## Exploratory Concepts \& Skills

| Number Sense <br> Understand numbers, ways of representing numbers, relationships among numbers, and number systems <br> - Understand meanings of operations and how they relate to one another <br> - Compute fluently and make reasonable estimates | Patterns, relationship, Algebra <br> Understand patterns, relations, and functions <br> - Represent and analyze mathematical situations and structures using algebraic symbols <br> - Use mathematical models to represent and understand quantitative relationships <br> - Analyze change in various contexts | Geometry <br> Analyze characteristics and properties of two- and threedimensional geometric shapes and develop mathematical arguments about geometric relationships <br> - Specify locations and describe spatial relationships using coordinate geometry and other representational systems <br> - Apply transformations and use symmetry to analyze mathematical situations <br> - Use visualization, spatial reasoning, and geometric modeling to solve problems | Measurement: <br> Understand measurable attributes of objects and the units, systems, and processes of measurement <br> - Apply appropriate techniques, tools, and formulas to determine measurements | Data Analysis, Statistics, and Probability <br> Formulate questions that can be addressed with data and collect, organize, and display relevant data to answer them <br> - Select and use appropriate statistical methods to analyze data <br> - Develop and evaluate inferences and predictions that are based on data <br> - Understand and apply basic concepts of probability |
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| Grade K: <br> - Count by ones, beginning from any number in the counting sequence. <br> - Represent quantities using concrete objects, and investigate the partitioning of sets. <br> - Identify equal parts of groups. <br> - Create problems that can be solved using addition and subtraction. <br> Grade 1-2: <br> Use concrete materials to investigate situations that lead to multiplication and division. <br> - Develop and use strategies for addition and subtraction of multi-digit whole numbers. Check by estimation. | Grade K: <br> Explore skip counting by twos. <br> Grade 1-2: <br> Investigate situations with variables as unknowns and as quantities that vary. | Grade K: Investigate symmetry of two- and three-dimensional shapes and constructions. Grade1-2: Investigate symmetry in twodimensional shapes with mirrors or by paper folding. <br> - Explore intersecting, parallel, and perpendicular lines. <br> - Create mental images of geometric shapes using spatial memory and spatial visualization. <br> - Recognize and represent shapes from different perspectives. <br> - Recognize geometric shapes and structures in the environment and specify their location. <br> - Identify relative | Grade K: <br> Explore and use standard units to measure and compare temperature, length, and time. <br> - Identify positions of events over time, e.g., earlier, later. <br> Grade 1-2: <br> Explore measurable attributes of objects, including length, perimeter, weight, area, volume, and temperature. <br> Compare concrete objects using these measures. | Grade K: <br> Collect and organize data in lists, tables, and simple graphs. <br> Grade 1-2: <br> Investigate more likely, likely, and impossible outcomes by conducting experiments using spinners, counters, and other concrete objects. <br> - List and count the number of possible pairings of objects from two sets. |

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| - Investigate addition of common fractions, e.g., $1.2+1.2=1,1.4+1.4$ $=1.2$. <br> - Understand situations that entail multiplication and division, such as equal groupings of objects and sharing equally. |  | positions, e.g., closer, farther, higher, lower, etc. <br> - Find and name locations on maps and express simple relationships, e.g., near to, far away from. |  |  |
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| Grade 3-4: <br> Extend multiplication and division to larger-digit numbers. <br> - Use models to explore multiplication and division with fractions (to twelfths) and decimals. <br> - Investigate number theory concepts, e.g., prime and composite numbers. <br> - Investigate the concept of ratio, e.g., the number of students to the number of teachers. <br> - Use concrete objects and visual models to add and subtract common decimals. <br> - Explore numbers less than zero by extending the number line and by using familiar applications such as temperature. <br> - Investigate the distributive | Grade3-4: <br> Use concrete materials to build an understanding of equality and inequality. <br> - Explore properties of equality in number sentences: when equals are added to equals, then the sums are equal; when equals are multiplied by equals, then the products are equal, e.g., if $n=5$, then $3 . n=3.5$. | Grade3-4: <br> Predict and describe results of transformations (e.g., translations, rotations, and reflections) on twodimensional shapes. <br> - Investigate twodimensional representations of threedimensional objects. | Grade 3-4: <br> Develop the concepts of area and perimeter by investigating areas and perimeters of regular and irregular shapes created on dot paper, coordinate grids, or geoboards. <br> - Use concrete objects to explore volumes and surface areas of rectangular prisms. <br> - Investigate the use of protractors to measure angles. <br> - Identify common measurements of turns, e.g., $360^{\circ}$ in one full turn, $180^{\circ}$ in a half turn, and $90^{\circ}$ in a quarter turn. <br> - Investigate areas of right triangles. <br> - Understand that measurements are approximations and | Grade3-4: <br> Explore the concepts of median, mode, maximum and minimum, and range. <br> - Discuss what data-collection methods are appropriate for various types of investigations. <br> - Explore situations that involve probabilities of equally likely events. <br> - Investigate the construction of simple circle graphs. |

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| property of multiplication over addition for single-digit multipliers, e.g., $7 .(10+5)$ is equivalent to $7.10+7.5$. |  |  | investigate how differences in units affect precision. |  |
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| Grade 5-6: <br> Explore the addition and subtraction of positive and negative fractions. <br> - Investigate the concepts of ratio and proportion. <br> - Investigate the distributive property of multiplication over addition for doubledigit multipliers, e.g., 12 . $(10+3)$ is equivalent to $12.10+$ 12 . 3. | Grade5-6: <br> Use physical models to investigate and describe how a change in one variable affects a second variable. <br> - Use models to develop understanding of slope as constant rate of change. <br> - Model situations with proportional relationships and solve problems. | Grade 5-6: <br> Use manipulative and technology to model geometric shapes. <br> - Investigate tessellations (tiling). <br> - Explore the angles formed by intersecting lines. <br> - Identify and draw shapes and figures from different views/perspectives. <br> - Recognize and apply geometric ideas and relationships in areas outside the mathematics classroom, <br> Such as art, science, and everyday life. | Grade5-6: <br> Explore various models for finding the area of a triangle, parallelogram, and trapezoid, and develop strategies for more complex shapes. <br> - Investigate volumes and surface areas of a variety of threedimensional objects. <br> - Explore volume and surface areas of rectangular prisms, cylinders, and spheres. | Grade5-6: <br> Set up and analyze capturerecapture experiments. <br> - 4 Generate and group data, record the data using frequency tables and interpret the tables. <br> - Select, create, and use appropriate graphical representations of data, including histograms, box plots, and scatter plots. <br> - Compare different representations of the same data and evaluate how well each representation shows important aspects of the data. |
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