# Science



## Performance Outcomes



#### **INVESTIGATE THE WORLD**

What is the evidence that the student uses scientific procedures and disciplines to investigate natural and/or human global phenomena?

- sci6-8.INV1.QUSTN. Formulates questions about a significant global science issue.
- **sci6-8.INV2.SOURC**. Gathers background information from a variety of secondary sources and compares and analyzes it, with results beginning to support the hypothesis or research thesis.
- SCI6-8.INV3.MODEL. Identifies an existing theory and/or model related to an experimental hypothesis or research thesis and
  begins to question the credibility and reliability of the theories and/or models, identifying limited evidence to support or
  refute them.
- **SCI6-8.INV4.XPRMT**. Designs an experiment that is related to the stated problem and bases conclusions on observations, measurements, and empirical data.

### **RECOGNIZE PERSPECTIVES**

What is the evidence that the student interprets and discusses scientific data in the context of complex global systems?

- SCI6-8.PERS1.CNTXT. Identifies and uses two contexts to interpret a global science issue and discusses alternate viewpoints.
- SCI6-8.PERS2.DATA. Identifies patterns or relationships in the data with limited mathematical or statistical analysis or minor errors, identifies and discusses experimental error, outliers, and/or inconsistencies in the data, and refers to the hypothesis or research thesis in the conclusion.
- SCI6-8.PERS3.QUSTN. Poses new questions with clear relevance to the research findings.

#### **COMMUNICATE IDEAS**

What is the evidence that the student advances and defends arguments that foster collaboration among diverse audiences?

- **sci6-8.comm1.PRCDR**. Explains experimental and/or research procedures in detail, some steps required to replicate the experimental design may be incomplete, and bibliographic format is consistent for each type of reference or citation.
- **sci6-8.comm2.vsuls**. Presents data with visual representations that mostly support explanation of the science issue and experimental or research presentation follows most conventions of scientific communication.
- **sci6-8.COMM3.TECH**. Uses technology and media to express and discuss scientific ideas and collaboration within the classroom, as well as beyond the classroom at a limited level.
- sci6-8.comm4.Formt. Selects communication format indicating a developing understanding of a science issue.

#### TAKE ACTION

What is the evidence that the student translates scientific inquiry or research results into actions that increase awareness and improve global conditions?

- SCI6-8.ACT1.PLAN. Develops an action plan that describes positive actions or policy relevant to scientific inquiry or research findings.
- **SCI6-8.ACT2.IMPCT**. Identifies available technology and personal views for selected actions and begins to think about their impact.
- SCI6-8.ACT3.IMPLT. Implements an action plan, collects and discusses data, and begins to identify changes in a local or global science issue.
- **SCI6-8.ACT4.RFLCT.** Describes in a reflection how feelings and thinking about the issue was informed by the project.

