Louisiana Guide to Implementing Amplify: Grade 4

To assist teachers with the implementation of the fourth grade Amplify curriculum, this document provides guidance regarding how Amplify units correlate with the Louisiana Student Standards for Science (LSSS). The Amplify curriculum provides ample instructional guidance for teachers. This Louisiana Guide for Implementing Amplify goes a step further to point out places in which teachers may need to make strategic decisions considering student needs and time availability.

This guidance document is considered a “living” document as we believe that teachers and other educators will find ways to improve the document as they use it. Please send feedback to classroomsupporttoolbox@la.gov so that we may use your input when updating this guide.

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* The performance expectation is only partially addressed using the identified phenomenon. The performance expectation is addressed in other unit(s).

Standard 4-ESS2-3 is partially addressed throughout the Grade 4 modules.

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| Unit 1 Earth’s Features     | Chapter 1: How did the fossil get inside the rocky outcrop?  
Chapter 2: What was the environment of Desert Rocks National Park in the past?  
Chapter 3: What is the order of the past environments of Desert Rocks National Park?  
Chapter 4: Why did more rock layers get exposed in Desert Rocks Canyon than in Keller’s Canyon?                                                                                                                                 |
| Unit 2 Vision & Light       | Chapter 1: How does a Tokay gecko get information about its environment?  
Chapter 2: How does light allow a Tokay gecko to see its prey?  
Chapter 3: How does a Tokay gecko know that it is looking at its prey?  
Chapter 4: How could more light at night make it hard for a Tokay gecko to see its prey?  
Chapter 5: How do our senses help us understand our environment?                                                                                                                                 |
| Unit 3 Energy Conversions   | Chapter 1: What happened to the electrical system the night of the Ergstown blackout?  
Chapter 2: What makes the devices in Ergstown output energy or fail to output energy?  
Chapter 3: Where does the electrical energy for the devices in Ergstown come from?  
Chapter 4: How does energy get to the devices all over Ergstown?                                                                                                                                 |
| Unit 4 Waves, Energy, & Information | Chapter 1: Why are the snails with yellow shells not surviving well?  
Chapter 2: Why are the snails with banded shells more likely to survive than the snails with yellow shells?  
Chapter 3: Why were snails with yellow shells more likely to survive in their environment 10 years ago?  
Chapter 4: How can engineers use what they learn from organisms’ traits to design solutions?                                                                                                                                 |

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Alignment to EAGLE 2.0

The EAGLE 2.0 online tool supports formative assessment in the classroom and can be used in conjunction with Amplify Science assessment guidance to enhance teaching and learning. A Teacher’s Guide to LEAP 360 provides an overview of the online tool and information on how to access the science EAGLE assessment items. The assessment items can be used immediately following a unit of study to help measure student progress.

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| Unit 1 Earth’s Features       | 998125 (4-ESS2-1)  
Grand Canyon (4-ESS2-1)  
Dam (4-ESS2-1)  
Ashfall (4-ESS3-2)         | Practice Test Item Set Hawaiian Volcanoes (4-ESS2-2 and 4-ESS3-2)  
Sierra Nevada (4-ESS1-1 and 4-ESS2-2) |
| Unit 2 Vision & Light         | Green Pitcher 1025204 (4-LS1-1)  
Spiders 4 1025223 (4-LS1-2)  
1025238 (4-PS4-2)           | Practice Test Item Set Predator and Prey (4-LS1-2 and 4-PS4-2)  
Practice Test Item Beavers (4-ESS2-3 and 4-LS1-1)  
Blackbirds (4-ESS2-3 and 4-LS1-1) |
| Unit 3 Energy Conversions     | 1025192 (4-PS3-1)  
1025194 (4-PS3-2)  
1025196 (4-PS3-4)  
Wind Power 136574 (4-ESS3-1) | Practice Item Set Heating with Solar Energy (4-PS3-4 and 4-ESS3-1)  
Practice Test Item Set Marble Experiment (4-PS3-1 and 4-PS3-3)  
Practice Test Item Striking Flint (4-PS3-3 and 4-PS3-2) |
| Unit 4 Waves, Energy, & Information | 1025361 (4-PS3-3)  
Puddles 1025227 (4-PS4-1) | Hurricanes (4-ESS2-1 and 4-PS4-1)                                            |
| Additional Standards          | Termite (4-ESS2-3)                                                                |                                                                               |
Amplify Materials and Professional Development

Professional Development Services
Amplify professional development sessions are designed for teachers, teacher leaders, instructional coaches, curriculum specialists, and administrators. For information about PhD Science professional development services, review the PD Vendor Guide.

Purchasing Information
Amplify Education offers Amplify Science as a Tier 1 science program for grades 3-5. Print materials and kits are available for purchase. The Amplify Price List provides an overview of the materials and kits available through the Department’s Instructional Materials Contract Pricing.