Subject and Grade:	8th Grade Science	School Year:	2023 - 2024
Unit Title:	"How Do Forces Impact Me?"	Author/s:	S. Lanning

NYS Next Gen Learning Standards	Essential Question/Big Ideas
Module 8.2 MS- ESS1-2 MS-ESS1-3 MS-PS2-1 MS-PS2-2 MS-PS2-3 MS-PS2-4 MS-PS2-5 MS-FS3-1 MS-PS3-2 MS-ETS1-1 MS-PS3-2 MS-ETS1-1 MS-ETS1-1 MS-PS3-2 MS-ETS1-1 MS-ETS1-2 MS-ETS1-3 Ms-ETS1-4	 What is a force? What forces act throughout a system? How strong is that force? Why do objects start moving? Why does an object stop moving? Why does something change speed or direction? How can we describe how an object moves? How can we use forces and energy to explain the magnetic cannon? Designing the best electromagnet.

Brief Unit Summary	Content Vocabulary
Investigative Phenomena includes investigating forces through manipulation of four devices to determine how forces work in each one. Students construct models and force pair diagrams to show the four devices' interactions, explain how the contact forces work, and explain the causes and effects of force in each device.	Acceleration Attractive Force Balanced Forces Collide/Collision Compression Contact Force Counteract Electrical Force Energy Energy Transfer

Forces
Forces that act a distance
Free-body diagram
Gram
Gravitational energy
Gravitational force
Horizontal force
Interact/interaction
Kinetic energy
Magnetic force
Magnitude
Mass
Net force
Recoil
Reinforce
Impulsive force
System components
Tides
Unbalanced forces
Velocity
Vertical force

Content Skills or Learning Targets	Assessments (Pre-Assessments, Formative, and Summative)	Timeframe
 Asking questions and defining problems Developing and using models Planning and carrying out investigations Analyzing and interpreting data Using mathematics and computational thinking Constructing explanations and designing solutions Engaging in argument from evidence Obtaining, evaluating, and communicating information 	 Handouts Group activities Lab Experiments Readings Activities Quiz Test 	September – Mid November ~8 Weeks

Differentiation/Enrichment	Materials	Resources
	4 state mandated Investigations will be interspersed through the year: "It's Alive?" "Weather and Climate" "All Mixed Up" "Cool It"	southerncayuga.iqwst.com

Subject and Grade:	8th Grade Science	School Year:	2023 - 2024
Unit Title:	"How Do Living Things Change Over Time?"	Author/s:	S. Lanning

NYS Next Gen Learning Standards	Essential Question/Big Ideas
Module 8.3 MS-LS3-1 MS-LS4-1 MS-LS4-2 MS-LS4-3 MS-LS4-4 MS-LS4-5 MS-LS4-6 MS-ESS1-4 MS-ETS1-2	 Population Changes Do Variations Between Individuals in a Population Matter? The Finch Investigation Can We Construct a General Model of Population Change? Does the Natural Selection Model Apply to Other Populations? How Does Natural Selection Happen Over Longer Periods of Time? How Long Does Evolution Take? How does Fossil Evidence Support Evolution? Body Structures How Old Are Fossils? Artificial Selection

Brief Unit Summary	Content Vocabulary
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This module focuses on developing models in both life and Earth sciences and applying them consistently. Students explain how fossil records, homologous structures, and embryological development are used as evidence to support the theory of evolution. Students engage in a simulation of artificial selection using information about chicken breeds to explain how humans can effect changes in a population through artificial selection. The module concludes with a look at human intervention in population change in selective breeding and genetic modification of plants and animals.	Adaptations Analogous Antibiotic Bacteria Common ancestry Descendant Dominate Embryo Erosion Excavation Fault Fossil Frequency Homologous Inherited
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Differentiation/Enrichment	Materials	Resources
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Subject and Grade:	8th Grade Science	School Year:	2023 - 2024
Unit Title:	"What Action Will You Take On Sustainability?"	Author/s:	S. Lanning

NYS Next Gen Learning Standards	Essential Question/Big Ideas
Module 8.4	How Do I Impact Earth's Systems?
MS-ESS3-4 MS-ETS1-1 MS-ETS1-2	

Brief Unit Summary	Content Vocabulary
This capstone module provides students an opportunity to choose a topic that has interested them at any time during middle school and in which they have a passionate interest, they examine related issues that threaten sustainability, ultimately developing an action plan for change that begins with their own actions. The goal for this end-of-middle-school module is for students to develop an evidence-based argument to explain how direct and indirect changes to natural systems, due to issues related to human interaction (including population growth and increased consumption), influence those natural systems and how they can be a change agent.	Bearable Economic Sustainability Environmental Sustainability Equitable Social Sustainability Sustainability Viable

Content Skills or Learning Targets	Assessments (Pre-Assessments, Formative, and Summative)	Timeframe
 Asking questions and defining problems Developing and using models Planning and carrying out investigations Analyzing and interpreting data Using mathematics and computational thinking Constructing explanations and designing solutions Engaging in argument from evidence Obtaining, evaluating, and communicating information 	 Handouts Group activities Lab Experiments Readings Activities Quiz Test 	January – March ~ 8 Weeks

Differentiation/Enrichment	Materials	Resources
	4 state mandated Investigations will be interspersed through the year: "It's Alive?" "Weather and Climate" "All Mixed Up" "Cool It"	southerncayuga.iqwst.com