



Who We Are

An inquiry into the nature of the self; beliefs and values; personal, physical, mental, social and spiritual health; human relationships including families, friends, communities, and cultures; rights and responsibilities; what it means to be human.

1st planner

Central Idea:

People's choices affect their health

Lines of Inquiry:

- Impacts of choices
- Influences on our choices
- Choosing a healthy lifestyle

Where We Are In Time and Place

An inquiry into orientation in place and time; personal histories; homes and journeys; the discoveries, explorations and migrations of humankind; the relationships between and the interconnectedness of individuals and civilizations, from local and global perspectives.

3rd planner

Central Idea:

Society has been influenced by individuals' contributions

Lines of Inquiry:

- Reasons for contributions
- Knowledge of the past informs the present
- The impact of individuals' contributions

How We Express Ourselves

An inquiry into the ways in which we discover and express ideas, feelings, nature, culture, beliefs and values; the ways in which we reflect on, extend and enjoy our creativity; our appreciation of the aesthetic.

2nd planner

Central Idea:

People tell stories for different reasons

Lines of Inquiry:

- Characteristics of different genres
- Analyzing author's purpose
- Story elements

How the World Works

An inquiry into the natural world and its laws; the interaction between the natural world (physical and biological) and human societies; how humans use their understanding of scientific principles; the impact of scientific and technological advances on society and on the environment.

5th planner

Central Idea:

Living organisms have needs that must be met to survive

Lines of Inquiry:

- Similarities and differences between living organisms
- Meeting the needs of living organisms
- Human Impact

How We Organize Ourselves

An inquiry into the interconnectedness of human-made systems and communities; the structure and function of organizations; societal decision-making; economic activities and their impact on humankind and the environment.

4th planner

Central Idea:

People use measurement systems to organize their lives

Lines of Inquiry:

- History of measurement
- Different types of measurement
- Real world connection

How We Share the Planet

An inquiry into rights and responsibilities in the struggle to share finite resources with other people and with other living things; communities and the relationships within and between them; access to equal opportunities; peace and conflict resolution.

6th planner

Central Idea:

Water is a finite resource that is shared among communities

Lines of Inquiry:

- Water cycles on earth
- Humans affect on water as a resource
- Water conservation