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Unit of Study	Time Frame	Content Block Benchmarks	Content Resources	
Unit 1: Geography	August 10 – August 23	SS.5.G.1.1 , SS.5.G.1.2 , SS.5.G.1.3 , SS.5.G.1.4 , SS.5.G.1.6 , SS.5.G.4.1 , SS.5.G.4.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 1 	
Unit 2: Practice of Science	August 24 – September 1	SC.5.N.1.1 , SC.5.N.1.2 , SC.5.N.1.3 , SC.5.N.1.4 , SC.5.N.1.5 , SC.5.N.1.6 , SC.5.N.2.1 , SC.5.N.2.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Essential Lab: Scientific Thinking* Plan to give the Science Pre-Test during this unit (Suggested date Thursday, August 24th) Science Handbook pgs: 2-25, 158-185 Resource Options First Days of School Resource Options Observations, Inferences & Predictions (Moon Phase Calendars) Resource Options Types of Scientific Investigations 	
Unit 3: Living Things	September 5 – September 20	SC.5.L.14.1 , SC.5.L.14.2 , HE.5.C.1.5 , HE.5.C.1.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Essential Lab: Body Parts Working Together* Founders Month (Sept) 9/11 Hero's Day (9/10)** Constitution Day (9/18) Science Handbook pgs: 26-45; Science Journal pgs: 2-43 Resource Options Plant Structures & Roles SC.3.L.14.1 Resource Options Pollination & Fertilization SC.4.L.16.1 Resource Options Seed Dispersal & Germination 4.L.16.1 Resource Options Plant Responses to Stimuli 3.L.14.2 Resource Options Flowering & Nonflowering Plants and Life Cycles SC.3.L.15.2 & SC.4.L.16.4 Resource Options Human Organs & Functions 5.L.14.1 Resource Options Animal Classification SC.3.L.15.1 & SC.4.L.16.4 Resource Options Life Cycles - Complete & Incomplete Metamorphosis SC.4.L.16.4 Resource Options Compare & Contrast Physical Structures of Plants and Animals SC.5.L.14.2 Organization and Development of Living Organisms Unit Review Options 	
Unit 4: Historical Text Analysis & Pre-Columbian Native Americans	September 21 – October 11	SS.5.A.1.1 , SS.5.A.1.2 , SS.5.A.2.1 , SS.5.A.2.2 , SS.5.A.2.3 , SS.5.E.1.1 (Benchmark Integration: SS.5.G.1.1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 2 Unit 3 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Celebrate Freedom Week (Sept 18 – 22) Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept/15 – Oct/15)

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Unit 5: Interdependence	October 12 – November 3	SC.5.L.17.1 , SC.5.L.15.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Everglades Lesson 1: Incredible Shrinking Habitat*** Everglades Lesson 2: Invasive Species*** Everglades Lesson 3: Fishy Business*** Science Handbook pgs: 46-61; Sci Journal pgs: 44-89 Resource Options Food Chains SC.3.L.17.2, SC.4.L.17.2, SC.4.L.17.3 Resource Options Characteristics & Behaviors of Plants & Animals SC.4.L.16.2, SC.4.L.16.3 Resource Options Environmental Impact-Change, Move, or Die SC.5.L.15.1, SC.4.L.17.4 Resource Options Adaptations SC.5.L.17.1, SC.4.L.17.1, SC.3.L.17.1 Interdependence Unit Review Options 	
Unit 6: Exploration and Colonization of North America	November 6 – November 30	SS.5.A.3.1 , SS.5.A.3.2 , SS.5.A.3.3 , SS.5.A.4.1 , SS.5.A.4.2 , SS.5.A.4.3 , SS.5.A.4.4 , SS.5.A.4.5 , SS.5.A.4.6 , SS.5.E.1.1 , SS.5.E.1.2 , SS.5.E.2.1 , SS.5.G.1.5 , SS.5.G.3.1 , SS.5.HE.1.1 (Benchmark Integration: SS.5.A.1.1 , SS.5.A.1.2 , SS.5.G.1.1 , SS.5.G.1.4)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 4 DBQ: Jamestown: Why Did So Many Colonists Die? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Veteran's Day (11/10) Unit 10 - Holocaust Education Week (Nov 6 – 10)**
Unit 7: Earth in Space and Time	December 1 – December 21	SC.5.E.5.1 , SC.5.E.5.2 , SC.5.E.5.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Essential Activity: What planet is this? * Science Handbook pgs: 62-79; Sci Journal pgs: 90-119 Resource Options The Sun & Other Stars SC.3.E.5.1, SC.3.E.5.2, SC.3.E.5.3 Resource Options The Milky Way & Other Galaxies SC.5.E.5.1 Resource Options Earth's Rotation SC.4.E.5.1, SC.4.E.5.3, SC.4.E.5.4 Resource Options Earth's Revolution & Seasonal Constellations SC.4.E.5.1, SC.4.E.5.3 Resource Options Moon Phases SC.4.E.5.2.docx Resource Options Planets SC.5.E.5.2, SC.5.E.5.3 Resource Options Objects of the Solar System (Asteroids & Comets) SC.5.E.5.3 	
Unit 8: Energy	January 8 – January 31	SC.5.P.10.1 , SC.5.P.10.2 , SC.5.P.10.3 , SC.5.P.10.4 , SC.5.P.11.1 , SC.5.P.11.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Essential Lab: Building a Circuit * Science Handbook pgs: 1102-123; Science Journal pgs: 180-225 Resource Options Forms of Energy Overview SC.5.P.10.1, SC.4.P.10.1, SC.3.P.10.1 Resource Options Sound Energy SC.5.P.10.1 & SC.4.P.10.3 Resource Options Light's Behavior SC.5.P.10.1, SC.3.P.10.3 & SC.3.P.10.4 Resource Options Light & Heat, Heat Flow & Conductors SC.5.P.10.1, SC.5.P.10.2, SC.4.P.11.1, SC.4.P.11.2 & SC.3.P.11.1 Resource Options Mechanical Energy & Frictional Heat SC.5.P.10.1, SC.5.P.10.2 & SC.3.P.11.2 Resource Options Renewable & Nonrenewable, Solar, Water, Wind & Chemical SC.5.P.10.1, SC.5.P.10.2, SC.4.E.6.3, SC.4.E.6.6, SC.4.P.10.4, SC.3.E.6.1 Resource Options Static Electricity SC.5.P.10.3 Electrical Energy SC.5.P.10.1, SC.5.P.10.2, SC.5.P.10.4, SC.5.P.11.1, SC.5.P.11.2 	

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Unit 9: American Revolution & Birth of a Nation	February 1 – February 16	SS.5.A.5.10 , SS.5.CG.1.2 , SS.5.CG.1.3 , SS.5.CG.1.4 (Benchmark Integration: SS.5.A.1.1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 5 Unit 6 DBQ: Valley Forge: Would You Have Quit? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Martin Luther King Jr. Day (1/16) Black History Month (Feb)
Unit 10: Matter	February 20 – March 8	SC.5.P.8.1 , SC.5.P.8.2 , SC.5.P.8.3 , SC.5.P.8.4 , SC.5.P.9.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Essential Lab: Conservation of Mass* Plan to give the Science Post-Test during this unit (Suggested date Monday, March 11th) Science Handbook pgs: 138-159; Science Journal pgs: 258-302 Resource Options Temperature & States of Matter SC.5.P.8.1 Resource Options Mass & States of Matter SC.5.P.8.1 Resource Options Volume & States of Matter SC.5.P.8.1 Resource Options Solids, Liquids & Gases SC.5.P.8.1 Resource Options Physical Properties & Separating Solid Mixtures SC.5.P.8.1 & SC.5.P.8.3 Resource Options Dissolving in Water SC.5.P.8.2 Resource Options Physical & Chemical Changes SC.5.P.9.1, SC.4.P.9.1, SC.3.P.9.1 	
Unit 11: Growth and Westward Expansion	March 11 – April 2	SS.5.A.5.9 , SS.5.A.6.1 , SS.5.A.6.2 , SS.5.A.6.3 , SS.5.A.6.4 , SS.5.A.6.5 , SS.5.A.6.6 , SS.5.A.6.7 , SS.5.A.6.8 , SS.5.A.6.9 , SS.5.E.1.3 , SS.5.G.2.1 ; (Benchmark Integration: SS.5.A.1.1 , SS.5.G.1.1)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unit 7 DBQ: The California Gold Rush: A Personal Journal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women’s History Month (Mar) Medal of Honor Day (3/25)
Unit 12: Earth Systems and Patterns	April 3 – April 16	SC.5.E.7.1 , SC.5.E.7.2 , SC.5.E.7.3 , SC.5.E.7.4 , SC.5.E.7.5 , SC.5.E.7.6 , SC.5.E.7.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Essential Lab: Cycling Matter* Science Handbook pgs: 80-101; Science Journal pgs: 120-179 Resource Options Mineral Properties Resource Options Weathering & Erosion Resource Options Rock Categories Resource Options Water Cycle Resource Options Types of Precipitation & Clouds SC.5.E.7.4 Resource Options Weather SC.5.E.7.3 Resource Options Climate Zones SC.5.E.7.6 Resource Options Environmental Climates 	

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Unit 13: Forces and Changes in Motion	April 17 – May 3	SC.5.P.13.1 , SC.5.P.13.2 , SC.5.P.13.3 , SC.5.P.13.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Essential Lab: What is at Work?* • Science Handbook pgs: 124-137; Science Journal pgs: 226-257 • Resource Options Pushes & Pulls SC.5.P.13.1 • Resource Options Magnetic Force SC.5.P.13.1 & SC.4.P.8.4 • Resource Options Gravity SC.5.P.13.1 & SC.3.E.5.4 • Resource Options Oppositional Friction SC.5.P.13.1 • Resource Options Speed & Motion SC.4.P.12.2 & SC.4.P.12.1 • Resource Options Greater Force = Greater Change in Motion SC.5.P.13.2 & SC.4.P.12.1 • Resource Options More Mass = Less Effect of a Given Force on Motion SC.5.P.13.3 & SC.4.P.12.1 • Resource Options Balanced & Unbalanced Forces SC.5.P.13.4 & SC.4.P.12.1 	
Unit 14: U.S. Constitution and Roles of Citizens	May 6 – May 17	SS.5.CG.2.2 , SS.5.CG.2.3 , SS.5.CG.2.4 , SS.5.CG.2.5 , SS.5.CG.2.6 , SS.5.CG.3.1 , SS.5.CG.3.2 , SS.5.CG.3.3 , SS.5.CG.3.4 , SS.5.CG.3.5 , SS.5.CG.3.6 , (Benchmark Integration: SS.5.A.5.10)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit 8 • Unit 9 • DBQ: What Types of Citizens Does a Democracy Need? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asian American and Pacific Islander Month (May) • Memorial Day (5/28)
Natural Disasters and Family Preparedness Plans and Health	May 20 – May 30	SC.5.E.7.7 , HE.5.P.8.1 , HE.5.P.7.1 , HE.5.P.7.2 , HE.5.B.3.1 , HE.5.B.5.1 , HE.5.B.4.2 , HE.5.B.4.3 , HE.5.B.4.4 , HE.5.B.5.3 , HE.5.C.1.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disaster Preparedness Student Tutorial • Atoms Make Up Everything Student Tutorial • How Can We Help Each Other Make Healthy Choices? • How Can We Take a Stand Against Bullying? • Are You Being Clear with Your Friends? 	

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