply appropriate techniques, tools, and formulas to determine measurements with a focus on real-world problems. Recognize that formulas in mathematics are generalized statements about rules, equations, principles, or other logical mathematical relationships.

- a. Convert from one unit to another, perform basic operations, and solve real-world problems using standard (English and metric) measurements within the same system. (DOK 2)
- b. Use formulas and strategies, such as decomposition, to compute the perimeter and area of triangles, parallelograms, and trapezoids and the circumference and area of circles and to find the area of more complex shapes. (DOK 2)
- c. Develop and justify geometric formulas for volume and surface area of cylinders, pyramids, and prisms. (DOK 3)
- d. Solve problems involving scale factors using ratios and proportions. (DOK 2)

SGM5. Organize and interpret data. Analyze data to make predictions.

- a. Use proportions, estimates, and percentages to construct, interpret, and make predictions about a population based on histograms or circle graph representations of data from a sample. (DOK 2)
- b. Determine how outliers affect mean, median, mode, or range. (DOK 2)
- c. Construct and interpret line graphs, frequency tables, circle graphs, box-and-whisker plots, and scatterplots to generalize trends from given data. (DOK 2)
- d. Determine probabilities through experimentation, simulation, or calculation.
(Note: Make and test conjectures and predictions by calculating the probability of an event.)
(DOK 2)

PRE-ALGEBRA

PRA1. Apply concepts and perform basic operations using real numbers in real-world contexts.

- a. Define, classify, and order rational and irrational numbers and their subsets. (DOK 1)
- b. Formulate and solve standard and real-life problems involving addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division of rational numbers. (DOK 2)
- c. Apply the concepts of greatest common factor (GCF) and least common multiple (LCM) to monomials with variables. (DOK 2)
- d. Simplify and evaluate expressions using order of operations, and use real number properties to justify solutions. (DOK 2)
- e. Explain the rules of exponents related to multiplication and division of terms with exponents. (DOK 2)
- f. Recognize and appropriately use exponential and scientific notation. (DOK 1)
- g. Explain and use the inverse relationship between square roots and squares. (DOK 2)

PRA2. Apply properties to simplify algebraic expressions, solve linear equations and inequalities, and apply principles of graphing.

- a. Simplify and evaluate numerical and algebraic expressions. (DOK 1)
- b. Apply properties of real numbers with an emphasis on the distributive properties of multiplication over addition and subtraction. (DOK 1)
- c. Solve and check equations and inequalities using one variable. (DOK 2)
- d. Model inequalities (and their solutions) on a number line. (DOK 1)
- e. Graph linear equations and non-linear equations ($y = x^2$) using multiple methods including t-tables and slope–intercept. (DOK 2)

- f. Given a linear graph, identify its slope as positive, negative, undefined, or zero, and interpret slope as rate of change. (DOK 2)
- g. Determine slope, x-intercept, and y-intercept from a graph and/or equation in slope-intercept or standard form. (DOK 1)
- h. Add, subtract, and multiply monomials and binomials. (DOK 1)
- i. Predict characteristics of a graph given an equation or t-table. (DOK 2)

PRA3. Identify and apply geometric principles to polygons, angles, and two- and three-dimensional figures.

- a. Locate and identify angles formed by parallel lines cut by a transversal(s) (e.g., adjacent, vertical, complementary, supplementary, corresponding, alternate interior, and alternate exterior). (DOK 1)
- b. Find missing angle measurements for parallel lines cut by a transversal(s) and for a vertex of a polygon. (DOK 1)
- c. Explain the Pythagorean theorem, and apply it to solve routine and non-routine problems. (DOK 3)
- d. Solve real-world and non-routine problems involving congruent and similar figures. (DOK 3)
- e. Use two-dimensional representations (nets) of three-dimensional objects to describe objects from various perspectives. (DOK 2)

PRA4. Understand measurable attributes of objects, and apply various formulas in problem-solving situations.

- a. Solve real-world application problems that include length, area, perimeter, and circumference using standard measurements. (DOK 2)
- b. Develop, analyze, and explain methods for solving problems involving proportions, such as scaling and finding equivalent ratios. (DOK 3)
- c. Use formulas and/or appropriate measuring tools to find length and angle measures (to appropriate levels of precision), perimeter, area, volume, and surface area of polygons, circles, spheres, cones, pyramids, and composite or irregular figures. (DOK 1)

PRA5. Interpret, organize, and make predictions about a variety of data using concepts of probability.

- a. Use a given mean, mode, median, and range to summarize and compare data sets including investigation of the different effects that changes in data values have on these measures. (DOK 2)
- b. Select the appropriate measures of central tendency for a particular purpose. (DOK 2)
- c. Make and list conjectures by calculating probability for experimental or simulated contexts. (DOK 3)
- d. Construct and interpret scatterplots to generalize trends from given data sets. (DOK 3)

TRANSITION TO ALGEBRA

TTA1. Understand relationships between numbers and their properties, and perform operations fluently.

- a. Compare and contrast the subsets of real numbers. (DOK 1)
- b. Simplify and evaluate expressions using order of operations, and use real number properties to justify solutions. (DOK 2)
- c. Express, interpret, and compute numbers using scientific notation in meaningful contexts. (DOK 1)

- d. Apply the concept of greatest common factor (GCF) and least common multiple (LCM) to monomials with variables. (DOK 2)
- e. Use the inverse relationship to develop the concept of roots and perfect squares. (DOK 2)

TTA2. Understand, represent, and analyze patterns, relations, and functions.

- a. Given a literal equation, solve for a specified variable of degree one. (DOK 1)
- b. Explain and illustrate how changes in one variable may result in a change in another variable. (DOK 2)
- c. Solve and check multistep equations and inequalities, including distributive property, variables on both sides, and rational coefficients. (DOK 2)
- d. Use real-world data to express slope as a rate of change. (DOK 2)
- e. Graph solutions to linear inequalities. (DOK 2)
- f. Write linear equations given slope and y-intercept or two points. (DOK 2)
- g. Identify domain, range, slope, and intercepts of functions. (DOK 1)
- h. Develop generalizations to characterize the behaviors of graphs (linear, quadratic, and absolute value). (DOK 2)
- i. Classify and determine degree of a polynomial and arrange polynomials in ascending or descending order of a variable. (DOK 1)
- j. Apply ratios and use proportional reasoning to solve real-world algebraic problems. (DOK 2)
- k. Add, subtract, multiply, and divide polynomial expressions. (DOK 1)
- l. Analyze the relationship between x and y values, and determine whether a relation is a function. (DOK 2)

TTA3. Understand geometric principles of polygons, angles, and figures.

- a. Apply the Pythagorean theorem to solve problems. (DOK 2)
- b. Apply proportional reasoning to determine similar figures and find unknown measures. (DOK 2)

TTA4. Demonstrate and apply various formulas in problem-solving situations.

- a. Solve real-world problems involving measurements (i.e., circumference, perimeter, area, volume, distance, temperature, etc.). (DOK 2)
- b. Explain and apply the appropriate formula to determine length, midpoint, and slope of a segment in a coordinate plane (i.e., distance formula and Pythagorean theorem). (DOK 2)

TTA5. Interpret data.

- a. Construct graphs, make predictions, and draw conclusions from tables, line graphs, and scatterplots. (DOK 3)
- b. Use a given mean, mode, median, and range to summarize and compare data sets including investigation of the different effects that changes in data have on these measures of central tendency, and select the appropriate measures of central tendency for a given purpose. (DOK 2)
- c. Calculate basic probability of experiments and simulations to make and test conjectures about results. (DOK 3)

ALGEBRA I

ALG1-1. Understand relationships between numbers and their properties, and perform operations fluently.

- a. Apply properties of real numbers to simplify algebraic expressions, including polynomials. (DOK 1)
- b. Use matrices to solve mathematical situations and contextual problems. (DOK 2)

ALG1-2. Understand, represent, and analyze patterns, relations, and functions.

- a. Solve, check, and graph multistep linear equations and inequalities in one variable, including rational coefficients in mathematical and real-world situations. (DOK 2)
- b. Solve and graph absolute value equations and inequalities in one variable. (DOK 2)
- c. Analyze the relationship between x and y values, determine whether a relation is a function, and identify domain and range. (DOK 2)
- d. Explain and illustrate how a change in one variable may result in a change in another variable and apply to the relationships between independent and dependent variables. (DOK 2)
- e. Graph and analyze linear functions. (DOK 2)
- f. Use algebraic and graphical methods to solve systems of linear equations and inequalities in mathematical and real-world situations. (DOK 2)
- g. Add, subtract, multiply, and divide polynomial expressions. (DOK 1)
- h. Factor polynomials by using greatest common factor (GCF), and factor quadratics that have only rational roots. (DOK 1)
- i. Determine the solutions to quadratic equations by using graphing, tables, completing the square, the quadratic formula, and factoring. (DOK 1)
- j. Justify why some polynomials are prime over the rational number system. (DOK 2)
- k. Graph and analyze absolute value and quadratic functions. (DOK 2)
- l. Write, graph, and analyze inequalities in two variables. (DOK 2)

ALG1-3. Understand how algebra and geometric representations interconnect and build on one another.

- a. Apply the concept of slope to determine if lines in a plane are parallel or perpendicular. (DOK 2)
- b. Solve problems that involve interpreting slope as a rate of change. (DOK 2)

ALG1-4. Demonstrate and apply various formulas in problem-solving situations.

- a. Solve real-world problems involving formulas for perimeter, area, distance, and rate. (DOK 2)
- b. Explain and apply the appropriate formula to determine length, midpoint, and slope of a segment in a coordinate plane. (i.e., distance formula and Pythagorean theorem). (DOK 2)
- c. Represent polynomial operations with area models. (DOK 2)

ALG1-5. Represent, analyze, and make inferences based on data with and without the use of technology.

- a. Draw conclusions and make predictions from scatterplots. (DOK 3)
- b. Use linear regression to find the line-of-best fit from a given set of data. (DOK 3)

DISCRETE MATHEMATICS

DSM1. Explore relationships among number systems.

- a. Use matrices to model and solve problems. (DOK 2)
- b. Model relationships and solve problems using graph theory. (DOK 2)

DSM2. Use algebraic methods to represent simple and complex relationships among statements.

Use models to represent patterns and operations.

- a. Define sentence (proposition), and use logic to determine if the sentence is true or false. (DOK 2)
- b. Define simple compound statements: negation, conjunction, disjunction, contradiction, and tautology using truth tables. (DOK 2)

- c. Define a conditional statement using truth tables. (DOK 2)
- d. Apply the principles of logic to determine the validity of arguments. (DOK 3)
- e. Define a sequence recursively and explicitly. (DOK 2)
- f. Find the explicit formula for a recursively defined sequence using iteration. (DOK 2)
- g. Use mathematical induction to verify explicit formulas for arithmetic, geometric, and other sequences and/or series. (DOK 2)
- h. Add, subtract, multiply, and divide sets, and find unions, intersections, differences, and complements of sets. (DOK 2)

DSM3. Use geometric models to describe and analyze mathematical relationships, establish the validity of conjectures, and determine solutions to real applications.

- a. Construct a logic circuit from a Boolean expression to determine output. (DOK 2)
- b. Construct a Boolean expression given a logic circuit. (DOK 2)
- c. Construct a logic circuit and Boolean expression given an input/output table. (DOK 2)
- d. Use Venn diagrams to represent basic operations on sets. (DOK 1)
- e. Determine the number of vertices and edges as well as walks, paths, and circuits in a graph. (DOK 2)
- f. Construct walks, paths, and circuits given an edge/vertex string. (DOK 2)
- g. Determine whether Euler and Hamiltonian (Hamiltonian) circuits exist in a given graph. (DOK 2)
- h. Construct a graph given the adjacency matrix of the graph and vice versa. (DOK 1)
- i. Determine connectivity of a graph using an adjacency matrix. (DOK 1)
- j. Determine the number of walks between two vertices using powers of the adjacency matrix. (DOK 2)
- k. Explain why a graph is a tree. (DOK 2)
- l. Determine the level, parent, siblings, ancestors, and descendants of a given node. Determine the height of a rooted tree. (DOK 1)
- m. Determine the shortest route in a spanning tree. (DOK 2)

DSM4. Investigate and explain strategies for solving simple games.

- a. Determine the characteristics that result in a fair game. (DOK 2)
- b. Identify winning strategies for basic games. (DOK 3)
- c. Create and use simulations for probability models. (DOK 3)
- d. Solve problems using discrete random variables. (DOK 2)

Appendix C: ACT College Readiness Standards

English

E1 Topic Development in Terms of Purpose and Focus

- Identify the basic purpose or role of a specified phrase or sentence.
- Delete a clause or sentence because it is obviously irrelevant to the essay.
- Identify the central idea or main topic of a straightforward piece of writing.
- Determine relevancy when presented with a variety of sentence-level details.
- Identify the focus of a simple essay, applying that knowledge to add a sentence that sharpens the focus or to determine if an essay has met a specified goal.
- Delete material primarily because it disturbs the flow and development of the paragraph.
- Add a sentence to accomplish a fairly straightforward purpose such as illustrating a given statement.
- Apply an awareness of the focus and purpose of a fairly involved essay to determine the rhetorical effect and suitability of an existing phrase or sentence or to determine the need to delete plausible but irrelevant material.
- Add a sentence to accomplish a subtle rhetorical purpose such as to emphasize, to add supporting detail, or to express meaning through connotation.
- Determine whether a complex essay has accomplished a specific purpose.
- Add a phrase or sentence to accomplish a complex purpose, often expressed in terms of the main focus of the essay.

E2 Organization, Unity, and Coherence

- Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to show time relationship in simple narrative essays (e.g., then, this time, etc.).
- Select the most logical place to add a sentence in a paragraph.
- Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to express straightforward logical relationships (e.g., first, afterward, and in response).
- Decide the most logical place to add a sentence in an essay.
- Add a sentence that introduces a simple paragraph.
- Determine the need for conjunctive adverbs or phrases to create subtle logical connections between sentences (e.g., therefore, however, and in addition).
- Rearrange the sentences in a fairly uncomplicated paragraph for the sake of logic.
- Add a sentence to introduce or conclude the essay or to provide a transition between paragraphs when the essay is fairly straightforward.
- Make sophisticated distinctions concerning the logical use of conjunctive adverbs or phrases, particularly when signaling a shift between paragraphs.
- Rearrange sentences to improve the logic and coherence of a complex paragraph.
- Add a sentence to introduce or conclude a fairly complex paragraph.
- Consider the need for introductory sentences or transitions, basing decisions on a thorough understanding of both the logic and rhetorical effect of the paragraph and essay.

E3 Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy

- Revise sentences to correct awkward and confusing arrangements of sentence elements.
- Revise vague nouns and pronouns that create obvious logic problems.
- Delete obviously synonymous and wordy material in a sentence.
- Revise expressions that deviate from the style of an essay.
- Delete redundant material when information is repeated in different parts of speech (e.g., alarmingly startled).
- Use the word or phrase most consistent with the style and tone of a fairly straightforward essay.
- Determine the clearest and most logical conjunction to link clauses.
- Revise a phrase that is redundant in terms of the meaning and logic of the entire sentence.
- Identify and correct ambiguous pronoun references.
- Use the word or phrase most appropriate in terms of the content of the sentence and tone of the essay.
- Correct redundant material that involves sophisticated vocabulary and sounds acceptable as conversational English (e.g., “an aesthetic viewpoint” versus “the outlook of an aesthetic viewpoint”).
- Correct vague and wordy or clumsy and confusing writing containing sophisticated language.
- Delete redundant material that involves subtle concepts or that is redundant in terms of the paragraph as a whole.

E4 Sentence Structure and Formation

- Use conjunctions or punctuation to join simple clauses.
- Revise shifts in verb tense between simple clauses in a sentence or between simple adjoining sentences.
- Determine the need for punctuation and conjunctions to avoid awkward-sounding sentence fragments and fused sentences.
- Decide the appropriate verb tense and voice by considering the meaning of the entire sentence.
- Recognize and correct marked disturbances of sentence flow and structure (e.g., participial phrase fragments, missing or incorrect relative pronouns, or dangling or misplaced modifiers).
- Revise to avoid faulty placement of phrases and faulty coordination and subordination of clauses in sentences with subtle structural problems.
- Maintain consistent verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of the preceding clause or sentence.
- Use sentence-combining techniques, effectively avoiding problematic comma splices, run-on sentences, and sentence fragments, especially in sentences containing compound subjects or verbs.
- Maintain a consistent and logical use of verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of information in the paragraph or essay as a whole.
- Work comfortably with long sentences and complex clausal relationships within sentences, avoiding weak conjunctions between independent clauses and maintaining parallel structure between clauses.

E5 Conventions of Usage

- Solve such basic grammatical problems as how to form the past and past participle of irregular but commonly used verbs and how to form comparative and superlative adjectives.
- Solve such grammatical problems as whether to use an adverb or adjective form, how to ensure straightforward subject–verb and pronoun–antecedent agreement, and which preposition to use in simple contexts.
- Recognize and use the appropriate word in frequently confused pairs such as there and their, past and passed, and led and lead.
- Use idiomatically appropriate prepositions, especially in combination with verbs (e.g., long for and appeal to).
- Ensure that a verb agrees with its subject when there is some text between the two.
- Ensure that a pronoun agrees with its antecedent when the two occur in separate clauses or sentences.
- Identify the correct past and past participle forms of irregular and infrequently used verbs, and form present-perfect verbs by using “have” rather than “of.”
- Correctly use reflexive pronouns, the possessive pronouns “its” and “your,” and the relative pronouns “who” and “whom.”
- Ensure that a verb agrees with its subject in unusual situations (e.g., when the subject–verb order is inverted or when the subject is an indefinite pronoun).
- Provide idiomatically and contextually appropriate prepositions following verbs in situations involving sophisticated language or ideas.
- Ensure that a verb agrees with its subject when a phrase or clause between the two suggests a different number for the verb.

E6 Conventions of Punctuation

- Delete commas that create basic sense problems (e.g., between verb and direct object).
- Provide appropriate punctuation in straightforward situations (e.g., items in a series).
- Delete commas that disturb the sentence flow (e.g., between modifier and modified element).
- Use commas to set off simple parenthetical phrases.
- Delete unnecessary commas when an incorrect reading of the sentence suggests a pause that should be punctuated (e.g., between verb and direct object clause).
- Use punctuation to set off complex parenthetical phrases.
- Recognize and delete unnecessary commas based on a careful reading of a complicated sentence (e.g., between the elements of a compound subject or compound verb joined by “and”).
- Use apostrophes to indicate simple possessive nouns.
- Recognize inappropriate uses of colons and semicolons.
- Use commas to set off a nonessential/nonrestrictive appositive or clause.
- Deal with multiple punctuation problems (e.g., compound sentences containing unnecessary commas and phrases that may or may not be parenthetical).
- Use an apostrophe to show possession, especially with irregular plural nouns.
- Use a semicolon to indicate a relationship between closely related independent clauses.
- Use a colon to introduce an example or an elaboration.

Math

M1 Basic Operations and Applications

- Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals.
- Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers.

- Perform common conversions (e.g., inches to feet or hours to minutes).
- Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent.
- Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems.
- Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and computing with a given average.
- Solve multi-step arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour).
- Solve word problems containing several rates, proportions, or percentages.
- Solve complex arithmetic problems involving percent of increase or decrease and problems requiring integration of several concepts from pre-algebra and/or pre-geometry (e.g., comparing percentages or averages, using several ratios, and finding ratios in geometry settings).

M2 Probability, Statistics, and Data Analysis

- Calculate the average of a list of positive whole numbers.
- Perform a single computation using information from a table or chart.
- Calculate the average of a list of numbers.
- Calculate the average, given the number of data values and the sum of the data values.
- Read tables and graphs.
- Perform computations on data from tables and graphs.
- Use the relationship between the probability of an event and the probability of its complement.
- Calculate the missing data value, given the average and all data values but one.
- Translate from one representation of data to another (e.g., a bar graph to a circle graph).
- Determine the probability of a simple event.
- Exhibit knowledge of simple counting techniques.*
- Calculate the average, given the frequency counts of all the data values.
- Manipulate data from tables and graphs.
- Compute straightforward probabilities for common situations.
- Use Venn diagrams in counting.*
- Calculate or use a weighted average.
- Interpret and use information from figures, tables, and graphs.
- Apply counting techniques.
- Compute a probability when the event and/or sample space is not given or obvious.
- Distinguish between mean, median, and mode for a list of numbers.
- Analyze and draw conclusions based on information from figures, tables, and graphs.
- Exhibit knowledge of conditional and joint probability.

M3 Numbers: Concepts and Properties

- Recognize equivalent fractions and fractions in lowest terms.
- Recognize one-digit factors of a number.
- Identify a digit's place value.
- Exhibit knowledge of elementary number concepts including rounding, the ordering of decimals, pattern identification, absolute value, primes, and greatest common factor.
- Find and use the least common multiple.
- Order fractions.
- Work with numerical factors.
- Work with scientific notation.

- Work with squares and square roots of numbers.
- Work problems involving positive integer exponents.*
- Work with cubes and cube roots of numbers.*
- Determine when an expression is undefined.*
- Exhibit some knowledge of the complex numbers.†
- Apply number properties involving prime factorization.
- Apply number properties involving even/odd numbers and factors/multiples.
- Apply number properties involving positive/negative numbers.
- Apply rules of exponents.
- Multiply two complex numbers.†
- Draw conclusions based on number concepts, algebraic properties, and/or relationships between expressions and numbers.
- Exhibit knowledge of logarithms and geometric sequences.
- Apply properties of complex numbers.

M4 Expressions, Equations, and Inequalities

- Exhibit knowledge of basic expressions (e.g., identify an expression for a total as $b + g$).
- Solve equations in the form $x + a = b$, where a and b are whole numbers or decimals.
- Substitute whole numbers for unknown quantities to evaluate expressions.
- Solve one-step equations having integer or decimal answers.
- Combine like terms (e.g., $2x + 5x$).
- Evaluate algebraic expressions by substituting integers for unknown quantities.
- Add and subtract simple algebraic expressions.
- Solve routine first-degree equations.
- Perform straightforward word-to-symbol translations.
- Multiply two binomials.*
- Solve real-world problems using first-degree equations.
- Write expressions, equations, or inequalities with a single variable for common pre-algebra settings (e.g., rate and distance problems and problems that can be solved by using proportions).
- Identify solutions to simple quadratic equations.
- Add, subtract, and multiply polynomials.*
- Factor simple quadratics (e.g., the difference of squares and perfect square trinomials).*
- Solve first-degree inequalities that do not require reversing the inequality sign.*
- Manipulate expressions and equations.
- Write expressions, equations, and inequalities for common algebra settings.
- Solve linear inequalities that require reversing the inequality sign.
- Solve absolute value equations.
- Solve quadratic equations.
- Find solutions to systems of linear equations.
- Write expressions that require planning and/or manipulating to model a situation accurately.
- Write equations and inequalities that require planning, manipulating, and/or solving.
- Solve simple absolute value inequalities.

M5 Graphical Representations

- Identify the location of a point with a positive coordinate on the number line.
- Locate points on the number line and in the first quadrant.
- Locate points in the coordinate plane.

- Comprehend the concept of length on the number line.*
- Exhibit knowledge of slope.*
- Identify the graph of a linear inequality on the number line.*
- Determine the slope of a line from points or equations.*
- Match linear graphs with their equations.*
- Find the midpoint of a line segment.*
- Interpret and use information from graphs in the coordinate plane.
- Match number line graphs with solution sets of linear inequalities.
- Use the distance formula.
- Use properties of parallel and perpendicular lines to determine an equation of a line or coordinates of a point.
- Recognize special characteristics of parabolas and circles (e.g., the vertex of a parabola and the center or radius of a circle).†
- Match number line graphs with solution sets of simple quadratic inequalities.
- Identify characteristics of graphs based on a set of conditions or on a general equation such as $y = ax^2 + c$.
- Solve problems integrating multiple algebraic and/or geometric concepts.
- Analyze and draw conclusions based on information from graphs in the coordinate plane.

M6 Properties of Plane Figures

- Exhibit some knowledge of the angles associated with parallel lines.
- Find the measure of an angle using properties of parallel lines.
- Exhibit knowledge of basic angle properties and special sums of angle measures (e.g., 90° , 180° , and 360°).
- Use several angle properties to find an unknown angle measure.
- Recognize Pythagorean triples.*
- Use properties of isosceles triangles.*
- Apply properties of 30° - 60° - 90° , 45° - 45° - 90° , similar, and congruent triangles.
- Use the Pythagorean theorem.
- Draw conclusions based on a set of conditions.
- Solve multi-step geometry problems that involve integrating concepts, planning, visualization, and/or making connections with other content areas.
- Use relationships among angles, arcs, and distances in a circle.

M7 Measurement

- Estimate or calculate the length of a line segment based on other lengths given on a geometric figure.
- Compute the perimeter of polygons when all side lengths are given.
- Compute the area of rectangles when whole number dimensions are given.
- Compute the area and perimeter of triangles and rectangles in simple problems.
- Use geometric formulas when all necessary information is given.
- Compute the area of triangles and rectangles when one or more additional simple steps are required.
- Compute the area and circumference of circles after identifying necessary information.
- Compute the perimeter of simple composite geometric figures with unknown side lengths.*
- Use relationships involving area, perimeter, and volume of geometric figures to compute another measure.

- Use scale factors to determine the magnitude of a size change.
- Compute the area of composite geometric figures when planning or visualization is required.

M8 Functions

- Evaluate quadratic functions, expressed in function notation, at integer values.
- Evaluate polynomial functions, expressed in function notation, at integer values.†
- Express the sine, cosine, and tangent of an angle in a right triangle as a ratio of given side lengths.†
- Evaluate composite functions at integer values.†
- Apply basic trigonometric ratios to solve right-triangle problems.†
- Write an expression for the composite of two simple functions.†
- Use trigonometric concepts and basic identities to solve problems.†
- Exhibit knowledge of unit circle trigonometry.†
- Match graphs of basic trigonometric functions with their equations.

Notes

- Students who score in the 1–12 range are most likely beginning to develop the knowledge and skills assessed in the other ranges.
- Standards followed by an asterisk (*) apply to the PLAN and ACT mathematics tests only.
- Standards followed by a dagger (†) apply to the ACT mathematics test only.

Reading

R1 Main Ideas and Author’s Approach

- Recognize a clear intent of an author or narrator in uncomplicated literary narratives.
- Identify a clear main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives.
- Infer the main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives.
- Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view and kinds of evidence used) in uncomplicated passages.
- Identify a clear main idea or purpose of any paragraph or paragraphs in uncomplicated passages.
- Infer the main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in more challenging passages.
- Summarize basic events and ideas in more challenging passages.
- Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view and kinds of evidence used) in more challenging passages.
- Infer the main idea or purpose of more challenging passages or their paragraphs.
- Summarize events and ideas in virtually any passage.
- Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view and kinds of evidence used) in virtually any passage.
- Identify clear main ideas or purposes of complex passages or their paragraphs.

R2 Supporting Details

- Locate basic facts (e.g., names, dates, and events) clearly stated in a passage.
- Locate simple details at the sentence and paragraph level in uncomplicated passages.

- Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage.
- Locate important details in uncomplicated passages.
- Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages.
- Locate important details in more challenging passages.
- Locate and interpret minor or subtly stated details in uncomplicated passages.
- Discern which details, though they may appear in different sections throughout a passage, support important points in more challenging passages.
- Locate and interpret minor or subtly stated details in more challenging passages.
- Use details from different sections of some complex informational passages to support a specific point or argument.
- Locate and interpret details in complex passages.
- Understand the function of a part of a passage when the function is subtle or complex.

R3 Sequential, Comparative, and Cause–Effect Relationships

- Determine when (e.g., first, last, before, or after) or if an event occurred in uncomplicated passages.
- Recognize clear cause–effect relationships described within a single sentence in a passage.
- Identify relationships between main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives.
- Recognize clear cause–effect relationships within a single paragraph in uncomplicated literary narratives.
- Order simple sequences of events in uncomplicated literary narratives.
- Identify clear relationships between people, ideas, and so forth in uncomplicated passages.
- Identify clear cause–effect relationships in uncomplicated passages.
- Order sequences of events in uncomplicated passages.
- Understand relationships between people, ideas, and so forth in uncomplicated passages.
- Identify clear relationships between characters, ideas, and so forth in more challenging literary narratives.
- Understand implied or subtly stated cause–effect relationships in uncomplicated passages.
- Identify clear cause–effect relationships in more challenging passages.
- Order sequences of events in more challenging passages.
- Understand the dynamics between people, ideas, and so forth in more challenging passages.
- Understand implied or subtly stated cause–effect relationships in more challenging passages.
- Order sequences of events in complex passages.
- Understand the subtleties in relationships between people, ideas, and so forth in virtually any passage.
- Understand implied, subtle, or complex cause–effect relationships in virtually any passage.

R4 Meaning of Words

- Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language.
- Use context to understand basic figurative language.
- Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages.
- Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages.
- Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in more challenging passages.

- Determine the appropriate meaning of words, phrases, or statements from figurative or somewhat technical contexts.
- Determine, even when the language is richly figurative and the vocabulary is difficult, the appropriate meaning of context-dependent words, phrases, or statements in virtually any passage.

R5 Generalizations and Conclusions

- Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about the main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives.
- Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so forth in uncomplicated passages.
- Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so forth in uncomplicated passages.
- Draw simple generalizations and conclusions using details that support the main points of more challenging passages.
- Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about characters, ideas, and so forth in uncomplicated literary narratives.
- Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so forth in more challenging passages.
- Use information from one or more sections of a more challenging passage to draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so forth.
- Draw complex or subtle generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so forth, often by synthesizing information from different portions of the passage.
- Understand and generalize about portions of a complex literary narrative.

Science

S1 Interpretation of Data

- Select a single piece of data (numerical or non-numerical) from a simple data presentation (e.g., a table or graph with two or three variables or a food web diagram).
- Identify basic features of a table, graph, or diagram (e.g., headings, units of measurement, or axis labels).
- Select two or more pieces of data from a simple data presentation.
- Understand basic scientific terminology.
- Find basic information in a brief body of text.
- Determine how the value of one variable changes as the value of another variable changes in a simple data presentation.
- Select data from a complex data presentation (e.g., a table or graph with more than three variables or a phase diagram).
- Compare or combine data from a simple data presentation (e.g., order or sum data from a table).
- Translate information into a table, graph, or diagram.
- Compare or combine data from two or more simple data presentations (e.g., categorize data from a table using a scale from another table).
- Compare or combine data from a complex data presentation.
- Interpolate between data points in a table or graph.
- Determine how the value of one variable changes as the value of another variable changes in a complex data presentation.
- Identify and/or use a simple (e.g., linear) mathematical relationship between data.
- Analyze given information when presented with new, simple information.

- Compare or combine data from a simple data presentation with data from a complex data presentation.
- Identify and/or use a complex (e.g., nonlinear) mathematical relationship between data.
- Extrapolate from data points in a table or graph.
- Compare or combine data from two or more complex data presentations.
- Analyze given information when presented with new, complex information.

S2 Scientific Investigation

- Understand the methods and tools used in a simple experiment.
- Understand the methods and tools used in a moderately complex experiment.
- Understand a simple experimental design.
- Identify a control in an experiment.
- Identify similarities and differences between experiments.
- Understand the methods and tools used in a complex experiment.
- Understand a complex experimental design.
- Predict the results of an additional trial or measurement in an experiment.
- Determine the experimental conditions that would produce specified results.
- Determine the hypothesis for an experiment.
- Identify an alternate method for testing a hypothesis.
- Understand precision and accuracy issues.
- Predict how modifying the design or methods of an experiment will affect results.
- Identify an additional trial or experiment that could be performed to enhance or evaluate experimental results.

S3 Evaluation of Models, Inferences, and Experimental Results

- Select a simple hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by a data presentation or a model.
- Identify key issues or assumptions in a model.
- Select a simple hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by two or more data presentations or models.
- Determine whether given information supports or contradicts a simple hypothesis or conclusion and why.
- Identify strengths and weaknesses in one or more models.
- Identify similarities and differences between models.
- Determine which model(s) is/are supported or weakened by new information.
- Select a data presentation or a model that supports or contradicts a hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion.
- Select a complex hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by a data presentation or model.
- Determine whether new information supports or weakens a model and why.
- Use new information to make a prediction based on a model.
- Select a complex hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by two or more data presentations or models.
- Determine whether given information supports or contradicts a complex hypothesis or conclusion and why.

Writing

W1 Expressing Judgments

- Show a little understanding of the persuasive purpose of the task, but neglect to take or to maintain a position on the issue in the prompt.
- Show limited recognition of the complexity of the issue in the prompt.
- Show a basic understanding of the persuasive purpose of the task by taking a position on the issue in the prompt, but do not maintain that position.
- Show a little recognition of the complexity of the issue in the prompt by acknowledging, but only briefly describing, a counterargument to the writer's position.
- Show understanding of the persuasive purpose of the task by taking a position on the issue in the prompt.
- Show some recognition of the complexity of the issue in the prompt by doing the following:
 - Acknowledging counterarguments to the writer's position
 - Providing some response to counterarguments to the writer's position
- Show clear understanding of the persuasive purpose of the task by taking a position on the specific issue in the prompt and offering a broad context for discussion.
- Show recognition of the complexity of the issue in the prompt by doing the following:
 - Partially evaluating implications and/or complications of the issue
 - Posing and partially responding to counterarguments to the writer's position
- Show clear understanding of the persuasive purpose of the task by taking a position on the specific issue in the prompt and offering a critical context for discussion.
- Show understanding of the complexity of the issue in the prompt by doing the following:
 - Examining different perspectives
 - Evaluating implications or complications of the issue
 - Posing and fully discussing counterarguments to the writer's position

W2 Focusing on the Topic

- Maintain a focus on the general topic in the prompt through most of the essay.
- Maintain a focus on the general topic in the prompt throughout the essay.
- Maintain a focus on the general topic in the prompt throughout the essay, and attempt a focus on the specific issue in the prompt.
- Present a thesis that establishes focus on the topic.
- Maintain a focus on discussion of the specific topic and issue in the prompt throughout the essay.
- Present a thesis that establishes a focus on the writer's position on the issue.
- Maintain a clear focus on discussion of the specific topic and issue in the prompt throughout the essay.
- Present a critical thesis that clearly establishes the focus on the writer's position on the issue.

W3 Developing a Position

- Offer a little development, with one or two ideas; if examples are given, they are general and may not be clearly relevant; resort often to merely repeating ideas.
- Show little or no movement between general and specific ideas and examples.
- Offer limited development of ideas using a few general examples; resort sometimes to merely repeating ideas.
- Show little movement between general and specific ideas and examples.
- Develop ideas by using some specific reasons, details, and examples.
- Show some movement between general and specific ideas and examples.
- Develop most ideas fully, using some specific and relevant reasons, details, and examples.

- Show clear movement between general and specific ideas and examples.
- Develop several ideas fully, using specific and relevant reasons, details, and examples.
- Show effective movement between general and specific ideas and examples.

W4 Organizing Ideas

- Provide a discernible organization with some logical grouping of ideas in parts of the essay.
- Use a few simple and obvious transitions.
- Present a discernible, though minimally developed, introduction and conclusion.
- Provide a simple organization with logical grouping of ideas in parts of the essay.
- Use some simple and obvious transitional words, though they may at times be inappropriate or misleading.
- Present a discernible, though underdeveloped, introduction and conclusion.
- Provide an adequate but simple organization with logical grouping of ideas in parts of the essay but with little evidence of logical progression of ideas.
- Use some simple and obvious, but appropriate, transitional words and phrases.
- Present a discernible introduction and conclusion with little development.
- Provide unity and coherence throughout the essay, sometimes with a logical progression of ideas.
- Use relevant, though at times simple and obvious, transitional words and phrases to convey logical relationships between ideas.
- Present a somewhat developed introduction and conclusion.
- Provide unity and coherence throughout the essay, often with a logical progression of ideas.
- Use relevant transitional words, phrases, and sentences to convey logical relationships between ideas.
- Present a well-developed introduction and conclusion.

W5 Using Language

- Show limited control of language by doing the following:
 - Correctly employing some of the conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics but with distracting errors that sometimes significantly impede understanding
 - Using simple vocabulary
 - Using simple sentence structure
 - Correctly employing some of the conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics but with distracting errors that sometimes impede understanding
 - Using simple but appropriate vocabulary
 - Using a little sentence variety, though most sentences are simple in structure
 - Correctly employing many of the conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics but with some distracting errors that may occasionally impede understanding
 - Using appropriate vocabulary
 - Using some varied kinds of sentence structures to vary pace
 - Correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with a few distracting errors but none that impede understanding
 - Using some precise and varied vocabulary
 - Using several kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning
 - Correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with just a few, if any, errors
 - Using precise and varied vocabulary
 - Using a variety of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning

Appendix D: National Industry Standards

Contren Core

SAF - BASIC SAFETY

- Identify the responsibilities and personal characteristics of a professional craftsman.
- Explain the role that safety plays in the construction crafts.
- Describe what jobsite safety means.
- Explain the appropriate safety precautions around common jobsite hazards.
- Demonstrate the use and care of appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Follow safe procedures for lifting heavy objects.
- Describe safe behavior on and around ladders and scaffolds.
- Explain the importance of the HazCom (Hazard Communication Standard) requirement and MSDSs (material safety data sheets).
- Describe fire prevention and firefighting techniques.
- Define safe work procedures around electrical hazards.

Carpentry—Level One

OTT - ORIENTATION TO THE TRADE

- Describe the history of the carpentry trade.
- Identify the aptitudes, behaviors, and skills needed to be a successful carpenter.
- Identify the training opportunities within the carpentry trade.
- Identify the career and entrepreneurial opportunities within the carpentry trade.
- Identify the responsibilities of a person working in the construction industry.
- State the personal characteristics of a professional.
- Explain the importance of safety in the construction industry.

BMF - BUILDING MATERIALS, FASTENERS, AND ADHESIVES

- Identify various types of building materials and their uses.
- State the uses of various types of hardwoods and softwoods.
- Identify the different grades and markings of wood building materials.
- Identify the safety precautions associated with building materials.
- Describe the proper method of storing and handling building materials.
- State the uses of various types of engineered lumber.
- Calculate the quantities of lumber and wood products using industry-standard methods.
- Describe the fasteners, anchors, and adhesives used in construction work, and explain their uses.

HPT - HAND AND POWER TOOLS

- Identify the hand tools commonly used by carpenters, and describe their uses.
- Use hand tools in a safe and appropriate manner.
- State the general safety rules for operating all power tools, regardless of type.
- State the general rules for properly maintaining all power tools, regardless of type.
- Identify the portable power tools commonly used by carpenters, and describe their uses.

- Use portable power tools in a safe and appropriate manner.

RPE - READING PLANS AND ELEVATIONS

- Describe the types of drawings usually included in a set of plans, and list the information found on each type.
- Identify the different types of lines used on construction drawings.
- Identify selected architectural symbols commonly used to represent materials on plans.
- Identify selected electrical, mechanical, and plumbing symbols commonly used on plans.
- Identify selected abbreviations commonly used on plans.
- Read and interpret plans, elevations, schedules, sections, and details contained in basic construction drawings.
- State the purpose of written specifications.
- Identify and describe the parts of a specification.
- Demonstrate or describe how to perform a quantity takeoff for materials.

FSY - FLOOR SYSTEMS

- Identify the different types of framing systems.
- Read and interpret drawings and specifications to determine floor system requirements.
- Identify floor and sill framing and support members.
- Name the methods used to fasten sills to the foundation.
- Given specific floor load and span data, select the proper girder/beam size from a list of available girders/beams.
- List and recognize different types of floor joists.
- Given specific floor load and span data, select the proper joist size from a list of available joists.
- List and recognize different types of bridging.
- List and recognize different types of flooring materials.
- Explain the purposes of subflooring and underlayment.
- Match selected fasteners used in floor framing to their correct uses.
- Estimate the amount of material needed to frame a floor assembly.
- Demonstrate the ability to do the following:
 - Lay out and construct a floor assembly
 - Install bridging
 - Install joists for a cantilever floor
 - Install a subfloor using butt-joint plywood/OSB panels
 - Install a single floor system using tongue-and-groove plywood/OSB panels

WCF - WALL AND CEILING FRAMING

- Identify the components of a wall and ceiling layout.
- Describe the procedure for laying out a wood frame wall, including plates, corner posts, door and window openings, partition Ts, bracing, and firestops.
- Describe the correct procedure for assembling and erecting an exterior wall.
- Identify the common materials and methods used for installing sheathing on walls.
- Lay out, assemble, erect, and brace exterior walls for a frame building.
- Describe wall framing techniques used in masonry construction.
- Explain the use of metal studs in wall framing.

- Describe the correct procedure for laying out ceiling joists.
- Cut and install ceiling joists on a wood frame building.
- Estimate the materials required to frame walls and ceilings.

RFR - ROOF FRAMING

- Understand the terms associated with roof framing.
- Identify the roof framing members used in gable and hip roofs.
- Identify the methods used to calculate the length of a rafter.
- Identify the various types of trusses used in roof framing.
- Use a rafter framing square, speed square, and calculator in laying out a roof.
- Identify various types of sheathing used in roof construction.
- Frame a gable roof with vent openings.
- Frame a roof opening.
- Erect a gable roof using trusses.
- Estimate the materials used in framing and sheathing a roof.

ICR - INTRODUCTION TO CONCRETE, REINFORCING MATERIALS, AND FORMS

- Identify the properties of cement.
- Describe the composition of concrete.
- Perform volume estimates for concrete quantity requirements.
- Identify types of concrete reinforcement materials, and describe their uses.
- Identify various types of footings, and explain their uses.
- Identify the parts of various types of forms.
- Explain the safety procedures associated with the construction and use of concrete forms.
- Erect, plumb, and brace a simple concrete form with reinforcement.

WED - WINDOWS AND EXTERIOR DOORS

- Identify various types of fixed, sliding, and swinging windows.
- Identify the parts of a window installation.
- State the requirements for a proper window installation.
- Install a pre-hung window.
- Identify the common types of exterior doors, and explain how they are constructed.
- Identify the parts of a door installation.
- Identify the types of thresholds used with exterior doors.
- Install a pre-hung exterior door.
- Identify the various types of locksets used on exterior doors, and explain how they are installed.
- Install a lockset.

BSL - BASIC STAIR LAYOUT

- Identify the various types of stairs.
- Identify the various parts of stairs.
- Identify the materials used in the construction of stairs.
- Interpret construction drawings of stairs.
- Calculate the total rise, number and size of risers, and number and size of treads required for a stairway.
- Lay out and cut stringers, risers, and treads.

- Build a small stair unit with a temporary handrail.

Appendix E: National Educational Technology Standards for Students²

- T1** Creativity and Innovation
- T2** Communication and Collaboration
- T3** Research and Information Fluency
- T4** Critical Thinking, Problem Solving, and Decision Making
- T5** Digital Citizenship
- T6** Technology Operations and Concepts

T1 Creativity and Innovation

Students demonstrate creative thinking, construct knowledge, and develop innovative products and processes using technology. Students do the following:

- a. Apply existing knowledge to generate new ideas, products, or processes
- b. Create original works as a means of personal or group expression
- c. Use models and simulations to explore complex systems and issues
- d. Identify trends and forecast possibilities

T2 Communication and Collaboration

Students use digital media and environments to communicate and work collaboratively, including at a distance, to support individual learning and contribute to the learning of others. Students do the following:

- a. Interact, collaborate, and publish with peers, experts, or others employing a variety of digital environments and media
- b. Communicate information and ideas effectively to multiple audiences using a variety of media and formats
- c. Develop cultural understanding and global awareness by engaging with learners of other cultures
- d. Contribute to project teams to produce original works or solve problems

T3 Research and Information Fluency

Students apply digital tools to gather, evaluate, and use information. Students do the following:

- a. Plan strategies to guide inquiry
- b. Locate, organize, analyze, evaluate, synthesize, and ethically use information from a variety of sources and media
- c. Evaluate and select information sources and digital tools based on the appropriateness to specific tasks
- d. Process data and report results

² International Society for Technology in Education. (2000). *National educational technology standards for students (NETS)*. Retrieved February 27, 2008, from <http://www.iste.org/>

- T4** Critical Thinking, Problem Solving, and Decision Making
Students use critical-thinking skills to plan and conduct research, manage projects, solve problems, and make informed decisions using appropriate digital tools and resources. Students do the following:
- a. Identify and define authentic problems and significant questions for investigation
 - b. Plan and manage activities to develop a solution or complete a project
 - c. Collect and analyze data to identify solutions and/or make informed decisions
 - d. Use multiple processes and diverse perspectives to explore alternative solutions
- T5** Digital Citizenship
Students understand human, cultural, and societal issues related to technology and practice legal and ethical behavior. Students do the following:
- a. Advocate and practice safe, legal, and responsible use of information and technology
 - b. Exhibit a positive attitude toward using technology that supports collaboration, learning, and productivity
 - c. Demonstrate personal responsibility for lifelong learning
 - d. Exhibit leadership for digital citizenship
- T6** Technology Operations and Concepts
Students demonstrate a sound understanding of technology concepts, systems, and operations. Students do the following:
- a. Understand and use technology systems
 - b. Select and use applications effectively and productively
 - c. Troubleshoot systems and applications
 - d. Transfer current knowledge to learning of new technologies