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Preface

This document is a supplement to the State Match North Dakota Content Standards English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science Grades 8–12 and EXPLORE, PLAN, the ACT, and WorkKeys (November 2009). This supplement identifies specific ACT College Readiness Standards that correspond to each North Dakota Standard in a side-by-side format. The left side of each page presents the North Dakota Content Standards (highlighted if measured by ACT's corresponding testing program). The right side of each page presents the specific ACT College Readiness Standard(s) and WorkKeys skill(s) that correspond to each North Dakota Standard.

North Dakota Content Standards listed here are from the North Dakota Content Standards as presented on the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction's website in September 2009.



SUPPLEMENT TABLES 1A-1G:

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE College Readiness Standards
Standard 1:	
Students engage in the research process.	
PLANNING RESEARCH	
8.1.1. Use questions to narrow research topic	
ACCESSING INFORMATION	
8.1.2. Use a variety of primary and/or secondary sources to access information i.e., computer catalogs, magazines, newspapers, and primary sources	
EVALUATING RESEARCH INFORMATION	
8.1.3. Evaluate sources that present different perspectives e.g., by identifying sources of bias and distinguishing between primary and secondary sources	
ORGANIZING AND PRESENTING RESEARCH INFORMATION	·
8.1.4. Use information from multiple sources when presenting research findings to defined audiences	
PRESENTATION	
8.1.5. Write a research report using a thesis	
EVALUATE THE RESEARCH	
8.1.6. Evaluate the research process	
8.1.7. Evaluate a research product using a rubric	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
Students engage in the reading process.	
LITERARY AND INFORMATIONAL GENRES	
8.2.1. Compare or contrast characteristics of fiction and nonfiction genres	
READING STRATEGIES FOR INTERPRETING MEANING OF TEXTS	
8.2.2. Use prior knowledge and experiences to aid text comprehension	
8.2.3. Use a variety of strategies to construct meaning from	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
text e.g., vocabulary building strategies, skimming, paraphrasing, summarizing, brainstorming, discussing	Recognize a clear intent of an author or narrator in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Infer the main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view, kinds of evidence used) in uncomplicated passages
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of any paragraph or paragraphs in uncomplicated passages
	Supporting Details:
	Locate basic facts (e.g., names, dates, events) clearly stated in a passage
	Locate simple details at the sentence and paragraph level in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Locate important details in uncomplicated passages
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Locate and interpret minor or subtly stated details in uncomplicated passages
	Sequential, Comparative, and Cause-Effect Relationships:
	Determine when (e.g., first, last, before, after) or if an event occurred in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize clear cause-effect relationships described within a single sentence in a passage
	Identify relationships between main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Recognize clear cause-effect relationships within a single paragraph in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Order simple sequences of events in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify clear relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Identify clear cause-effect relationships in uncomplicated passages

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
	Order sequences of events in uncomplicated passages
	Understand relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Understand implied or subtly stated cause-effect relationships in uncomplicated passages
	Meanings of Words:
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
	Generalizations and Conclusions:
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about the main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about characters, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated literary narratives
PURPOSES FOR READING	<u>.</u>
8.2.4. Read for a variety of purposes to develop lifetime reading skills and habits, e.g., for personal recreation, to model forms of writing	
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	<u>.</u>
8.2.5. Identify theme, protagonist, antagonist, and dialect in	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
literary texts	Summarize basic events and ideas in more challenging passages
8.2.6. Identify figurative language in literary texts including	Meanings of Words:
personification, simile, metaphor, and hyperbole	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
8.2.7. Make connections between literature and historical period, culture, and society	
8.2.8. Explain the uses of sound devices in literary texts, including alliteration, onomatopoeia, rhyme, repetition, and rhythm	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
Vocabulary	
8.2.9. Use vocabulary building skills and strategies e.g.,	Meanings of Words:
ORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 English Language Arts Intent Standards tandard 2: DCABULARY 2.9. Use vocabulary building skills and strategies e.g., nonyms/antonyms, prefixes/suffixes, multiple meaning ords context clues, word reference aids – dictionary, ossary, thesaurus, to determine the meaning of unfamiliar ords and make sense of text 2.10. Build vocabulary e.g., Greek and Latin roots, ctionary information, content area terminology	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
words and make sense of text	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
8.2.10. Build vocabulary e.g., Greek and Latin roots, dictionary information, content area terminology	

College Readiness Standards
Topic Development in Terms of Purpose and Focus: Identify the basic purpose or role of a specified phrase or
Delete a clause or sentence because it is obviously
Identify the central idea or main topic of a straightforward
Determine relevancy when presented with a variety of sentence-level details
Identify the focus of a simple essay, applying that knowledge to add a sentence that sharpens that focus or to determine if an essay has met a specified goal
Delete material primarily because it disturbs the flow and development of the paragraph
Add a sentence to accomplish a fairly straightforward purpose such as illustrating a given statement
Organization, Unity, and Coherence:
Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to show time relationships in simple narrative essays (e.g., <i>then</i> , <i>this time</i>)
Select the most logical place to add a sentence in a paragraph

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE English College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to express straightfor- ward logical relationships (e.g., <i>first</i> , <i>afterward</i> , <i>in response</i>)
	Decide the most logical place to add a sentence in an essay
	Add a sentence that introduces a simple paragraph
	Determine the need for conjunctive adverbs or phrases to create subtle logical connections between sentences (e.g., <i>therefore, however, in addition</i>)
	Rearrange the sentences in a fairly uncomplicated paragraph for the sake of logic
	Add a sentence to introduce or conclude the essay or to provide a transition between paragraphs when the essay is fairly straightforward
	Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy:
	Revise sentences to correct awkward and confusing arrangements of sentence elements
	Revise vague nouns and pronouns that create obvious logic problems
	Delete obviously synonymous and wordy material in a sentence
	Revise expressions that deviate from the style of an essay
	Delete redundant material when information is repeated in different parts of speech (e.g., "alarmingly startled")
	Use the word or phrase most consistent with the style and tone of a fairly straightforward essay
	Determine the clearest and most logical conjunction to link clauses
	Revise a phrase that is redundant in terms of the meaning and logic of the entire sentence
	Identify and correct ambiguous pronoun references
	Use the word or phrase most appropriate in terms of the content of the sentence and tone of the essay
8.3.11. Edit for grammar, mechanics, usage, and spelling	Sentence Structure and Formation:
	Use conjunctions or punctuation to join simple clauses
	Revise shifts in verb tense between simple clauses in a sentence or between simple adjoining sentences
	Determine the need for punctuation and conjunctions to avoid awkward-sounding sentence fragments and fused sentences
	Decide the appropriate verb tense and voice by considering the meaning of the entire sentence
	Recognize and correct marked disturbances of sentence flow and structure (e.g., participial phrase fragments, missing or incorrect relative pronouns, dangling or misplaced modifiers)
	Revise to avoid faulty placement of phrases and faulty coordination and subordination of clauses in sentences with subtle structural problems

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE English College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	Maintain consistent verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of the preceding clause or sentence Conventions of Usage:
	Solve such basic grammatical problems as how to form the past and past participle of irregular but commonly used verbs and how to form comparative and superlative adjectives
	Solve such grammatical problems as whether to use an adverb or adjective form, how to ensure straightforward subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement, and which preposition to use in simple contexts
	Recognize and use the appropriate word in frequently confused pairs such as <i>there</i> and <i>their</i> , <i>past</i> and <i>passed</i> , and <i>led</i> and <i>lead</i>
	Use idiomatically appropriate prepositions, especially in combination with verbs (e.g., <i>long for, appeal to</i>)
	Ensure that a verb agrees with its subject when there is some text between the two
	Ensure that a pronoun agrees with its antecedent when the two occur in separate clauses or sentences
	Identify the correct past and past participle forms of irregular and infrequently used verbs and form present-perfect verbs by using <i>have</i> rather than <i>of</i>
	Conventions of Punctuation:
	Delete commas that create basic sense problems (e.g., between verb and direct object)
	Provide appropriate punctuation in straightforward situations (e.g., items in a series)
	Delete commas that disturb the sentence flow (e.g., between modifier and modified element)
	Use commas to set off simple parenthetical phrases
	Delete unnecessary commas when an incorrect reading of the sentence suggests a pause that should be punctuated (e.g., between verb and direct object clause)
	Use punctuation to set off complex parenthetical phrases
	Recognize and delete unnecessary commas based on a careful reading of a complicated sentence (e.g., between the elements of a compound subject or compound verb joined by <i>and</i>)
	Use apostrophes to indicate simple possessive nouns
	Recognize inappropriate uses of colons and semicolons
FINAL DRAFT	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
PUBLICATION/PRESENTATION	
8.3.13. Use computer technology to present written work	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE College Readiness Standards
Standard 4:	
Students engage in the speaking and listening process.	
PLANNING FOR AN AUDIENCE/PURPOSE	
8.4.1. Speak with a purpose using delivery techniques appropriate for different audiences to inform, demonstrate, entertain, or persuade	
8.4.2. Use supporting materials for topic development e.g., research, personal experience, literature, interview	
CONVERSATION, GROUP DISCUSSION, AND ORAL PRESENTATION	
8.4.3. Speak for different purposes e.g., group discussions, research presentations and demonstrations	
VERBAL AND NONVERBAL COMMUNICATION	
8.4.4. Use volume, eye contact, rate, pronunciation, and articulation effectively in oral presentations	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE College Readiness Standards
Standard 5:	
Students understand media.	
Media Genres	
8.5.1. Identify existing and developing media	
USING MEDIA FOR A PURPOSE	
8.5.2. Access media (e.g., television, film, music, electronic databases, videos, DVDs, comics, visual and performing arts, newspapers, and periodicals) for a variety of purposes	
8.5.3. Construct media messages e.g., editorials, news articles, commentaries, web sites, commercials, advertisements	
INTERPRETING MEDIA	·
8.5.4. Describe the role of the media in influencing and shaping public opinion	
8.5.5. Show how media messages influence people in various ways e.g., comprehensiveness, appeal to emotions, attitudes and behaviors, authenticity, stereotyping	
8.5.6. Define plagiarism and its consequences	
8.5.7. Define copyright	

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Standard 6:	
Students understand and use principles of language.	
LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS/MECHANICS	
8.6.1. Use varied sentence structure i.e., simple, compound, complex, and inverted order	
8.6.2. Use conventions of grammar related to parts of	English College Readiness Standards
speech; i.e., verbs progressive tense, complements	Sentence Structure and Formation:
	Use conjunctions or punctuation to join simple clauses
	Revise shifts in verb tense between simple clauses in a sentence or between simple adjoining sentences
	Determine the need for punctuation and conjunctions to avoid awkward-sounding sentence fragments and fused sentences
	Decide the appropriate verb tense and voice by considering the meaning of the entire sentence
	Recognize and correct marked disturbances of sentence flow and structure (e.g., participial phrase fragments, missing or incorrect relative pronouns, dangling or misplaced modifiers)
	Revise to avoid faulty placement of phrases and faulty coordination and subordination of clauses in sentences with subtle structural problems
	Maintain consistent verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of the preceding clause or sentence
	Conventions of Usage:
	Solve such basic grammatical problems as how to form the past and past participle of irregular but commonly used verbs and how to form comparative and superlative adjectives
	Solve such grammatical problems as whether to use an adverb or adjective form, how to ensure straightforward subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement, and which preposition to use in simple contexts
	Recognize and use the appropriate word in frequently confused pairs such as <i>there</i> and <i>their</i> , <i>past</i> and <i>passed</i> , and <i>led</i> and <i>lead</i>
	Use idiomatically appropriate prepositions, especially in combination with verbs (e.g., <i>long for</i> , <i>appeal to</i>)
	Ensure that a verb agrees with its subject when there is some text between the two
	Ensure that a pronoun agrees with its antecedent when the two occur in separate clauses or sentences
	Identify the correct past and past participle forms of irregular and infrequently used verbs and form present-perfect verbs by using <i>have</i> rather than <i>of</i>

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE English and Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 6:	
8.6.3. Use grade-appropriate mechanics and usage i.e.,	English College Readiness Standards
capitalization: publications and in letters; punctuation:	Sentence Structure and Formation:
commas, semi colons, colons, quotation marks, underlining,	Use conjunctions or punctuation to join simple clauses
	Revise shifts in verb tense between simple clauses in a sentence or between simple adjoining sentences
	Determine the need for punctuation and conjunctions to avoid awkward-sounding sentence fragments and fused sentences
	Decide the appropriate verb tense and voice by considering the meaning of the entire sentence
	Recognize and correct marked disturbances of sentence flow and structure (e.g., participial phrase fragments, missing or incorrect relative pronouns, dangling or misplaced modifiers)
	Revise to avoid faulty placement of phrases and faulty coordination and subordination of clauses in sentences with subtle structural problems
	Maintain consistent verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of the preceding clause or sentence
	Conventions of Usage:
	Solve such basic grammatical problems as how to form the past and past participle of irregular but commonly used verbs and how to form comparative and superlative adjectives
	Solve such grammatical problems as whether to use an adverb or adjective form, how to ensure straightforward subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement, and which preposition to use in simple contexts
	Recognize and use the appropriate word in frequently confused pairs such as <i>there</i> and <i>their</i> , <i>past</i> and <i>passed</i> , and <i>led</i> and <i>lead</i>
	Use idiomatically appropriate prepositions, especially in combination with verbs (e.g., <i>long for, appeal to</i>)
	Ensure that a verb agrees with its subject when there is some text between the two
	Ensure that a pronoun agrees with its antecedent when the two occur in separate clauses or sentences
	Identify the correct past and past participle forms of irregular and infrequently used verbs and form present-perfect verbs by using <i>have</i> rather than <i>of</i>
	Conventions of Punctuation:
	Delete commas that create basic sense problems (e.g., between verb and direct object)
	Provide appropriate punctuation in straightforward situations (e.g., items in a series)
	Delete commas that disturb the sentence flow (e.g., between modifier and modified element)
	Use commas to set off simple parenthetical phrases

Content Standards	College Readiness Standards
Standard 6:	
	Delete unnecessary commas when an incorrect reading of the sentence suggests a pause that should be punctuated (e.g., between verb and direct object clause)
	Use punctuation to set off complex parenthetical phrases
	Recognize and delete unnecessary commas based on a careful reading of a complicated sentence (e.g., between the elements of a compound subject or compound verb joined by <i>and</i>)
	Use apostrophes to indicate simple possessive nouns
	Recognize inappropriate uses of colons and semicolons
LANGUAGE CONTEXT	
8.6.4. Identify social differences in language e.g., the use of slang, cliché, formal and informal styles	
8.6.5. Identify cultural and regional differences in language use e.g., different dialects and language diversity	
8.6.6. Locate examples of professional uses of language including jargon and formal styles	
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
8.6.7. Use figurative language including simile, metaphor,	Reading College Readiness Standards
alliteration, personification, onomatopoeia, hyperbole, and	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
point of view	Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view, kinds of evidence used) in uncomplicated passages
	Supporting Details:
	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Sequential, Comparative, and Cause-Effect Relationships:
	Identify clear relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Understand relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Meanings of Words:
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
	Generalizations and Conclusions:
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about the main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE English and Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 6:	
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about characters, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated literary narratives

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 9 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE College Readiness Standards
Standard 1:	
Students engage in the research process.	
PLANNING RESEARCH	
9.1.1. Choose a broad topic, state the problem or question	
9.1.2. Formulate a preliminary thesis statement	
ACCESSING INFORMATION	·
No benchmark expectations at this level	
EVALUATING RESEARCH INFORMATION	
9.1.3. Cross-reference information	
9.1.4. Evaluate relevancy of information	
ORGANIZING RESEARCH INFORMATION	
9.1.5. Organize information from a variety of sources e.g., chronological	
9.1.6. Summarize information	
9.1.7. Identify and avoid plagiarism	
9.1.8. Use primary and secondary sources	
9.1.9. Use graphic organizer	
PRESENTATION	
9.1.10. Write research papers and presentations using a thesis and organized information	
EVALUATE THE RESEARCH PROCESS	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 9 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
Students engage in the reading process.	
LITERARY GENRES	
9.2.1. Identify characteristics of a variety of fiction genres i.e., novels, short stories, plays, and poetry	
9.2.2. Identify the organizational features of fiction, drama, and poetry i.e., stanza, act, scene, chapter, verse, and article	
INFORMATIONAL GENRES	1
9.2.3. Differentiate between a variety of nonfiction genres i.e., newspapers, magazines, electronic texts, biographies, reference materials, essays, and speeches	
READING STRATEGIES FOR INTERPRETING MEANING OF TEXTS	
9.2.4. Identify persuasive writing	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
	Recognize a clear intent of an author or narrator in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Infer the main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view, kinds of evidence used) in uncomplicated passages
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of any paragraph or paragraphs in uncomplicated passages
9.2.5. Locate redundancies in written texts to clarify meaning	
9.2.6. Demonstrate oral reading fluency	
9.2.7. Access prior knowledge to interpret meaning	
PURPOSES FOR READING	
9.2.8. Read for a variety of purposes and intents e.g., to become life-long readers, to model forms of writing	
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
9.2.9. Identify character, setting, plot, stanza, act, scene,	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
chapter, verse, article, liction, honifiction, point of view	Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view, kinds of evidence used) in uncomplicated passages
	Supporting Details:
	Locate basic facts (e.g., names, dates, events) clearly stated in a passage
	Locate simple details at the sentence and paragraph level in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Locate important details in uncomplicated passages
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 9 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
	Locate and interpret minor or subtly stated details in uncomplicated passages
	Sequential, Comparative, and Cause-Effect Relationships:
	Determine when (e.g., first, last, before, after) or if an event occurred in uncomplicated passages
	Order simple sequences of events in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Order sequences of events in uncomplicated passages
	Generalizations and Conclusions:
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about the main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about charac- ters, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated literary narratives
9.2.10. Analyze an author's use of literary techniques and	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
devices i.e., mood, foreshadowing, flashbacks, dialogue, and poetic license	Recognize a clear intent of an author or narrator in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Infer the main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view, kinds of evidence used) in uncomplicated passages
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of any paragraph or paragraphs in uncomplicated passages
	Supporting Details:
	Locate basic facts (e.g., names, dates, events) clearly stated in a passage
	Locate simple details at the sentence and paragraph level in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Locate important details in uncomplicated passages
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Locate and interpret minor or subtly stated details in uncomplicated passages
	Sequential, Comparative, and Cause-Effect Relationships:
	Determine when (e.g., first, last, before, after) or if an event occurred in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize clear cause-effect relationships described within a single sentence in a passage

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 9 English Language Arts	EXPLORE Reading
Content Standards	College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
	Identify relationships between main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Recognize clear cause-effect relationships within a single paragraph in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Order simple sequences of events in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify clear relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Identify clear cause-effect relationships in uncomplicated passages
	Order sequences of events in uncomplicated passages
	Understand relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Understand implied or subtly stated cause-effect relationships in uncomplicated passages
	Meanings of Words:
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
	Generalizations and Conclusions:
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about the main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about characters, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated literary narratives
9.2.11. Identify universal themes	
9.2.12. Explain ways in which the setting affects the	Supporting Details:
development of a story	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
9.2.13. Analyze author's use of literary techniques and	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
devices i.e., foreshadowing and flashbacks	Recognize a clear intent of an author or narrator in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Infer the main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 9 English Language Arts	EXPLORE Reading
Content Standards	College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
	Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view, kinds of evidence used) in uncomplicated passages
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of any paragraph or paragraphs in uncomplicated passages
	Supporting Details:
	Locate basic facts (e.g., names, dates, events) clearly stated in a passage
	Locate simple details at the sentence and paragraph level in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Locate important details in uncomplicated passages
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Locate and interpret minor or subtly stated details in uncomplicated passages
	Sequential, Comparative, and Cause-Effect Relationships:
	Determine when (e.g., first, last, before, after) or if an event occurred in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize clear cause-effect relationships described within a single sentence in a passage
	Identify relationships between main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Recognize clear cause-effect relationships within a single paragraph in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Order simple sequences of events in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify clear relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Identify clear cause-effect relationships in uncomplicated passages
	Order sequences of events in uncomplicated passages
	Understand relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Understand implied or subtly stated cause-effect relationships in uncomplicated passages
	Meanings of Words:
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 9 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
	Generalizations and Conclusions:
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about the main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about characters, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated literary narratives
Vocabulary	
9.2.14. Use decoding/encoding, connotation, and denotation	Meanings of Words:
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
9.2.15. Build vocabulary by reading a variety of gradelevel texts and applying new vocabulary	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 9 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE English College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
Students engage in the writing process.	
INFORMATIVE WRITING	
9.3.1. Write expository texts e.g., essays, directions, and letters	
LITERARY/NARRATIVE WRITING	
9.3.2. Write descriptive and narrative compositions e.g., journals, personal letters, biographies, short stories, autobiographical sketches, oneact plays, and poetry	
PERSUASIVE WRITING	
9.3.3. Develop a composition detailing an opinion	
Prewriting	
9.3.4. Develop a focus for composition e.g., a theme or unifying idea	
9.3.5. Organize the ideas and details of a composition according to purpose	
DRAFTING	
9.3.6. Elaborate ideas through word choice and description	Topic Development in Terms of Purpose and Focus:
using grade-level vocabulary	Identify the basic purpose or role of a specified phrase or sentence
	Identify the central idea or main topic of a straightforward piece of writing
	Identify the focus of a simple essay, applying that knowledge to add a sentence that sharpens that focus or to determine if an essay has met a specified goal
	Add a sentence to accomplish a fairly straightforward purpose such as illustrating a given statement
	Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy:
	Use the word or phrase most appropriate in terms of the content of the sentence and tone of the essay
9.3.7. Organize and write compositions for self and family	Organization, Unity, and Coherence:
	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to show time relationships in simple narrative essays (e.g., <i>then</i> , <i>this time</i>)
	Select the most logical place to add a sentence in a paragraph
	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to express straightforward logical relationships (e.g., <i>first, afterward, in response</i>)
	Decide the most logical place to add a sentence in an essay
	Add a sentence that introduces a simple paragraph
	Determine the need for conjunctive adverbs or phrases to create subtle logical connections between sentences (e.g., <i>therefore, however, in addition</i>)
	Rearrange the sentences in a fairly uncomplicated paragraph for the sake of logic

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 9 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE English College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	Add a sentence to introduce or conclude the essay or to provide a transition between paragraphs when the essay is fairly straightforward
9.3.8. Use supporting details	Topic Development in Terms of Purpose and Focus:
	Identify the basic purpose or role of a specified phrase or sentence
	Delete a clause or sentence because it is obviously irrelevant to the essay
	Identify the central idea or main topic of a straightforward piece of writing
	Determine relevancy when presented with a variety of sentence-level details
	Identify the focus of a simple essay, applying that knowledge to add a sentence that sharpens that focus or to determine if an essay has met a specified goal
	Delete material primarily because it disturbs the flow and development of the paragraph
	Add a sentence to accomplish a fairly straightforward purpose such as illustrating a given statement
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
9.3.9. Use techniques of characterization in compositions e.g., description, dialogue, interior monologue	
REVISING AND EDITING	
9.3.10. Edit and revise compositions for proper mechanics	Organization, Unity, and Coherence:
and grammar, syntax, diction, and order	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to show time relationships in simple narrative essays (e.g., <i>then, this time</i>)
	Select the most logical place to add a sentence in a paragraph
	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to express straightforward logical relationships (e.g., <i>first</i> , <i>afterward</i> , <i>in response</i>)
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	 Decide the most logical place to add a sentence in an essay Add a sentence that introduces a simple paragraph Determine the need for conjunctive adverbs or phrases to create subtle logical connections between sentences (e.g., <i>therefore, however, in addition</i>) Rearrange the sentences in a fairly uncomplicated paragraph for the sake of logic Add a sentence to introduce or conclude the essay or to provide a transition between paragraphs when the essay is fairly straightforward Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy: Revise sentences to correct awkward and confusing arrangements of sentence elements
	 Decide the most logical place to add a sentence in an essay Add a sentence that introduces a simple paragraph Determine the need for conjunctive adverbs or phrases to create subtle logical connections between sentences (e.g., <i>therefore, however, in addition</i>) Rearrange the sentences in a fairly uncomplicated paragraph for the sake of logic Add a sentence to introduce or conclude the essay or to provide a transition between paragraphs when the essay is fairly straightforward Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy: Revise sentences to correct awkward and confusing arrangements of sentence elements Revise expressions that deviate from the style of an essay

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 9 English Language Arts	EXPLORE English
Content Standards	College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	Use the word or phrase most appropriate in terms of the
	content of the sentence and tone of the essay
	Sentence Structure and Formation:
	Use conjunctions or punctuation to join simple clauses
	Revise shifts in verb tense between simple clauses in a sentence or between simple adjoining sentences
	Determine the need for punctuation and conjunctions to avoid awkward-sounding sentence fragments and fused sentences
	Decide the appropriate verb tense and voice by considering the meaning of the entire sentence
	Recognize and correct marked disturbances of sentence flow and structure (e.g., participial phrase fragments, missing or incorrect relative pronouns, dangling or misplaced modifiers)
	Revise to avoid faulty placement of phrases and faulty coordination and subordination of clauses in sentences with subtle structural problems
	Maintain consistent verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of the preceding clause or sentence
	Conventions of Usage:
	Solve such basic grammatical problems as how to form the past and past participle of irregular but commonly used verbs and how to form comparative and superlative adjectives
	Solve such grammatical problems as whether to use an adverb or adjective form, how to ensure straightforward subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement, and which preposition to use in simple contexts
	Recognize and use the appropriate word in frequently confused pairs such as <i>there</i> and <i>their</i> , <i>past</i> and <i>passed</i> , and <i>led</i> and <i>lead</i>
	Use idiomatically appropriate prepositions, especially in combination with verbs (e.g., <i>long for, appeal to</i>)
	Ensure that a verb agrees with its subject when there is some text between the two
	Ensure that a pronoun agrees with its antecedent when the two occur in separate clauses or sentences
	Identify the correct past and past participle forms of irregular and infrequently used verbs and form present-perfect verbs by using <i>have</i> rather than <i>of</i>
	Conventions of Punctuation:
	Delete commas that create basic sense problems (e.g., between verb and direct object)
	Provide appropriate punctuation in straightforward situations (e.g., items in a series)
	Delete commas that disturb the sentence flow (e.g., between modifier and modified element)
	Use commas to set off simple parenthetical phrases

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 9 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE English College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	Delete unnecessary commas when an incorrect reading of the sentence suggests a pause that should be punctuated (e.g., between verb and direct object clause)
	Use punctuation to set off complex parenthetical phrases
	Recognize and delete unnecessary commas based on a careful reading of a complicated sentence (e.g., between the elements of a compound subject or compound verb joined by <i>and</i>)
	Use apostrophes to indicate simple possessive nouns
	Recognize inappropriate uses of colons and semicolons
9.3.11. Arrange paragraphs in a logical progression	
PUBLISHING/PRESENTATION	
9.3.12. Use technology e.g., publishing software and graphic programs, to present written work	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 9 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE College Readiness Standards
Standard 4:	
Students engage in the speaking and listening process.	
PLANNING FOR AN AUDIENCE/PURPOSE	
9.4.1. Analyze the audience and adjust message and wording to suit purpose	
VERBAL AND NONVERBAL COMMUNICATION	
9.4.2. Use visual aids effectively in oral presentations	
9.4.3. Use notes and manuscripts to make oral presentations	
CONVERSATION, GROUP DISCUSSION, AND ORAL PRESENTATION	
9.4.4. Engage in a group discussion	
9.4.5. Use critical listening skills i.e., reflection	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 9 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE College Readiness Standards
Standard 5:	
Students understand media.	
Media Genres	
9.5.1. Identify existing and developing media	
USING MEDIA FOR A PURPOSE	
9.5.2. Access media (e.g., television, film, music, electronic databases, videos, DVDs, comics, visual and performing arts, newspapers, and periodicals) for a variety of purposes	
INTERPRETING MEDIA	
9.5.3. Compare and contrast a written work and a media version	

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Standard 6:

Students understand and use principles of language.	
LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS/MECHANICS	
9.6.1. Identify conventions of grammar related to sentence	English College Readiness Standards
structure i.e., sentence reduction, parallel structure, elliptical clauses, conjunctions, clausal and phrasal patterns	Sentence Structure and Formation:
	Use conjunctions or punctuation to join simple clauses
	Revise shifts in verb tense between simple clauses in a sentence or between simple adjoining sentences
	Determine the need for punctuation and conjunctions to avoid awkward-sounding sentence fragments and fused sentences
	Decide the appropriate verb tense and voice by considering the meaning of the entire sentence
	Recognize and correct marked disturbances of sentence flow and structure (e.g., participial phrase fragments, missing or incorrect relative pronouns, dangling or misplaced modifiers)
	Revise to avoid faulty placement of phrases and faulty coordination and subordination of clauses in sentences with subtle structural problems
	Maintain consistent verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of the preceding clause or sentence
9.6.2. Use conventions of grammar related to parts of	English College Readiness Standards
speech i.e., verb tense and agreement	Sentence Structure and Formation:
	Use conjunctions or punctuation to join simple clauses
	Revise shifts in verb tense between simple clauses in a sentence or between simple adjoining sentences
	Determine the need for punctuation and conjunctions to avoid awkward-sounding sentence fragments and fused sentences
	Decide the appropriate verb tense and voice by considering the meaning of the entire sentence
	Recognize and correct marked disturbances of sentence flow and structure (e.g., participial phrase fragments, missing or incorrect relative pronouns, dangling or misplaced modifiers)
	Revise to avoid faulty placement of phrases and faulty coordination and subordination of clauses in sentences with

adjectives

subtle structural problems

Conventions of Usage:

Maintain consistent verb tense and pronoun person on the

Solve such basic grammatical problems as how to form the past and past participle of irregular but commonly used verbs and how to form comparative and superlative

Solve such grammatical problems as whether to use an adverb or adjective form, how to ensure straightforward subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement, and which

basis of the preceding clause or sentence

preposition to use in simple contexts

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 9 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE English and Reading College Readiness Standards	
Standard 6:		
	Recognize and use the appropriate word in frequently confused pairs such as <i>there</i> and <i>their</i> , <i>past</i> and <i>passed</i> , and <i>led</i> and <i>lead</i>	
	Use idiomatically appropriate prepositions, especially in combination with verbs (e.g., <i>long for</i> , <i>appeal to</i>)	
	Ensure that a verb agrees with its subject when there is some text between the two	
	Ensure that a pronoun agrees with its antecedent when the two occur in separate clauses or sentences	
	Identify the correct past and past participle forms of irregular and infrequently used verbs and form present-perfect verbs by using <i>have</i> rather than <i>of</i>	
9.6.3. Use conventions of punctuation	English College Readiness Standards	
	Conventions of Punctuation:	
	Delete commas that create basic sense problems (e.g., between verb and direct object)	
	Provide appropriate punctuation in straightforward situations (e.g., items in a series)	
	Delete commas that disturb the sentence flow (e.g., between modifier and modified element)	
	Use commas to set off simple parenthetical phrases	
	Delete unnecessary commas when an incorrect reading of the sentence suggests a pause that should be punctuated (e.g., between verb and direct object clause)	
	Use punctuation to set off complex parenthetical phrases	
	Recognize and delete unnecessary commas based on a careful reading of a complicated sentence (e.g., between the elements of a compound subject or compound verb joined by <i>and</i>)	
	Use apostrophes to indicate simple possessive nouns	
	Recognize inappropriate uses of colons and semicolons	
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES		
9.6.4. Identify idiomatic language and figurative language	English College Readiness Standards	
i.e., allusion, analogy, hyperbole, irony, personification,	Conventions of Usage:	
	Solve such grammatical problems as whether to use an adverb or adjective form, how to ensure straightforward subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement, and which preposition to use in simple contexts	
	Use idiomatically appropriate prepositions, especially in combination with verbs (e.g., <i>long for, appeal to</i>)	
	Reading College Readiness Standards	
	Meanings of Words:	
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language	
	Use context to understand basic figurative language	
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 9 English Language Arts Content Standards	EXPLORE English and Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 6:	
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
9.6.5. Identify the use of sound patterns in language i.e., alliteration, assonance, consonance	
9.6.6. Interpret symbolism	Reading College Readiness Standards
	Supporting Details:
	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Sequential, Comparative, and Cause-Effect Relationships:
	Identify clear relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Understand relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Meanings of Words:
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
LANGUAGE CONTEXT	
9.6.7. Locate cultural differences in language i.e., colloquialisms, regional and ethnic dialects, indigenous vocabulary	
9.6.8. Identify gender perspectives in language i.e., biased language	

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NORTH DAKOTA Grade 10 English Language Arts Content Standards	PLAN College Readiness Standards
Standard 1:	
Students engage in the research process.	
RESEARCH PLANNING	
10.1.1. Form questions to focus research	
ACCESSING INFORMATION	
10.1.2. Know ways to effectively search electronic databases e.g., defining key terms and using limiters to focus a search	
10.1.3. Gather reliable information to support a thesis	
EVALUATING RESEARCH INFORMATION	
10.1.4. Use relevant information	
ORGANIZING AND PRESENTING RESEARCH INFORMATION	
10.1.5. Organize information from a variety of sources into a unified whole	
10.1.6. Use a style sheet, such as MLA or APA, for citing primary and secondary sources	
10.1.7. Paraphrase information	
10.1.8. Use note cards	
10.1.9. Develop an outline	
PRESENTATION	
10.1.10. Write a research paper	
10.1.11. Present research information e.g., informative speech, computer-assisted presentation, video presentation	

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NORTH DAKOTA Grade 10 English Language Arts Content Standards	PLAN Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
Students engage in the reading process.	
LITERARY GENRES	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
INFORMATIONAL GENRES	
10.2.1. Summarize information from nonfiction genres	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
	Summarize basic events and ideas in more challenging passages
VOCABULARY	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
READING STRATEGIES FOR INTERPRETING MEANING OF TEXTS	
10.2.2. Identify techniques used in persuasive writing i.e., deductive reasoning and use of fact and opinion	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
	Recognize a clear intent of an author or narrator in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Infer the main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view, kinds of evidence used) in uncomplicated passages
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of any paragraph or paragraphs in uncomplicated passages
	Supporting Details:
	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Generalizations and Conclusions:
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about characters, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated literary narratives
PURPOSES FOR READING	
10.2.3. Read for a variety of purposes and intents e.g., to become life-long readers, to model forms of writing	

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Standard 2:	
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
10.2.4. Identify author's use of figurative language including	Supporting Details:
allusion, imagery, and symbolism	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Sequential, Comparative, and Cause-Effect Relationships:
	Identify clear relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Understand relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Meanings of Words:
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
10.2.5. Analyze literary elements i.e., character, setting, plot,	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
stanza, act, scene, chapter, verse, article, fiction, nonfiction, and point of view	Recognize a clear intent of an author or narrator in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Infer the main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view, kinds of evidence used) in uncomplicated passages
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of any paragraph or paragraphs in uncomplicated passages
	Supporting Details:
	Locate basic facts (e.g., names, dates, events) clearly stated in a passage
	Locate simple details at the sentence and paragraph level in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Locate important details in uncomplicated passages
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Locate and interpret minor or subtly stated details in uncomplicated passages
NORTH DAKOTA Grade 10 English Language Arts Content Standards	PLAN Reading College Readiness Standards
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Standard 2:	
	Sequential, Comparative, and Cause-Effect Relationships:
	Determine when (e.g., first, last, before, after) or if an event occurred in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize clear cause-effect relationships described within a single sentence in a passage
	Identify relationships between main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Recognize clear cause-effect relationships within a single paragraph in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Order simple sequences of events in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify clear relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Identify clear cause-effect relationships in uncomplicated passages
	Order sequences of events in uncomplicated passages
	Understand relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Understand implied or subtly stated cause-effect relationships in uncomplicated passages
	Meanings of Words:
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
	Generalizations and Conclusions:
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about the main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about characters, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated literary narratives

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 10 English Language Arts Content Standards	PLAN Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
10.2.6. Analyze author's use of mood	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
	Recognize a clear intent of an author or narrator in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Infer the main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view, kinds of evidence used) in uncomplicated passages
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of any paragraph or paragraphs in uncomplicated passages
	Generalizations and Conclusions:
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about the main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about characters, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated literary narratives
10.2.7. Apply universal themes to real life situations	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 10 English Language Arts Content Standards	PLAN English College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
Students engage in the writing process.	
INFORMATIVE WRITING	
10.3.1. Write expository texts including research papers	
LITERARY/NARRATIVE WRITING	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
PERSUASIVE WRITING	
10.3.2. Defend a personal opinion using facts as support	
Prewriting	
10.3.3. Use prewriting techniques to generate ideas	
10.3.4. Organize the ideas and details of a composition according to purpose	
DRAFTING	
10.3.5. Elaborate ideas through word choice and description	Topic Development in Terms of Purpose and Focus:
using grade-level vocabulary	Identify the basic purpose or role of a specified phrase or sentence
	Identify the central idea or main topic of a straightforward piece of writing
	Identify the focus of a simple essay, applying that knowledge to add a sentence that sharpens that focus or to determine if an essay has met a specified goal
	Add a sentence to accomplish a fairly straightforward purpose such as illustrating a given statement
	Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy:
	Use the word or phrase most appropriate in terms of the content of the sentence and tone of the essay
10.3.6. Organize and write compositions for school and	Organization, Unity, and Coherence:
peers	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to show time relationships in simple narrative essays (e.g., <i>then, this time</i>)
	Select the most logical place to add a sentence in a paragraph
	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to express straightforward logical relationships (e.g., <i>first, afterward, in response</i>)
	Decide the most logical place to add a sentence in an essay
	Add a sentence that introduces a simple paragraph
	Determine the need for conjunctive adverbs or phrases to create subtle logical connections between sentences (e.g., <i>therefore, however, in addition</i>)
	Rearrange the sentences in a fairly uncomplicated paragraph for the sake of logic
	Add a sentence to introduce or conclude the essay or to provide a transition between paragraphs when the essay is fairly straightforward

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 10 English Language Arts Content Standards	PLAN English College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
10.3.7. Use a variety of supporting details	Topic Development in Terms of Purpose and Focus:
	Identify the basic purpose or role of a specified phrase or sentence
	Delete a clause or sentence because it is obviously irrelevant to the essay
	Identify the central idea or main topic of a straightforward piece of writing
	Determine relevancy when presented with a variety of sentence-level details
	Identify the focus of a simple essay, applying that knowledge to add a sentence that sharpens that focus or to determine if an essay has met a specified goal
	Delete material primarily because it disturbs the flow and development of the paragraph
	Add a sentence to accomplish a fairly straightforward purpose such as illustrating a given statement
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
10.3.8. Use language appropriate to the format of the composition	Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy:
	Revise expressions that deviate from the style of an essay
	Use the word or phrase most consistent with the style and tone of a fairly straightforward essay
	Use the word or phrase most appropriate in terms of the content of the sentence and tone of the essay
10.3.9. Use precise language to describe people, places, and things	Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy:
	Revise sentences to correct awkward and confusing arrangements of sentence elements
	Revise vague nouns and pronouns that create obvious logic problems
	Revise expressions that deviate from the style of an essay
	Use the word or phrase most consistent with the style and tone of a fairly straightforward essay
	Determine the clearest and most logical conjunction to link clauses
	Identify and correct ambiguous pronoun references
	Use the word or phrase most appropriate in terms of the content of the sentence and tone of the essay
10.3.10. Use a specific point of view in compositions	
REVISING AND EDITING	
10.3.11. Edit and revise compositions with attention to	Topic Development in Terms of Purpose and Focus:
	Identify the basic purpose or role of a specified phrase or sentence
	Delete a clause or sentence because it is obviously irrelevant to the essay
	Identify the central idea or main topic of a straightforward piece of writing

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 10 English Language Arts Content Standards	PLAN English College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	Determine relevancy when presented with a variety of sentence-level details
	Identify the focus of a simple essay, applying that knowledge to add a sentence that sharpens that focus or to determine if an essay has met a specified goal
	Delete material primarily because it disturbs the flow and development of the paragraph
	Add a sentence to accomplish a fairly straightforward purpose such as illustrating a given statement
	Apply an awareness of the focus and purpose of a fairly involved essay to determine the rhetorical effect and suitability of an existing phrase or sentence, or to determine the need to delete plausible but irrelevant material
	Add a sentence to accomplish a subtle rhetorical purpose such as to emphasize, to add supporting detail, or to express meaning through connotation
	Organization, Unity, and Coherence:
	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to show time relationships in simple narrative essays (e.g., <i>then</i> , <i>this time</i>)
	Select the most logical place to add a sentence in a paragraph
	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to express straightforward logical relationships (e.g., <i>first, afterward, in response</i>)
	Decide the most logical place to add a sentence in an essay
	Add a sentence that introduces a simple paragraph
	Determine the need for conjunctive adverbs or phrases to create subtle logical connections between sentences (e.g., <i>therefore, however, in addition</i>)
	Rearrange the sentences in a fairly uncomplicated paragraph for the sake of logic
	Add a sentence to introduce or conclude the essay or to provide a transition between paragraphs when the essay is fairly straightforward
	Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy:
	Revise sentences to correct awkward and confusing arrangements of sentence elements
	Revise vague nouns and pronouns that create obvious logic problems
	Delete obviously synonymous and wordy material in a sentence
	Revise expressions that deviate from the style of an essay
	Delete redundant material when information is repeated in different parts of speech (e.g., "alarmingly startled")
	Use the word or phrase most consistent with the style and tone of a fairly straightforward essay
	Determine the clearest and most logical conjunction to link clauses

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 10 English Language Arts Content Standards	PLAN English College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	Revise a phrase that is redundant in terms of the meaning and logic of the entire sentence
	Identify and correct ambiguous pronoun references
	Use the word or phrase most appropriate in terms of the content of the sentence and tone of the essay
10.3.12. Edit and revise compositions for consistent point of view	
10.3.13. Use knowledge of sentence structure and sentence	Sentence Structure and Formation:
construction to edit and revise text	Use conjunctions or punctuation to join simple clauses
	Revise shifts in verb tense between simple clauses in a sentence or between simple adjoining sentences
	Determine the need for punctuation and conjunctions to avoid awkward-sounding sentence fragments and fused sentences
	Decide the appropriate verb tense and voice by considering the meaning of the entire sentence
	Recognize and correct marked disturbances of sentence flow and structure (e.g., participial phrase fragments, missing or incorrect relative pronouns, dangling or misplaced modifiers)
	Revise to avoid faulty placement of phrases and faulty coordination and subordination of clauses in sentences with subtle structural problems
	Maintain consistent verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of the preceding clause or sentence
	Use sentence-combining techniques, effectively avoiding problematic comma splices, run-on sentences, and sentence fragments, especially in sentences containing compound subjects or verbs
	Maintain a consistent and logical use of verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of information in the paragraph or essay as a whole

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 10 English Language Arts Content Standards	PLAN English College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
10.3.14. Use sentence reduction techniques to revise and edit compositions	Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy:
	Revise sentences to correct awkward and confusing arrangements of sentence elements
	Determine the clearest and most logical conjunction to link clauses
	Sentence Structure and Formation:
	Use conjunctions or punctuation to join simple clauses
	Determine the need for punctuation and conjunctions to avoid awkward-sounding sentence fragments and fused sentences
	Recognize and correct marked disturbances of sentence flow and structure (e.g., participial phrase fragments, missing or incorrect relative pronouns, dangling or misplaced modifiers)
	Revise to avoid faulty placement of phrases and faulty coordination and subordination of clauses in sentences with subtle structural problems
PUBLISHING	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 10 English Language Arts Content Standards	PLAN College Readiness Standards
Standard 4:	
Students engage in the speaking and listening process.	
PLANNING FOR AN AUDIENCE/PURPOSE	
10.4.1. Analyze the audience and adjust message and wording to suit the purpose	
VERBAL AND NONVERBAL COMMUNICATION	
10.4.2. Use appropriate body language in oral presentations	
CONVERSATION, GROUP DISCUSSION, AND ORAL PRESENTATION	
10.4.3. Formulate questions in response to a verbal message	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 10 English Language Arts Content Standards	PLAN College Readiness Standards
Standard 5:	
Students understand media.	
MEDIA GENRES	
10.5.1. Identify existing and developing media	
USING MEDIA FOR A PURPOSE	
10.5.2. Use media (e.g., television, film, music, electronic databases, videos, DVDs, comics, visual and performing arts, newspapers, and periodicals) for a variety of purposes	
INTERPRETING MEDIA	
10.5.3. Evaluate the portrayal of ethnicity and lifestyles in media messages	
10.5.4. Analyze media messages	

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Students understand and use principles of language.

LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS/MECHANICS		
10.6.1. Use conventions of grammar related to sentence	English College Readiness Standards	
structure i.e., sentence reduction, parallel structure, elliptical clauses, conjunctions, clausal and phrasal patterns	Sentence Structure and Formation:	
	Use conjunctions or punctuation to join simple clauses	
	Revise shifts in verb tense between simple clauses in a sentence or between simple adjoining sentences	
	Determine the need for punctuation and conjunctions to avoid awkward-sounding sentence fragments and fused sentences	
	Decide the appropriate verb tense and voice by considering the meaning of the entire sentence	
	Recognize and correct marked disturbances of sentence flow and structure (e.g., participial phrase fragments, missing or incorrect relative pronouns, dangling or misplaced modifiers)	
	Revise to avoid faulty placement of phrases and faulty coordination and subordination of clauses in sentences with subtle structural problems	
	Maintain consistent verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of the preceding clause or sentence	
	Use sentence-combining techniques, effectively avoiding problematic comma splices, run-on sentences, and sentence fragments, especially in sentences containing compound subjects or verbs	
	Maintain a consistent and logical use of verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of information in the paragraph or essay as a whole	
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES		
10.6.2. Analyze figurative language i.e., allusion, analogy,	Reading College Readiness Standards	
hyperbole, irony, personification, oxymoron, paradox	Meanings of Words:	
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language	
	Use context to understand basic figurative language	
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages	
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages	
10.6.3. Interpret the use of sound patterns in language i.e., alliteration, assonance, consonance		
LANGUAGE CONTEXT		
10.6.4. Critique cultural differences in language e.g., colloquialisms, regional and ethnic dialects, indigenous vocabulary		
10.6.5. Critique gender perspectives in language i.e., biased language		

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts	ACI College Readiness Standards
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Standard 1:	
Students engage in the research process.	
RESEARCH PLANNING	
11.1.1. Research topics independently using appropriate sources	
ACCESSING INFORMATION	
11.1.2. Evaluate and incorporate information from primary sources e.g., interviews and surveys	
EVALUATING RESEARCH INFORMATION	
11.1.3. Evaluate reliability, validity, comprehensiveness, author's bias, and author's expertise	
11.1.4. Verify the quality, accuracy, and usefulness of information	
ORGANIZING RESEARCH INFORMATION	
11.1.5. Synthesize information in a logical sequence	
11.1.6. Use quotations effectively	
PRESENTATION	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
EVALUATING RESEARCH PROCESS	
11.1.7. Evaluate the research process and develop strategies for improving it e.g., correct use of research format, accuracy of research, organization of information and use of sources	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
Students engage in the reading process.	
LITERARY GENRES	
11.2.1. Identify characteristics of literary forms and genres i.e., parody	
11.2.2. Analyze religious writing, biographies, and political	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
writings	Recognize a clear intent of an author or narrator in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Infer the main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view, kinds of evidence used) in uncomplicated passages
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of any paragraph or paragraphs in uncomplicated passages
	Supporting Details:
	Locate basic facts (e.g., names, dates, events) clearly stated in a passage
	Locate simple details at the sentence and paragraph level in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Locate important details in uncomplicated passages
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Locate and interpret minor or subtly stated details in uncomplicated passages
	Sequential, Comparative, and Cause-Effect Relationships:
	Determine when (e.g., first, last, before, after) or if an event occurred in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize clear cause-effect relationships described within a single sentence in a passage
	Identify relationships between main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Recognize clear cause-effect relationships within a single paragraph in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Order simple sequences of events in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify clear relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Identify clear cause-effect relationships in uncomplicated passages
	Order sequences of events in uncomplicated passages
	Understand relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
	Understand implied or subtly stated cause-effect relationships in uncomplicated passages
	Meanings of Words:
	of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
	Generalizations and Conclusions:
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about the main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about characters, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated literary narratives
INFORMATIONAL GENRES	
11.2.3. Analyze details, facts, and concepts from nonfiction	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
genres	Recognize a clear intent of an author or narrator in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Infer the main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view, kinds of evidence used) in uncomplicated passages
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of any paragraph or paragraphs in uncomplicated passages
	Supporting Details:
	Locate basic facts (e.g., names, dates, events) clearly stated in a passage
	Locate simple details at the sentence and paragraph level in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Locate important details in uncomplicated passages
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Locate and interpret minor or subtly stated details in uncomplicated passages

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
	Sequential, Comparative, and Cause-Effect Relationships:
	Determine when (e.g., first, last, before, after) or if an event occurred in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize clear cause-effect relationships described within a single sentence in a passage
	Identify relationships between main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Recognize clear cause-effect relationships within a single paragraph in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Order simple sequences of events in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify clear relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Identify clear cause-effect relationships in uncomplicated passages
	Order sequences of events in uncomplicated passages
	Understand relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Understand implied or subtly stated cause-effect relationships in uncomplicated passages
	Meanings of Words:
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
	Generalizations and Conclusions:
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about the main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about characters, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated literary narratives

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
READING STRATEGIES FOR INTERPRETING MEANING OF TEXTS	
11.2.4. Identify techniques used in persuasive writing	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
including inductive reasoning and propaganda	Recognize a clear intent of an author or narrator in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Infer the main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view, kinds of evidence used) in uncomplicated passages
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of any paragraph or paragraphs in uncomplicated passages
	Supporting Details:
	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Generalizations and Conclusions:
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about characters, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated literary narratives
11.2.5. Locate ambiguities in written text	Supporting Details:
	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Meanings of Words:
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
	Generalizations and Conclusions:
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about the main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
	Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about charac- ters, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated literary narratives
11.2.6. Apply prior knowledge of content to interpret meaning of text	
PURPOSES FOR READING	_
11.2.7. Read for a variety of purposes and intents e.g., to become life-long readers, to model forms of writing	
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
11.2.8. Analyze author's use of poetic license and dialogue	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
	Recognize a clear intent of an author or narrator in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Infer the main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view, kinds of evidence used) in uncomplicated passages
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of any paragraph or paragraphs in uncomplicated passages
	Supporting Details:
	Locate basic facts (e.g., names, dates, events) clearly stated in a passage
	Locate simple details at the sentence and paragraph level in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Locate important details in uncomplicated passages
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Locate and interpret minor or subtly stated details in uncomplicated passages
	Sequential, Comparative, and Cause-Effect Relationships:
	Determine when (e.g., first, last, before, after) or if an event occurred in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize clear cause-effect relationships described within a single sentence in a passage
	Identify relationships between main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Recognize clear cause-effect relationships within a single paragraph in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Order simple sequences of events in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify clear relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Identify clear cause-effect relationships in uncomplicated passages

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
	Order sequences of events in uncomplicated passages
	Understand relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Understand implied or subtly stated cause-effect relationships in uncomplicated passages
	Meanings of Words:
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
	Generalizations and Conclusions:
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about the main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about characters, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated literary narratives
11.2.9. Evaluate literature based on social, cultural, and/or historical contexts	
Vocabulary	
11.2.10. Use etymology to define words	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
Students engage in the writing process.	
INFORMATIVE WRITING	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
NARRATIVE WRITING	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
Persuasive Writing	
11.3.1. Gather information supporting multiple sides of an issue	Writing College Readiness Standards Expressing Judgments:
	Show some recognition of the complexity of the issue in the prompt by
	 acknowledging counterarguments to the writer's position
	 providing some response to counterarguments to the writer's position
	Show recognition of the complexity of the issue in the prompt by
	• partially evaluating implications and/or complications of the issue, and/or
	 posing and partially responding to counterarguments to the writer's position
	Show understanding of the complexity of the issue in the prompt by
	 examining different perspectives, and/or
	 evaluating implications or complications of the issue, and/or
	 posing and fully discussing counterarguments to the writer's position
Prewriting	
11.3.2. Organize the ideas and details of a composition	Writing College Readiness Standards
according to purpose	Developing a Position:
	Show some movement between general and specific ideas and examples
	Show clear movement between general and specific ideas and examples
	Show effective movement between general and specific ideas and examples
	Organizing Ideas:
	Provide unity and coherence throughout the essay, sometimes with a logical progression of ideas
	Use relevant, though at times simple and obvious, transitional words and phrases to convey logical relationships between ideas
	Present a somewhat developed introduction and conclusion
	Provide unity and coherence throughout the essay, often with a logical progression of ideas
	Use relevant transitional words, phrases, and sentences to convey logical relationships between ideas

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	Present a well-developed introduction and conclusion
DRAFTING	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
11.3.3. Elaborate ideas through word choice and description	English College Readiness Standards
using grade-level vocabulary	Topic Development in Terms of Purpose and Focus:
	Identify the basic purpose or role of a specified phrase or sentence
	Identify the central idea or main topic of a straightforward piece of writing
	Identify the focus of a simple essay, applying that knowledge to add a sentence that sharpens that focus or to determine if an essay has met a specified goal
	Add a sentence to accomplish a fairly straightforward purpose such as illustrating a given statement
	Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy:
	Use the word or phrase most appropriate in terms of the content of the sentence and tone of the essay
	Writing College Readiness Standards
	Using Language:
	Show adequate use of language to communicate by
	 correctly employing many of the conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, but with some distracting errors that may occasionally impede understanding
	 using appropriate vocabulary
	 using some varied kinds of sentence structures to vary pace
	Show competent use of language to communicate ideas by
	 correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with a few distracting errors but none that impede understanding
	 using some precise and varied vocabulary
	 using several kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning
	Show effective use of language to clearly communicate ideas by
	 correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with just a few, if any, errors
	 using precise and varied vocabulary
	 using a variety of kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning
11.3.4. Organize and write compositions for town, city, and	English College Readiness Standards
STATE	Organization, Unity, and Coherence:
	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to show time relationships in simple narrative essays (e.g., <i>then</i> , <i>this time</i>)

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	Select the most logical place to add a sentence in a paragraph
	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to express straightforward logical relationships (e.g., <i>first, afterward, in response</i>)
	Decide the most logical place to add a sentence in an essay
	Add a sentence that introduces a simple paragraph
	Determine the need for conjunctive adverbs or phrases to create subtle logical connections between sentences (e.g., <i>therefore, however, in addition</i>)
	Rearrange the sentences in a fairly uncomplicated paragraph for the sake of logic
	Add a sentence to introduce or conclude the essay or to provide a transition between paragraphs when the essay is fairly straightforward
11.3.5. Use a variety of supporting details	English College Readiness Standards
	Topic Development in Terms of Purpose and Focus:
	Identify the basic purpose or role of a specified phrase or sentence
	Delete a clause or sentence because it is obviously irrelevant to the essay
	Identify the central idea or main topic of a straightforward piece of writing
	Determine relevancy when presented with a variety of sentence-level details
	Identify the focus of a simple essay, applying that knowledge to add a sentence that sharpens that focus or to determine if an essay has met a specified goal
	Delete material primarily because it disturbs the flow and development of the paragraph
	Add a sentence to accomplish a fairly straightforward purpose such as illustrating a given statement
	Writing College Readiness Standards
	Developing a Position:
	Develop ideas by using some specific reasons, details, and examples
	Develop most ideas fully, using some specific and relevant reasons, details, and examples
	Develop several ideas fully, using specific and relevant reasons, details, and examples
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
11.3.6. Use figurative language in writing	
REVISING AND EDITING	
11.3.7. Edit and revise compositions for standard writing	English College Readiness Standards
conventions and transitional devices	Organization, Unity, and Coherence:
	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to show time relationships in simple narrative essays (e.g., <i>then, this time</i>)

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to express straightforward logical relationships (e.g., <i>first</i> , <i>afterward</i> , <i>in response</i>)
	Add a sentence that introduces a simple paragraph
	Determine the need for conjunctive adverbs or phrases to create subtle logical connections between sentences (e.g., <i>therefore, however, in addition</i>)
	Add a sentence to introduce or conclude the essay or to provide a transition between paragraphs when the essay is fairly straightforward
	Writing College Readiness Standards
	Organizing Ideas:
	Use some simple and obvious, but appropriate, transitional words and phrases
	Use relevant, though at times simple and obvious, transitional words and phrases to convey logical relationships between ideas
	Use relevant transitional words, phrases, and sentences to convey logical relationships between ideas
	Using Language:
	Show adequate use of language to communicate by
	 correctly employing many of the conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, but with some distracting errors that may occasionally impede understanding
	 using appropriate vocabulary
	 using some varied kinds of sentence structures to vary pace
	Show competent use of language to communicate ideas by
	 correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with a few distracting errors but none that impede understanding
	 using some precise and varied vocabulary
	 using several kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning
	Show effective use of language to clearly communicate ideas by
	• correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with just a few, if any, errors
	 using precise and varied vocabulary
	• using a variety of kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning
Publishing	
11.3.8. Incorporate visual aids (e.g., graphs, tables, and pictures) into written work to enhance meaning	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT College Readiness Standards
Standard 4:	
Students engage in the speaking and listening process.	
PLANNING FOR AN AUDIENCE/PURPOSE	
11.4.1. Analyze the audience and adjust message and wording to suit the purpose	
VERBAL AND NONVERBAL COMMUNICATION	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
CONVERSATION, GROUP DISCUSSION, AND ORAL PRESENTATION	
11.4.2. Adapt to a variety of speaking and listening situations such as formal presentations, oral interpretations, and group discussions	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT College Readiness Standards
Standard 5:	
Students understand media.	
MEDIA GENRES	
11.5.1. Identify existing and developing media	
USING MEDIA FOR A PURPOSE	
11.5.2. Apply media (e.g., television, film, music, electronic databases, videos, DVDs, comics, visual and performing arts, newspapers, and periodicals) for a variety of purposes	
INTERPRETING MEDIA	
11.5.3. Evaluate how coverage of the same events differs depending on the media type i.e., radio, television, and newspaper report of the same product or situation	
11.5.4. Evaluate the accuracy of details in media messages	
11.5.5. Evaluate the impact of media messages on daily life and politics	

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Standard 6:	
Students understand and use principles of language.	
LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS/MECHANICS	
11.6.1. Use conventions of grammar, usage, and	English College Readiness Standards
punctuation to edit and revise	Sentence Structure and Formation:
	Use conjunctions or punctuation to join simple clauses
	Revise shifts in verb tense between simple clauses in a sentence or between simple adjoining sentences
	Determine the need for punctuation and conjunctions to avoid awkward-sounding sentence fragments and fused sentences
	Decide the appropriate verb tense and voice by considering the meaning of the entire sentence
	Recognize and correct marked disturbances of sentence flow and structure (e.g., participial phrase fragments, missing or incorrect relative pronouns, dangling or misplaced modifiers)
	Revise to avoid faulty placement of phrases and faulty coordination and subordination of clauses in sentences with subtle structural problems
	Maintain consistent verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of the preceding clause or sentence
	Use sentence-combining techniques, effectively avoiding problematic comma splices, run-on sentences, and sentence fragments, especially in sentences containing compound subjects or verbs
	Maintain a consistent and logical use of verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of information in the paragraph or essay as a whole
	Conventions of Usage:
	Solve such basic grammatical problems as how to form the past and past participle of irregular but commonly used verbs and how to form comparative and superlative adjectives
	Solve such grammatical problems as whether to use an adverb or adjective form, how to ensure straightforward subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement, and which preposition to use in simple contexts
	Recognize and use the appropriate word in frequently confused pairs such as <i>there</i> and <i>their</i> , <i>past</i> and <i>passed</i> , and <i>led</i> and <i>lead</i>
	Use idiomatically appropriate prepositions, especially in combination with verbs (e.g., <i>long for</i> , <i>appeal to</i>)
	Ensure that a verb agrees with its subject when there is some text between the two
	Ensure that a pronoun agrees with its antecedent when the two occur in separate clauses or sentences
	Identify the correct past and past participle forms of irregular and infrequently used verbs and form present-perfect verbs by using <i>have</i> rather than <i>of</i>

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English, Reading, and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 6:	
	Correctly use reflexive pronouns, the possessive pronouns <i>its</i> and <i>your</i> , and the relative pronouns <i>who</i> and <i>whom</i>
	Ensure that a verb agrees with its subject in unusual situations (e.g., when the subject-verb order is inverted or when the subject is an indefinite pronoun)
	Conventions of Punctuation:
	Delete commas that create basic sense problems (e.g., between verb and direct object)
	Provide appropriate punctuation in straightforward situations (e.g., items in a series)
	Delete commas that disturb the sentence flow (e.g., between modifier and modified element)
	Use commas to set off simple parenthetical phrases
	Delete unnecessary commas when an incorrect reading of the sentence suggests a pause that should be punctuated (e.g., between verb and direct object clause)
	Use punctuation to set off complex parenthetical phrases
	Recognize and delete unnecessary commas based on a careful reading of a complicated sentence (e.g., between the elements of a compound subject or compound verb joined by <i>and</i>)
	Use apostrophes to indicate simple possessive nouns
	Recognize inappropriate uses of colons and semicolons
	Use commas to set off a nonessential/nonrestrictive appositive or clause
	Writing College Readiness Standards
	Using Language:
	Show competent use of language to communicate ideas by
	 correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with a few distracting errors but none that impede understanding
	 using some precise and varied vocabulary
	 using several kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning
	Show effective use of language to clearly communicate ideas by
	 correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with just a few, if any, errors
	 using precise and varied vocabulary
	 using a variety of kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
11.6.2. Apply the use of sound patterns in language i.e., alliteration, assonance, consonance	
11.6.3. Identify the use of language in different literary forms i.e., satire and parody	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English, Reading, and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 6:	
LANGUAGE CONTEXT	
11.6.4. Identify emotionally charged language	Reading College Readiness Standards
	Supporting Details:
	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Meanings of Words:
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
	Generalizations and Conclusions:
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about the main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about characters, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated literary narratives

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	WorkKeys Reading for Information Skills
Standard 1:	
Students engage in the research process.	
RESEARCH PLANNING	
11.1.1. Research topics independently using appropriate sources	
ACCESSING INFORMATION	
11.1.2. Evaluate and incorporate information from primary sources e.g., interviews and surveys	
EVALUATING RESEARCH INFORMATION	
11.1.3. Evaluate reliability, validity, comprehensiveness, author's bias, and author's expertise	
11.1.4. Verify the quality, accuracy, and usefulness of information	
ORGANIZING RESEARCH INFORMATION	
11.1.5. Synthesize information in a logical sequence	
11.1.6. Use quotations effectively	
PRESENTATION	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
EVALUATING RESEARCH PROCESS	
11.1.7. Evaluate the research process and develop strategies for improving it e.g., correct use of research format, accuracy of research, organization of information and use of sources	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	WorkKeys Reading for Information Skills
Standard 2:	
Students engage in the reading process.	
LITERARY GENRES	
11.2.1. Identify characteristics of literary forms and genres i.e., parody	
11.2.2. Analyze religious writing, biographies, and political writings	
INFORMATIONAL GENRES	
11.2.3. Analyze details, facts, and concepts from nonfiction	Identify main ideas and clearly stated details
genres	Choose the correct meaning of a word that is clearly defined in the reading
	Choose the correct meaning of common, everyday and workplace words
	Choose when to perform each step in a short series of steps
	Apply instructions to a situation that is the same as the one in the reading materials
	Identify important details that may not be clearly stated
	Use the reading material to figure out the meaning of words that are not defined
	Apply instructions with several steps to a situation that is the same as the situation in the reading materials
	Choose what to do when changing conditions call for a different action (follow directions that include "if-then" statements)
	Figure out the correct meaning of a word based on how the word is used
	Identify the correct meaning of an acronym that is defined in the document
	Identify the paraphrased definition of a technical term or jargon that is defined in the document
	Apply technical terms and jargon and relate them to stated situations
	Apply straightforward instructions to a new situation that is similar to the one described in the material
	Apply complex instructions that include condi-tionals to situations described in the materials
	Identify implied details
	Use technical terms and jargon in new situations
	Figure out the less common meaning of a word based on the context
	Apply complicated instructions to new situations
	Figure out the principles behind policies, rules, and procedures
	Apply general principles from the materials to similar and new situations
	Explain the rationale behind a procedure, policy, or communication

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	WorkKeys Reading for Information Skills
Standard 2:	
	Figure out the definitions of difficult, uncommon words based on how they are used
	Figure out the meaning of jargon or technical terms based on how they are used
	Figure out the general principles behind the policies and apply them to situations that are quite different from any described in the materials
READING STRATEGIES FOR INTERPRETING MEANING OF TEXTS	
11.2.4. Identify techniques used in persuasive writing including inductive reasoning and propaganda	
11.2.5. Locate ambiguities in written text	
11.2.6. Apply prior knowledge of content to interpret meaning of text	
PURPOSES FOR READING	
11.2.7. Read for a variety of purposes and intents e.g., to become life-long readers, to model forms of writing	
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
11.2.8. Analyze author's use of poetic license and dialogue	
11.2.9. Evaluate literature based on social, cultural, and/or historical contexts	
Vocabulary	
11.2.10. Use etymology to define words	Choose the correct meaning of common, everyday and workplace words
	Use the reading material to figure out the meaning of words that are not defined
	Figure out the correct meaning of a word based on how the word is used
	Figure out the less common meaning of a word based on the context
	Figure out the definitions of difficult, uncommon words based on how they are used
	Figure out the meaning of jargon or technical terms based on how they are used

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	WorkKeys Reading for Information Skills
Standard 3:	
Students engage in the writing process.	
INFORMATIVE WRITING	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
NARRATIVE WRITING	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
Persuasive Writing	
11.3.1. Gather information supporting multiple sides of an issue	
Prewriting	
11.3.2. Organize the ideas and details of a composition according to purpose	
DRAFTING	
11.3.3. Elaborate ideas through word choice and description using grade-level vocabulary	
11.3.4. Organize and write compositions for town, city, and state	
11.3.5. Use a variety of supporting details	
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
11.3.6. Use figurative language in writing	
REVISING AND EDITING	
11.3.7. Edit and revise compositions for standard writing conventions and transitional devices	
Publishing	
11.3.8. Incorporate visual aids (e.g., graphs, tables, and pictures) into written work to enhance meaning	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	WorkKeys Reading for Information Skills
Standard 4:	
Students engage in the speaking and listening process.	
PLANNING FOR AN AUDIENCE/PURPOSE	
11.4.1. Analyze the audience and adjust message and wording to suit the purpose	
VERBAL AND NONVERBAL COMMUNICATION	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
CONVERSATION, GROUP DISCUSSION, AND ORAL PRESENTATION	
11.4.2. Adapt to a variety of speaking and listening situations such as formal presentations, oral interpretations, and group discussions	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	WorkKeys Reading for Information Skills
Standard 5:	
Students understand media.	
Media Genres	
11.5.1. Identify existing and developing media	
USING MEDIA FOR A PURPOSE	
11.5.2. Apply media (e.g., television, film, music, electronic databases, videos, DVDs, comics, visual and performing arts, newspapers, and periodicals) for a variety of purposes	
INTERPRETING MEDIA	
11.5.3. Evaluate how coverage of the same events differs depending on the media type i.e., radio, television, and newspaper report of the same product or situation	
11.5.4. Evaluate the accuracy of details in media messages	
11.5.5. Evaluate the impact of media messages on daily life and politics	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 11 English Language Arts Content Standards	WorkKeys Reading for Information Skills
Standard 6:	
Students understand and use principles of language.	
LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS/MECHANICS	
11.6.1. Use conventions of grammar, usage, and punctuation to edit and revise	
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
11.6.2. Apply the use of sound patterns in language i.e., alliteration, assonance, consonance	
11.6.3. Identify the use of language in different literary forms i.e., satire and parody	
LANGUAGE CONTEXT	
11.6.4. Identify emotionally charged language	

TABLE 1F

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT College Readiness Standards
Standard 1:	
Students engage in the research process.	
RESEARCH PLANNING	
12.1.1. Plan a research strategy	
12.1.2. Determine purpose e.g., inform, persuade	
12.1.3. Develop a research question	
ACCESSING INFORMATION	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
ORGANIZING RESEARCH INFORMATION	
12.1.4. Defend research paper or project	
PRESENTATION	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
EVALUATING RESEARCH PROCESS	
12.1.5. Evaluate the research process and apply strategies to a variety of writing purposes e.g., correct use of research format, accuracy of research, organization of information and use of sources	

TABLE 1F

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
Students engage in the reading process.	
LITERARY GENRES	
12.2.1. Identify satire and allegory	
INFORMATIONAL GENRES	
12.2.2. Critique details, facts, and concepts from nonfiction	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
genres	Recognize a clear intent of an author or narrator in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Infer the main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view, kinds of evidence used) in uncomplicated passages
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of any paragraph or paragraphs in uncomplicated passages
	Supporting Details:
	Locate basic facts (e.g., names, dates, events) clearly stated in a passage
	Locate simple details at the sentence and paragraph level in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Locate important details in uncomplicated passages
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Locate and interpret minor or subtly stated details in uncomplicated passages
	Sequential, Comparative, and Cause-Effect Relationships:
	Determine when (e.g., first, last, before, after) or if an event occurred in uncomplicated passages
	Recognize clear cause-effect relationships described within a single sentence in a passage
	Identify relationships between main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Recognize clear cause-effect relationships within a single paragraph in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Order simple sequences of events in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify clear relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Identify clear cause-effect relationships in uncomplicated passages
	Order sequences of events in uncomplicated passages
	Understand relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages

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NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT Reading College Readiness Standards
Standard 2:	
	Understand implied or subtly stated cause-effect relationships in uncomplicated passages
	Meanings of Words:
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
	Generalizations and Conclusions:
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about the main characters in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about characters, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated literary narratives
READING STRATEGIES FOR INTERPRETING MEANING OF TEXTS	
12.2.3. Identify techniques used in persuasive writing such	Main Ideas and Author's Approach:
as fallacies of logic, faulty reasoning, and manipulative language	Recognize a clear intent of an author or narrator in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Infer the main idea or purpose of straightforward paragraphs in uncomplicated literary narratives
	Understand the overall approach taken by an author or narrator (e.g., point of view, kinds of evidence used) in uncomplicated passages
	Identify a clear main idea or purpose of any paragraph or paragraphs in uncomplicated passages
	Supporting Details:
	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Generalizations and Conclusions:
	Draw simple generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw generalizations and conclusions about people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Draw subtle generalizations and conclusions about characters, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated literary narratives
NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT Reading College Readiness Standards
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Standard 2:	
PURPOSES FOR READING	
12.2.4. Read for a variety of purposes and intents e.g., to become life-long readers, to model forms of writing	
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
12.2.5. Interpret author's use of figurative language including	Supporting Details:
allusion, <mark>imagery, and symbolism</mark>	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
	Sequential, Comparative, and Cause-Effect Relationships:
	Identify clear relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Understand relationships between people, ideas, and so on in uncomplicated passages
	Meanings of Words:
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
12.2.6. Interpret author's use of syntax and word choice/	Supporting Details:
diction	Recognize a clear function of a part of an uncomplicated passage
	Make simple inferences about how details are used in passages
12.2.7. Critique literary merit of a work of literature	
Vocabulary	·
12.2.8. Use technical language/jargon to decipher meaning	Meanings of Words:
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
	Determine the appropriate meaning of words, phrases, or statements from figurative or somewhat technical contexts

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
Students engage in the writing process.	
INFORMATIVE WRITING	
12.3.1. Write business or other formal documents, including resumes, scholarship letters, and letters of inquiry or complaint	
NARRATIVE WRITING	·
No benchmark expectations at this level	
Persuasive Writing	
12.3.2. Write persuasive compositions, including structuring	Writing College Readiness Standards
arguments logically, using rhetorical devices, defending	Expressing Judgments:
and biases e.g., editorials, critical reviews	Show understanding of the persuasive purpose of the task by taking a position on the issue in the prompt
	Show some recognition of the complexity of the issue in the prompt by
	 acknowledging counterarguments to the writer's position
	 providing some response to counterarguments to the writer's position
	Show clear understanding of the persuasive purpose of the task by taking a position on the specific issue in the prompt and offering a broad context for discussion
	Show recognition of the complexity of the issue in the prompt by
	 partially evaluating implications and/or complications of the issue, and/or
	 posing and partially responding to counterarguments to the writer's position
	Show clear understanding of the persuasive purpose of the task by taking a position on the specific issue in the prompt and offering a critical context for discussion
	Show understanding of the complexity of the issue in the prompt by
	 examining different perspectives, and/or
	evaluating implications or complications of the issue, and/or
	 posing and fully discussing counterarguments to the writer's position
Prewriting	
12.3.3. Organize the ideas and details of a composition	Writing College Readiness Standards
according to purpose	Developing a Position:
	Show some movement between general and specific ideas and examples
	Show clear movement between general and specific ideas and examples
	Show effective movement between general and specific ideas and examples
	Organizing Ideas:
	Provide unity and coherence throughout the essay, sometimes with a logical progression of ideas

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	Use relevant, though at times simple and obvious, transitional words and phrases to convey logical relationships between ideas
	Present a somewhat developed introduction and conclusion
	Provide unity and coherence throughout the essay, often with a logical progression of ideas
	Use relevant transitional words, phrases, and sentences to convey logical relationships between ideas
	Present a well-developed introduction and conclusion
12.3.4. Use variety of sources for supporting details	
DRAFTING	
12.3.5. Elaborate ideas through word choice and description	English College Readiness Standards
using grade-level vocabulary	Topic Development in Terms of Purpose and Focus:
	Identify the basic purpose or role of a specified phrase or sentence
	Identify the central idea or main topic of a straightforward piece of writing
	Identify the focus of a simple essay, applying that knowledge to add a sentence that sharpens that focus or to determine if an essay has met a specified goal
	Add a sentence to accomplish a fairly straightforward purpose such as illustrating a given statement
	Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy:
	Use the word or phrase most appropriate in terms of the content of the sentence and tone of the essay
	Writing College Readiness Standards
	Using Language:
	Show adequate use of language to communicate by
	 correctly employing many of the conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, but with some distracting errors that may occasionally impede understanding
	 using appropriate vocabulary
	 using some varied kinds of sentence structures to vary pace
	Show competent use of language to communicate ideas by
	 correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with a few distracting errors but none that impede understanding
	 using some precise and varied vocabulary
	 using several kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning
	Show effective use of language to clearly communicate ideas by
	 correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with just a few, if any, errors

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	 using precise and varied vocabulary
	• using a variety of kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning
12.3.6. Organize and write compositions for nation and	English College Readiness Standards
world	Organization, Unity, and Coherence:
	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to show time relationships in simple narrative essays (e.g., <i>then, this time</i>)
	Select the most logical place to add a sentence in a paragraph
	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to express straightforward logical relationships (e.g., <i>first, afterward, in response</i>)
	Decide the most logical place to add a sentence in an essay
	Add a sentence that introduces a simple paragraph
	Determine the need for conjunctive adverbs or phrases to create subtle logical connections between sentences (e.g., <i>therefore, however, in addition</i>)
	Rearrange the sentences in a fairly uncomplicated paragraph for the sake of logic
	Add a sentence to introduce or conclude the essay or to provide a transition between paragraphs when the essay is fairly straightforward
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
12.3.7. Use techniques to convey an individual voice and style e.g., tone, syntax, diction, figurative language	
REVISING AND EDITING	1
12.3.8. Edit and revise compositions for standard writing	English College Readiness Standards
conventions and appropriate tone	Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy:
	Revise expressions that deviate from the style of an essay
	Use the word or phrase most consistent with the style and tone of a fairly straightforward essay
	Use the word or phrase most appropriate in terms of the content of the sentence and tone of the essay
	Sentence Structure and Formation:
	Use conjunctions or punctuation to join simple clauses
	Revise shifts in verb tense between simple clauses in a sentence or between simple adjoining sentences
	Determine the need for punctuation and conjunctions to avoid awkward-sounding sentence fragments and fused sentences
	Decide the appropriate verb tense and voice by considering the meaning of the entire sentence
	Recognize and correct marked disturbances of sentence flow and structure (e.g., participial phrase fragments, missing or incorrect relative pronouns, dangling or misplaced modifiers)

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	Revise to avoid faulty placement of phrases and faulty coordination and subordination of clauses in sentences with subtle structural problems
	Maintain consistent verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of the preceding clause or sentence
	Use sentence-combining techniques, effectively avoiding problematic comma splices, run-on sentences, and sentence fragments, especially in sentences containing compound subjects or verbs
	Maintain a consistent and logical use of verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of information in the paragraph or essay as a whole
	Conventions of Usage:
	Solve such basic grammatical problems as how to form the past and past participle of irregular but commonly used verbs and how to form comparative and superlative adjectives
	Solve such grammatical problems as whether to use an adverb or adjective form, how to ensure straightforward subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement, and which preposition to use in simple contexts
	Recognize and use the appropriate word in frequently confused pairs such as <i>there</i> and <i>their</i> , <i>past</i> and <i>passed</i> , and <i>led</i> and <i>lead</i>
	Use idiomatically appropriate prepositions, especially in combination with verbs (e.g., <i>long for, appeal to</i>)
	Ensure that a verb agrees with its subject when there is some text between the two
	Ensure that a pronoun agrees with its antecedent when the two occur in separate clauses or sentences
	Identify the correct past and past participle forms of irregular and infrequently used verbs and form present-perfect verbs by using <i>have</i> rather than <i>of</i>
	Correctly use reflexive pronouns, the possessive pronouns <i>its</i> and <i>your</i> , and the relative pronouns <i>who</i> and <i>whom</i>
	Ensure that a verb agrees with its subject in unusual situations (e.g., when the subject-verb order is inverted or when the subject is an indefinite pronoun)
	Conventions of Punctuation:
	Delete commas that create basic sense problems (e.g., between verb and direct object)
	Provide appropriate punctuation in straightforward situations (e.g., items in a series)
	Delete commas that disturb the sentence flow (e.g., between modifier and modified element)
	Use commas to set off simple parenthetical phrases
	Delete unnecessary commas when an incorrect reading of the sentence suggests a pause that should be punctuated (e.g., between verb and direct object clause)

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	Use punctuation to set off complex parenthetical phrases
	Recognize and delete unnecessary commas based on a careful reading of a complicated sentence (e.g., between the elements of a compound subject or compound verb joined by <i>and</i>)
	Use apostrophes to indicate simple possessive nouns
	Recognize inappropriate uses of colons and semicolons
	Use commas to set off a nonessential/nonrestrictive appositive or clause
	Writing College Readiness Standards
	Using Language:
	Show adequate use of language to communicate by
	 correctly employing many of the conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, but with some distracting errors that may occasionally impede understanding
	 using appropriate vocabulary
	 using some varied kinds of sentence structures to vary pace
	Show competent use of language to communicate ideas by
	 correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with a few distracting errors but none that impede understanding
	 using some precise and varied vocabulary
	 using several kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning
	Show effective use of language to clearly communicate ideas by
	 correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with just a few, if any, errors
	 using precise and varied vocabulary
	 using a variety of kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning
12.3.9. Edit and revise compositions for unity, coherence,	English College Readiness Standards
clarity, and fluency	Organization, Unity, and Coherence:
	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to show time relationships in simple narrative essays (e.g., <i>then, this time</i>)
	Select the most logical place to add a sentence in a paragraph
	Use conjunctive adverbs or phrases to express straightforward logical relationships (e.g., <i>first</i> , <i>afterward</i> , <i>in response</i>)
	Decide the most logical place to add a sentence in an essay
	Add a sentence that introduces a simple paragraph
	Determine the need for conjunctive adverbs or phrases to create subtle logical connections between sentences (e.g., <i>therefore, however, in addition</i>)

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	Rearrange the sentences in a fairly uncomplicated paragraph for the sake of logic
	Add a sentence to introduce or conclude the essay or to provide a transition between paragraphs when the essay is fairly straightforward
	Word Choice in Terms of Style, Tone, Clarity, and Economy:
	Revise sentences to correct awkward and confusing arrangements of sentence elements
	Revise vague nouns and pronouns that create obvious logic problems
	Delete obviously synonymous and wordy material in a sentence
	Revise expressions that deviate from the style of an essay
	Delete redundant material when information is repeated in different parts of speech (e.g., "alarmingly startled")
	Use the word or phrase most consistent with the style and tone of a fairly straightforward essay
	Determine the clearest and most logical conjunction to link clauses
	Revise a phrase that is redundant in terms of the meaning and logic of the entire sentence
	Identify and correct ambiguous pronoun references
	Use the word or phrase most appropriate in terms of the content of the sentence and tone of the essay
	Writing College Readiness Standards
	Focusing on the Topic:
	Maintain a focus on discussion of the specific topic and issue in the prompt throughout the essay
	Present a thesis that establishes a focus on the writer's position on the issue
	Maintain a clear focus on discussion of the specific topic and issue in the prompt throughout the essay
	Present a critical thesis that clearly establishes the focus on the writer's position on the issue
	Organizing Ideas:
	Provide unity and coherence throughout the essay, sometimes with a logical progression of ideas
	Use relevant, though at times simple and obvious, transitional words and phrases to convey logical relationships between ideas
	Present a somewhat developed introduction and conclusion
	Provide unity and coherence throughout the essay, often with a logical progression of ideas
	Use relevant transitional words, phrases, and sentences to convey logical relationships between ideas
	Present a well-developed introduction and conclusion

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
12.3.10. Edit and revise compositions with an awareness of	English College Readiness Standards
parallel structures and proper verb tense and agreement	Sentence Structure and Formation:
	Use conjunctions or punctuation to join simple clauses
	Revise shifts in verb tense between simple clauses in a sentence or between simple adjoining sentences
	Determine the need for punctuation and conjunctions to avoid awkward-sounding sentence fragments and fused sentences
	Decide the appropriate verb tense and voice by considering the meaning of the entire sentence
	Recognize and correct marked disturbances of sentence flow and structure (e.g., participial phrase fragments, missing or incorrect relative pronouns, dangling or misplaced modifiers)
	Revise to avoid faulty placement of phrases and faulty coordination and subordination of clauses in sentences with subtle structural problems
	Maintain consistent verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of the preceding clause or sentence
	Use sentence-combining techniques, effectively avoiding problematic comma splices, run-on sentences, and sentence fragments, especially in sentences containing compound subjects or verbs
	Work comfortably with long sentences and complex clausal relationships within sentences, avoiding weak conjunctions between independent clauses and maintaining parallel structure between clauses
	Conventions of Usage:
	Solve such grammatical problems as whether to use an adverb or adjective form, how to ensure straightforward subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement, and which preposition to use in simple contexts
	Ensure that a verb agrees with its subject when there is some text between the two
	Writing College Readiness Standards
	Using Language:
	 Show adequate use of language to communicate by correctly employing many of the conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, but with some distracting errors that may occasionally impede understanding
	using appropriate vocabulary
	 using some varied kinds of sentence structures to vary pace
	Show competent use of language to communicate ideas by
	• correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with a few distracting errors but none that impede understanding
	 using some precise and varied vocabulary

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	 using several kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning
	Show effective use of language to clearly communicate ideas by
	 correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with just a few, if any, errors
	 using precise and varied vocabulary
	 using a variety of kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning
12.3.11. Edit and revise compositions for the use of proper	English College Readiness Standards
clausal and phrasal patterns	Sentence Structure and Formation:
	Use conjunctions or punctuation to join simple clauses
	Determine the need for punctuation and conjunctions to avoid awkward-sounding sentence fragments and fused sentences
	Recognize and correct marked disturbances of sentence flow and structure (e.g., participial phrase fragments, missing or incorrect relative pronouns, dangling or misplaced modifiers)
	Revise to avoid faulty placement of phrases and faulty coordination and subordination of clauses in sentences with subtle structural problems
	Use sentence-combining techniques, effectively avoiding problematic comma splices, run-on sentences, and sentence fragments, especially in sentences containing compound subjects or verbs
	Work comfortably with long sentences and complex clausal relationships within sentences, avoiding weak conjunctions between independent clauses and maintaining parallel structure between clauses
	Writing College Readiness Standards
	Organizing Ideas:
	Use relevant, though at times simple and obvious, transitional words and phrases to convey logical relationships between ideas
	Use relevant transitional words, phrases, and sentences to convey logical relationships between ideas
	Using Language:
	 Show competent use of language to communicate ideas by correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with a few distracting errors but none that impede understanding
	 using some precise and varied vocabulary
	 using several kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 3:	
	Show effective use of language to clearly communicate ideas by
	 correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with just a few, if any, errors
	 using precise and varied vocabulary
	 using a variety of kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning
Publishing	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT College Readiness Standards
Standard 4:	
Students engage in the speaking and listening process.	
PLANNING FOR AN AUDIENCE/PURPOSE	
12.4.1. Evaluate audience based on social characteristics, e.g., religion, culture, and gender	
VERBAL AND NONVERBAL COMMUNICATION	
12.4.2. Use tone, inflection, pitch, and emphasis effectively in oral presentations	
CONVERSATION, GROUP DISCUSSION, AND ORAL PRESENTATION	
12.4.3. Analyze the audience and adjust message and wording to suit the audience while speaking	
12.4.4. Use critical listening responses, such as refutation and commentary, to critique the accuracy of messages	
12.4.5. Use oral composition techniques to perform speeches such as memorized speeches, impromptu and extemporaneous, persuasive/argumentative, and expository speeches	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT College Readiness Standards
Standard 5:	
Students understand media.	
Media Genres	
12.5.1. Identify existing and developing media	
USING MEDIA FOR A PURPOSE	
12.5.2. Create a media project for a purpose	
INTERPRETING MEDIA	
12.5.3. Evaluate instances of gender equity and political correctness in media messages	
12.5.4. Evaluate media messages in their historical and/or cultural contexts and intended audience	
12.5.5. Examine advanced media techniques, e.g., music and sound, camera angles, lighting, and aesthetic effects	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards

ACT English, Reading, and Writing College Readiness Standards

Standard 6:	
Students understand and use principles of language.	
LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS/MECHANICS	
12.6.1. Use conventions of grammar, usage, and	English College Readiness Standards
punctuation to edit and revise	Sentence Structure and Formation:
	Use conjunctions or punctuation to join simple clauses
	Revise shifts in verb tense between simple clauses in a sentence or between simple adjoining sentences
	Determine the need for punctuation and conjunctions to avoid awkward-sounding sentence fragments and fused sentences
	Decide the appropriate verb tense and voice by considering the meaning of the entire sentence
	Recognize and correct marked disturbances of sentence flow and structure (e.g., participial phrase fragments, missing or incorrect relative pronouns, dangling or misplaced modifiers)
	Revise to avoid faulty placement of phrases and faulty coordination and subordination of clauses in sentences with subtle structural problems
	Maintain consistent verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of the preceding clause or sentence
	Use sentence-combining techniques, effectively avoiding problematic comma splices, run-on sentences, and sentence fragments, especially in sentences containing compound subjects or verbs
	Maintain a consistent and logical use of verb tense and pronoun person on the basis of information in the paragraph or essay as a whole
	Conventions of Usage:
	Solve such basic grammatical problems as how to form the past and past participle of irregular but commonly used verbs and how to form comparative and superlative adjectives
	Solve such grammatical problems as whether to use an adverb or adjective form, how to ensure straightforward subject-verb and pronoun-antecedent agreement, and which preposition to use in simple contexts
	Recognize and use the appropriate word in frequently confused pairs such as <i>there</i> and <i>their</i> , <i>past</i> and <i>passed</i> , and <i>led</i> and <i>lead</i>
	Use idiomatically appropriate prepositions, especially in combination with verbs (e.g., <i>long for, appeal to</i>)
	Ensure that a verb agrees with its subject when there is some text between the two
	Ensure that a pronoun agrees with its antecedent when the two occur in separate clauses or sentences
	Identify the correct past and past participle forms of irregular and infrequently used verbs and form present-perfect verbs by using <i>have</i> rather than <i>of</i>

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English, Reading, and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 6:	
	Correctly use reflexive pronouns, the possessive pronouns <i>its</i> and <i>your</i> , and the relative pronouns <i>who</i> and <i>whom</i>
	Ensure that a verb agrees with its subject in unusual situations (e.g., when the subject-verb order is inverted or when the subject is an indefinite pronoun)
	Conventions of Punctuation:
	Delete commas that create basic sense problems (e.g., between verb and direct object)
	Provide appropriate punctuation in straightforward situations (e.g., items in a series)
	Delete commas that disturb the sentence flow (e.g., between modifier and modified element)
	Use commas to set off simple parenthetical phrases
	Delete unnecessary commas when an incorrect reading of the sentence suggests a pause that should be punctuated (e.g., between verb and direct object clause)
	Use punctuation to set off complex parenthetical phrases
	Recognize and delete unnecessary commas based on a careful reading of a complicated sentence (e.g., between the elements of a compound subject or compound verb joined by <i>and</i>)
	Use apostrophes to indicate simple possessive nouns
	Recognize inappropriate uses of colons and semicolons
	Use commas to set off a nonessential/nonrestrictive appositive or clause
	Writing College Readiness Standards
	Using Language:
	Show adequate use of language to communicate by
	 correctly employing many of the conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, but with some distracting errors that may occasionally impede understanding
	 using appropriate vocabulary
	 using some varied kinds of sentence structures to vary pace
	Show competent use of language to communicate ideas by
	 correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with a few distracting errors but none that impede understanding
	 using some precise and varied vocabulary
	 using several kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning
	Show effective use of language to clearly communicate ideas by
	 correctly employing most conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics, with just a few, if any, errors
	 using precise and varied vocabulary

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	ACT English, Reading, and Writing College Readiness Standards
Standard 6:	
	 using a variety of kinds of sentence structures to vary pace and to support meaning
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
12.6.2. Apply figurative language i.e., allusion, analogy,	Reading College Readiness Standards
hyperbole, irony, personification, oxymoron, paradox	Meanings of Words:
	Understand the implication of a familiar word or phrase and of simple descriptive language
	Use context to understand basic figurative language
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of some figurative and nonfigurative words, phrases, and statements in uncomplicated passages
	Use context to determine the appropriate meaning of virtually any word, phrase, or statement in uncomplicated passages
12.6.3. Interpret the use of language in different literary forms i.e., satire, parody	
12.6.4. Identify allegory	
LANGUAGE CONTEXT	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	WorkKeys Reading for Information Skills
Standard 1:	
Students engage in the research process.	
RESEARCH PLANNING	
12.1.1. Plan a research strategy	
12.1.2. Determine purpose e.g., inform, persuade	
12.1.3. Develop a research question	
ACCESSING INFORMATION	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
ORGANIZING RESEARCH INFORMATION	
12.1.4. Defend research paper or project	
PRESENTATION	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
EVALUATING RESEARCH PROCESS	
12.1.5. Evaluate the research process and apply strategies to a variety of writing purposes e.g., correct use of research format, accuracy of research, organization of information and use of sources	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	WorkKeys Reading for Information Skills
Standard 2:	
Students engage in the reading process.	
LITERARY GENRES	
12.2.1. Identify satire and allegory	
INFORMATIONAL GENRES	
12.2.2. Critique details, facts, and concepts from nonfiction	Identify main ideas and clearly stated details
genres	Choose the correct meaning of a word that is clearly defined in the reading
	Choose the correct meaning of common, everyday and workplace words
	Choose when to perform each step in a short series of steps
	Apply instructions to a situation that is the same as the one in the reading materials
	Identify important details that may not be clearly stated
	Use the reading material to figure out the meaning of words that are not defined
	Apply instructions with several steps to a situation that is the same as the situation in the reading materials
	Choose what to do when changing conditions call for a different action (follow directions that include "if-then" statements)
	Figure out the correct meaning of a word based on how the word is used
	Identify the correct meaning of an acronym that is defined in the document
	Identify the paraphrased definition of a technical term or jargon that is defined in the document
	Apply technical terms and jargon and relate them to stated situations
	Apply straightforward instructions to a new situation that is similar to the one described in the material
	Apply complex instructions that include condi-tionals to situations described in the materials
	Identify implied details
	Use technical terms and jargon in new situations
	Figure out the less common meaning of a word based on the context
	Apply complicated instructions to new situations
	Figure out the principles behind policies, rules, and procedures
	Apply general principles from the materials to similar and new situations
	Explain the rationale behind a procedure, policy, or communication
	Figure out the definitions of difficult, uncommon words based on how they are used
	Figure out the meaning of jargon or technical terms based on how they are used

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	WorkKeys Reading for Information Skills
Standard 2:	
	Figure out the general principles behind the policies and apply them to situations that are quite different from any described in the materials
READING STRATEGIES FOR INTERPRETING MEANING OF TEXTS	
12.2.3. Identify techniques used in persuasive writing such as fallacies of logic, faulty reasoning, and manipulative language	
PURPOSES FOR READING	
12.2.4. Read for a variety of purposes and intents e.g., to become life-long readers, to model forms of writing	
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
12.2.5. Interpret author's use of figurative language including allusion, imagery, and symbolism	
12.2.6. Interpret author's use of syntax and word choice/diction	
12.2.7. Critique literary merit of a work of literature	
Vocabulary	
12.2.8. Use technical language/jargon to decipher meaning	Apply technical terms and jargon and relate them to stated situations
	Use technical terms and jargon in new situations

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	WorkKeys Reading for Information Skills
Standard 3:	
Students engage in the writing process.	
INFORMATIVE WRITING	
12.3.1. Write business or other formal documents, including resumes, scholarship letters, and letters of inquiry or complaint	
NARRATIVE WRITING	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
Persuasive Writing	
12.3.2. Write persuasive compositions, including structuring arguments logically, using rhetorical devices, defending positions with evidence, and addressing readers' concerns and biases e.g., editorials, critical reviews	
Prewriting	
12.3.3. Organize the ideas and details of a composition according to purpose	
12.3.4. Use variety of sources for supporting details	
DRAFTING	
12.3.5. Elaborate ideas through word choice and description using grade-level vocabulary	
12.3.6. Organize and write compositions for nation and world	
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
12.3.7. Use techniques to convey an individual voice and style e.g., tone, syntax, diction, figurative language	
REVISING AND EDITING	
12.3.8. Edit and revise compositions for standard writing conventions and appropriate tone	
12.3.9. Edit and revise compositions for unity, coherence, clarity, and fluency	
12.3.10. Edit and revise compositions with an awareness of parallel structures and proper verb tense and agreement	
12.3.11. Edit and revise compositions for the use of proper clausal and phrasal patterns	
Publishing	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	WorkKeys Reading for Information Skills
Standard 4:	
Students engage in the speaking and listening process.	
PLANNING FOR AN AUDIENCE/PURPOSE	
12.4.1. Evaluate audience based on social characteristics, e.g., religion, culture, and gender	
VERBAL AND NONVERBAL COMMUNICATION	
12.4.2. Use tone, inflection, pitch, and emphasis effectively in oral presentations	
CONVERSATION, GROUP DISCUSSION, AND ORAL PRESENTATION	
12.4.3. Analyze the audience and adjust message and wording to suit the audience while speaking	
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Standard 5:	
Students understand media.	
MEDIA GENRES	
12.5.1. Identify existing and developing media	
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12.5.3. Evaluate instances of gender equity and political correctness in media messages	
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NORTH DAKOTA Grade 12 English Language Arts Content Standards	WorkKeys Reading for Information Skills
Standard 6:	
Students understand and use principles of language.	
LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS/MECHANICS	
12.6.1. Use conventions of grammar, usage, and punctuation to edit and revise	
LITERARY ELEMENTS AND TECHNIQUES	
12.6.2. Apply figurative language i.e., allusion, analogy, hyperbole, irony, personification, oxymoron, paradox	
12.6.3. Interpret the use of language in different literary forms i.e., satire, parody	
12.6.4. Identify allegory	
LANGUAGE CONTEXT	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

SUPPLEMENT TABLES 2A-2E:

MATHEMATICS

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 Mathematics Content Standards	EXPLORE Mathematics College Readiness Standards
Standard 1: Number and Operation	
Students understand and use basic and advanced concepts of number and number systems.	
NUMBERS, NUMBER RELATIONSHIPS, AND NUMBER SYSTEMS	
8.1.1. Identify subsets of the real number system, i.e., natural and whole numbers, integers, rational and irrational numbers	
8.1.2. Solve real-world problems involving ratio, proportion,	Basic Operations & Applications:
and percent	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
	Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and computing with a given average
8.1.3. Identify perfect squares 1 to 144 and approximate	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
square roots	Work with squares and square roots of numbers
8.1.4. Represent large and small numbers using scientific	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
notation	Identify a digit's place value
	Work with scientific notation
OPERATIONS AND THEIR PROPERTIES	<u>.</u>
8.1.5. Apply operation properties to simplify computations	Basic Operations & Applications:
distributive	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
	Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and computing with a given average
8.1.6. Apply the order of operations to simplify numeric	Basic Operations & Applications:
expressions and solve problems	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 Mathemat	tics
Content Standards	

EXPLORE Mathematics College Readiness Standards

Standard 1: Number and Operation	
COMPUTATIONAL FLUENCY AND ESTIMATION	
8.1.7. Add, subtract, multiply, and divide integers	Basic Operations & Applications:
	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
8.1.8. Select and use a computational technique (e.g.,	Basic Operations & Applications:
mental calculation, paper-and-pencil, technology) to solve problems	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
8.1.9. Determine when an estimate is sufficient and an exact	Basic Operations & Applications:
answer is needed in problem situations	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
	Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and computing with a given average
	Solve multistep arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour)

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 Mathematics Content Standards	EXPLORE Mathematics College Readiness Standards
Standard 2: Geometry and Spatial Sense	
Students understand and apply geometric concepts and spatial relationships to represent and solve problems in mathematical and nonmathematical situations.	
TWO- AND THREE-DIMENSIONAL SHAPES, GEOMETRIC PROPERTIES AND RELATIONSHIPS	
8.2.1. Use nets to represent the relationships between two- and three-dimensional figures	
8.2.2. Classify quadrilaterals based on side lengths, angle	Properties of Plane Figures:
measures, and sets of parallel sides	Exhibit knowledge of basic angle properties and special sums of angle measures (e.g., 90°, 180°, and 360°)
8.2.3. Identify the angles formed and the relationships	Properties of Plane Figures:
between the angles when parallel lines are intersected by a transversal	Exhibit some knowledge of the angles associated with parallel lines
	Find the measure of an angle using properties of parallel lines
8.2.4. Apply the Pythagorean Theorem to problems involving right triangles	
COORDINATE GEOMETRY	
8.2.5. Represent shapes using coordinate geometry	Graphical Representations:
	Locate points on the number line and in the first quadrant
	Locate points in the coordinate plane
TRANSFORMATION AND SYMMETRY	
8.2.6. Draw the results of a combination of transformations in the coordinate plane, i.e., reflections, rotations, and translations	
8.2.7. Use scale, proportion, and congruency to solve	Properties of Plane Figures:
problems involving similar figures	Exhibit knowledge of basic angle properties and special sums of angle measures (e.g., 90°, 180°, and 360°)
VISUALIZATION, SPATIAL REASONING, AND GEOMETRIC MODELING	
8.2.8. Use two-dimensional representations of	Measurement:
threedimensional objects to visualize and solve problems, e.g., those involving surface area and volume	Use geometric formulas when all necessary information is given

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 Mathematics	EXPLORE Mathematics
Content Standards	College Readiness Standards
Standard 3: Data Analysis, Statistics, and Probability	
Students use data collection and analysis techniques, statistical methods, and probability to solve problems.	
DATA COLLECTION, DISPLAY, AND INTERPRETATION	
8.3.1. Formulate a question and select a random or representative sample	
8.3.2. Collect, organize, and display data using scatter and	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
stem-and-leaf plot	Read tables and graphs
	Translate from one representation of data to another (e.g., a bar graph to a circle graph)
	Manipulate data from tables and graphs
	Graphical Representations:
	Locate points on the number line and in the first quadrant
	Locate points in the coordinate plane
PROBABILITY	
8.3.3. Determine possible outcomes using organized lists,	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
tree diagrams, Venn diagrams, factorials, and the basic	Read tables and graphs
	Translate from one representation of data to another (e.g., a bar graph to a circle graph)
8.3.4. Distinguish between experimental and theoretical	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
probability, i.e., the results of an experiment may not match the theoretical probability	Read tables and graphs
STATISTICAL METHODS	
8.3.5. Calculate and compare the measures of central	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
rendency (i.e., mean, median, mode) and spread (i.e., range)	Calculate the average of a list of positive whole numbers
	Calculate the average of a list of numbers
	Calculate the average, given the number of data values and the sum of the data values
	Calculate the missing data value, given the average and all data values but one
	Calculate the average, given the frequency counts of all the data values
8.3.6. Identify an outlier within a set of data and discuss its	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
effects on the measures of central tendency and spread	Read tables and graphs
PREDICTIONS, DATA ANALYSIS, AND INFERENCES	
8.3.7. Make inferences based on analysis of data and	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
interpretation of graphs	Perform a single computation using information from a table or chart
	Read tables and graphs
	Perform computations on data from tables and graphs
	Translate from one representation of data to another (e.g., a bar graph to a circle graph)
	Manipulate data from tables and graphs

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 Mathematics Content Standards	EXPLORE Mathematics College Readiness Standards
Standard 4: Measurement	
Students use concepts and tools of measurement to describe and quantify the world.	
MEASURABLE ATTRIBUTES, MEASUREMENT SYSTEMS AND UNITS	
8.4.1. Select an appropriate degree of precision when using	Basic Operations & Applications:
measurements for calculations	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
	Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and computing with a given average
	Solve multistep arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour)
8.4.2. Compare unit measurements between systems, e.g.,	Basic Operations & Applications:
a yard is almost a meter	Perform common conversions (e.g., inches to feet or hours to minutes)
	Solve multistep arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour)
MEASUREMENT TOOLS, TECHNIQUES, AND FORMULAS	
8.4.3. Use formulas to determine the surface area and	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
volume of right cones and spheres	Substitute whole numbers for unknown quantities to evaluate expressions
	Evaluate algebraic expressions by substituting integers for unknown quantities
	Measurement:
	Use geometric formulas when all necessary information is given

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 Mathematics Content Standards	EXPLORE Mathematics College Readiness Standards
Standard 5: Algebra, Functions, and Patterns	
Students use algebraic concepts, functions, patterns, and relationships to solve problems.	
PATTERNS, RELATIONS, AND FUNCTIONS	
8.5.1. Extend numerical patterns, e.g., Pascal's triangle and	Basic Operations & Applications:
the Fibonacci sequence	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
	Exhibit knowledge of elementary number concepts including rounding, the ordering of decimals, pattern identification, absolute value, primes, and greatest common factor
NUMERIC AND ALGEBRAIC REPRESENTATIONS	
8.5.2. Use variables, expressions, and equations to	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
represent problem situations	Exhibit knowledge of basic expressions (e.g., identify an expression for a total as $b + g$)
	Perform straightforward word-to-symbol translations
	Write expressions, equations, or inequalities with a single variable for common pre-algebra settings (e.g., rate and distance problems and problems that can be solved by using proportions)
8.5.3. Apply the order of operations and the commutative,	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
associative, and distributive properties to simplify algebraic	Combine like terms (e.g., $2x + 5x$)
expressions	Add and subtract simple algebraic expressions
8.5.4. Apply inverse operations and the properties of	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
equality to solve multi-step equations and inequalities in one variable	Solve equations in the form $x + a = b$, where a and b are whole numbers or decimals
	Solve one-step equations having integer or decimal answers
	Solve routine first-degree equations
	Solve real-world problems using first-degree equations
MATHEMATICAL MODELING	
8.5.5. Write multi-step equations and inequalities to	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
represent problem situations	Exhibit knowledge of basic expressions (e.g., identify an expression for a total as $b + g$)
	Perform straightforward word-to-symbol translations
	Write expressions, equations, or inequalities with a single variable for common pre-algebra settings (e.g., rate and distance problems and problems that can be solved by using proportions)

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 Mathematics Content Standards	EXPLORE Mathematics College Readiness Standards
Standard 5: Algebra, Functions, and Patterns	
RATES OF CHANGE	
8.5.6. Solve problems involving rates, i.e., speed equals	Basic Operations & Applications:
distance divided by time (miles per hour)	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Perform common conversions (e.g., inches to feet or hours to minutes)
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
	Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and computing with a given average
	Solve multistep arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour)

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Mathematics Content Standards	EXPLORE Mathematics College Readiness Standards
Standard 1: Number and Operation	
Students understand and use basic and advanced concepts of number and number systems.	
NUMBERS, NUMBER RELATIONSHIPS, AND NUMBER SYSTEMS	
9–10.1.1. Express numbers between one-billionth and one billion in fraction, decimal, and verbal form; express numbers of all magnitudes in scientific notation	Numbers: Concepts & Properties: Identify a digit's place value Work with scientific notation
9–10.1.2. Describe the hierarchal relationships (e.g., integers are rationals) among subsets of the real number system, i.e., reals, rationals, irrationals, integers, wholes, and naturals	
9–10.1.3. Identify the properties of the real number system, i.e., commutative, associative, distributive, closure, inverse, and identity properties	
9-10.1.4. Represent a set of data in a matrix	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
	Translate from one representation of data to another (e.g., a bar graph to a circle graph)
OPERATIONS AND THEIR PROPERTIES	
9–10.1.5. Use the order of operations and properties of exponents to simplify an algebraic expression	
9–10.1.6. Analyze the effects of multiplication, division,	Basic Operations & Applications:
raising to a power, and extracting a root on the magnitudes of quantities, e.g., when will the square root of a number be greater than the number itself, or what will be presente the	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
magnitude of a number when you multiply it by a negative	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
number?	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
	Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and computing with a given average
	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
	Exhibit knowledge of elementary number concepts including rounding, the ordering of decimals, pattern identification, absolute value, primes, and greatest common factor
	Work with squares and square roots of numbers
9–10.1.7. Apply basic properties of exponents to simplify algebraic expressions, i.e., power of a product, power of a power, products and quotients of powers, zero and negative	

exponents

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Mathematics Content Standards	EXPLORE Mathematics College Readiness Standards
Standard 1: Number and Operation	
COMPUTATIONAL FLUENCY AND ESTIMATION	
9–10.1.8. Apply estimation skills to predict realistic solutions	Basic Operations & Applications:
to problems	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
9–10.1.9. Select and use a computational technique (i.e.,	Basic Operations & Applications:
mental calculation, paper-and-pencil, or technology) to solve problems involving real numbers	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
	Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and computing with a given average
	Solve multistep arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour)
9–10.1.10. Explain the reasonableness of a problem's	Basic Operations & Applications:
solution and the process used to obtain it	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
	Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and computing with a given average
	Solve multistep arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour)
9–10.1.11. Add, subtract, and perform scalar multiplication	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
on matrices	Perform a single computation using information from a table or chart
	Perform computations on data from tables and graphs
	Manipulate data from tables and graphs

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Mathematics Content Standards	EXPLORE Mathematics College Readiness Standards
Standard 2: Geometry and Spatial Sense Students understand and apply geometric concepts and spatial relationships to represent and solve problems in mathematical and nonmathematical situations.	
TWO- AND THREE-DIMENSIONAL SHAPES, GEOMETRIC PROPERTIES AND RELATIONSHIPS	
9–10.2.1. Identify the properties and attributes of two- and three-dimensional objects that distinguish one from another, e.g., a cylinder has two parallel circular bases	Properties of Plane Figures: Exhibit knowledge of basic angle properties and special sums of angle measures (e.g., 90°, 180°, and 360°)
9–10.2.2. Determine congruence and similarity among geometric objects	
 9–10.2.3. Use trigonometric relationships and the Pythagorean Theorem to determine side lengths and angle measures in right triangles 	Properties of Plane Figures: Use several angle properties to find an unknown angle measure
9–10.2.4. Using given information, establish the validity of a conjecture using a two-column or paragraph proof	
9–10.2.5. Use Cartesian coordinates to determine distance, midpoint, and slope	
9–10.2.6. Use distance, midpoint, and slope to determine relationships between points, lines, and plane figures in the Cartesian coordinate system, e.g., determine whether a triangle is scalene, isosceles, or equilateral given the coordinates of its vertices	
TRANSFORMATION AND SYMMETRY	
9–10.2.7. Identify and perform transformations of objects in the plane using sketches (translations, reflections, rotations, and dilations) and coordinates (translations, reflections, and dilations)	
9–10.2.8. Describe the effects of combining basic transformations in a plane, e.g., two reflections over parallel lines results in a translation	
VISUALIZATION, SPATIAL REASONING, AND GEOMETRIC	
9–10.2.9. Construct plane figures using traditional and/or technological tools, i.e., congruent segments, congruent angles, angle and segment bisectors, perpendicular and parallel lines	Properties of Plane Figures: Exhibit some knowledge of the angles associated with parallel lines Find the measure of an angle using properties of parallel lines Use several angle properties to find an unknown angle measure
9–10.2.10. Recognize images of the same object shown from different perspectives, i.e., a two-dimensional image of a three-dimensional object	

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Standard 2: Geometry and Spatial Sense	
9–10.2.11. Use geometric models to find solutions to	Properties of Plane Figures:
problems in mathematics and other disciplines, e.g., art and architecture	Find the measure of an angle using properties of parallel lines
	Use several angle properties to find an unknown angle measure
	Measurement:
	Estimate or calculate the length of a line segment based on other lengths given on a geometric figure
	Compute the perimeter of polygons when all side lengths are given
	Compute the area of rectangles when whole number dimensions are given
	Compute the area and perimeter of triangles and rectangles in simple problems
	Use geometric formulas when all necessary information is given
	Compute the area of triangles and rectangles when one or more additional simple steps are required
	Compute the area and circumference of circles after identifying necessary information

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Standard 3: Data Analysis, Statistics, and	
Probability	
Students use data collection and analysis techniques, statistical methods, and probability to solve problems.	
DATA COLLECTION, DISPLAY, AND INTERPRETATION	
9–10.3.1. Construct appropriate displays of given data, i.e.,	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
circle graphs, bar graphs, histograms, stem-and-leaf plots,	Read tables and graphs
box-and-whisker plots, and scatter plots	Perform computations on data from tables and graphs
	Translate from one representation of data to another (e.g., a bar graph to a circle graph)
	Manipulate data from tables and graphs
9-10.3.2. Interpret a given visual representation (i.e., circle	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
graphs, bar graphs, histograms, stem-and-leaf plots, box-	Read tables and graphs
and-whisker plots, and scatter plots) of a set of data	
well-designed study, e.g., in an exit poll for a tax increase, the variable is the outcome of the vote, the sample is the set of people surveyed, the population is the set of all voters	
PROBABILITY	
9–10.3.4. Determine the number of possible outcomes for a given event, using appropriate counting techniques, e.g., fundamental counting principle, factorials, combinations, permutations	
9–10.3.5. Calculate experimental and theoretical	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
probabilities with and without replacement	Use the relationship between the probability of an event and the probability of its complement
	Determine the probability of a simple event
	Compute straightforward probabilities for common situations
9–10.3.6. Calculate probabilities of compound events using addition and multiplication rules	Compute straightforward probabilities for common situations
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Standard 3: Data Analysis, Statistics, and Probability	
9–10.3.10. Identify the trend of a set of data and estimate	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
the strength of the correlation between two variables, e.g., strong vs. weak, positive vs. negative	Read tables and graphs
	Manipulate data from tables and graphs
NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Mathematics Content Standards	EXPLORE Mathematics College Readiness Standards
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Standard 4: Measurement	
Students use concepts and tools of measurement to describe and quantify the world.	
MEASURABLE ATTRIBUTES, MEASUREMENT SYSTEMS AND UNITS	
9–10.4.1. Select appropriate units and scales for problem	Basic Operations & Applications:
situations involving measurement	Perform common conversions (e.g., inches to feet or hours to minutes)
9–10.4.2. Describe the effects of scalar change on the area	Measurement:
and volume of a figure, e.g., the effect of doubling one or more edges of a solid on its surface area and volume	Compute the area and perimeter of triangles and rectangles in simple problems
	Compute the area of triangles and rectangles when one or more additional simple steps are required
9–10.4.3. Use approximations to compare the standard and	Basic Operations & Applications:
metric systems of measurement, e.g., a five-kilometer race is about three miles long	Perform common conversions (e.g., inches to feet or hours to minutes)
	Solve multistep arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour)
9–10.4.4. Given a conversion factor, convert between	Basic Operations & Applications:
standard and metric measurements	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Perform common conversions (e.g., inches to feet or hours to minutes)
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
	Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and computing with a given average
	Solve multistep arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour)

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Standard 4: Measurement	
MEASUREMENT TOOLS, TECHNIQUES, AND FORMULAS	
9–10.4.5. Use methods necessary to achieve a specified	Basic Operations & Applications:
degree of precision and accuracy (i.e., appropriate number of significant digits) in measurement situations	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Perform common conversions (e.g., inches to feet or hours to minutes)
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
	Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and computing with a given average
	Solve multistep arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour)
9–10.4.6. Employ estimation techniques to evaluate	Basic Operations & Applications:
reasonableness of results in measurement situations	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
	Measurement:
	Estimate or calculate the length of a line segment based on other lengths given on a geometric figure
9–10.4.7. Use unit analysis to track units during	Basic Operations & Applications:
computations	Perform common conversions (e.g., inches to feet or hours to minutes)
	Solve multistep arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour)
9–10.4.8. Given a formula list, compute the area of a regular	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
polygon	Substitute whole numbers for unknown quantities to evaluate expressions
	Evaluate algebraic expressions by substituting integers for unknown quantities
	Measurement:
	Compute the area of rectangles when whole number dimensions are given
	Compute the area and perimeter of triangles and rectangles in simple problems
	Use geometric formulas when all necessary information is given

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Standard 4: Measurement	
	Compute the area of triangles and rectangles when one or more additional simple steps are required
	Compute the area and circumference of circles after identifying necessary information
9-10.4.9. Given a formula list, compute the surface area and	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
volume of a right prism, right cylinder, right pyramid, right cone, and sphere	Substitute whole numbers for unknown quantities to evaluate expressions
	Evaluate algebraic expressions by substituting integers for unknown quantities
	Measurement:
	Compute the area of rectangles when whole number dimensions are given
	Compute the area and perimeter of triangles and rectangles in simple problems
	Use geometric formulas when all necessary information is given
	Compute the area of triangles and rectangles when one or more additional simple steps are required
	Compute the area and circumference of circles after identifying necessary information
9–10.4.10. Apply indirect measurement techniques to solve	Properties of Plane Figures:
problems involving irregular shapes or inaccessible objects, e.g., calculate the distance across a lake, triangulate an irregular region to find its approximate area	Exhibit knowledge of basic angle properties and special sums of angle measures (e.g., 90°, 180°, and 360°)
	Measurement:
	Compute the area of rectangles when whole number dimensions are given
	Compute the area and perimeter of triangles and rectangles in simple problems
	Compute the area of triangles and rectangles when one or more additional simple steps are required

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Standard 5: Algebra, Functions, and Patterns	
Students use algebraic concepts, functions, patterns, and relationships to solve problems.	
PATTERNS, RELATIONS, AND FUNCTIONS	
9–10.5.1. Given the explicit and/or the recursive definition of	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
a sequence, generate a specific term (explicit formula only) or a specified number of terms	Exhibit knowledge of elementary number concepts including rounding, the ordering of decimals, pattern identification, absolute value, primes, and greatest common factor
	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
	Substitute whole numbers for unknown quantities to evaluate expressions
	Evaluate algebraic expressions by substituting integers for unknown quantities
9–10.5.2. Express relations and functions using a variety of	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
representations, i.e., numeric, graphic, symbolic, and verbal	Read tables and graphs
	Perform computations on data from tables and graphs
	Translate from one representation of data to another (e.g., a bar graph to a circle graph)
	Manipulate data from tables and graphs
	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
	Write expressions, equations, or inequalities with a single variable for common pre-algebra settings (e.g., rate and distance problems and problems that can be solved by using proportions)
	Graphical Representations:
	Locate points on the number line and in the first quadrant
	Locate points in the coordinate plane
9–10.5.3. Determine whether a relation is a function by	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
examining various representations of the relation, e.g., table,	Read tables and graphs
graph, equation, set of ordered pairs	Perform computations on data from tables and graphs
	Translate from one representation of data to another (e.g., a bar graph to a circle graph)
	Manipulate data from tables and graphs
9-10.5.4. Perform the operations of addition, subtraction,	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
multiplication, and division on algebraic functions, e.g., given $f(x) = 2x$ and $g(x) = 5x - 7$, find $f(x) + g(x)$	Combine like terms (e.g., $2x + 5x$)
	Add and subtract simple algebraic expressions
9–10.5.5. Identify the independent variable, dependent variable, domain, and range of a function	
9–10.5.6. Draw graphs of linear and quadratic functions	Graphical Representations:
a line and label its x-intercept and y-intercept. draph	Locate points on the number line and in the first quadrant
a parabola and label its vertex and one point on each side of the vertex	Locate points in the coordinate plane

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Standard 5: Algebra, Functions, and Patterns

NUMERIC AND ALGEBRAIC REPRESENTATIONS	
9–10.5.7. Develop algebraic expressions, equations, or	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
inequalities involving one or two variables to represent	Perform straightforward word-to-symbol translations
equivalent algebraic expression or equation) found in various contexts (e.g., time and distance problems, mixture problems)	Write expressions, equations, or inequalities with a single variable for common pre-algebra settings (e.g., rate and distance problems and problems that can be solved by using proportions)
9–10.5.8. Manipulate algebraic expressions and equations	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
using properties of real numbers, e.g., simplify, factor	Recognize one-digit factors of a number
	Exhibit knowledge of elementary number concepts including rounding, the ordering of decimals, pattern identification, absolute value, primes, and greatest common factor
	Work with numerical factors
	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
	Combine like terms (e.g., $2x + 5x$)
	Add and subtract simple algebraic expressions
9–10.5.9. Solve linear equations and inequalities, systems of	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
two linear equations or inequalities, and quadratic equations having rational solutions, e.g., factoring, quadratic formula	Solve equations in the form $x + a = b$, where a and b are whole numbers or decimals
	Solve one-step equations having integer or decimal answers
	Solve routine first-degree equations
	Solve real-world problems using first-degree equations
	Identify solutions to simple quadratic equations
9–10.5.10. Solve a literal equation for a specified variable, e.g., solve I = prt for r, or solve 7n + p = t for n	
Mathematical Modeling	
9–10.5.11. Use essential quantitative relationships in a	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
situation to determine whether the relationship can be	Read tables and graphs
compound interest is not linear	Perform computations on data from tables and graphs
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Translate from one representation of data to another (e.g., a bar graph to a circle graph)
	Manipulate data from tables and graphs
	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
	Solve routine first-degree equations
	Perform straightforward word-to-symbol translations
	Solve real-world problems using first-degree equations
	Write expressions, equations, or inequalities with a single variable for common pre-algebra settings (e.g., rate and distance problems and problems that can be solved by using proportions)

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Standard 5: Algebra, Functions, and Patterns	
9–10.5.12. Graphically represent the solution or solutions to	Graphical Representations:
an equation, inequality, or system	Identify the location of a point with a positive coordinate on the number line
	Locate points on the number line and in the first quadrant
	Locate points in the coordinate plane
9–10.5.13. Interpret a graphical representation of a real-	Graphical Representations:
world situation	Locate points on the number line and in the first quadrant
	Locate points in the coordinate plane
9–10.5.14. Draw conclusions about a situation being modeled	
RATES OF CHANGE	
9–10.5.15. Approximate and interpret rates of change from	Graphical Representations:
graphical and numerical data	Locate points on the number line and in the first quadrant
	Locate points in the coordinate plane



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Standard 1: Number and Operation	
Students understand and use basic and advanced concepts	
of number and number systems.	
NUMBERS, NUMBER RELATIONSHIPS, AND NUMBER SYSTEMS	
9–10.1.1. Express numbers between one-billionth and one	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
billion in fraction, decimal, and verbal form; express	Identify a digit's place value
numbers of all magnitudes in scientific notation	Work with scientific notation
9-10.1.2. Describe the hierarchal relationships (e.g.,	
integers are rationals) among subsets of the real number	
system, i.e., reals, rationals, irrationals, integers, wholes,	
9–10.1.3. Identify the properties of the real number system,	
and identity properties	
9-10.1.4. Represent a set of data in a matrix	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
	Translate from one representation of data to another (e.g., a
	bar graph to a circle graph)
OPERATIONS AND THEIR PROPERTIES	
9–10.1.5. Use the order of operations and properties of	
exponents to simplify an algebraic expression	
9–10.1.6. Analyze the effects of multiplication, division,	
9-10.1.6. Analyze the effects of multiplication, division,	Basic Operations & Applications:
9–10.1.6. Analyze the effects of multiplication, division, raising to a power, and extracting a root on the magnitudes of quantities, e.g., when will the square root of a number be greater than the number itself, or what will bappen to the	Basic Operations & Applications: Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
9–10.1.6. Analyze the effects of multiplication, division, raising to a power, and extracting a root on the magnitudes of quantities, e.g., when will the square root of a number be greater than the number itself, or what will happen to the magnitude of a number when you multiply it by a negative	Basic Operations & Applications: Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
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9–10.1.6. Analyze the effects of multiplication, division, raising to a power, and extracting a root on the magnitudes of quantities, e.g., when will the square root of a number be greater than the number itself, or what will happen to the magnitude of a number when you multiply it by a negative number?	 Basic Operations & Applications: Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and computing with a given average Numbers: Concepts & Properties: Exhibit knowledge of elementary number concepts including rounding, the ordering of decimals, pattern identification, absolute value, primes, and greatest common factor Work with squares and square roots of numbers Apply number properties involving positive/negative numbers
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Standard 1: Number and Operation	
COMPUTATIONAL FLUENCY AND ESTIMATION	
9–10.1.8. Apply estimation skills to predict realistic solutions	Basic Operations & Applications:
to problems	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
9-10.1.9. Select and use a computational technique (i.e.,	Basic Operations & Applications:
problems involving real numbers	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
	Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and computing with a given average
	Solve multistep arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour)
	Solve word problems containing several rates, proportions, or percentages
9–10.1.10. Explain the reasonableness of a problem's	Basic Operations & Applications:
solution and the process used to obtain it	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
	Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and computing with a given average
	Solve multistep arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour)
	Solve word problems containing several rates, proportions, or percentages

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Standard 1: Number and Operation	
9–10.1.11. Add, subtract, and perform scalar multiplication	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
on matrices	Perform a single computation using information from a table or chart
	Perform computations on data from tables and graphs
	Manipulate data from tables and graphs
	Interpret and use information from figures, tables, and graphs

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Mathematics Content Standards	PLAN Mathematics College Readiness Standards
Standard 2: Geometry and Spatial Sense Students understand and apply geometric concepts and spatial relationships to represent and solve problems in mathematical and nonmathematical situations. Two- AND THREE-DIMENSIONAL SHAPES, GEOMETRIC	
PROPERTIES AND RELATIONSHIPS	Drepartice of Plana Figureau
three-dimensional objects that distinguish one from another, e.g., a cylinder has two parallel circular bases	Exhibit knowledge of basic angle properties and special sums of angle measures (e.g., 90°, 180°, and 360°)
	Use properties of isosceles triangles Apply properties of 30°-60°-90°, 45°-45°-90°, similar, and congruent triangles
9–10.2.2. Determine congruence and similarity among	Properties of Plane Figures:
geometric objects	Apply properties of 30°-60°-90°, 45°-45°-90°, similar, and congruent triangles
9–10.2.3. Use trigonometric relationships and the	Properties of Plane Figures:
Pythagorean. Theorem to determine side lengths and angle measures in right triangles	Use several angle properties to find an unknown angle measure
	Recognize Pythagorean triples
	Use the Pythagorean theorem
9–10.2.4. Using given information, establish the validity of a conjecture using a two-column or paragraph proof	
COORDINATE GEOMETRY	
9–10.2.5. Use Cartesian coordinates to determine distance,	Graphical Representations:
midpoint, and slope	Exhibit knowledge of slope
	Determine the slope of a line from points or equations
	Find the midpoint of a line segment
	Use the distance formula
relationships between points, lines, and plane figures in the	Graphical Representations:
Cartesian coordinate system, e.g., determine whether a	Exhibit knowledge of slope Determine the slope of a line from points or equations
triangle is scalene, isosceles, or equilateral given the	Find the midpoint of a line segment
	Use the distance formula
TRANSFORMATION AND SYMMETRY	
9–10.2.7. Identify and perform transformations of objects in the plane using sketches (translations, reflections, rotations, and dilations) and coordinates (translations, reflections, and dilations)	
9–10.2.8. Describe the effects of combining basic transformations in a plane, e.g., two reflections over parallel lines results in a translation	

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Standard 2: Geometry and Spatial Sense	
VISUALIZATION, SPATIAL REASONING, AND GEOMETRIC MODELING	
9–10.2.9. Construct plane figures using traditional and/or	Properties of Plane Figures:
technological tools, i.e., <mark>congruent segments, congruent</mark> angles, angle and segment bisectors, perpendicular and parallel lines	Exhibit some knowledge of the angles associated with parallel lines
	Find the measure of an angle using properties of parallel lines
	Use several angle properties to find an unknown angle measure
	Apply properties of 30°-60°-90°, 45°-45°-90°, similar, and congruent triangles
	Use the Pythagorean theorem
9–10.2.10. Recognize images of the same object shown from different perspectives, i.e., a two-dimensional image of a three-dimensional object	
9–10.2.11. Use geometric models to find solutions to	Properties of Plane Figures:
<mark>problems in mathematics and other disciplines</mark> , e.g., art and architecture	Find the measure of an angle using properties of parallel lines
	Use several angle properties to find an unknown angle measure
	Apply properties of 30°-60°-90°, 45°-45°-90°, similar, and congruent triangles
	Use the Pythagorean theorem
	Measurement:
	Estimate or calculate the length of a line segment based on other lengths given on a geometric figure
	Compute the perimeter of polygons when all side lengths are given
	Compute the area of rectangles when whole number dimensions are given
	Compute the area and perimeter of triangles and rectangles in simple problems
	Use geometric formulas when all necessary information is given
	Compute the area of triangles and rectangles when one or more additional simple steps are required
	Compute the area and circumference of circles after identifying necessary information

Compute the perimeter of simple composite geometric

geometric figures to compute another measure

Use relationships involving area, perimeter, and volume of

figures with unknown side lengths

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Mathematics Content Standards	PLAN Mathematics College Readiness Standards
Standard 3: Data Analysis, Statistics, and Probability	
Students use data collection and analysis techniques, statistical methods, and probability to solve problems.	
DATA COLLECTION, DISPLAY, AND INTERPRETATION	
9–10.3.1. Construct appropriate displays of given data, i.e.,	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
box-and-whisker plots, and scatter plots	Read tables and graphs
	Perform computations on data from tables and graphs
	Translate from one representation of data to another (e.g., a bar graph to a circle graph)
	Manipulate data from tables and graphs
	Interpret and use information from figures, tables, and graphs
9–10.3.2. Interpret a given visual representation (i.e., circle	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
graphs, bar graphs, histograms, stem-and-leat plots, box- and-whisker plots, and scatter plots) of a set of data	Read tables and graphs
	Interpret and use information from figures, tables, and graphs
9–10.3.3. Identify the variable, sample, and population in a	
the variable is the outcome of the vote, the sample is the set	
9–10.3.4. Determine the number of possible outcomes for a	Probability Statistics & Data Analysis
given event, using appropriate counting techniques, e.g.,	Exhibit knowledge of simple counting techniques
fundamental counting principle, factorials, combinations,	Apply counting techniques
9–10.3.5. Calculate experimental and theoretical	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
probabilities with and without replacement	Use the relationship between the probability of an event and the probability of its complement
	Determine the probability of a simple event
	Compute straightforward probabilities for common situations
	Compute a probability when the event and/or sample space are not given or obvious
9–10.3.6. Calculate probabilities of compound events using	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
addition and multiplication rules	Apply counting techniques
STATISTICAL METHODS	
9–10.3.7. Calculate measures of central tendency and	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
spread, i.e., mean, median, mode, range, and quartiles	Calculate the average of a list of positive whole numbers
	Calculate the average of a list of numbers
	Calculate the average, given the number of data values and the sum of the data values
	Calculate the missing data value, given the average and all data values but one
	Calculate the average, given the frequency counts of all the data values
	Calculate or use a weighted average

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Standard 3: Data Analysis, Statistics, and Probability		
9–10.3.8. Discuss relationships among measures of central	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:	
tendency and spread, i.e., mean, median, mode, range, and quartiles	Calculate or use a weighted average	
PREDICTIONS, DATA ANALYSIS, AND INFERENCES		
9–10.3.9. Select two points and approximate an equation for the line of best fit (if appropriate) for a set of data	Graphical Representations:	
	Locate points on the number line and in the first quadrant	
	Locate points in the coordinate plane	
	Match linear graphs with their equations	
	Interpret and use information from graphs in the coordinate plane	
9–10.3.10. Identify the trend of a set of data and estimate the strength of the correlation between two variables, e.g., strong vs. weak, positive vs. negative	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:	
	Read tables and graphs	
	Manipulate data from tables and graphs	
	Interpret and use information from figures, tables, and graphs	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Mathematics Content Standards	PLAN Mathematics College Readiness Standards
Standard 4: Measurement	
Students use concepts and tools of measurement to describe and quantify the world.	
MEASURABLE ATTRIBUTES, MEASUREMENT SYSTEMS AND UNITS	
9–10.4.1. Select appropriate units and scales for problem	Basic Operations & Applications:
situations involving measurement	Perform common conversions (e.g., inches to feet or hours to minutes)
9–10.4.2. Describe the effects of scalar change on the area	Measurement:
more edges of a solid on its surface area and volume	Compute the area and perimeter of triangles and rectangles in simple problems
	Compute the area of triangles and rectangles when one or more additional simple steps are required
	Use relationships involving area, perimeter, and volume of geometric figures to compute another measure
9–10.4.3. Use approximations to compare the standard and	Basic Operations & Applications:
is about three miles long	Perform common conversions (e.g., inches to feet or hours to minutes)
	Solve multistep arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour)
9–10.4.4. Given a conversion factor, convert between	Basic Operations & Applications:
standard and metric measurements	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Perform common conversions (e.g., inches to feet or hours to minutes)
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
	Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and computing with a given average
	Solve multistep arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour)
MEASUREMENT TOOLS, TECHNIQUES, AND FORMULAS	
9–10.4.5. Use methods necessary to achieve a specified	Basic Operations & Applications:
degree of precision and accuracy (i.e., appropriate number of significant digits) in measurement situations	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Perform common conversions (e.g., inches to feet or hours to minutes)
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems

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Standard 4: Measurement	
	Solve routine two-step or three-step arithmetic problems involving concepts such as rate and proportion, tax added, percentage off, and computing with a given average
	Solve multistep arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour)
	Solve word problems containing several rates, proportions, or percentages
9–10.4.6. Employ estimation techniques to evaluate	Basic Operations & Applications:
reasonableness of results in measurement situations	Perform one-operation computation with whole numbers and decimals
	Solve problems in one or two steps using whole numbers
	Solve routine one-step arithmetic problems (using whole numbers, fractions, and decimals) such as single-step percent
	Solve some routine two-step arithmetic problems
	Measurement:
	Estimate or calculate the length of a line segment based on other lengths given on a geometric figure
9–10.4.7. Use unit analysis to track units during	Basic Operations & Applications:
	Perform common conversions (e.g., inches to feet or hours to minutes)
	Solve multistep arithmetic problems that involve planning or converting units of measure (e.g., feet per second to miles per hour)
9-10.4.8. Given a formula list, compute the area of a regular	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
polygon	Substitute whole numbers for unknown quantities to evaluate expressions
	Evaluate algebraic expressions by substituting integers for unknown quantities
	Measurement:
	Compute the area of rectangles when whole number dimensions are given
	Compute the area and perimeter of triangles and rectangles in simple problems
	Use geometric formulas when all necessary information is given
	Compute the area of triangles and rectangles when one or more additional simple steps are required
	Compute the area and circumference of circles after identifying necessary information
	Use relationships involving area, perimeter, and volume of geometric figures to compute another measure

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Standard 4: Measurement	
9–10.4.9. Given a formula list, compute the surface area and volume of a right prism, right cylinder, right pyramid, right cone, and sphere	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
	Substitute whole numbers for unknown quantities to evaluate expressions
	Evaluate algebraic expressions by substituting integers for unknown quantities
	Measurement:
	Compute the area of rectangles when whole number dimensions are given
	Compute the area and perimeter of triangles and rectangles in simple problems
	Use geometric formulas when all necessary information is given
	Compute the area of triangles and rectangles when one or more additional simple steps are required
	Compute the area and circumference of circles after identifying necessary information
	Use relationships involving area, perimeter, and volume of geometric figures to compute another measure
9–10.4.10. Apply indirect measurement techniques to solve	Properties of Plane Figures:
problems involving irregular shapes or inaccessible objects, e.g., calculate the distance across a lake, triangulate an	Exhibit knowledge of basic angle properties and special sums of angle measures (e.g., 90°, 180°, and 360°)
integular region to find its approximate area	Use the Pythagorean theorem
	Measurement:
	Compute the area of rectangles when whole number dimensions are given
	Compute the area and perimeter of triangles and rectangles in simple problems
	Compute the area of triangles and rectangles when one or more additional simple steps are required
	Use relationships involving area, perimeter, and volume of geometric figures to compute another measure

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Standard 5: Algebra, Functions, and Patterns	
Students use algebraic concepts, functions, patterns, and relationships to solve problems.	
PATTERNS, RELATIONS, AND FUNCTIONS	
9-10.5.1. Given the explicit and/or the recursive definition of	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
a sequence, generate a specific term (explicit formula only) or a specified number of terms	Exhibit knowledge of elementary number concepts including rounding, the ordering of decimals, pattern identification, absolute value, primes, and greatest common factor
	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
	Substitute whole numbers for unknown quantities to evaluate expressions
	Evaluate algebraic expressions by substituting integers for unknown quantities
9–10.5.2. Express relations and functions using a variety of	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
representations, i.e., numeric, graphic, symbolic, and verbal	Read tables and graphs
	Perform computations on data from tables and graphs
	Translate from one representation of data to another (e.g., a bar graph to a circle graph)
	Manipulate data from tables and graphs
	Interpret and use information from figures, tables, and graphs
	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
	Write expressions, equations, or inequalities with a single variable for common pre-algebra settings (e.g., rate and distance problems and problems that can be solved by using proportions)
	Write expressions, equations, and inequalities for common algebra settings
	Graphical Representations:
	Locate points on the number line and in the first quadrant
	Locate points in the coordinate plane
	Interpret and use information from graphs in the coordinate plane
9–10.5.3. Determine whether a relation is a function by	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
examining various representations of the relation, e.g., table,	Read tables and graphs
graph, equation, set of ordered pairs	Perform computations on data from tables and graphs
	Translate from one representation of data to another (e.g., a bar graph to a circle graph)
	Manipulate data from tables and graphs
	Interpret and use information from figures, tables, and graphs
	Graphical Representations:
	Interpret and use information from graphs in the coordinate plane

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Standard 5: Algebra, Functions, and Patterns	
9–10.5.4. Perform the operations of addition, subtraction,	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
multiplication, and division on algebraic functions, e.g., given	Combine like terms (e.g., $2x + 5x$)
f(x) = 2x and $g(x) = 5x - 7$, find $f(x) + g(x)$	Add and subtract simple algebraic expressions
	Multiply two binomials
	Add, subtract, and multiply polynomials
	Manipulate expressions and equations
9–10.5.5. Identify the independent variable, dependent	Graphical Representations:
variable, domain, and range of a function	Interpret and use information from graphs in the coordinate plane
9–10.5.6. Draw graphs of linear and quadratic functions	Graphical Representations:
using paper and pencil, labeling key features, e.g., graph	Locate points on the number line and in the first quadrant
a parabola and label its vertex and one point on each side of	Locate points in the coordinate plane
the vertex	Interpret and use information from graphs in the coordinate plane
NUMERIC AND ALGEBRAIC REPRESENTATIONS	
9–10.5.7. Develop algebraic expressions, equations, or	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
relationships (e.g., given a verbal statement write an	Perform straightforward word-to-symbol translations
equivalent algebraic expression or equation) found in various contexts (e.g., time and distance problems, mixture problems)	Write expressions, equations, or inequalities with a single variable for common pre-algebra settings (e.g., rate and distance problems and problems that can be solved by using proportions)
	Write expressions, equations, and inequalities for common algebra settings
9–10.5.8. Manipulate algebraic expressions and equations	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
using properties of real numbers, e.g., simplify, factor	Recognize one-digit factors of a number
	Exhibit knowledge of elementary number concepts including rounding, the ordering of decimals, pattern identification, absolute value, primes, and greatest common factor
	Work with numerical factors
	Apply number properties involving even/odd numbers and factors/multiples
	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
	Combine like terms (e.g., $2x + 5x$)
	Add and subtract simple algebraic expressions
	Multiply two binomials
	Add, subtract, and multiply polynomials
	Factor simple quadratics (e.g., the difference of squares and perfect square trinomials)

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Standard 5: Algebra, Functions, and Patterns	
9–10.5.9. Solve linear equations and inequalities, systems of	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
two linear equations or inequalities, and quadratic equations having rational solutions, e.g., factoring, quadratic formula	Solve equations in the form $x + a = b$, where a and b are whole numbers or decimals
	Solve one-step equations having integer or decimal answers
	Solve routine first-degree equations
	Solve real-world problems using first-degree equations
	Identify solutions to simple quadratic equations
	Solve first-degree inequalities that do not require reversing the inequality sign
	Solve linear inequalities that require reversing the inequality sign
	Solve quadratic equations
	Find solutions to systems of linear equations
9–10.5.10. Solve a literal equation for a specified variable,	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
e.g., solve $f = prt \text{ for } r$, or solve $rn + p = t \text{ for } n$	Manipulate expressions and equations
9–10.5.11. Use essential quantitative relationships in a	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
modeled by a linear function, e.g., simple interest is linear,	Read tables and graphs
compound interest is not linear	Perform computations on data from tables and graphs
	bar graph to a circle graph)
	Manipulate data from tables and graphs
	Interpret and use information from figures, tables, and graphs
	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
	Solve routine first-degree equations
	Perform straightforward word-to-symbol translations
	Solve real-world problems using first-degree equations
	Write expressions, equations, or inequalities with a single variable for common pre-algebra settings (e.g., rate and distance problems and problems that can be solved by using proportions)
	Manipulate expressions and equations
	Write expressions, equations, and inequalities for common algebra settings
9–10.5.12. Graphically represent the solution or solutions to	Graphical Representations:
an equation, mequality, or system	Identify the location of a point with a positive coordinate on the number line
	Locate points on the number line and in the first quadrant
	Locate points in the coordinate plane
	Comprehend the concept of length on the number line
	Identify the graph of a linear inequality on the number line
	Match number line graphs with solution sets of linear inequalities

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Standard 5: Algebra, Functions, and Patterns	
9–10.5.13. Interpret a graphical representation of a real-	Graphical Representations:
world situation	Locate points on the number line and in the first quadrant
	Locate points in the coordinate plane
	Interpret and use information from graphs in the coordinate plane
9–10.5.14. Draw conclusions about a situation being modeled	Graphical Representations:
	Interpret and use information from graphs in the coordinate plane
RATES OF CHANGE	
9–10.5.15. Approximate and interpret rates of change from	Graphical Representations:
graphical and numerical data	Locate points on the number line and in the first quadrant
	Locate points in the coordinate plane
	Exhibit knowledge of slope
	Determine the slope of a line from points or equations
	Interpret and use information from graphs in the coordinate plane

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Mathematics Content Standards	ACT Mathematics College Readiness Standards
Standard 1: Number and Operation	-
Students understand and use basic and advanced concepts of number and number systems.	
NUMBERS, NUMBER RELATIONSHIPS, AND NUMBER SYSTEMS	
11–12.1.1. Translate between radical expressions and	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
expressions involving rational exponents	Work with squares and square roots of numbers
	Work problems involving positive integer exponents
	Apply rules of exponents
	Draw conclusions based on number concepts, algebraic properties, and/or relationships between expressions and numbers
11–12.1.2. Describe the hierarchal relationships (e.g.,	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
explain why real numbers are complex) among subsets of the complex number system, i.e., complex, real, and imaginary	Exhibit knowledge of elementary number concepts including rounding, the ordering of decimals, pattern identification, absolute value, primes, and greatest common factor
	Exhibit some knowledge of the complex numbers
	Apply properties of complex numbers
11–12.1.3. Use imaginary numbers to express square roots	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
of negative numbers	Exhibit some knowledge of the complex numbers
	Apply properties of complex numbers
11–12.1.4. Justify the steps of an algebraic process using	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
the properties of the real number system, e.g., write an algebraic proof	Exhibit knowledge of elementary number concepts including rounding, the ordering of decimals, pattern identification, absolute value, primes, and greatest common factor
OPERATIONS AND THEIR PROPERTIES	
11–12.1.5. Determine which properties of the real number	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
system hold for matrices, e.g., matrix multiplication is not commutative	Draw conclusions based on number concepts, algebraic properties, and/or relationships between expressions and numbers
11–12.1.6. Apply basic properties of exponents and	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
logarithms to rewrite algebraic expressions, i.e., power of a product, power of a power, products and quotients of powers, zero and negative exponents, and log of a product, quotient, or power	Exhibit knowledge of elementary number concepts including rounding, the ordering of decimals, pattern identification, absolute value, primes, and greatest common factor
	Work with squares and square roots of numbers
	Work problems involving positive integer exponents
	Work with cubes and cube roots of numbers
	Apply rules of exponents
	Draw conclusions based on number concepts, algebraic properties, and/or relationships between expressions and numbers
COMPUTATIONAL FLUENCY AND ESTIMATION	
11–12.1.7. Add, subtract, and multiply complex numbers	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
	Exhibit some knowledge of the complex numbers
	Multiply two complex numbers
	Apply properties of complex numbers

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Standard 1: Number and Operation	
11–12.1.8. Multiply matrices containing no more than three	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:
rows or columns without the use of technology	Draw conclusions based on number concepts, algebraic properties, and/or relationships between expressions and numbers

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Mathematics Content Standards	ACT Mathematics College Readiness Standards
Standard 2: Geometry and Spatial Sense	
Students understand and apply geometric concepts and spatial relationships to represent and solve problems in mathematical and nonmathematical situations.	
TWO- AND THREE-DIMENSIONAL SHAPES, GEOMETRIC PROPERTIES AND RELATIONSHIPS	
11–12.2.1. Use trigonometric relationships to determine side lengths and angle measures in triangles, i.e., right triangle trigonometry, Law of Sines, and Law of Cosines	Functions:
	Express the sine, cosine, and tangent of an angle in a right triangle as a ratio of given side lengths
	Apply basic trigonometric ratios to solve right-triangle problems
	Use trigonometric concepts and basic identities to solve problems
COORDINATE GEOMETRY	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
TRANSFORMATION AND SYMMETRY	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
VISUALIZATION, SPATIAL REASONING, AND GEOMETRIC MODELING	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

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Standard 3: Data Analysis, Statistics, and Probability	
Students use data collection and analysis techniques, statistical methods, and probability to solve problems.	
DATA COLLECTION, DISPLAY, AND INTERPRETATION	
11–12.3.1. Choose, construct, and interpret a display to	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
represent a set of data	Perform a single computation using information from a table or chart
	Read tables and graphs
	Perform computations on data from tables and graphs
	Translate from one representation of data to another (e.g., a bar graph to a circle graph)
	Manipulate data from tables and graphs
	Interpret and use information from figures, tables, and graphs
	Analyze and draw conclusions based on information from figures, tables, and graphs
PROBABILITY	
11–12.3.2. Make predictions based on theoretical	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
probabilities and experimental results	Use the relationship between the probability of an event and the probability of its complement
	Determine the probability of a simple event
	Exhibit knowledge of simple counting techniques
	Compute straightforward probabilities for common situations
	Apply counting techniques
	Compute a probability when the event and/or sample space are not given or obvious
	Exhibit knowledge of conditional and joint probability
STATISTICAL METHODS	
11–12.3.3. Select, calculate, and use appropriate measures	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
range, and quartiles) to draw meaningful conclusions about	Calculate the average of a list of positive whole numbers
a set of data	Calculate the average of a list of numbers
	Calculate the average, given the number of data values and the sum of the data values
	Calculate the missing data value, given the average and all data values but one
	Calculate the average, given the frequency counts of all the data values
	Calculate or use a weighted average
	Distinguish between mean, median, and mode for a list of numbers

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Mathematics Content Standards

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Standard 3: Data Analysis,	Statistics, and
Probability	

Predictions, Data Analysis, and Inferences	
11–12.3.4. Given a set of data exhibiting a linear trend,	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
approximate an equation for the line of best fit (with or without technology) and use that model to make predictions	Perform a single computation using information from a table or chart
	Read tables and graphs
	Perform computations on data from tables and graphs
	Manipulate data from tables and graphs
	Interpret and use information from figures, tables, and graphs
	Analyze and draw conclusions based on information from figures, tables, and graphs
	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
	Write expressions, equations, or inequalities with a single variable for common pre-algebra settings (e.g., rate and distance problems and problems that can be solved by using proportions)
	Write expressions, equations, and inequalities for common algebra settings
	Write expressions that require planning and/or manipulating to accurately model a situation
	Write equations and inequalities that require planning, manipulating, and/or solving
	Graphical Representations:
	Exhibit knowledge of slope
	Determine the slope of a line from points or equations
	Interpret and use information from graphs in the coordinate plane
	Solve problems integrating multiple algebraic and/or geometric concepts
	Analyze and draw conclusions based on information from graphs in the coordinate plane

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Mathematics Content Standards	ACT Mathematics College Readiness Standards
Standard 4: Measurement	
Students use concepts and tools of measurement to describe and quantify the world.	
MEASURABLE ATTRIBUTES, MEASUREMENT SYSTEMS AND UNITS	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
MEASUREMENT TOOLS, TECHNIQUES, AND FORMULAS	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Mathematics Content Standards	ACT Mathematics College Readiness Standards	
Standard 5: Algebra, Functions, and Patterns		
Students use algebraic concepts, functions, patterns, and relationships to solve problems.		
PATTERNS, RELATIONS, AND FUNCTIONS		
11–12.5.1. Perform advanced operations (i.e., composition	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:	
and finding inverses) on algebraic functions	Multiply two binomials	
	Add, subtract, and multiply polynomials	
	Manipulate expressions and equations	
	Write expressions that require planning and/or manipulating to accurately model a situation	
	Write equations and inequalities that require planning, manipulating, and/or solving	
	Functions:	
	Write an expression for the composite of two simple functions	
11–12.5.2. Generate graphs of a variety of functions (i.e.,	Graphical Representations:	
linear, quadratic, polynomial, absolute value, and exponential), using technology when appropriate	Interpret and use information from graphs in the coordinate plane	
	Recognize special characteristics of parabolas and circles (e.g., the vertex of a parabola and the center or radius of a circle)	
	Identify characteristics of graphs based on a set of conditions or on a general equation such as $y = ax^2 + c$	
	Solve problems integrating multiple algebraic and/or geometric concepts	
	Analyze and draw conclusions based on information from graphs in the coordinate plane	
NUMERIC AND ALGEBRAIC REPRESENTATIONS		
11–12.5.3. Solve quadratic equations involving complex	Numbers: Concepts & Properties:	
roots	Exhibit some knowledge of the complex numbers	
	Apply properties of complex numbers	
	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:	
	Solve quadratic equations	
	Write expressions that require planning and/or manipulating to accurately model a situation	
	Write equations and inequalities that require planning, manipulating, and/or solving	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Mathematics Content Standards	ACT Mathematics College Readiness Standards
Standard 5: Algebra, Functions, and Patterns	
11–12.5.4. Use transformations (i.e., reflection, translation,	Graphical Representations:
dilation) to graph linear, quadratic, and absolute value functions	Interpret and use information from graphs in the coordinate plane
	Recognize special characteristics of parabolas and circles (e.g., the vertex of a parabola and the center or radius of a circle)
	Identify characteristics of graphs based on a set of conditions or on a general equation such as $y = ax^2 + c$
	Solve problems integrating multiple algebraic and/or geometric concepts
	Analyze and draw conclusions based on information from graphs in the coordinate plane
11–12.5.5. Given the graph of a transformed linear,	Probability, Statistics, & Data Analysis:
quadratic, or absolute value function, write its equation	Analyze and draw conclusions based on information from figures, tables, and graphs
	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
	Write expressions that require planning and/or manipulating to accurately model a situation
	Write equations and inequalities that require planning, manipulating, and/or solving
	Graphical Representations:
	Interpret and use information from graphs in the coordinate plane
	Recognize special characteristics of parabolas and circles (e.g., the vertex of a parabola and the center or radius of a circle)
	Identify characteristics of graphs based on a set of conditions or on a general equation such as $y = ax^2 + c$
	Solve problems integrating multiple algebraic and/or geometric concepts
	Analyze and draw conclusions based on information from graphs in the coordinate plane
MATHEMATICAL MODELING	
11–12.5.6. Determine and write an equation for a function	Expressions, Equations, & Inequalities:
(i.e., linear, quadratic, polynomial, absolute value, and exponential) that models a mathematical relationship	Write expressions, equations, or inequalities with a single variable for common pre-algebra settings (e.g., rate and distance problems and problems that can be solved by using proportions)
	Write expressions, equations, and inequalities for common algebra settings
	Write expressions that require planning and/or manipulating to accurately model a situation
	Write equations and inequalities that require planning, manipulating, and/or solving
RATES OF CHANGE	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

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NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Mathematics Content Standards	WorkKeys Applied Mathematics Skills
Standard 1: Number and Operation	
Students understand and use basic and advanced concepts of number and number systems.	WorkKeys Applied Mathematicsmeasures the skill people use when they apply mathematical reasoning, critical thinking, and problem-solving techniques to work-related problems.
NUMBERS, NUMBER RELATIONSHIPS, AND NUMBER SYSTEMS	
11–12.1.1. Translate between radical expressions and expressions involving rational exponents	
11–12.1.2. Describe the hierarchal relationships (e.g., explain why real numbers are complex) among subsets of the complex number system, i.e., complex, real, and imaginary	
11–12.1.3. Use imaginary numbers to express square roots of negative numbers	
11–12.1.4. Justify the steps of an algebraic process using the properties of the real number system, e.g., write an algebraic proof	Solve problems that include nonlinear functions and/or that involve more than one unknown
OPERATIONS AND THEIR PROPERTIES	
11–12.1.5. Determine which properties of the real number system hold for matrices, e.g., matrix multiplication is not commutative	
11–12.1.6. Apply basic properties of exponents and logarithms to rewrite algebraic expressions, i.e., power of a product, power of a power, products and quotients of powers, zero and negative exponents, and log of a product, quotient, or power	
COMPUTATIONAL FLUENCY AND ESTIMATION	
11–12.1.7. Add, subtract, and multiply complex numbers	
11–12.1.8. Multiply matrices containing no more than three rows or columns without the use of technology	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Mathematics Content Standards	WorkKeys Applied Mathematics Skills
Standard 2: Geometry and Spatial Sense	
Students understand and apply geometric concepts and spatial relationships to represent and solve problems in mathematical and nonmathematical situations.	Find areas of basic shapes when it may be necessary to rearrange the formula, convert units of measurement in the calculations, or use the result in further calculations
	Find the volume of rectangular solids
	Calculate multiple areas and volumes of spheres, cylinders, or cones
TWO- AND THREE-DIMENSIONAL SHAPES, GEOMETRIC PROPERTIES AND RELATIONSHIPS	
11–12.2.1. Use trigonometric relationships to determine side lengths and angle measures in triangles, i.e., right triangle trigonometry, Law of Sines, and Law of Cosines	
COORDINATE GEOMETRY	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
TRANSFORMATION AND SYMMETRY	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
VISUALIZATION, SPATIAL REASONING, AND GEOMETRIC MODELING	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Mathematics Content Standards	WorkKeys Applied Mathematics Skills
Standard 3: Data Analysis, Statistics, and Probability	
Students use data collection and analysis techniques, statistical methods, and probability to solve problems.	
DATA COLLECTION, DISPLAY, AND INTERPRETATION	
11–12.3.1. Choose, construct, and interpret a display to represent a set of data	
PROBABILITY	
11–12.3.2. Make predictions based on theoretical probabilities and experimental results	
STATISTICAL METHODS	
11–12.3.3. Select, calculate, and use appropriate measures of central tendency and spread (i.e., mean, median, mode, range, and quartiles) to draw meaningful conclusions about a set of data	Apply basic statistical concepts
PREDICTIONS, DATA ANALYSIS, AND INFERENCES	
11–12.3.4. Given a set of data exhibiting a linear trend, approximate an equation for the line of best fit (with or without technology) and use that model to make predictions	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Mathematics Content Standards	WorkKeys Applied Mathematics Skills
Standard 4: Measurement	
Students use concepts and tools of measurement to describe and quantify the world.	Look up a formula and perform single-step conversions within or between systems of measurement
	Convert between systems of measurement that involve fractions, mixed numbers, decimals, and/or percentages
MEASURABLE ATTRIBUTES, MEASUREMENT SYSTEMS AND UNITS	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
MEASUREMENT TOOLS, TECHNIQUES, AND FORMULAS	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Mathematics Content Standards	WorkKeys Applied Mathematics Skills	
Standard 5: Algebra, Functions, and Patterns		
Students use algebraic concepts, functions, patterns, and relationships to solve problems.		
PATTERNS, RELATIONS, AND FUNCTIONS		
11–12.5.1. Perform advanced operations (i.e., composition and finding inverses) on algebraic functions	Solve problems that include nonlinear functions and/or that involve more than one unknown	
11–12.5.2. Generate graphs of a variety of functions (i.e., linear, quadratic, polynomial, absolute value, and exponential), using technology when appropriate		
NUMERIC AND ALGEBRAIC REPRESENTATIONS		
11–12.5.3. Solve quadratic equations involving complex roots		
11–12.5.4. Use transformations (i.e., reflection, translation, dilation) to graph linear, quadratic, and absolute value functions		
11–12.5.5. Given the graph of a transformed linear, quadratic, or absolute value function, write its equation		
MATHEMATICAL MODELING		
11–12.5.6. Determine and write an equation for a function (i.e., linear, quadratic, polynomial, absolute value, and exponential) that models a mathematical relationship	Solve problems that include nonlinear functions and/or that involve more than one unknown	
RATES OF CHANGE		
No benchmark expectations at this level		

SUPPLEMENT TABLES 3A-3E:

SCIENCE

TABLE 3A

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 Science Content Standards

EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards

Standard 1: Unifying Concepts

Students understand the unifying concepts and processes of science.

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 Science Content Standards	EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 2: Science Inquiry	
Students use the process of science inquiry.	
UNDERSTANDINGS ABOUT SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY	
8.2.1. Explain how science advances through legitimate skepticism	
ABILITIES NECESSARY TO DO SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY	
8.2.2. Use evidence to generate descriptions, explanations,	Interpretation of Data:
predictions, and models	Select a single piece of data (numerical or nonnumerical) from a simple data presentation (e.g., a table or graph with two or three variables; a food web diagram)
	Identify basic features of a table, graph, or diagram (e.g., headings, units of measurement, axis labels)
	Select two or more pieces of data from a simple data presentation
	Understand basic scientific terminology
	Find basic information in a brief body of text
	Determine how the value of one variable changes as the value of another variable changes in a simple data presentation
	Compare or combine data from a simple data presentation (e.g., order or sum data from a table)
	Translate information into a table, graph, or diagram
	Evaluation of Models, Inferences, and Experimental Results:
	Select a simple hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by a data presentation or a model
	Identify key issues or assumptions in a model
	Select a simple hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by two or more data presentations or models
	Determine whether given information supports or contradicts a simple hypothesis or conclusion, and why
	Identify strengths and weaknesses in one or more models
	Select a data presentation or a model that supports or contradicts a hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion
8.2.3. Use basic mathematics and statistics (e.g.,	Interpretation of Data:
operations, mean, median, mode, range, and estimation) to interpret quantitative data	Determine how the value of one variable changes as the value of another variable changes in a simple data presentation
	Interpolate between data points in a table or graph
	Identify and/or use a simple (e.g., linear) mathematical relationship between data
NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 Science Content Standards	EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards
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Standard 2: Science Inquiry	
8.2.4. Design and conduct a scientific investigation (e.g., making systematic observations, making accurate measurements, identifying and controlling variables)	Scientific Investigation:
	Understand the methods and tools used in a simple experiment
	Understand a simple experimental design
	Identify a control in an experiment
	Determine the experimental conditions that would produce specified results

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EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards

Standard 3: Physical Science

Students understand the basic concepts and principles of physical science.

physical science.	
PROPERTIES OF MATTER	
8.3.1. Identify elements and compounds	
8.3.2. Explain the relationship between phases of matter and temperature	
Force and Motion	
8.3.3. Interpret the effect of balanced and unbalanced forces on the motion of an object (e.g., convection currents, orbital motion, tides)	
8.3.4. Explain how all objects exert gravitational force and this force is affected by the distance between the masses of the objects	
ENERGY TRANSFER AND TRANSFORMATION	
8.3.5. <u>Identify when heat can be transferred by conduction, convection, or radiation</u>	
VIBRATIONS AND WAVES	
8.3.6. Explain the characteristic properties (e.g., wavelength, frequency) and behaviors (e.g., reflection, refraction) of waves	

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EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards

Standard 4: Life Science

 Students understand the basic concepts and principles of life science.

 STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION

 No benchmark expectations at this level

 GENETICS AND REPRODUCTION

 No benchmark expectations at this level

 INTERDEPENDENCE AMONG ORGANISMS

 No benchmark expectations at this level

 DIVERSITY AND UNITY AMONG ORGANISMS

 No benchmark expectations at this level

 DIVERSITY AND UNITY AMONG ORGANISMS

 No benchmark expectations at this level

 Structure and biological evolution (e.g., adaptation, radiation, extinction) as found in the fossil record

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 Science Content Standards	EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 5: Earth and Space Science Students understand the basic concepts and principles of earth and space science.	
WEATHER, SEASONS, AND CLIMATE	
8.5.1. Explain how factors (i.e., fronts, winds, air masses, air pressure, humidity, temperature, location) affect weather	
GEOLOGIC PROCESSES	
8.5.2. Understand the rock cycle	
8.5.3. Explain the water cycle	
8.5.4. Explain how landforms are changed (e.g., crustal deformation, volcanic eruption, deposition, weathering, erosion)	
8.5.5. Identify evidence for plate tectonics theory (e.g., fit of continents, location of earthquakes, volcanoes, mid-ocean ridge, plate boundaries)	
8.5.6. Identify a variety of methods (e.g., rock sequences, fossil correlation, radiometric dating) used to determine geologic time	
8.5.7. Explain the changes Earth has undergone over geologic time (e.g., fossil record, plate tectonics, climate change, glaciation)	
CHARACTERISTICS OF THE EARTH	
8.5.8. Explain how phenomena on Earth (i.e., day, year, seasons, lunar phases, eclipses, tides) are related to the position and motion of the Sun, Moon, and Earth	
THE UNIVERSE	
8.5.9. <u>Identify characteristics of stars (e.g., color, size, temperature, life cycle)</u>	
8.5.10. Identify the composition (e.g., stars, galaxies) and scale of the universe	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 Science Content Standards EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards

Standard 6: Science and Technology

Students understand relations between science and technology.

TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIETY

No benchmark expectations at this level

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 Science Content Standards	EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 7: Science and Other Areas	
Students understand relations between science and personal, social, and environmental issues.	
SCIENCE AND SOCIAL ISSUES	
8.7.1. Explain the interaction of science and technology with social issues (e.g., mining, natural disasters)	

NORTH DAKOTA Grade 8 Science Content Standards	EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 8: History and Nature of Science	
Students understand the history and nature of science.	
PEOPLE IN SCIENCE	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
Scientific Knowledge	
8.8.1. Explain how many people from various cultures have made important contributions to the advancement of science and technology	

TABLE 3B	
NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Science Content Standards	EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 1: Unifying Concepts	
Students understand the unifying concepts and processes of science.	
MODELS	
9–10.1.1. Explain how models can be used to illustrate scientific principles	Evaluation of Models, Inferences, and Experimental Results:
	Select a simple hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by a data presentation or a model
	Identify key issues or assumptions in a model
	Determine whether given information supports or contradicts a simple hypothesis or conclusion, and why
	Identify strengths and weaknesses in one or more models
	Select a data presentation or a model that supports or contradicts a hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion
Systems	
9–10.1.2. Describe the interaction of components within a system (e.g., interactions between living and nonliving components of an ecosystem interaction between	

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population)

9–10.1.3. Explain how a system can be dynamic yet may remain in equilibrium (e.g., water cycle, rock cycle,

9-10.1.4. Describe the relationship between form and function (e.g., solids, liquids, gases, cell specialization,

9-10.1.5. Explain how classification can be based on the relationship between form and function (e.g., elements and compounds, biological classifications, types of clouds)

9-10.1.6. Identify principles governing evolution and equilibrium within systems (e.g., cause and effect, positive

simple machines, and plate tectonics)

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NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Science Content Standards	EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 2: Science Inquiry Students use the process of science inquiry.	
UNDERSTANDINGS ABOUT SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY	
9–10.2.1. Explain how scientific investigations can result in new ideas	
ABILITIES NECESSARY TO DO SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY	·
9–10.2.2. Use appropriate safety equipment and precautions	

Scientific Investigation:

Scientific Investigation:

Scientific Investigation:

Scientific Investigation:

experiment

experiment

Understand a simple experimental design

Identify a control in an experiment

Identify a control in an experiment

Understand the methods and tools used in a simple

Understand the methods and tools used in a simple

during investigations (e.g., goggles, apron, eye wash

9–10.2.3. Identify questions and concepts that guide

9–10.2.4. Formulate a testable hypothesis for a simple

the control, and the constants when conducting an

9–10.2.6. Design and conduct a guided investigation

9-10.2.7. Maintain clear and accurate records of scientific

9-10.2.5. Identify the independent and dependent variables,

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NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Science Content Standards	EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards
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Standard 2: Science Inquiry	
9–10.2.8. Analyze data found in tables, charts, and graphs	Interpretation of Data:
to formulate conclusions	Select a single piece of data (numerical or nonnumerical) from a simple data presentation (e.g., a table or graph with two or three variables; a food web diagram)
	Identify basic features of a table, graph, or diagram (e.g., headings, units of measurement, axis labels)
	Select two or more pieces of data from a simple data presentation
	Understand basic scientific terminology
	Find basic information in a brief body of text
	Determine how the value of one variable changes as the value of another variable changes in a simple data presentation
	Compare or combine data from a simple data presentation (e.g., order or sum data from a table)
	Translate information into a table, graph, or diagram
	Evaluation of Models, Inferences, and Experimental Results:
	Select a simple hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by a data presentation or a model
	Select a simple hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by two or more data presentations or models

TABLE 3B

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Science Content Standards	EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 3: Physical Science	
Students understand the basic concepts and principles of physical science.	
PROPERTIES OF MATTER	
9–10.3.1. <u>Classify elements according to similar properties.</u> (e.g., metal, nonmetal, solids, liquids, gases)	
9–10.3.2. Classify changes in matter as physical or chemical	
9–10.3.3. Identify the Law of Conservation of Matter in physical and chemical changes	
ATOMS AND MOLECULES	
9–10.3.4. Construct a model of an atom (e.g., protons, neutrons, electrons, nucleus, electron cloud)	
CHEMICAL REACTIONS	
9–10.3.5. Identify the reactants and products in a chemical reaction	
9–10.3.6. Distinguish between balanced and unbalanced chemical equations	
Force and Motion	
9–10.3.7. Use Newton's Laws to describe the motion of an object	
ENERGY TRANSFER AND TRANSFORMATION	
9–10.3.8. Describe the relationships between kinetic and potential energy in basic transformations (e.g., physical and chemical changes)	
VIBRATIONS AND WAVES	
9–10.3.9. Compare and contrast electromagnetic and mechanical waves (i.e. energy, energy transfer, medium)	
ELECTRICITY AND MAGNETISM	
9–10.3.10. Describe the differences between series and parallel circuits	

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EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards

Standard 4: Life Science

Students understand the basic concepts and principles of life science.

STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION		
9–10.4.1. <u>Relate cell function to cell structure (i.e., cell wall, cell membrane, nucleus, mitochondria, chloroplast)</u>		
9–10.4.2. Relate the functions of cells in multicellular organisms to their cell type (e.g., nerve cells, blood cells, guard cells)		
9–10.4.3. Explain the relationship between protein structure and function		
GENETICS AND REPRODUCTION		
9-10.4.4. Relate DNA, genes, and chromosomes		
9–10.4.5. Explain the relationship between spontaneous changes in DNA and a source of genetic variation		
9–10.4.6. Compare and contrast the results of mitosis and meiosis (i.e., mitosis involves a nuclear division that results in two daughter nuclei that are identical to the parent nucleus; meiosis involves two nuclear divisions that result in gametes cells containing half the number of chromosomes)		
9–10.4.7. Apply the basic concepts of genetics to predict inherited traits (i.e., segregation, independent assortment, dominant and recessive traits)		
NATURAL SELECTION AND BIOLOGICAL EVOLUTION		
9–10.4.8. Relate the concept of natural selection to its evolutionary consequences		
9–10.4.9. Identify evidence for evolution (e.g., fossil records, vestigial structures, similarities between organisms, and DNA)		
INTERDEPENDENCE AMONG ORGANISMS		
9–10.4.10. Explain the energy and organization related to trophic pyramids		
MATTER AND ENERGY IN LIVING SYSTEMS		
9–10.4.11. Explain how matter and energy flow through living and nonliving components in an ecosystem (e.g., carbon cycle, water cycle, nitrogen cycle)		
9–10.4.12. Compare and contrast photosynthesis and cellular respiration		

TABLE 3B		
NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Science Content Standards	EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards	
Standard 5: Earth and Space Science		
Students understand the basic concepts and principles of earth and space science.		
The Universe		
9–10.5.1. Explain the relationship between the Big Bang Theory and the origin and evolution of the universe		
EARTH'S HISTORY		
9–10.5.2. Relate the changes in the Earth's atmosphere to the evolution of photosynthetic life forms		
ENERGY IN THE EARTH SYSTEM		
9–10.5.3. Explain how energy in the Earth system is governed by convection, conduction, and radiation (e.g., heat moves in the Earth's mantle by convection, conduction occurs along the mid-oceanic ridges, energy from the Sun reaches the Earth through radiation)		
GEOLOGIC PROCESSES, HUMAN ACTIVITIES, AND THE		
9–10.5.4. Identify the short-term and long-term effects of physical processes (e.g., plate tectonics, extreme weather phenomenon) on the environment and society		
9–10.5.5. Analyze how evidence of past natural hazards and geologic events has predicted subsequent hazards and events (e.g. Gap time method to predict earthquakes and tsunamis)		
9–10.5 .6. Explain the effects of human activities (e.g. dams		

levees, farming practices, deforestation, land-use practices, landmanagement strategies) on the environment

TABLE 3B

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Science Content Standards	EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 6: Science and Technology	
Students understand relations between science and technology.	
TECHNOLOGICAL DESIGN	
9–10.6.1. Use appropriate technologies and techniques to solve a problem (e.g., computer-assisted tools, Internet, research skills)	
9–10.6.2. Explain how scientific principles have been used to create common technologies (e.g., household appliances, automotive parts, agricultural equipment, textiles, fabrics, computers, Internet resources, CD-ROMs)	
TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIETY	
9–10.6.3. Explain how emerging technologies (e.g., genetic manipulation, biofuels, and hydrogen fuels) may impact society and the environment	

TABLE 3B

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Science Content Standards	EXPLORE Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 7: Science and Other Areas Students understand relations between science and	
Science and Personal Health	
9–10.7.1. Explain how personal health is related to fitness, substance abuse, sexual activity, <u>and nutrition</u>	
SCIENCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES	
9–10.7.2. <u>Identify factors that affect populations (e.g., food</u> webs, carrying capacity, overpopulation, disease, food supply, algal blooms, resources, conservation practices)	
SCIENCE AND SOCIAL ISSUES	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

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Content Standards		

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Standard 8: History and Nature of Science

Students understand the history and nature of science.

PEOPLE IN SCIENCE	
9–10.8.1. Identify the role of scientists in theoretical and applied science (e.g., careers, employment possibilities)	
9–10.8.2. Identify the human characteristics that influence scientific advancement (e.g., intellectual honesty, openness, objectivity, curiosity, skepticism, ethical conduct, cooperation)	
9–10.8.3. Explain how individuals and groups, from different disciplines in and outside of science, contribute to science at different levels of complexity	
SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE	
9–10.8.4. Identify theories that have changed over time (e.g., alchemy, atomic structure, model of the solar system)	
SCIENCE AND SOCIETY	
9–10.8.5. Explain how views and attitudes have influenced the development of science (e.g., religion, previous knowledge, cultural tradition, superstition, folklore, legends)	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Science Content Standards

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Content Standards	College Readiness Standards
Standard 1: Unifying Concepts Students understand the unifying concepts and processes of science.	
Models	
9–10.1.1. Explain how models can be used to illustrate scientific principles	Evaluation of Models, Inferences, and Experimental Results:
	Select a simple hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by a data presentation or a model
	Identify key issues or assumptions in a model
	Determine whether given information supports or contradicts a simple hypothesis or conclusion, and why
	Identify strengths and weaknesses in one or more models
	Select a data presentation or a model that supports or contradicts a hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion
Systems	
9–10.1.2. Describe the interaction of components within a system (e.g., interactions between living and nonliving components of an ecosystem, interaction between organelles of a cell)	
CONSTANCY AND CHANGE	
9–10.1.3. Explain how a system can be dynamic yet may remain in equilibrium (e.g., water cycle, rock cycle, population)	
FORM AND FUNCTION	
9–10.1.4. Describe the relationship between form and function (e.g., solids, liquids, gases, cell specialization, simple machines, and plate tectonics)	
9–10.1.5. Explain how classification can be based on the relationship between form and function (e.g., elements and compounds, biological classifications, types of clouds)	
EVOLUTION AND EQUILIBRIUM	
9–10.1.6. Identify principles governing evolution and equilibrium within systems (e.g., cause and effect, positive	

and negative feedback)

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Science Content Standards	PLAN Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 2: Science Inquiry	
Students use the process of science inquiry.	
UNDERSTANDINGS ABOUT SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY	
9–10.2.1. Explain how scientific investigations can result in new ideas	
Abilities Necessary To Do Scientific Inquiry	
9–10.2.2. Use appropriate safety equipment and precautions during investigations (e.g., goggles, apron, eye wash station)	
9–10.2.3. Identify questions and concepts that guide	Scientific Investigation:
scientific investigations	Understand a simple experimental design
	Determine the hypothesis for an experiment
9–10.2.4. Formulate a testable hypothesis for a simple	Scientific Investigation:
investigation	Understand a simple experimental design
	Determine the hypothesis for an experiment
9-10.2.5. Identify the independent and dependent variables,	Scientific Investigation:
the control, and the constants when conducting an experiment	Understand the methods and tools used in a simple experiment
	Understand a simple experimental design
	Identify a control in an experiment
9–10.2.6. Design and conduct a guided investigation	Scientific Investigation:
	Understand the methods and tools used in a simple experiment
	Understand a simple experimental design
	Identify a control in an experiment
9–10.2.7. Maintain clear and accurate records of scientific investigations	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Science Content Standards	PLAN Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 2: Science Inquiry	
9–10.2.8. Analyze data found in tables, charts, and graphs	Interpretation of Data:
to formulate conclusions	Select a single piece of data (numerical or nonnumerical) from a simple data presentation (e.g., a table or graph with two or three variables; a food web diagram)
	Identify basic features of a table, graph, or diagram (e.g., headings, units of measurement, axis labels)
	Select two or more pieces of data from a simple data presentation
	Understand basic scientific terminology
	Find basic information in a brief body of text
	Determine how the value of one variable changes as the value of another variable changes in a simple data presentation
	Compare or combine data from a simple data presentation (e.g., order or sum data from a table)
	Translate information into a table, graph, or diagram
	Evaluation of Models, Inferences, and Experimental Results:
	Select a simple hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by a data presentation or a model
	Select a simple hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by two or more data presentations or models

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Science Content Standards	PLAN Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 3: Physical Science	
Students understand the basic concepts and principles of physical science.	
PROPERTIES OF MATTER	
9–10.3.1. <u>Classify elements according to similar properties.</u> (e.g., metal, nonmetal, solids, liquids, gases)	
9–10.3.2. Classify changes in matter as physical or chemical	
9–10.3.3. Identify the Law of Conservation of Matter in physical and chemical changes	
ATOMS AND MOLECULES	
9–10.3.4. Construct a model of an atom (e.g., protons, neutrons, electrons, nucleus, electron cloud)	
CHEMICAL REACTIONS	
9–10.3.5. Identify the reactants and products in a chemical reaction	
9–10.3.6. Distinguish between balanced and unbalanced chemical equations	
Force and Motion	
9–10.3.7. Use Newton's Laws to describe the motion of an object	
ENERGY TRANSFER AND TRANSFORMATION	
9–10.3.8. Describe the relationships between kinetic and potential energy in basic transformations (e.g., physical and chemical changes)	
VIBRATIONS AND WAVES	
9–10.3.9. Compare and contrast electromagnetic and mechanical waves (i.e. energy, energy transfer, medium)	
ELECTRICITY AND MAGNETISM	
9–10.3.10. Describe the differences between series and parallel circuits	

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Standard 4: Life Science

Students understand the basic concepts and principles of life science.

STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION	
9–10.4.1. <u>Relate cell function to cell structure (i.e., cell wall, cell membrane, nucleus, mitochondria, chloroplast)</u>	
9–10.4.2. <u>Relate the functions of cells in multicellular</u> organisms to their cell type (e.g., nerve cells, blood cells, guard cells)	
9–10.4.3. Explain the relationship between protein structure and function	
GENETICS AND REPRODUCTION	
9-10.4.4. Relate DNA, genes, and chromosomes	
9–10.4.5. Explain the relationship between spontaneous changes in DNA and a source of genetic variation	
9–10.4.6. Compare and contrast the results of mitosis and meiosis (i.e., mitosis involves a nuclear division that results in two daughter nuclei that are identical to the parent nucleus; meiosis involves two nuclear divisions that result in gametes cells containing half the number of chromosomes)	
9–10.4.7. <u>Apply the basic concepts of genetics to predict</u> inherited traits (i.e., segregation, independent assortment, dominant and recessive traits)	
NATURAL SELECTION AND BIOLOGICAL EVOLUTION	
9–10.4.8. Relate the concept of natural selection to its evolutionary consequences	
9–10.4.9. Identify evidence for evolution (e.g., fossil records, vestigial structures, similarities between organisms, and DNA)	
INTERDEPENDENCE AMONG ORGANISMS	
9–10.4.10. Explain the energy and organization related to trophic pyramids	
MATTER AND ENERGY IN LIVING SYSTEMS	
9–10.4.11. Explain how matter and energy flow through living and nonliving components in an ecosystem (e.g., carbon cycle, water cycle, nitrogen cycle)	
9–10.4.12. Compare and contrast photosynthesis and cellular respiration	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Science Content Standards	PLAN Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 5: Earth and Space Science Students understand the basic concepts and principles of earth and space science.	
THE UNIVERSE	
9–10.5.1. Explain the relationship between the Big Bang Theory and the origin and evolution of the universe	
EARTH'S HISTORY	
9–10.5.2. <u>Relate the changes in the Earth's atmosphere to</u> the evolution of photosynthetic life forms	
ENERGY IN THE EARTH SYSTEM	
9–10.5.3. Explain how energy in the Earth system is governed by convection, conduction, and radiation (e.g., heat moves in the Earth's mantle by convection, conduction occurs along the mid-oceanic ridges, energy from the Sun reaches the Earth through radiation)	
GEOLOGIC PROCESSES, HUMAN ACTIVITIES, AND THE ENVIRONMENT	
9–10.5.4. <u>Identify the short-term and long-term effects of</u> physical processes (e.g., plate tectonics, extreme weather phenomenon) on the environment and society	
9–10.5.5. <u>Analyze how evidence of past natural hazards and geologic events has predicted subsequent hazards and events (e.g. Gap time method to predict earthquakes and tsunamis)</u>	
9–10.5.6. Explain the effects of human activities (e.g., dams, levees, farming practices, deforestation, land-use practices, landmanagement strategies) on the environment	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Science Content Standards	PLAN Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 6: Science and Technology Students understand relations between science and technology.	
TECHNOLOGICAL DESIGN	
9–10.6.1. Use appropriate technologies and techniques to solve a problem (e.g., computer-assisted tools, Internet, research skills)	
9–10.6.2. Explain how scientific principles have been used to create common technologies (e.g., household appliances, automotive parts, agricultural equipment, textiles, fabrics, computers, Internet resources, CD-ROMs)	
TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIETY	
9–10.6.3. Explain how emerging technologies (e.g., genetic manipulation, biofuels, and hydrogen fuels) may impact society and the environment	

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NORTH DAKOTA Grades 9–10 Science Content Standards	PLAN Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 7: Science and Other Areas Students understand relations between science and personal, social, and environmental issues.	
SCIENCE AND PERSONAL HEALTH	
9–10.7.1. Explain how personal health is related to fitness, substance abuse, sexual activity, <u>and nutrition</u>	
SCIENCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES	
9–10.7.2. <u>Identify factors that affect populations (e.g., food</u> webs, carrying capacity, overpopulation, disease, food supply, algal blooms, resources, conservation practices)	
SCIENCE AND SOCIAL ISSUES	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

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Standard 8: History and Nature of Science

Students understand the history and nature of science.

PEOPLE IN SCIENCE	
9–10.8.1. Identify the role of scientists in theoretical and applied science (e.g., careers, employment possibilities)	
9–10.8.2. Identify the human characteristics that influence scientific advancement (e.g., intellectual honesty, openness, objectivity, curiosity, skepticism, ethical conduct, cooperation)	
9–10.8.3. Explain how individuals and groups, from different disciplines in and outside of science, contribute to science at different levels of complexity	
Scientific Knowledge	
9–10.8.4. Identify theories that have changed over time (e.g., alchemy, atomic structure, model of the solar system)	
SCIENCE AND SOCIETY	
9–10.8.5. Explain how views and attitudes have influenced the development of science (e.g., religion, previous knowledge, cultural tradition, superstition, folklore, legends)	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Science Content Standards	ACT Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 1: Unifying Concepts	
Students understand the unifying concepts and processes of science.	
Models	
11–12.1.1. Explain how scientists create and use models to address scientific knowledge	Evaluation of Models, Inferences, and Experimental Results:
	Select a simple hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by a data presentation or a model
	Identify key issues or assumptions in a model
	Determine whether given information supports or contradicts a simple hypothesis or conclusion, and why
	Identify strengths and weaknesses in one or more models
	Identify similarities and differences between models
	Determine which model(s) is(are) supported or weakened by new information
	Select a data presentation or a model that supports or contradicts a hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion
Systems	
11–12.1.2. <u>Identify the structure, organization, and dynamics</u> <u>of components within a system (e.g., cells, tissues, organs, organ systems, reactants and products in chemical equilibrium)</u>	
CONSTANCY AND CHANGE	
11–12.1.3. Explain how a system can be dynamic yet may remain in equilibrium (e.g., balance of forces, Le Chatelier's Principle, acid base systems)	
FORM AND FUNCTION	
11–12.1.4. Explain the relationship between form and function (e.g., atoms and ions, enzymes, aerodynamics)	
11–12.1.5. Explain how classification can be based on the relationship between form and function (e.g., polar vs. nonpolar molecules, structure of periodic table, DNA vs. RNA)	
EVOLUTION AND EQUILIBRIUM	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Science Content Standards	ACT Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 2: Science Inquiry	
Students use the process of science inquiry.	
UNDERSTANDINGS ABOUT SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY	
11–12.2.1. Explain how new knowledge and methods emerge from different types of investigations and public communication among scientists	
ABILITIES NECESSARY TO DO SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY	-
11–12.2.2. Select and use appropriate instruments,	Scientific Investigation:
measuring tools, and units of measure to improve scientific investigations	Understand the methods and tools used in a simple experiment
	Understand a simple experimental design
11–12.2.3. Use data from scientific investigations to accept or reject a hypothesis	Interpretation of Data:
	Select a single piece of data (numerical or nonnumerical) from a simple data presentation (e.g., a table or graph with two or three variables; a food web diagram)
	Identify basic features of a table, graph, or diagram (e.g., headings, units of measurement, axis labels)
	Select two or more pieces of data from a simple data presentation
	Understand basic scientific terminology
	Find basic information in a brief body of text
	Determine how the value of one variable changes as the value of another variable changes in a simple data presentation
	Compare or combine data from a simple data presentation (e.g., order or sum data from a table)
	Translate information into a table, graph, or diagram
	Evaluation of Models, Inferences, and Experimental Results:
	Select a simple hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by a data presentation or a model
	Select a simple hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by two or more data presentations or models
	Determine whether given information supports or contradicts a simple hypothesis or conclusion, and why
	Select a data presentation or a model that supports or contradicts a hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion

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NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Science Content Standards	ACT Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 2: Science Inquiry	
11–12.2.4. Formulate and revise explanations based upon	Interpretation of Data:
scientific knowledge and experimental data	Select a single piece of data (numerical or nonnumerical) from a simple data presentation (e.g., a table or graph with two or three variables; a food web diagram)
	Identify basic features of a table, graph, or diagram (e.g., headings, units of measurement, axis labels)
	Select two or more pieces of data from a simple data presentation
	Understand basic scientific terminology
	Find basic information in a brief body of text
	Determine how the value of one variable changes as the value of another variable changes in a simple data presentation
	Compare or combine data from a simple data presentation (e.g., order or sum data from a table)
	Translate information into a table, graph, or diagram
	Analyze given information when presented with new, simple information
	Evaluation of Models, Inferences, and Experimental Results:
	Select a simple hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by a data presentation or a model
	Determine whether given information supports or contradicts a simple hypothesis or conclusion, and why
	Select a data presentation or a model that supports or contradicts a hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion
	Determine whether new information supports or weakens a model, and why
11–12.2.5. Use technology and mathematics to improve	Interpretation of Data:
investigations and communications	Determine how the value of one variable changes as the value of another variable changes in a simple data presentation
	Interpolate between data points in a table or graph
	Identify and/or use a simple (e.g., linear) mathematical relationship between data
	Scientific Investigation:
	Understand the methods and tools used in a simple experiment
	Understand a simple experimental design

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NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Science Content Standards	ACT Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 2: Science Inquiry	
11–12.2.6. Analyze data using appropriate strategies (e.g., interpolation, and extrapolation of data, significant figures, dimensional analysis)	Interpretation of Data:
	Select a single piece of data (numerical or nonnumerical) from a simple data presentation (e.g., a table or graph with two or three variables; a food web diagram)
	Identify basic features of a table, graph, or diagram (e.g., headings, units of measurement, axis labels)
	Select two or more pieces of data from a simple data presentation
	Understand basic scientific terminology
	Find basic information in a brief body of text
	Determine how the value of one variable changes as the value of another variable changes in a simple data presentation
	Compare or combine data from a simple data presentation (e.g., order or sum data from a table)
	Translate information into a table, graph, or diagram
	Interpolate between data points in a table or graph
	Identify and/or use a simple (e.g., linear) mathematical relationship between data
	Identify and/or use a complex (e.g., nonlinear) mathematical relationship between data
	Extrapolate from data points in a table or graph
11–12.2.7. Design and conduct an independent investigation	Scientific Investigation:
	Understand the methods and tools used in a simple experiment
	Understand a simple experimental design
	Identify a control in an experiment
	Determine the experimental conditions that would produce specified results
	Determine the hypothesis for an experiment
11–12.2.8. Communicate and defend a scientific argument	Evaluation of Models, Inferences, and Experimental Results:
	Select a simple hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion that is supported by a data presentation or a model
	Identify key issues or assumptions in a model
	Determine whether given information supports or contradicts a simple hypothesis or conclusion, and why
	Identify strengths and weaknesses in one or more models
	Select a data presentation or a model that supports or contradicts a hypothesis, prediction, or conclusion

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Standard 3: Physical Science	
Students understand the basic concepts and principles of physical science.	
PROPERTIES OF MATTER	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
ATOMIC STRUCTURE AND PROPERTIES	
11–12.3.1. Explain how the structure of an atom, isotope, or ion relates to its properties	
11–12.3.2. Identify the basic organization of the periodic table (e.g., elements are listed according to the number of protons [atomic number]; repeating patterns of physical and chemical properties	
ATOMS AND MOLECULES	
11–12.3.3. Compare and contrast the role of electrons in ionic and covalent bonding	
11–12.3.4. Identify the basic bonding characteristics of carbon which lead to a large variety of structures	
CHEMICAL REACTIONS	
11–12.3.5. Identify the effect of concentration, temperature, surface area, pressure, and catalysts on reaction rates as it relates to the Kinetic Theory	
11–12.3.6. Write the chemical formula and name for compounds using a table of element names, symbols, and oxidation numbers	
11–12.3.7. Balance chemical equations	
FORCE AND MOTION	
11–12.3.8. Identify the principles and relationships influencing forces and motion (e.g., gravitational force, vectors, velocity, friction)	
Forms of Energy	
11–12.3.9. Explain the relationship among thermal energy, temperature, and the motion of particles	
ENERGY TRANSFER AND TRANSFORMATION	
11–12.3.10. Apply the law of conservation of energy to a variety of situations	
11–12.3.11. Explain how energy is related to physical changes of matter (e.g., phase changes, temperature changes)	
VIBRATIONS AND WAVES	
11–12.3.12. Relate wave energy to wavelength and frequency	
ELECTRICITY AND MAGNETISM	
11–12.3.13. Explain how magnetic forces relate to electric forces	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Science Content Standards	ACT Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 4: Life Science	
Students understand the basic concepts and principles of life science.	
STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION	
11–12.4.1. Explain the importance of cell differentiation in the development of tissues, organs, organ systems, and multicellular organisms.	
GENETICS AND REPRODUCTION	
11–12.4.2. Explain how types of DNA technology (e.g., genetic engineering, forensic science, cloning) may impact society now and in the future.	
NATURAL SELECTION AND BIOLOGICAL EVOLUTION	
11–12.4.3. Explain how change through time has ensured adaptation to changing environments	
INTERDEPENDENCE AMONG ORGANISMS	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
MATTER AND ENERGY IN LIVING SYSTEMS	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Science Content Standards	ACT Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 5: Earth and Space Science	
Students understand the basic concepts and principles of earth and space science.	
THE UNIVERSE	
11–12.5.1. Explain how the Sun and other stars are powered by nuclear reactions (e.g., the fusion of hydrogen to form helium, formation of elements)	
Earth's History	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
ENERGY IN THE EARTH SYSTEM	
11–12.5.2. Explain how Earth systems are in dynamic equilibrium (e.g., cycling of energy and matter through the atmosphere, hydrosphere, and lithosphere)	
CYCLES IN THE EARTH SYSTEM	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
GEOLOGIC PROCESSES, HUMAN ACTIVITIES, AND THE ENVIRONMENT	
11–12.5.3. Explain the short-term and long-term effects of chemical processes (e.g., acid rain, CO ₂ emissions, ozone depletion, run-off) on the environment and society	

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NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Science Content Standards	ACT Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 6: Science and Technology	
Students understand relations between science and technology.	
TECHNOLOGICAL DESIGN	
11–12.6.1. Select and use appropriate technologies, tools, and techniques to solve a problem (e.g., computer-assisted tools, Internet, research skills, CBL, graphing calculators)	
11–12.6.2. Identify examples of how new technologies advance science	
TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIETY	
11–12.6.3. Explain how designing and implementing technology requires weighing trade-offs between positive and negative impacts on humans and the environment	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Science Content Standards	ACT Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 7: Science and Other Areas	
Students understand relations between science and personal, social, and environmental issues.	
SCIENCE AND PERSONAL HEALTH	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
SCIENCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES	
11–12.7.1. Explain the impact of environmental laws and policies on the environment and society (e.g., waste/ pollutants from industry, carbon dioxide emissions, location and number of animals in a feedlot versus water supply)	
11–12.7.2. Explain ways renewable and nonrenewable resources are managed (e.g., land reclamation, forest management, CRP, hunting licenses, energy–conserving technologies)	
11–12.7.3. Explain the economic and social impact of using alternative energy resources	
SCIENCE AND SOCIAL ISSUES	
11–12.7.4. Explain how science and technology can influence personal, industrial, and cultural decision-making (e.g., organ transplants, cloning, stem cell research, genetic manipulation, use of genetic profile, archeological discoveries, land management, resource management)	

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NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Science Content Standards	ACT Science College Readiness Standards
Standard 8: History and Nature of Science Students understand the history and nature of science.	
PEOPLE IN SCIENCE	
Scientific Knowledge	
11–12.8.1. Identify the criteria that scientific explanations must meet to be considered valid (e.g., must be based on consistent and repeatable data, be consistent with experimental and observational evidence about nature, make accurate predictions about systems being studied, be logical, report methods and results, be open to question and reexamination, respect rules of evidence)	Evaluation of Models, Inferences, and Experimental Results: Identify key issues or assumptions in a model Identify strengths and weaknesses in one or more models
SCIENCE AND SOCIETY	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

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NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Science Content Standards	WorkKeys Locating Information Skills
Standard 1: Unifying Concepts	
Students understand the unifying concepts and processes of science.	
MODELS	
11–12.1.1. Explain how scientists create and use models to address scientific knowledge	
Systems	
11–12.1.2. Identify the structure, organization, and dynamics of components within a system (e.g., cells, tissues, organs, organ systems, reactants and products in chemical equilibrium)	
CONSTANCY AND CHANGE	
11–12.1.3. Explain how a system can be dynamic yet may remain in equilibrium (e.g., balance of forces, Le Chatelier's Principle, acid base systems)	
FORM AND FUNCTION	
11–12.1.4. Explain the relationship between form and function (e.g., atoms and ions, enzymes, aerodynamics)	Understand how graphics are related to each other
11–12.1.5. Explain how classification can be based on the relationship between form and function (e.g., polar vs. nonpolar molecules, structure of periodic table, DNA vs. RNA)	
EVOLUTION AND EQUILIBRIUM	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Science Content Standards	WorkKeys Locating Information Skills
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Standard 2: Science Inquiry	
Students use the process of science inquiry.	
UNDERSTANDINGS ABOUT SCIENTIFIC INQUIRY	
11–12.2.1. Explain how new knowledge and methods emerge from different types of investigations and public communication among scientists	
Abilities Necessary To Do Scientific Inquiry	
11–12.2.2. Select and use appropriate instruments, measuring tools, and units of measure to improve scientific investigations	
11–12.2.3. Use data from scientific investigations to accept or reject a hypothesis	Draw conclusions based on one complicated graphic or several related graphics
11–12.2.4. Formulate and revise explanations based upon scientific knowledge and experimental data	
11–12.2.5. Use technology and mathematics to improve investigations and communications	
11–12.2.6. Analyze data using appropriate strategies (e.g., interpolation, and extrapolation of data, significant figures, dimensional analysis)	Summarize information from one or more detailed graphics
	Identify trends shown in one or more detailed or complicated graphics
	Compare information and trends from one or more complicated graphics
11–12.2.7. Design and conduct an independent investigation	
11–12.2.8. Communicate and defend a scientific argument	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Science Content Standards	WorkKeys Locating Information Skills
Standard 3: Physical Science Students understand the basic concepts and principles of physical science.	
PROPERTIES OF MATTER	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
ATOMIC STRUCTURE AND PROPERTIES	
11–12.3.1. Explain how the structure of an atom, isotope, or ion relates to its properties	
11–12.3.2. Identify the basic organization of the periodic table (e.g., elements are listed according to the number of protons [atomic number]; repeating patterns of physical and chemical properties	Summarize information from one or more detailed graphics
ATOMS AND MOLECULES	
11–12.3.3. Compare and contrast the role of electrons in ionic and covalent bonding	
11–12.3.4. Identify the basic bonding characteristics of carbon which lead to a large variety of structures	
CHEMICAL REACTIONS	
11–12.3.5. Identify the effect of concentration, temperature, surface area, pressure, and catalysts on reaction rates as it relates to the Kinetic Theory.	
11–12.3.6. Write the chemical formula and name for compounds using a table of element names, symbols, and oxidation numbers	
11–12.3.7. Balance chemical equations	
Force and Motion	
11–12.3.8. Identify the principles and relationships influencing forces and motion (e.g., gravitational force, vectors, velocity, friction)	Understand how graphics are related to each other
FORMS OF ENERGY	
11–12.3.9. Explain the relationship among thermal energy, temperature, and the motion of particles	
ENERGY TRANSFER AND TRANSFORMATION	
11–12.3.10. Apply the law of conservation of energy to a variety of situations	
11–12.3.11. Explain how energy is related to physical changes of matter (e.g., phase changes, temperature changes)	
VIBRATIONS AND WAVES	
11–12.3.12. Relate wave energy to wavelength and frequency	
ELECTRICITY AND MAGNETISM	
11–12.3.13. Explain how magnetic forces relate to electric forces	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Science Content Standards	WorkKeys Locating Information Skills
Standard 4: Life Science	
Students understand the basic concepts and principles of life science.	
STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION	
11–12.4.1. Explain the importance of cell differentiation in the development of tissues, organs, organ systems, and multicellular organisms.	
GENETICS AND REPRODUCTION	
11–12.4.2. Explain how types of DNA technology (e.g., genetic engineering, forensic science, cloning) may impact society now and in the future.	
NATURAL SELECTION AND BIOLOGICAL EVOLUTION	
11–12.4.3. Explain how change through time has ensured adaptation to changing environments	
INTERDEPENDENCE AMONG ORGANISMS	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
MATTER AND ENERGY IN LIVING SYSTEMS	
No benchmark expectations at this level	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Science Content Standards	WorkKeys Locating Information Skills
Standard 5: Earth and Space Science	
Students understand the basic concepts and principles of earth and space science.	
The Universe	
11–12.5.1. Explain how the Sun and other stars are powered by nuclear reactions (e.g., the fusion of hydrogen to form helium, formation of elements)	
EARTH'S HISTORY	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
ENERGY IN THE EARTH SYSTEM	
11–12.5.2. Explain how Earth systems are in dynamic equilibrium (e.g., cycling of energy and matter through the atmosphere, hydrosphere, and lithosphere)	
CYCLES IN THE EARTH SYSTEM	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
GEOLOGIC PROCESSES, HUMAN ACTIVITIES, AND THE ENVIRONMENT	
11–12.5.3. Explain the short-term and long-term effects of chemical processes (e.g., acid rain, CO2 emissions, ozone depletion, run-off) on the environment and society	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Science Content Standards	WorkKeys Locating Information Skills
Standard 6: Science and Technology Students understand relations between science and technology.	
TECHNOLOGICAL DESIGN	
11–12.6.1. Select and use appropriate technologies, tools, and techniques to solve a problem (e.g., computer-assisted tools, Internet, research skills, CBL, graphing calculators)	
11–12.6.2. Identify examples of how new technologies advance science	
TECHNOLOGY AND SOCIETY	
11–12.6.3. Explain how designing and implementing technology requires weighing trade-offs between positive and negative impacts on humans and the environment	

NORTH DAKOTA Grades 11–12 Science Content Standards	WorkKeys Locating Information Skills
Standard 7: Science and Other Areas	
Students understand relations between science and personal, social, and environmental issues.	
SCIENCE AND PERSONAL HEALTH	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
SCIENCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES	
11–12.7.1. Explain the impact of environmental laws and policies on the environment and society (e.g., waste/pollutants from industry, carbon dioxide emissions, location and number of animals in a feedlot versus water supply)	
11–12.7.2. Explain ways renewable and nonrenewable resources are managed (e.g., land reclamation, forest management, CRP, hunting licenses, energy–conserving technologies)	
11–12.7.3. Explain the economic and social impact of using alternative energy resources	
SCIENCE AND SOCIAL ISSUES	
11–12.7.4. Explain how science and technology can influence personal, industrial, and cultural decision-making (e.g., organ transplants, cloning, stem cell research, genetic manipulation, use of genetic profile, archeological discoveries, land management, resource management)	

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Standard 8: History and Nature of Science	
Students understand the history and nature of science.	
PEOPLE IN SCIENCE	
No benchmark expectations at this level	
SCIENTIFIC KNOWLEDGE	
11–12.8.1. Identify the criteria that scientific explanations must meet to be considered valid (e.g., must be based on consistent and repeatable data, be consistent with experimental and observational evidence about nature, make accurate predictions about systems being studied, be logical, report methods and results, be open to question and reexamination, respect rules of evidence)	Use the information to make decisions
SCIENCE AND SOCIETY	·
No benchmark expectations at this level	