

# Jay Curriculum: Unit Cover Page

**Unit title:** Weather

**Grade Level:** 5

**Content Area(s):** Science

**Date Created:**

**Designed By:** Jay Fifth Grade Teachers

## **Year 1 Map & Template Development**

- Map/Matrix Completed
- Material & Resources Listed
- Draft Design Template Completed
- Initial Draft Template Document

## **Year 2 Piloting**

- Develop:
- Performance Tasks
- Other Assessments
- Scoring Rubrics
- Piloted

## **Year 3 Review & Complete Assessment**

- Performance Tasks Development
- Other Assessments Completed
- Scoring Rubrics Completed
- Reviewed/Revised Templates

## **Year 4**

- Full Implementation
- Benchmarks Established

### **Standard(s)/Performance Indicators:**

- F1 Demonstrate how the earth's tilt on its axis results in the seasons
- F4 Describe factors that can cause short-term and short-term changes to the earth
- G5 Describe the motions of moons, planets, stars, solar system, and galaxies
- J1 Make accurate observations using appropriate tools and units of measure
- K1 Explain the ways people form generalizations
- K2 Identify exceptions to proposed generalizations
- K6 Support reasoning by using a variety of evidence
- L2 Defend problem-solving strategies and solutions
- L3 Evaluate individual and group communication for clarity, and work to improve communication
- L4 Make and use scale drawings, maps, and three-dimensional models to represent real objects, find locations, and describe relationships
- L5 Access information at remote sites using telecommunication
- L6 Identify and perform roles necessary to accomplish group tasks
- M4 Describe an individual's biological and other impacts on an environmental system

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### **Brief Summary of Unit/Topic**

**Summary:**

Basic elements and components of weather will be presented through a variety of presentations, class discussions, collaborative efforts, and hands on activities. Students will learn about various careers pertaining to weather, make predictions based on collection of data, and create a variety of projects related to their learning.

### **Stage #1: Identify Desired Results**

**Essential Question/s:**

**General understanding/s (What is worth being familiar with?)**

- Many factors influence weather
- The climate is an important part of our existence

**Students will know:**

- What causes the seasons
- What kinds of things change our earth
- How the earth travels around the sun
- How to collect data accurately
- How myths and weather lore come about and why they are widely believed
- How some myths and weather lore are associated with the truth
- How to support the theory with logic and examples
- Skills necessary for effective collaboration
- How to read symbols on a map and generate logical conclusions
- How to retrieve necessary information via the internet
- How to work effectively in a group and how to facilitate for maximum effectiveness
- How we impact our weather and environment in positive and negative ways
- The processes involved in the water cycle
- Our weather moves from west to east

**Students will be able to:**

- Gather weather data and create a realistic map
- Analyze weather data and develop an accurate forecast
- Name weather instruments that measure air pressure, temperature, relative humidity, wind speed, and rainfall.
- List a variety of types of precipitation
- Recognize symbols relating to weather, such as warm and cold air masses and explain how they are formed and how they interact.
- Describe how natural and unnatural factors work to produce and influence climate
- Describe temperature and precipitation differences of different regions

**Enduring Understanding/s:**

## Stage #2: Evidence

What evidence will students have to provide in order to demonstrate that they have developed the skills, knowledge and understanding to successfully complete this unit?

Performance Tasks/Products/other assessments Performance tasks should have a <u>scoring guide</u> .	<i>Performance Indicators</i> for this task.* Example: <b>ELA: C- 1,2,3</b> <b>Science: B- 3,5,7</b> <b>SS His: H- 2</b>	<u>Modalities</u> <b>K</b> =Kinesthetic <b>O</b> =oral <b>V</b> =visual <b>W</b> =written	Are <u>examples</u> available to students? ? <b>Y, N, or N/A</b>	Component of Local Assessment System?  <b>Y or N</b> (See <u>aligned scoring guide</u> .)

\*Abbreviate: English Language Arts= ELA, Career Preparation=CP, Modern and Classical Languages=MCL, Social Studies=SS, Visual and Performing Arts=VPA

**Stage #3: Plan learning experiences & instruction**

What teaching & learning experiences may equip students to develop & demonstrate the targeted understanding(s)? (activities/plans):

**REFERENCES:**