## **Big Ideas/Key Concepts:**

- Plants have form and function which can be related to their parts.
- Plants have a life cycle with identifiable patterns.
- Changes in a plant's environment may cause the plant to respond in different ways.
- Science tools can support an investigation when used appropriately.

| Standards   | Student Friendly "I Can" Statements  |
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| From Molecules to Organisms: Structures and Processes   | From Molecules to Organisms: Structures and Processes  |
| <b>1.LS1.1</b> Recognize the structure of plants (roots, stems, leaves, flowers, fruits) and describe the function of the parts (taking in water and air, producing food, making new plants).                                     | I can ask questions to investigate how the parts of a plant work to meet the plant's needs.  |
|   | I can identify the parts of a plant: roots, stems, leaves, flowers, fruits.  |
|   | I can connect the parts of a plant (roots, stems, leaves, flowers, fruits) with their function (taking in water and air, producing food, making new plants). |
| 1.LS1.2 Illustrate and summarize the life cycle of plants.  | I can create a model which summarizes the life cycle of plants.  |
|   | I can describe patterns and predict changes that happen at each stage of the life cycle of plants.   |
| <b>1.LS1.3</b> Analyze and interpret data from observations to describe how changes in the environment cause plants to respond in different ways. <i>Note: The focus of this standard is on responses a single plant may have</i> | I can investigate how changes in the environment cause plants to respond in different ways.  |
| to changes in its environment, not changes to a species over time.  | I can use the results of an investigation to describe how changes in the environment can cause plants to respond in different ways.                          |

#### Links Among Engineering, Technology, Science, and Society

**1.ETS2.1** Use appropriate tools (magnifying glass, basic balance scale) to make observations and answer testable scientific questions.

Note: Activities involving measurement should use relative descriptions such as more or less, closer or farther, etc.

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I can describe how a hand lens helps us make better observations.

I can describe how a balance scale helps us compare the weight of two things.

I can plan an investigation that uses science tools (magnifying glass, basic balance scale) to make observations and answer testable questions.

- AIT.1 Identify and define problems and form significant questions for investigation.
- AIT.2 Develop a plan to use technology to find a solution and create projects.
- AIT.6 Collect, organize, analyze, and interpret data to identify solutions and/or make informed decisions.
- DC.1 Advocate, demonstrate, and routinely practice safe, legal, and responsible use of information and technology.

## **Big Ideas/Key Concepts:**

- Light and heat energy from our Sun warm Earth's surface.
- Light is required to make things visible.
- Some objects produce their own light, while other objects reflect light.
- Solve scientific problems by asking testable questions, making observations, and gathering information.
- Objects are transparent, translucent, opaque, and/or reflective.

| Standards   | Student Friendly "I Can" Statements  |
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| <u>Energy</u>   | <u>Energy</u>  |
| <b>1.PS3.1</b> Make observations to determine how sunlight warms Earth's surfaces (sand, soil, rocks, and water).  Note: Observations about temperature should be limited to relative | I can observe and describe how sunlight warms Earth's surfaces (sand, soil, rocks, and water). |
| terms such as 'feels warmer' or 'feels cooler', in the case of  | I can compare and contrast the effects of placing an object in direct                          |
| thermometers, whether the 'red line went up/down'.  | sunlight and placing it in shade.  |
| Waves and Their Application in Technologies for Information Transfer  | Waves and Their Application in Technologies for Information Transfer                           |
| <b>1.PS4.1</b> Use a model to describe how light is required to make objects visible. Summarize how illumination could be from an external light                                      | I can model and describe how light makes objects visible.                                      |
| source or by an object giving off its own light.  Note: The speed of light and wave properties should not be discussed,   | I can use evidence to explain that light travels in a straight path.                           |
| merely the idea that light travels in straight paths.   | I can compare and contrast light that is reflected off a surface and light                     |
|   | that is produced by an object.   |

**1.PS4.2** Determine the effect of placing objects made with different materials (transparent, translucent, opaque, and reflective) in the path of a beam of light.

Note: The way light scatters off of rough surfaces may be discussed but is not a principle part of this standard.

I can investigate how light interacts with a variety of materials to classify them as translucent, transparent, opaque, or reflective.

I can carry out an investigation using a beam of light to determine if different surfaces reflect light, absorb light, or let light pass through.

#### **Engineering Design**

**1.ETS1.1** Solve scientific problems by asking testable questions, making short-term and long-term observations, and gathering information. Note: The focus of this standard should be on the process of making observations to initially design a solution, instead of spending significant amounts of time actually coming up with a solution. An example could be "How long does it take an ice cream bar to melt?" and students would observe the ice cream bar every 30 minutes.

#### **Engineering Design**

I can ask testable questions in order to solve a scientific problem.

I can make short-term and long-term observations in order to solve a scientific problem.

I can gather information in order to solve a scientific problem.

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- AIT.2 Develop a plan to use technology to find a solution and create projects.
- **DC.1** Advocate, demonstrate, and routinely practice safe, legal, and responsible use of information and technology.
- DC.2 Exhibit a positive mindset toward using technology that supports collaboration, learning, and productivity.
- DC.3 Exhibit leadership for digital citizenship.
- **DC.4** Recognize and describe the potential risks and dangers associated with various forms of online communications (e.g., cell phones, social media, digital photos).
- **DC.5** Explain responsible uses of technology and digital information; describe possible consequences of inappropriate use such as copyright infringement and piracy.

## **Big Ideas/Key Concepts in Quarter 1:**

- Patterns can be observed in the day and night sky.
- Objects in the day and night sky change position.
- Objects in the sky can be observed using a telescope, which provides greater detail of objects in the sky.

| Standards   | Student Friendly "I Can" Statements   |
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| Earth's Place in the Universe   | Earth's Place in the Universe   |
| <b>1.ESS1.1</b> Use observations or models of the sun, moon, and stars to describe patterns that can be predicted.  Note: Students should focus on patterns for the shapes of the moon,             | I can describe patterns to predict the movement of the sun and moon across the sky.   |
| rather than rote memorization of the names of lunar phases.   | I can use graphs or other models to describe patterns about the sun, moon, and stars.   |
| <b>1.ESS1.2</b> Observe natural objects in the sky that can be seen from Earth with the naked eye and recognize that a telescope, used as a tool, can provide greater detail of objects in the sky. | I can explain that a telescope lets us see objects in the sky in greater detail.  |
|   | I can compare photos of objects in the sky to determine if a telescope was used.  |
| <b>1.ESS1.3</b> Analyze data to predict patterns between sunrise and sunset and the change of seasons.  Note: In first grade, students should infer that there is some cause for the                | I can collect data about sunrise and sunset times for days in different seasons to determine seasonal patterns.               |
| patterns in their data, but discussions of a mechanism for seasonal changes in daylight hours due to the tilt of the earth's axis will be addressed in fourth grade.                                | I can predict seasonal patterns between sunrise and sunset based on observations, informational texts, and class discussions. |
|   | I can use data from simple bar graphs or pictographs to describe patterns of daylight throughout the seasons.                 |

- AIT.6 Collect, organize, analyze, and interpret data to identify solutions and/or make informed decisions.
- AIT.7 Infer and predict or propose relationships with data.
- AIT.5 Evaluate the accuracy, relevance, appropriateness, and bias of electronic information sources.

## **Big Ideas/Key Concepts:**

- Plants need air, water, minerals, and light to grow and thrive.
- Plants can be classified by where they grow and the plants' parts.
- Plants depend on their surroundings and other living things to meet their needs.

| Standards  | Student Friendly "I Can" Statements  |
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| Ecosystems: Interactions, Energy, and Dynamics   | Ecosystems: Interactions, Energy, and Dynamics   |
| <b>1.LS2.1</b> Conduct an experiment to show how plants depend on air, water, minerals from soil, and light to grow and thrive.  Note: This standard seems very similar to 1.LS1.1. The key difference | I can conduct an experiment to show how plants need air, water, minerals from soil, and light to grow and thrive.          |
| between these standards is 1.LS1.1 focuses on the structure that plants have to help them survive, while 1.LS2.1 focuses on how the environment provides for the needs of plants.                      | I can compare and contrast the results of plants grown with and without the things they need. (air, water, sunlight, soil) |
| <b>1.LS2.2</b> Obtain and communicate information to classify plants by where they grow (water, land) and the plant's physical characteristics.  | I can use texts to compare and contrast the physical properties of plants that grow on land and plants that grow in water. |
|  | I can research and classify plants by where they grow (water, land) and the plant's physical properties.                   |
| <b>1.LS2.3</b> Recognize how plants depend on their surroundings and other living things to meet their needs in the places they live.  | I can identify the ways plants depend on their surroundings and other living things to meet their needs.                   |
|  | I can explain how pollinators are an important part of the life cycle of plants.   |

- AIT.1 Identify and define problems and form significant questions for investigation.
- AIT.2 Develop a plan to use technology to find a solution and create projects.