



# Implementing the NM STEM Ready! Science Standards

*Planning Instruction: Bundling Standards*

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# Goals

- Identify effective strategies for planning instruction for the NM STEM Ready! science classroom
- Understand how bundling standards support students in sense making

# NM STEM Ready! Science Standards



Together, the NGSS in their entirety,  
plus the New Mexico 6  
specific standards comprise the  
NM STEM Ready! science standards.

# What is a NM STEM Ready! science standard?

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

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# Reading a Standard

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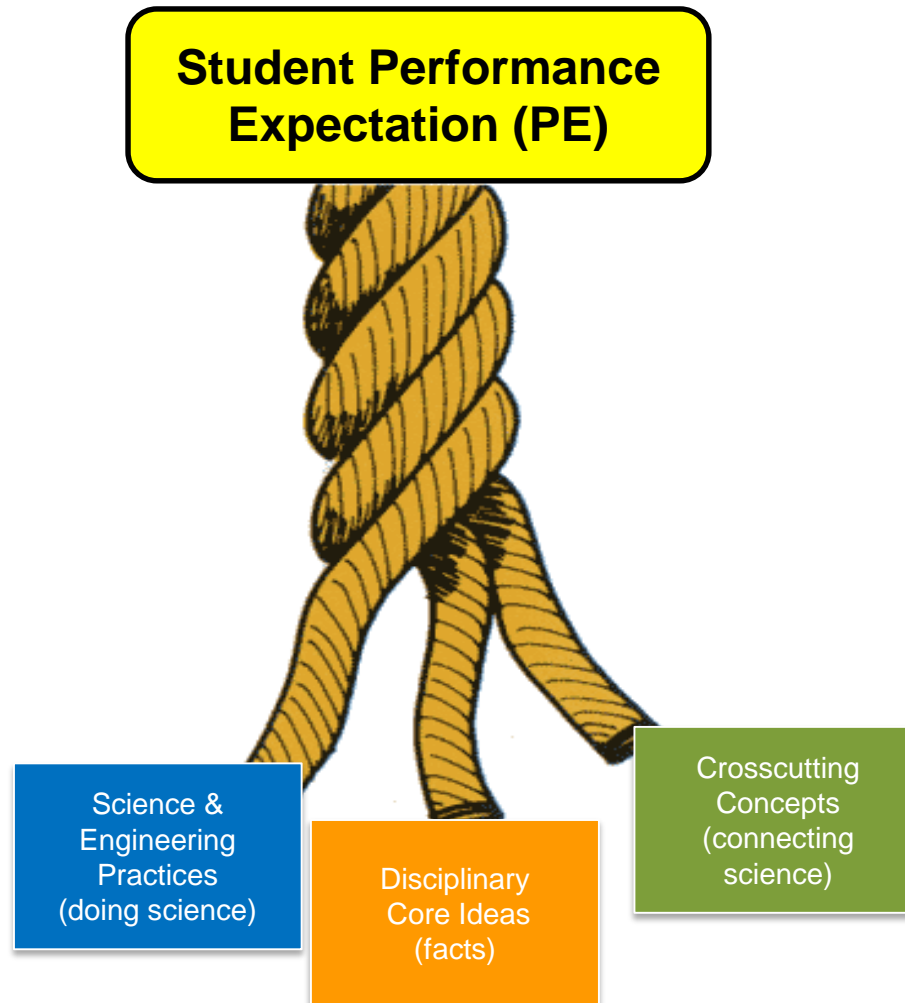
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# 3-Dimensional Learning



Adapted from NSTA



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# Performance Expectations

## ARE

- Guidance for what students should be able to do and understand.
- Specifications for assessments.

## ARE NOT

- Learning goals for students
- Instructional strategies for students
- Tests for students

Adapted from Bybee (2013) and Krajcik (2014)



# Shifting from “Learning About” to “Figuring Out”

## Three key ideas:

- 1. Core ideas:** Shift away from breadth of content to *in-depth development of core ideas*.
- 2. Practices:** Developing explanations through investigation to make sense of phenomena.
- 3. Coherence:** Learning is a *logical progression* in which learners build ideas over time and between science disciplines.

Adapted from Reiser, 2013

# Shifting from “Learning About” to “Figuring Out” (*continued*)

- Students using the science and engineering practices are “figuring out” an explanation or solving a problem
  - Application of science knowledge
- Practices mean students should know *why* they are doing an activity

Adapted from Reiser (2013; 2014a,b)

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*What does this mean to you?*

# “Bundling” Standards

- Pruitt (2014) describes bundling as a “set of PEs that provide students with coherent connections among concepts within and across disciplines” (p. 151).
- These ten steps “guide teachers in developing a sequence of lessons to build student proficiency in a bundle of PEs” (Krajcik et al., 2014, p. 163).

# “Bundling” Standards *Overview*

1. Select standards that work together—a bundle  
(Bybee, 2013; Krajcik, 2014; Pruitt 2014).
2. Inspect the performance expectations, their clarification statements, and assessment boundaries.
3. Examine DCI(s), SEP(s), and CCC(s) and identify implications for instruction.
4. Explore closely the DCI(s) and PE(s).

Adapted from Krajcik (2014)

# “Bundling” Standards

## *Overview (continued)*

5. Identify the SEP(s) that support instruction.
6. Develop lesson-level, target PEs.
7. Determine acceptable evidence of learning.
8. Connect to related Common Core State Standards for Math and English Language Arts.

Adapted from Krajcik (2014)



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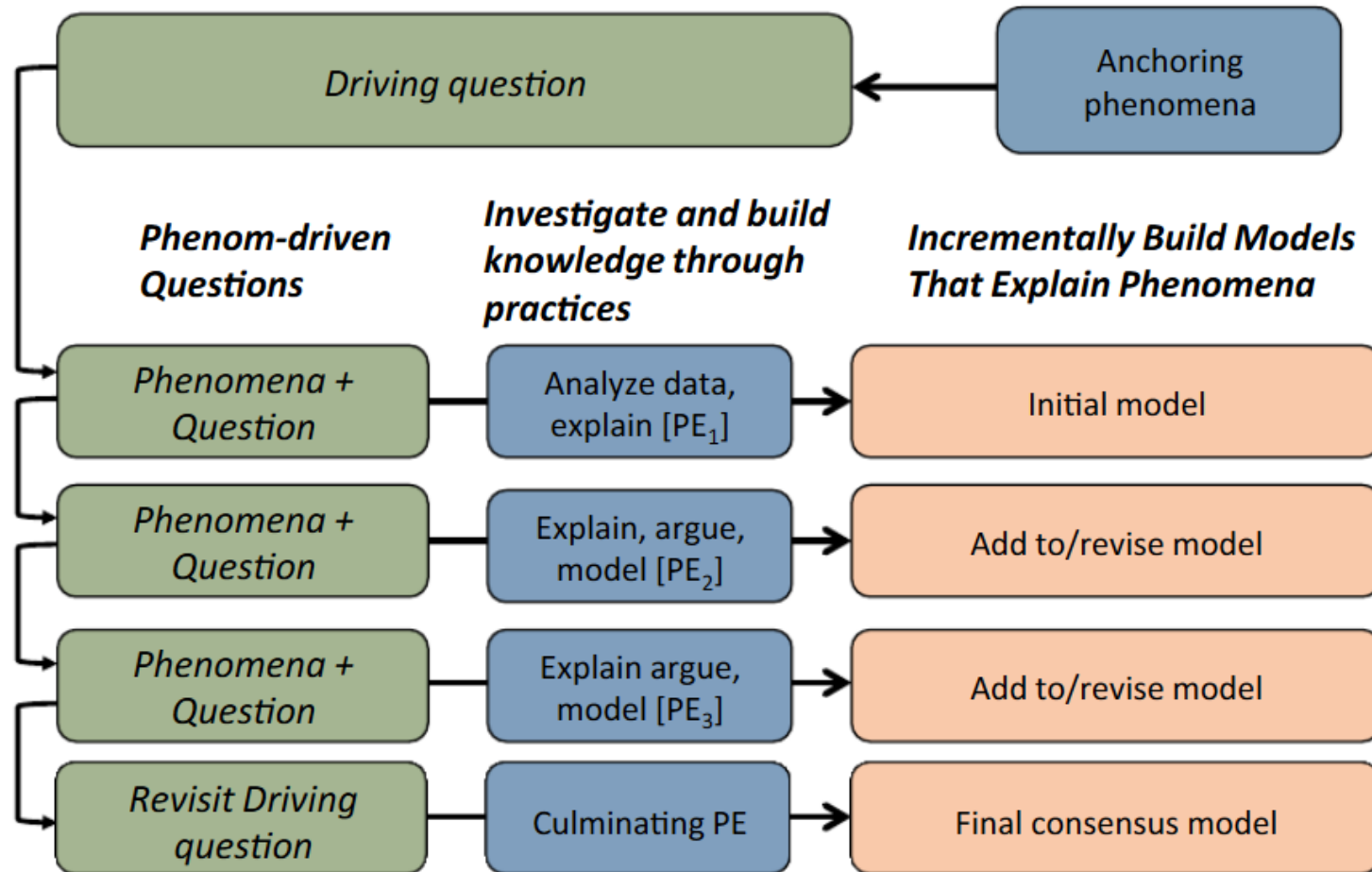
9. Construct a storyline.
  - “Shows how the DCIs, SEPs, and CCCs develop over time. It should also show how students build sophisticated ideas from prior learning, using evidence that build to the understanding described in the standards as student engage in the practice to explain phenomena” (Krajcik, 2014, 170).

Adapted from Krajcik (2014)

# Storylines

- A coherent sequence of lessons that is driven by students' questions with a goal of explaining phenomena or solving a problem.
- A storyline provides a coherent path toward building disciplinary core ideas and crosscutting concepts, piece by piece, anchored in students' own questions.

# Storylines (cont.)



Adapted from Reiser (2014a, b)

# “Bundling” Standards

## *Overview (continued)*

10. Ask yourself, “How do the tasks(s) and lesson(s) help students toward understanding of the targeted standards?”

Adapted from Krajcik (2014)

# Resources

- [NM STEM Ready! Science Resources page](#)
  - Curriculum Development
    - Phenomena
    - Bundling Standards/Storylines
  - Implementation
- [NGSS In Practice–Tools and Processes](#)  
(Appendices A– E)

# Next Steps

Next Webinar:

End of January 2019 - Planning Instruction: Scientific Discourse

Professional Learning:

Please visit the [Math and Science Bureau's Professional Learning page](#); registration for Making Sense of SCIENCE is upcoming.

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