

	6th Grade Mathematics Teaching & Learning Framework							
Semester 1					Semester 2			
Unit 1 4 weeks Exploring Real-	Unit 2 6 weeks Making Relevant	Unit 3 4 weeks Investigating	Unit 4 4 weeks Building	Unit 5 6 weeks Exploring Real-life	Unit 6 4 weeks Exploring Area	Unit 7 3 weeks Rational	Unit 8 2 weeks Graphing	Unit 9 3 weeks Culminating
life Phenomena through Statistics <mark>6.NR.2</mark>	Connections through Number System Fluency 6.NR.1 6.NR.2	Rate, Ratio and Proportional Reasoning <mark>6.NR.4</mark>	Conceptual Understanding of Expressions <mark>6.PAR.6</mark>	Phenomena through One-Step Equations and Inequalities 6.PAR.7	and Volume 6.GSR.5	Exploration: Numbers and their Opposites <mark>6.NR.2</mark> 6.NR.3	Rational Numbers <mark>6.PAR.8</mark>	Capstone Unit
6.NR.2.1 (Mean) 6.NR.2.2 (Data Display) 6.NR.2.3 (Distribution) 6.NR.2.4 (Measures of center & variability) 6.NR.2.5 (Shape of data) 6.NR.2.6 (Impact of data points)	6.PAR.6.2 (GCF & LCM) 6.NR.1.1 (+/- Fractions) 6.NR.1.2 (x/÷ Fractions) 6.NR.1.3 (Operations with decimals) 6.NR.2.1 (Mean) 6.NR.2.3 (Distribution) 6.NR.2.4 (Measures of center & variability)	6.NR.4.1 (Ratios) 6.NR.4.2 (Tables, graph ratios) 6.NR.4.3 (Proportions) 6.NR.4.4 (Rates/Unit Rates) 6.NR.4.5 (Unit Rates with pricing/constant speed) 6.NR.4.6 (Percents) 6.NR.4.7 (Measurement conversions)	6.PAR.6.1 (Exponent expressions) 6.PAR.6.2 (GCF & LCM) 6.PAR.6.3 (Expressions) 6.PAR.6.4 (Evaluate expressions) 6.PAR.6.5 (Equivalent expressions)	6.PAR.7.1 (Solve 1-step equations and inequalities by substitution) 6.PAR.7.2 (Write 1-step equations and inequalities) 6.PAR.7.3 (Solve equations with non- negative rational numbers) 6.PAR.7.4 (Recognize & generate inequalities and represent solutions on number line)	6.GSR.5.1 (Explore & find area of geometric figures by composing / decomposing) 6.GSR.5.2 (Find surface area of 3D figures using nets) 6.GSR.5.3 (Calculate volume of right rectangular prisms with fractional edges using V=bh)	6NR.3.1 (Identify & compare integers) 6.NR.3.2 (Order & plot integers) 6.NR.3.3 (Opposites) 6.NR.3.4 (Statements of order / compare rational numbers) 6.NR.3.5 (Absolute value) 6.NR.3.6 (Comparison of absolute value vs. statements of order) 6.NR.2.3 (Distribution) 6.NR.2.4 (MAD)	6.PAR.8.1 (Locate & position rational #s on horizontal & vertical # lines & coordinate plane) 6.PAR.8.2 (Coordinates & quadrants) 6.PAR.8.3 (Solve by graphing on coordinate plane / use Ab Value) 6.PAR.8.4 (Draw polygons on coordinate plane)	All standards.
Units contain tasks that depend upon the concepts addressed in earlier units. Mathematical standards are interwoven and should be addressed throughout the year in as many different units and tasks as possible in order to stress the natural connections that exist among mathematical topics.								
The <u>Framework fo</u>	r Statistical Reasoning, Math	ematical Modeling F	ramework, and the I	K-12 Mathematical Practices	should be taught thro	ughout the units.		
Key for Course Sta	andards: NR: Numerical Reas	oning, PAR: Patternii	ng & Algebraic Reaso	oning, GSR: Geometric & Spat	ial Reasoning			



GEORGIA'S K-12 MATHEMATICS STANDARDS 2021

Governor Kemp and Superintendent Woods are committed to the best set of academic standards for Georgia's students – laying a strong foundation of the fundamentals, ensuring age- and developmentally appropriate concepts and content, providing instructional supports to set our teachers up for success, protecting and affirming local control and flexibility regarding the use of mathematical strategies and methods, and preparing students for life. These Georgia-owned and Georgia-grown standards leverage the insight, expertise, experience, and efforts of thousands of Georgians to deliver the very best educational experience for Georgia's 1.7 million students.

In August 2019, Governor Brian Kemp and State School Superintendent Richard Woods announced the review and revision of Georgia's K-12 mathematics standards. Georgians have been engaged throughout the standards review and revision process through public surveys and working groups. In addition to educator working groups, surveys, and the Academic Review Committee, Governor Kemp announced a new way for Georgians to provide input on the standards: the Citizens Review Committee, a group composed of students, parents, business and community leaders, and concerned citizens from across the state. Together, these efforts were undertaken to ensure Georgians will have buy-in and faith in the process and product.

The Citizens Review Committee provided a charge and recommendations to the working groups of educators who came together to craft the standards, ensuring the result would be usable and friendly for parents and students in addition to educators. More than 14,000 Georgians participated in the state's public survey from July through September 2019, providing additional feedback for educators to review. The process of writing the standards involved more than 200 mathematics educators -- from beginning to veteran teachers, representing rural, suburban, and metro areas of our state.

Grade-level teams of mathematics teachers engaged in deep discussions; analyzed stakeholder feedback; reviewed every single standard, concept, and skill; and provided draft recommendations. To support fellow mathematics teachers, they also developed learning progressions to show when key concepts were introduced and how they progressed across grade levels, provided examples, and defined age/developmentally appropriate expectations.

These teachers reinforced that strategies and methods for solving mathematical problems are classroom decisions -- not state decisions -- and should be made with the best interest of the individual child in mind. These recommended revisions have been shared with the Academic Review Committee, which is composed of postsecondary partners, age/development experts, and business leaders, as well as the Citizens Review Committee, for final input and feedback.

Based on the recommendation of Superintendent Woods, the State Board of Education will vote to post the draft K-12 mathematics standards for public comment. Following public comment, the standards will be recommended for adoption, followed by a year of teacher training and professional learning prior to implementation.

Use of Mathematical Strategies and Methods & Affirming Local Control

These standards preserve and affirm local control and flexibility regarding the use of the "standard algorithm" and other mathematical strategies and methods. Students have the right to use any strategy that produces accurate computations, makes sense, and is appropriate for their level of understanding.

Therefore, the wording of these standards allows for the "standard algorithm" as well as other cognitive strategies deemed developmentally appropriate for each grade level. Revised state tests will not measure the students' use of specific mathematical strategies and methods, only whether students understand the key mathematical skills and concepts in these standards.

Teachers are afforded the flexibility to support the individual needs of their students. It is critical that teachers and parents remain partners to help each child grow to become a mathematically literate citizen.

Georgia's K-12 Mathematics Standards – 2021 Mathematics Big Ideas and Learning Progressions, 6-8

Mathematics Big Ideas, 6-8

5	6	7	8	HS	HS			
				Algebra: Concepts	Geometry: Concepts &			
				& Connections	Connections			
	MATHEMATICAL PRACTICES & MODELING							
		DA	TA & STATIS	TICAL REASONING				
		N	UMERICAL R	EASONING (NR)				
		PATTERNI	NG & ALGEE	BRAIC REASONING (P	AR)			
			FUNC	TIONAL & GRAPHICA	L REASONING (FGR)			
		GEOME	TRIC & SPAT	IAL REASONING (GSF	R)			
		PROBABILITY			PROBABILISTIC REASONING			
		REASONING			(PR)			
		(PR)						

	6-8 MATHEMATICS: LEARNING PROGRESSIONS						
Key Concepts	5	6	7	8	HS Algebra:	HS Geometry:	
					Concepts &	Concepts &	
					Connections	Connections	
			NUMERICAL REASON	ING			
Numbers	Multi-digit whole numbers	 Rational numbers as a 	All rational numbers	All rational numbers	All rational numbers	All numbers in The Real	
(rational	Fractions with unlike donominators	concept	 Simple probability 	Scientific notation	Operations with radicals	Number System	
numbers and	 Fractions greater than 1 	• Fractions		Numerical expressions with integer exponents			
irrational	 Decimal numbers to 	 Decimal 		Use appropriate			
numbors)	thousandths	numbers		counting strategies to			
numbersj	• Powers of 10 to 10 ³			approximate rational			
				and irrational numbers			
				(radicals) on a number			
		A11		line			
Computational	Add & subtract fractions with unlike denominators	All operations with whole numbers	Operations with rational numbers	Operations with scientific notation	Operations with real numbers (rational and		
Fluency	Add and subtract decimal	fractions and decimal	Rational numbers	Scientific notation in	irrational)		
	numbers to the hundredths	numbers	Convert fractions with	real situations seen in	Multiplication of		
	place	Write & evaluate	all denominators to	everyday life	irrational numbers		
	 Multiply & divide multi- 	numerical expressions	decimal numbers	• Expressions with integer			
	digit whole numbers	 Convert fractions with 		exponents			
	 Multiply fractions and 	denominators of 2, 4, 5					
	whole numbers	and 10 to the decimal					
	 Divide unit fractions and 	notation					
	whole numbers						
	 Reason about multiplying by a fraction > < or = 1 						
	5y a fraction 2, 2, 01 – 1						
Comparisons	 Decimal fractions to 	 Integers 	Rational numbers	Rational and irrational	Rate of change (slope)		
2011-10-110	thousandths place	Unit rates	Probabilities	numbers (radicals)	Intercept		
	 Fractions greater than 1 	 Ratios 	 Random sampling 	Compare proportional	 Distributions of two or 		
		 Numerical data 		relationships presented	more data sets		
		distributions		in different ways			
		 Measures of variation 					
		Absolute value					
		 Display and analyze categorical and 					
		(numerical) data					

	6-8 MATHEMATICS: LEARNING PROGRESSIONS						
Key Concepts	5	6	7	8	HS Algebra: Concepts & Connections	HS Geometry: Concepts & Connections	
		PATTE	RNING & ALGEBRAIC RE	ASONING			
Patterns	 Generate two numerical patterns from a given rule Identify relationships using a table 	Greatest common factor & least common multiple	 Constant of proportionality 	 Integer exponents Perfect squares and perfect cubes 	 Arithmetic sequences Geometric sequences 		
Expressions	 Numerical Reasoning Simple numerical expressions involving whole numbers with or without grouping symbols Express fractions as division problems 	 Write, analyze, and evaluate numerical and algebraic expressions Identify, generate, and evaluate algebraic expressions Identify like terms in an algebraic expression 	 Add, subtract, factor & expand linear expressions Rewrite expressions Fluency with combining like terms in an algebraic expression Linear expressions with rational coefficients 	 Expressions with integer exponents Linear expressions Operations with algebraic expressions 	 Exponential expressions Quadratic expressions 	 Expressions of varying degrees Add, subtract, multiply single variable polynomials Adding, Subtracting and Multiplying Polynomials Factoring and expanding polynomials 	
Variable Equations & Inequalities		Write and solve one-step equations & inequalities	 Construct & solve multi-step algebraic equations and inequalities 	 Analyze and solve linear equations and inequalities 	 Exponential equations Quadratic equations Equations of parallel and perpendicular lines Analyze and solve linear inequalities 	 Equations involving geometric measurement 	
Ratios & Rates		Numerical Reasoning with ratios and rates: • Concept of ratio and rate • Equivalent ratios, percentages, unit rates • Convert within measurement systems	 Compute unit rates associated with ratios of fractions Determine unit rates 	 Interpret unit rate as the slope of a graph 	Convert units and rates given a conversion factor	 Side ratios of similar triangles Trigonometric ratios 	
Proportional Relationships			 Use proportional relationships Solve multi-step ratio and percent problems Scale drawings of geometric figures Use similar triangles to explain slope 				
Graphing	 Plot order pairs in first quadrant 	 Plot order pairs in all four quadrants Show rational numbers on a number line Draw polygons on a coordinate grid Find the side length of a polygon graphed on the coordinate plane (same x- or y- coordinate) 	 Proportional relationships 	 Linear functions Comparing linear and non-linear functions Systems of linear equations (including parallel and perpendicular) Linear inequalities Analyze data distributions 	 Linear functions with function notation Exponential functions Quadratic functions Systems of linear inequalities 	 Equations of circles in standard form 	

6-8 MATHEMATICS: LEARNING PROGRESSIONS							
Key Concepts	5	6	7	8	HS Algebra: Concepts & Connections	HS Geometry: Concepts & Connections	
		FUNCT	TIONAL & GRAPHICAL RE	ASONING	•	•	
Function Families				 Linear functions Line of best fit 	 Linear functions with function notation Parent graphs of function families Exponential functions Quadratic functions 	 Function notation to represent transformations 	
		GEO	METRIC & SPATIAL REA	SONING			
Shapes & Properties	Classify polygons based on geometric properties		 Measure angles using non-standard and standard tools Write & solve equations using supplementary, complementary, vertical, and adjacent angles 	Introduction to Pythagorean Theorem and the converse		 Develop and use precise definitions to prove theorems and solve geometric problems Prove slope criteria for parallel and perpendicular lines Transform polygons using rotations, reflections, dilations, and translations. Congruence and trans- formations Triangle congruence Use congruence to prove relationships in geometric figures Similar triangles Use similarity to prove relationships in geometric figures Formal proofs & theorems about triangles Trigonometric ratios (Sin Coc & Tan) 	

	6-8 MATHEMATICS: LEARNING PROGRESSIONS						
Key Concepts	5	6	7	8	HS Algebra: Concepts & Connections	HS Geometry: Concepts & Connections	
		GEOME	ETRIC & SPATIAL REASOI	VING (cont.)			
Geometric Measurement	 Volume of right rectangular prisms 	 Area of triangles, quadrilaterals, and polygons Surface area Volume of right rectangular prisms with fractional edge lengths 	 Relationship between parts of a circle Area & circumference of a circle Area and surface area of figures decomposed into triangles, quadrilaterals & circles Volume of cubes, right prisms & cylinders 	 Pythagorean Theorem to determine distance between two points Volume of cones, cylinders, and spheres 	 Use distance formula, midpoint formula, and slope to calculate perimeter and area of triangles and quadrilaterals 	 Volumes of prisms, cones, cylinders, pyramids, and spheres Approximate volumes of irregular objects Approximate density of irregular objects 	
		•	PROBABILITY REASONII	VG	÷		
Probability			 Represent probability Approximate probability Develop probability models (uniform & not uniform) Find probabilities of simple events 			 Categorical data & two-way frequency tables Interpret probabilities in context 	

6th Grade

The nine standards listed below are the key content competencies students will be expected to master in sixth grade. Additional clarity and details are provided through the classroom-level learning objectives and evidence of student learning details for each grade-level standard found on subsequent pages of this document. As teachers are planning instruction and assessing mastery of the content at the grade level, the focus should remain on the key competencies listed in the table below.

SIXTH GRADE STANDARDS

6.MP: Display perseverance and patience in problem-solving. Demonstrate skills and strategies needed to succeed in mathematics, including critical thinking, reasoning, and effective collaboration and expression. Seek help and apply feedback. Set and monitor goals.

6.NR.1: Solve relevant, mathematical problems involving operations with whole numbers, fractions, and decimal numbers.

6.NR.2: Apply operations with whole numbers, fractions and decimals within relevant applications.

6.NR.3: Solve a variety of problems involving whole numbers and their opposites; model rational numbers on a number line to describe problems presented in relevant, mathematical situations.

6.NR.4: Solve a variety of contextual problems involving ratios, unit rates, equivalent ratios, percentages, and conversions within measurement systems using proportional reasoning.

6.GSR.5: Solve relevant problems involving area, surface area, and volume.

6.PAR.6: Identify, write, evaluate, and interpret numerical and algebraic expressions as mathematical models to explain relevant situations.

6.PAR.7: Write and solve one-step equations and inequalities as mathematical models to explain authentic, realistic situations.

6.PAR.8: Graph rational numbers as points on the coordinate plane to represent and solve contextual, mathematical problems; draw polygons using the coordinates for their vertices and find the length of a side of a polygon.

Georgia's K-12 Mathematics Standards – 2021

6TH GRADE

NUMERIC	CAL REASONING – multiplicati	NING – multiplication and division of whole numbers and fractions, and all four operations with decimal numbers					
6.NR.1: 5	Solve relevant, mathematical	problems involving operatio	ons with whole numbers, fractic	ons, and decimal numbe	ers.		
	Expectations		Evidence of Stud (not all inclusive; see Grade Leve	dent Learning el Overview for more details)			
6.NR.1.1	Fluently add and subtract any combination of fractions to solve problems.	Terminology Strategies and Methods A Fluently/Fluency – Students choose flexibly among methods and strategies to solve mathematical problems accurately and efficiently. Students should be given the opportunity to apply reasoning strategies while solving problems. Students may solve problems in different ways and have the flexibility to choose a mathematical strategy that allows them to make sense of and strategically solve problems using efficient methods that are most comfortable for and makes sense to them. A			 Age/Developmentally Appropriate Students should be allowed to choose an appropriate strategy to demonstrate fluency. 		
6.NR.1.2	Multiply and divide any combination of whole numbers, fractions, and mixed numbers using a student-selected strategy. Interpret products and quotients of fractions and solve word problems.	 Strategies and Methods Students should be able to including 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 10, Students should be able to applicable, mathematical si Students can use a variety or limited to concrete models, generated strategies, a star based on numerical reason Students should be given the strategies and use written restrategies and use flexible methods to express computer reasoning and sense-makin experiences that focus on t Students may solve problem flexibility to choose a mathemake sense of and strategies methods that are most com them. 	utilize fractions with denominators , and 12. use numerical reasoning to interpret ituations involving fractions. of strategies, including but not s, visual fraction models, student- ndard algorithm, or other strategies sing to represent and solve problems. he opportunity to apply reasoning methods that make sense to them. e, accurate, and efficient written itational thinking based on numerical ng developed from learning the numbers as quantities. ms in different ways and have the mematical strategy that allows them to cally solve problems using efficient infortable for and makes sense to	 Fundamentals Students should use to understanding of equivalency to flexible reason with equivalency to flexible fractions based on the context of the proble Simplifying fractions is an expectation of this grade level. Students should be all use the meanings of fractions, multiplicati division and the invert relationship between multiplication and divide fractions. 	Example • How many $\frac{3}{4}$ -cup servings are in $\frac{2}{3}$ of a cup of yogurt? e m. is not is oon, rse vision ing		

6.NR.1.3	Perform operations with multi-digit decimal numbers fluently using models and student-selected strategies.	Fundamentals S • Fluently/Fluency – Students choose flexibly among methods and strategies to solve mathematical problems accurately and efficiently. G	 trategies and Methods Students should be all strategies to compute product, partial quoti The part-whole strates from previous computation. Students should use a as an efficient writter understanding for earmultiplication, and di Students may solve p flexibility to choose a them to make sense o efficient methods that sense to them. 	ble to use a variety of part-whole e efficiently (area model, partial ient). egies used should be flexible and ex itation strategies and future work v models and student-selected strate n method of demonstrating place va ch operation (addition, subtraction, vision). roblems in different ways and have mathematical strategy that allows of and strategically solve problems at are most comfortable for and ma	Terminology • Decimal number – a number whose whole number part and fractional part are separated by a decimal point. tend vith gies alue • the using kes
6.NR.2: A	pply operations with whole n	numbers, fractions and dec	cimals within relevan	t applications.	
	Expectations		Evid (not all inclusive;	ence of Student Learning see Grade Level Overview for mor	re details)
6.NR.2.1	Describe and interpret the center of the distribution by the equal share value (mean).	 Age/Developmentally Approp The concept of mean visually and conceptute the formula. This is the beginning the concept of measu continue to be developmental to be devel	riate a should be explored ually before introducing of the progression of ures of center and will oped in 6 th grade.	 Strategies and Methods Students should be given the opportunity to use manipulatives such as: snap cubes, tiles, etcto model equal share value. 	 <i>Example</i> "If we combined all of the 5th grade students' candies and shared them equally with each student so everyone has the same number of candies." (This is the mean or equal share value.)
6.NR.2.2	Summarize categorical and quantitative (numerical) data sets in relation to the context: display the distributions of quantitative (numerical) data in plots on a number line, including dot plots, histograms, and box plots and display the distribution of categorical data using bar graphs.	Fundamentals • Students have experience with displaying categorical data using bar graphs from elementary grades. In sixth grade, students are extending their understanding of analyzing categorical data	 Strategies and Methods As a result of an investigation, students should summarize categorical and quantitative (numerical) data sets in relation to the context. Students should be able to describe the 	 Age/Developmentally Appropriate Sixth grade students should be able to create dot plots and box plots to analyze the results of an investigation. Sixth grade students should focus on describing and interpreting data displayed. Students should be able to identify that each quartile presented in a box plot 	Examples Categorical Example: Size of Dogs in Dog Show Size of Dogs in Dog Show Size of Dog

		displayed on histograms.	nature of the attribute under investigation, including how it was measured and its units of measurement.	repre	esents 25% of the data	Wha dog • Qu Here the mor	at could be the weight of the smallest ? The largest? antitative (Numerical) Example: e are the birth weights, in ounces, of all puppies born at a kennel in the past at birth Weight of Puppies Birth Weight of Puppies Weight, in ounces at do you notice and wonder about the ribution of the puppy weights?
6.NR.2.3	Interpret numerical data to answer a statistical investigative question created. Describe the distribution of a quantitative (numerical) variable collected, including its center, variability, and overall shape.	 Fundamentals In sixth grade, students should explore the conceptual idea of MAD – not the formula. Students should be able to determine the number of observations from a context or diagram. Students should be able to describe the distribution of a quantitative (numerical) variable collected, including its center (median, mean), variability (interquartile range (IQR), mean absolute deviation (MAD), and range), and overall shape 	 Students should b to apply their understanding of absolute value (ra than use operation negative integers) context of MAD. 	e able ther ns on in the	 Strategies and Methods Students should exp conceptually the measures of center (mean, median) and variability (interqua range and range) fo set of numerical dat gathered from relev mathematical situat and use these meass to describe the shap the data presented various forms. 	olore rtile r a ta vant, tions sures be of in	 Example Arthur and Aaron are on the same 6th grade basketball team. Both players have scored an average of ten points over the past ten games. Here are the students' number of points scored during each of the last ten games. Arthur: 9, 10, 10, 11, 11, 9, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10 Aaron: 16, 18, 4, 3, 5, 13, 18, 3, 13, 7 Which student is more consistent? Possible Student Response/Solution: Arthur is more consistent because his MAD is smaller than Aaron's

		 (symmetrical vs non- symmetrical). Data sets can be limited to no more than 10 data points when exploring the mean absolute deviation. Students should be able to describe the nature of the attribute under 	MAD; Arthur has less variability than Aaron.
		how it was measured and its units of measurement.	
6.NR.2.4	Design simple experiments and collect data. Use data gathered from realistic scenarios and simulations to determine quantitative measures of center (median and/or mean) and variability (interquartile range and range). Use these quantities to draw conclusions about the data, compare different numerical data sets, and make predictions.	 Fundamentals Students should be able to use quantitative measures of center and variability to draw conclusions about data sets and make predictions based on comparisons. Students should be able to identify that each quartile represents 25% of the data set. 	 Strategies and Methods Students should apply understanding of the measures of center (mean, median) and variability (interquartile range and range) to determine quantitative measures of center and variability, draw conclusions about the data, compare different-numerical data sets and make predictions using data gathered from realistic scenarios and simulations.
6.NR.2.5	Relate the choice of measures of center and variability to the shape of the data distribution and the context in which the data were gathered.	 Fundamentals Students should understand the concept of outliers. 	 Strategies and Methods Students should be able to analyze the shape of a data distribution and determine which measure of center and variability best describes the data based on the shape of the data and the context in which the data was gathered.
6.NR.2.6	Describe the impact that inserting or deleting a data point has on the mean and the median of a data set. Create data displays using a	 Strategies and Methods Students should be able to analyze the shape of a data set represented visually. 	distribution and determine the impact single data points have on the data

	dot plot or box plot to	
6.NR.3: S	olve a variety of problems	involving whole numbers and their opposites; model rational numbers on a number line to describe problems
presentee	d in relevant, mathematica	l situations.
	Expectations	Evidence of Student Learning
		(not all inclusive; see Grade Level Overview for more details)
6.NR.3.1	Identify and compare integers and explain the meaning of zero based on multiple authentic situations.	 Relevance and Application Students should be able to use numerical reasoning to explain that positive and negative numbers are used together to describe quantities having opposite directions or values (e.g., temperature above/below zero, elevation above/below sea level, debits/credits, positive/negative electric charge). Students should be able to use positive and negative numbers to represent quantities in authentic situations and explain the meaning of zero based on each situation. Students should be able to interpret relevant, mathematical problems related to positive and negative numbers.
6.NR.3.2	Order and plot integers on a number line and use distance from zero to discover the connection between integers and their opposites.	 Strategies and Methods Students should have opportunities to explore this concept using visual models to develop a deeper understanding. Number lines should be indicated both vertically and horizontally. Example Students should be able to recognize that -a is the same distance from zero as a, and therefore, are opposites of each other.
6.NR.3.3	Recognize and explain that opposite signs of integers indicate locations on opposite sides of zero on the number line; recognize and explain that the opposite of the opposite of a number is the number itself.	 Fundamentals Students should be able to explain that zero is its own opposite. Students should be able to explain that the sign of an integer represents its position relative to zero on a number line. Students should be able to show and explain why - (-a) = a. Which is read as, "The opposite of the opposite of a is the same as a."
0.INK.3.4	explain statements of order for rational numbers in authentic.	Students should be able to use numerical reasoning to interpret and explain the Reational numbers are numbers that can be written as a fraction where the interpret and explain the Reational numbers are numbers that can be written as a fraction where the interpret and explain the Reational numbers are numbers that can be written as a fraction where the interpret and explain the Reational numbers are numbers that can be written as a fraction where the interpret and explain the Reational numbers are numbers that can be written as a fraction where the Reational numbers are numbers that can Reational numbers are numbers are numbers that can Reational numbers are numbers that can Reational numbers are numbers are numbers that can Reational numbers are numbers that can Reational numbers are numbers that can Reational numbers are numbers are numbers that can Reational numbers are numbers that can Reation

	mathematical situations. Compare rational numbers, including integers, using equality and inequality symbols.	 meaning of numerical statements of inequality as the relative position of two integers positioned on a number line. Students are introduced to rational numbers. Students should connect their understanding of fractions and integers to comprehend rational numbers as numbers that can be written as a fraction where the numerator and denominator are integers. 	numerator and denominator are integers.	 Interpret -8.3 > -12.3 as a statement that -8.3 is located to the right of -12.3 on a number line oriented from left to right.
6.NR.3.5	Explain the absolute value of a rational number as its distance from zero on the number line; interpret absolute value as distance for a positive or negative quantity in a relevant situation.	 Absolute value is a number's distance from zero (0) on a number line. 	 Fundamentals Students should be introduced to the absolute value symbol with this learning objective, i.e., -³/₄ . Students should conclude through exploration that absolute value and distance are always expressed as a positive value. 	 Example For an account balance of -51.25 dollars, write -51.25 = 51.25 to describe the size of the debt in dollars.
6.NR.3.6	Distinguish comparisons of absolute value from statements about order.	 Example Recognize that an account baccount baccou	alance less than –30 dollars represents a debt greater t	than 30 dollars.

6.NR.4: Solve a variety of contextual problems involving ratios, unit rates, equivalent ratios, percentages, and conversions within measurement systems using proportional reasoning.

Expectations		Evidence of Student Learning			
		(not all inclusive; see Grade Level Overview for more details)			
6.NR.4.1	Explain the concept of a ratio, represent ratios, and use ratio language to describe a relationship between two quantities.	 Strategies and Methods Students should be able to solve problems involving ratios found in everyday situations. Students should be given the opportunity to represent an explain the concept of a rati and the relationship betweet two quantities using concret materials, drawings, tape diagrams (bar models), double number line diagram equations, and standard fractional notation. 	 Fundamentals Students should be able to explain the concept of a ratio, such as using part-to-part or part-to-whole. Students should be able to fluently use ratio language to describe a ratio relationship between two quantities. Students should be able to identify standard fractional notation to compare. 		
6.NR.4.2	Make tables of equivalent ratios relating quantities with whole-number measurements, find missing values in the tables, and plot the pairs of values on the coordinate plane. Use tables to compare ratios.	 Strategies and Methods Students should be able to solve problems involving ratios found in realistic situations. 			
6.NR.4.3	Solve problems involving proportions using a variety of student-selected strategies.	 Strategies and Methods Students should be given opportunities to utilize student-selected strategies to solve applicable, mathematical problems involving proportions. Students should be given the opportunity to use concrete materials, drawings, tables of equivalent ratios, tape diagrams (bar models), double number line diagrams, and equations when solving problems. Students can choose a strategy from a variety of strategies developed to solve a specific problem depending on the situation presented in the problem 			
6.NR.4.4	Describe the concept of rates and unit rate in the context of a ratio relationship.	 Strategies and Methods Students should create a table of values displaying the ratio relationships to graph ordered pairs of distances and times. Students should write equations to represent 	FundamentalsTerminologyExamples• When asked practical, mathematical questions, students should demonstrate an understanding of• Students should understand a unit rate as a relationship of a:b where b = 1 $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)$ associated• We paid \$75 for 15 hamburgers, which is rate of \$5 per one hamburger?• In a problem involving motion at a constant speed, list and graph		

		 the relationship between distance and time where the unit rate is the simple multiplicative relationship. Students should be able to determine the independent relationship of rate relationships within authentic, mathematical situations. Simple multiplicative relationships Students should be able to determine the independent relationship 	<pre>with a ratio a: b with b ≠ 0 (b not equal to zero), and use rate language). </pre> ordered pairs of distances and times, and write an equation such as d = 65t to represent the relationship between distance and time. In this example, 65 is the unit rate or simple multiplicative relationship.
6.NR.4.5	Solve unit rate problems including those involving unit pricing and constant speed.	 If it took 7 hours to mow 4 lawns, then at that rate, h were lawns being mowed? 	now many lawns could be mowed in 35 hours? At what rate
6.NR.4.6	Calculate a percent of a quantity as a rate per 100 and solve everyday problems given a percent.	 Strategies and Methods Students should be able to calculate the percentage of a number using proportional reasoning developed through working with ratios and rates. Students should be able to solve contextual problems involving finding the whole given a part and the part give whole. Students should determine what percent one number is another number to solve authentic, mathematical problem 	 Fundamentals Students should have opportunities to explore the concept of percentage and recognize the connection between fractions, decimal numbers, and percentages, such as, 25% of a quantity means ²⁵/₁₀₀ or .25 times the quantity. Students should be able to convert fractions with denominators of 2, 4, 5 and 10 to the decimal notation.
6.NR.4.7	Use ratios to convert within measurement systems (customary and metric) to solve authentic problems that exist in everyday life.	 Strategies and Methods Students should be able to use flexible, strategic thinking manipulate and transform units appropriately when multiplying or dividing quantities to solve practical, mathematical problems. Students should be able to convert measurement units w given a conversion factor within one system of measurem and between two systems of measurement (customary a metric) using proportional reasoning developed through working with ratios and rates. 	g to Given 1 in. = 2.54 cm, how many centimeters are in 6 inches?

GEOMETRIC & SPATIAL REASONING – area of polygons, volume of right rectangular prisms, surface area of 3-D figures					
6.GSR.5: Solve relevant problems involving area, surface area, and volume.					
Expectations			Evidence of Student Learning		
		(not al	inclusive; see Grade Level Overview for mo	re details)	
6.GSR.5.1	Explore area as a measurable attribute of triangles, quadrilaterals, and other polygons conceptually by composing or decomposing into rectangles, triangles, and other shapes. Find the area of these geometric figures to solve problems.	Age and Developmentally Appropriate Students should build on prior knowledge of area to investigate the area of other polygons through geometric and spatial reasoning tasks. 	 Strategies and Methods Students should be able to use knowledge of area of a rectangle to determine the area of a triangle. Students should have opportunities to find the area of a triangle by decomposing the rectangle into two triangles. Students should conclude the area of the triangle is half the area of the rectangle and the area of the rectangle is twice the area of the triangle. Therefore, the formula for the area of a triangle is ¹/₂ x base x height or ^{base x height}/₂. Students should be able to use geometric and spatial reasoning to calculate the area of a triangle, quadrilateral, and regular polygon by composing or decomposing into shapes, such as, but not limited to triangles, rectangles, trapezoids, rhombi, etc. Students should be able to use geometric and spatial reasoning to calculate the area of a triangle, quadrilateral, and regular polygon by composing or decomposing into shapes, such as, but not limited to triangles, rectangles, trapezoids, rhombi, etc. Students should be able to decompose regular and irregular polygons into triangles and quadrilaterals in a way that makes sense from their perspective. 	 A polygon is a closed figure with at least three straight sides and angles; a polygon is regular only when all sides are equal and all angles are equal; and a polygon is irregular when all sides are not equal or all angles are not equal. 	

6.GSR.5.2	Given the net of three-dimensional figures with rectangular and triangular faces, determine the surface area of these figures.	Strategies and Methods Students should use varial strategies including a pict model of a net to measur area of three-dimensiona composed of rectangular faces when solving practimathematical problems. 	us tools and ure or physical e the surface I figures that are and triangular cal,	Age and Develoj Studer dimen: approp	omentally Appropriate Its should be provided the net of three- sional figures to ensure developmental priateness.
6.GSR.5.3	Calculate the volume of right rectangular prisms with fractional edge lengths by applying the formula, V = (area of base) x (height).	 Age and Developmentally Appropriate Fractional edge lengths should be limited to fractions with a denominator of 2, 3, and 5. At this grade level, problems should not include volume displacement. 	Fundamentals • Student the con betwee (width) the bas formula dimens formula	ts should make inection in (length) x and the area of e to connect this a to other three- ional volume as.	 Strategies and Methods Students should be able to calculate the volume of a right rectangular prism with fractional edge lengths and show that the volume is the same as would be found by multiplying the edge lengths of the prism. Students should apply the formula for the volume of a right rectangular prism in the context of solving authentic, mathematical problems to meet this learning objective.

PATTERNING & ALGEBRAIC REASONING – numerical and algebraic expressions, factors, multiples, algebraic expressions, plotting points in all four quadrants, rational numbers on a number line, polygons in the coordinate plane 6.PAR.6: Identify, write, evaluate, and interpret numerical and algebraic expressions as mathematical models to explain authentic situations. **Evidence of Student Learning** Expectations (not all inclusive; see Grade Level Overview for more details) Write and evaluate numerical expressions Strategies and Methods 6.PAR.6.1 Students should interpret relevant, mathematical situations to write and evaluate numerical expressions. involving rational bases and whole-number exponents. 6.PAR.6.2 Determine greatest common factors and Strategies and Methods Age/Developmentally Appropriate Example Investigate the distributive • • Students should also be able to • Hotdogs come in a package of least common multiples using a variety of 8 and buns in a package of 12. property using sums and its apply the least common strategies to make sense of applicable use in adding numbers 1multiple of two whole numbers How many packages of hot problems. 100 with a common factor. less than or equal to 12 to solve dogs and packages of buns would you need to purchase to Students should apply applicable, mathematical ٠ these strategies to solve problems. have an equal number of hot applicable, mathematical Students should be able to dogs and buns? ٠ problems. determine the greatest common factor of 2 whole numbers (from

6.PAR.6.3	Write and read expressions that represent operations with numbers and variables in realistic situations.	 1-100) and u property to two whole r common fact a sum of tw with no com Students should identify parts of an expression using mathematical terms (sum, difference, term, product, factor, quotient, coefficient, variable, constant); view one or more parts of an expression as a single entity. Students should translate from a word form into variable expression. 	 use the distributive express a sum of numbers with a ctor as a multiple of o whole numbers nmon factors (GCF). <i>Examples</i> Express the calculation "Subtract x from 9" as 9 - x. Describe the expression 2(8+7) as a product of two factors; view (8+7) as both a single entity and a sum of two terms. Some of the students at Georgia Middle School like to walk to and from school. They always walk unless it rains. Let d be the distance in miles from a student's home to 	
		 Students should understand letters called variables represent unknown numbers and the same rules apply in operations with numbers also apply in operations with variables. 	 be the distance in miles from a student's nome is dudent shore in the school. Write two different expressions that represent how far a student travels by walking in a two week period if there is one rainy day each week. Possible Solution: The distance to school, and theref home, is d. Thus, the student rides (d + d) miles in one day. Repeatedly adding the distance traveled in one day feach school day of the week, we find that in one weet the student travels (2d + 2d + 2d + 2d + 2d) miles. Equivalently, she travels 5(2d) or (10d) miles in a nor rain free week. 	
6.PAR.6.4	Evaluate expressions when given values for the variables, including expressions that arise in everyday situations.	 Fundamentals Students should evaluate algebraic expressions for a given value of a variable, using the order of operations. Students should perform arithmetic operations, including those involving whole-number exponents, in the conventional order when there are no parentheses to specify a particular order (Order of Operations) 		
6.PAR.6.5	Apply the properties of operations to identify and generate equivalent expressions.	 Apply the distributive property to the expression 3(2 + x) to produce the equivalent expression 6 + 3x; apply the distributive property to the expression 24x + 18y to produce the equivalent expression 6(4x + 3y); apply properties of operations to y + y + y to produce the equivalent expression 3y. 	 Age/Developmentally Appropriate This standard includes distributive property and combining like terms. 	

6.PAR.7: Write and solve one-step equations and inequalities as mathematical models to explain authentic, realistic situations.					
	Expectations	Evidence of Student Learning			
6.PAR.7.1	Solve one-step equations and inequalities involving variables when values for the variables are given. Determine whether an equation and inequality involving a variable is true or false for a given value of the variable.	 Strategies and Methods Students should be able to use algebraic reasoning to solve an equation as a process of answering an authentic question and explain their reasoning. When solving an equation or inequality as a process of answering a question, students should be able to explain why specific values from a specified set, if any, make the equation or inequality true. Students should use substitution to determine whether a given number in a specified set makes an equation or inequality true. 			
6.PAR.7.2	Write one-step equations and inequalities to represent and solve problems; explain that a variable can represent an unknown number or any number in a specified set.	 Age/Developmentally Appropriate Students should be able to represent equations involving positive variables and rational numbers. Students should have opportunities to solve relevant, mathematical problems. 	 Strategies and Methods Students should have an opportunity to solve problem situations with variables in all positions. Students should be able to explain that a variable can represent an unknown number, or depending on the purpose at hand, any number in a specified set. 		
6.PAR.7.3	Solve problems by writing and solving equations of the form $x \pm p = q$, $px = q$ and $\frac{x}{p} = q$ for cases in which p, q and x are all nonnegative rational numbers.	 Strategies and Methods Students should have opportunities to use concrete models or drawings and strategies based on place valu properties of operations, and/or the relationship between addition and subtraction and multiplication and division when solving one-step equations. Students should be able to solve equations presented in applicable, mathematical problems involving posit rational numbers using number sense, properties of arithmetic and the idea of maintaining equality on bot of the equation. Students should be able to interpret a solution in the original context and assess the reasonableness of residuents. 			
6.PAR.7.4	Recognize and generate inequalities of the form $x > c, x \ge c, x < c, \text{ or } x \le c$ to explain situations that have infinitely many solutions; represent solutions of such inequalities on a number line.	 Students should be able to interpret a solution in the original context and assess the reasonableness of results. Strategies and Methods Students should represent authentic, mathematical situations using inequalities involving variables. Students should be able to create practical, mathematical situations corresponding to specific inequalities. This objective includes the use of the symbols: <, >, =, ≤, ≥. 			

6.PAR.8: 6 the coordi	Graph rational numbers as points on the coo nates for their vertices and find the length o	ordinate plane to represent and of a side of a polygon.	l solve contextu	ual, mathematical problems; draw polygons using		
Expectations		Evidence of Student Learning (not all inclusive: see Grade Level Overview for more details)				
6.PAR.8.1	Locate and position rational numbers on a horizontal or vertical number line; find and position pairs of integers and other rational numbers on a coordinate plane.	Fundamentals Strategies and Me • Students should use numerical and graphical reasoning to plot points in all four quadrants on the coordinate plane. • Students • use of the coordinate plane. • Students • use of the coordinate plane. • Students		 Strategies and Methods Students should extend understanding of number lines and coordinate axes from previous grades to represent points on the line and in the plane with negative number coordinates. 		
6.PAR.8.2	Show and explain that signs of numbers in ordered pairs indicate locations in quadrants of the coordinate plane and determine how two ordered pairs may differ based only on the signs.	 Fundamentals Students should use numerical and graphical reasoning to interpret points in all four quadrants on the coordinate plane based on the signs. 	Strategies and M Student numeric reasoni explain betwee and loc quadra coordin	WethodsInts should use rical and graphical ning to show and in the relationship teen ordered pairs cation in ants of the inate plane.A student is able to compare and explain that $(1, 2)$ is in the first quadrant whereas $(1, -2)$ is in the fourth quadrant because the y- coordinate is negative and the tw points are the same distance from the horizontal axes in different directions.Image: the direction in ants of the inate plane.Image: transmitter of the the horizontal axes in different directions.Image: transmitter of the in the plane.Image: transmitter of the the horizontal axes in different the horizontal axes in the plane.Image: transmitter of the transmitter of the the horizontal axes in different the horizontal axes in the transmitter of the the horizontal axes in the transmitter of the the horizontal axes in the first of the the horizontal axes in the h		
6.PAR.8.3	Solve problems by graphing points in all four quadrants of the coordinate plane. Include use of coordinates and absolute value to find distances between points with the same x- coordinate or the same y-coordinate.	 Relevance and Application Students should be able to solve relevant, mathematical problems when graphing points. Strategies and Methods Students should be expected to solve relevant, problems within the context of a graph on problems within the context of a		 Strategies and Methods Students should be expected to solve relevant problems within the context of a graph only. 		
6.PAR.8.4	Draw polygons in the coordinate plane given coordinates for the vertices; use coordinates to find the length of a side joining points with the same x-coordinate or the same y- coordinate.	 Relevance and Application Students should apply the techniques of graphing in the coordinate plane to solve relevant problems involving the application of algebra through geometry. 		 Strategies and Methods Students should be able to solve problems with polygons when given coordinate pairs with or without a coordinate grid. 		

ESSENTIAL INSTRUCTIONAL GUIDANCE

MATHEMATICAL PRACTICES

The Mathematical Practices describe the reasoning behaviors students should develop as they build an understanding of mathematics – the "habits of mind" that help students become mathematical thinkers. There are eight standards, which apply to all grade levels and conceptual categories.

These mathematical practices describe how students should engage with the mathematics content for their grade level. Developing these habits of mind builds students' capacity to become mathematical thinkers. These practices can be applied individually or together in mathematics lessons, and no particular order is required. In well-designed lessons, there are often two or more Mathematical Practices present.

MATHEMATICAL PRACTICES

MP: Display perseverance and patience in problem-solving. Demonstrate skills and strategies needed to succeed in mathematics, including critical thinking, reasoning, and effective collaboration and expression. Seek help and apply feedback. Set and monitor goals.

Code	Expectation
MP.1	Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.
MP.2	Reason abstractly and quantitatively.
MP.3	Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.
MP.4	Model with mathematics.
MP.5	Use appropriate tools strategically.
MP.6	Attend to precision.
MP.7	Look for and make use of structure.
MP.8	Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.

MATHEMATICAL MODELING

Teaching students to model with mathematics is engaging, builds confidence and competence, and gives students the opportunity to collaborate and make sense of the world around them, the main reason for doing mathematics. For these reasons, mathematical modeling should be incorporated at every level of a student's education. This is important not only to develop a deep understanding of mathematics itself, but more importantly to give students the tools they need to make sense of the world around them. Students who engage in mathematical modeling will not only be prepared for their chosen career but will also learn to make informed daily life decisions based on data and the models they create.

The diagram below is a mathematical modeling framework depicting a cycle of how students can engage in mathematical modeling when solving a realistic problem or task.



Image adapted from: Suh, Matson, Seshaiyer, 2017

FRAMEWORK FOR STATISTICAL REASONING

Statistical reasoning is important for learners to engage as citizens and professionals in a world that continues to change and evolve. Humans are naturally curious beings and statistics is a language that can be used to better answer questions about personal choices and/or make sense of naturally occurring phenomena. Statistics is a way to ask questions, explore, and make sense of the world around us.

The Framework for Statistical Reasoning should be used in all grade levels and courses to guide learners through the sense-making process, ultimately leading to the goal of statistical literacy in all grade levels and courses. Reasoning with statistics provides a context that necessitates the learning and application of a variety of mathematical concepts.



FIGURE 1: GEORGIA FRAMEWORK FOR STATISTICAL REASONING

The following four-step statistical problem-solving process can be used throughout each grade level and course to help learners develop a solid foundation in statistical reasoning and literacy:

I. Formulate Statistical Investigative Questions

Ask questions that anticipate variability.

II. Collect & Consider the Data

Ensure that data collection designs acknowledge variability.

III. Analyze the Data

Make sense of data and communicate what the data mean using pictures (graphs) and words. Give an accounting of variability, as appropriate.

IV. Interpret the Results

Answer statistical investigative questions based on the collected data.

distributions for variability to answer statistical questions and solve problems in context.					
Ask	Collect	Analyze	Interpret		
Create a statistical investigative question that can be answered by gathering data from real situations and determine strategies for gathering data to answer the statistical investigative question.	Summarize categorical and quantitative (numerical) data sets in relation to the context: display the distributions of quantitative (numerical) data in plots on a number line, including dot plots, histograms, and box plots and display the distribution of categorical data using bar graphs	Relate the choice of measures of center and variability to the shape of the data distribution and the context in which the data were gathered. Describe the impact that inserting or deleting a data point	Interpret numerical data to answer the statistical investigative question created. Describe the distribution of a quantitative (numerical) variable collected, including its center variability and		
statistical and non- statistical questions. Write a statistical investigative question as one that anticipates variability in the data.	Design simple experiments and collect data. Use data gathered from realistic scenarios and simulations to determine quantitative measures of center (median and/or mean) and variability (interquartile range and range). Use these quantities to draw conclusions about the data, compare different numerical data sets, and make predictions.	has on the mean and the median of a data set. Create data displays using a dot plot or box plot to examine this impact.	overall shape, to answer a statistical investigative question.		

6th Grade: Formulate an investigative question, and collect, model, and analyze data distributions for variability to answer statistical questions and solve problems in context

Instructional Supports

- Students should be able to use the statistical process to formulate questions. The statistical process involves asking a statistical investigative question, collecting the data, analyzing the data, and interpreting the results. As a result of an investigation, students should summarize categorical and quantitative (numerical) data sets in relation to the context.
- Students have experience with displaying categorical data using bar graphs from elementary grades. In sixth grade, students are extending their understanding of analyzing categorical data displayed on histograms. Students should be able to determine the number of observations from a context or diagram. Students should be able to analyze the shape of a data distribution and determine the impact single data points have on the data set represented visually.
- To develop solid statistical reasoning, students should be able to use quantitative measures of center and variability to draw conclusions about data sets and make predictions based on comparisons.
- Students should explore conceptually the measures of center (mean, median) and variability (interquartile range and range) for a set of numerical data gathered from contextual, mathematical situations and use these measures to describe the shape of the data presented in various forms.
- In sixth grade, students should explore the conceptual idea of MAD not the formula. Data sets can be limited to no more than 10 data points when exploring the mean absolute deviation. Students should be able to apply their understanding of absolute value (rather than use operations on negative integers) in the context of MAD.
- Students should be able to describe the distribution of a quantitative (numerical) variable collected to answer a statistical investigative question, including its center (median, mean), variability (interquartile range (IQR), mean absolute deviation (MAD), and range), and overall shape (symmetrical vs non-symmetrical). Students should be able to identify that each quartile represents 25% of the data set. Students should understand the concept of outliers.
- Students should be able to describe the nature of the statistical attribute under investigation, including how it was measured and its units of measurement.
- Students should apply understanding of the measures of center (mean, median) and variability (interquartile range and range) to determine quantitative measures of center and variability, draw conclusions about the data, compare different numerical data sets and make predictions using data gathered from realistic scenarios and simulations.



COMPUTATIONAL STRATEGIES FOR WHOLE NUMBERS

Mathematics Place-Value Strategies and US Traditional Algorithms

Specific mathematics strategies for teaching and learning are not mandated by the Georgia Department of Education or assessed on state or federally mandated tests. Students may solve problems in different ways and have the flexibility to choose a mathematical strategy that allows them to make sense of and strategically solve problems using efficient methods that are most comfortable for and-makes sense to them. It is critical that teachers and parents remain partners to help each child grow to become a mathematically literate citizen. <u>These standards preserve and affirm local control and flexibility.</u>

In mathematics, the emphasis is on the reasoning and thinking about the quantities within mathematical contexts. Algorithms, tape diagrams (bar models), and number line representations are a few examples of ways that students communicate their strategic thinking in a written form.



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