



Diocese of Alexandria ~ Catholic Schools

Where faith and knowledge grow



DIOCESE OF ALEXANDRIA

As the Diocese of Alexandria seeks to provide a comprehensive learning environment, we are charged to “Teach More” by showing how all learning flows from and relates to our Creator. In this way, we will give our teaching a deeper meaning and purpose than simply the content itself. With this as our goal, the Catholic Schools Office has intertwined our selected curricular standards with the Catholic Standards developed by the Cardinal Newman Society. Through the merging of these two curricula, English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies, teachers will be provided a roadmap to guide student’s understanding and recognition of the relationship between learning and the connection to our God.

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Through comprehensive review of curricula from high performing districts throughout the United States in combination with parochial schools and Newman Cardinal Standards, the Curriculum Team for the Diocese of Alexandria has generated curricula for English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies. The development of this framework is designed to guide the instructional path of teachers as they focus on the formation of their students in the areas of faith, academic excellence, responsible citizenry, and effective communication and collaboration. This process is a continuous improvement process with no defined beginning or end.

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Frameworks



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HOW TO USE

The frameworks are guides to instruction. The frameworks assist teachers in planning and pacing instruction. Specific dates or weeks that may be included in this document are for reference. Each school and teacher must consider the make-up of their students, focusing on the needs and strengths of each child when pacing and planning instruction.

The cycles for the year help pace instruction and ensure students have consistent coverage of the content. The duration (the suggested amount of time to spend on each cycle) does not accommodate for the scheduling of special events, inclement weather or school events. Teachers, with principal guidance, should adjust pacing as needed to accommodate for these events.

RESEARCH-BASED HIGH-YIELD PRACTICES FOR INSTRUCTION

These strategies have proven effective in affecting student learning and achievement gains. As you plan daily instruction, consider how and where to integrate these strategies into the instructional sequence. Effect size is in parentheses. Please refer to the works of John Hattie for a complete description of instructional effect size.

- Classroom Discussion/Discourse (.82)
- Teacher Clarity/making the learning visible with expectations for learning (.75)
- Reciprocal Teaching (.74)
- Feedback (.73)
- Metacognitive Strategies (.69)

Student Areas

Essential Questions

- *How does mathematics help us understand God's creation?*
- *How does the use of math help us to understand the importance of clarity, reality, and goodness?*
- *How do we solve addition and subtraction sentences to solve real world problems with and without concrete objects?*
- *What are the ethical, moral, and legal implications of Internet use?*
- *How does the study of mathematics enable us to understand, communicate, and live Gospel values?*

Catholic School – Mathematic Standards (CS.GS)

CS.M.712.GS.1	Demonstrate the mental habits of precise, determined, careful, and accurate questioning, inquiry, and reasoning in pursuit of transcendent truths.
CS.M.712.GS.2	Develop lines of inquiry (as developmentally appropriate) to understand why things are true and why they are false.
CS.M.712.GS.3	Have faith in the glory and dignity of human reason as both a gift from God and a reflection of Him in whose image and likeness we are made.
CS.M.712.GS.4	Explain how mathematics in its reflection of the good, true, and beautiful reveals qualities of being and the presence of God.

Ratios and Proportional Relationships (DOA.7.RP)

STANDARDS		ACT Reporting Category <i>ACT Knowledge and Skills</i>
Analyze proportional relationships and use them to solve real-world and mathematical problems		
DOA.7.RP.A.1	Compute unit rates associated with ratios of fractions, including ratios of lengths, areas, and other quantities measured in like or different units. <i>For example, if a person walks $\frac{1}{2}$ mile in each $\frac{1}{4}$ hour, compute the unit rate as the complex fraction $\frac{1/2}{1/4}$ miles per hour, equivalently 2 miles per hour.</i>	Ratios and Proportional Relationships Justification and Explanation Modeling Ratios Proportions
DOA.7.RP.A.2	Recognize and represent proportional relationships between quantities.	
DOA.7.RP.A.2a	Decide whether two quantities are in a proportional relationship, e.g., by testing for equivalent ratios in a table or graphing on a coordinate plane and observing whether the graph is a straight line through the origin.	
DOA.7.RP.A.2b	Identify the constant of proportionality (unit rate) in tables, graphs, equations, diagrams, and verbal descriptions of proportional relationships.	
DOA.7.RP.A.2c	Represent proportional relationships by equations. <i>For example, if total cost t is proportional to the number n of items purchased at a constant price p, the relationship between the total cost and the number of items can be expressed as $t = pn$.</i>	
DOA.7.RP.A.2d	Explain what a point (x, y) on the graph of a proportional relationship means in terms of the situation, with special attention to the points $(0, 0)$ and $(1, r)$ where r is the unit rate.	
DOA.7.RP.A.3	Use proportional relationships to solve multi-step ratio and percent problems of simple interest, tax, markups and markdowns, gratuities and commissions, fees, percent increase and decrease, and percent error.	

The Number System (DOA.7.NS)

STANDARDS

ACT Reporting Category
ACT Knowledge and Skills

Apply and extend previous understandings of operations with fractions to add, subtract, multiply, and divide rational numbers

DOA.7.NS.A.1	Apply and extend previous understandings of addition and subtraction to add and subtract rational numbers; represent addition and subtraction on a horizontal or vertical number line diagram.
DOA.7.NS.A.1a	Describe situations in which opposite quantities combine to make 0. <i>For example, a hydrogen atom has 0 charge because its two constituents are oppositely charged.</i>
DOA.7.NS.A.1b	Understand $p + q$ as the number located a distance $ q $ from p , in the positive or negative direction depending on whether q is positive or negative. Show that a number and its opposite have a sum of 0 (are additive inverses). Interpret sums of rational numbers by describing real-world contexts.
DOA.7.NS.A.1c	Understand subtraction of rational numbers as adding the additive inverse, $p - q = p + (-q)$. Show that the distance between two rational numbers on the number line is the absolute value of their difference, and apply this principle in real-world contexts.
DOA.7.NS.A.1d	Apply properties of operations as strategies to add and subtract rational numbers.
DOA.7.NS.A.2	Apply and extend previous understandings of multiplication and division and of fractions to multiply and divide rational numbers.
DOA.7.NS.A.2a	Understand that multiplication is extended from fractions to rational numbers by requiring that operations continue to satisfy the properties of operations, particularly the distributive property, leading to products such as $(-1)(-1) = 1$ and the rules for multiplying signed numbers. Interpret products of rational numbers by describing real-world contexts.
DOA.7.NS.A.2b	Understand that integers can be divided, provided that the divisor is not zero, and every quotient of integers (with non-zero divisor) is a rational number. If p and q are integers, then $-(p/q) = (-p)/q = p/(-q)$. Interpret quotients of rational numbers by describing real-world contexts.
DOA.7.NS.A.2c	Apply properties of operations as strategies to multiply and divide rational numbers.
DOA.7.NS.A.2d	Convert a rational number to a decimal using long division; know that the decimal form of a rational number terminates in 0s or eventually repeats.
DOA.7.NS.A.3	Solve real-world and mathematical problems involving the four operations with rational numbers. ¹

The Number System
Justification and Explanation
Modeling
Extending Operations
Rational Number Concepts & Operations

Expressions and Equations (DOA.7.EE)

STANDARDS		ACT Reporting Category ACT Knowledge and Skills
Use properties of operations to generate equivalent expressions		
DOA.7.EE.A.1	Apply properties of operations as strategies to add, subtract, factor, and expand linear expressions with rational coefficients to include multiple grouping symbols (e.g., parentheses, brackets, and braces).	Expressions & Equations Justification and Explanation Modeling Expressions Linear Equations
DOA.7.EE.A.2	Understand that rewriting an expression in different forms in a problem context can shed light on the problem and how the quantities in it are related. <i>For example, $a + 0.05a = 1.05a$ means that "increase by 5%" is the same as "multiply by 1.05."</i>	
Solve real-life and mathematical problems using numerical and algebraic expressions and equations		
DOA.7.EE.B.3	Solve multi-step real-life and mathematical problems posed with positive and negative rational numbers in any form (whole numbers, fractions, and decimals), using tools strategically. Apply properties of operations to calculate with numbers in any form; convert between forms as appropriate; and assess the reasonableness of answers using mental computation and estimation strategies. <i>For example: If a woman making \$25 an hour gets a 10% raise, she will make an additional $\frac{1}{10}$ of her salary an hour, or \$2.50, for a new salary of \$27.50. If you want to place a towel bar $9\frac{3}{4}$ inches long in the center of a door that is $27\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, you will need to place the bar about 9 inches from each edge; this estimate can be used as a check on the exact computation.</i>	Expressions & Equations Justification and Explanation Modeling Expressions Linear Equations
DOA.7.EE.B.4	Use variables to represent quantities in a real-world or mathematical problem, and construct simple equations and inequalities to solve problems by reasoning about the quantities.	
DOA.7.EE.B.4a	Solve word problems leading to equations of the form $px + q = r$ and $p(x + q) = r$, where p , q , and r are specific rational numbers. Solve equations of these forms fluently. Compare an algebraic solution to an arithmetic solution, identifying the sequence of the operations used in each approach. <i>For example, the perimeter of a rectangle is 54 cm. Its length is 6 cm. What is its width?</i>	
DOA.7.EE.B.4b	Solve word problems leading to inequalities of the form $px + q > r$, $px + q \geq r$, $px + q < r$ or $px + q \leq r$, where p , q , and r are specific rational numbers. Graph the solution set of the inequality and interpret it in the context of the problem. <i>For example: As a salesperson, you are paid \$50 per week plus \$3 per sale. This week you want your pay to be at least \$100. Write an inequality for the number of sales you need to make, and describe the solutions.</i>	

Geometry (DOA.7.G)

STANDARDS

ACT Reporting Category ACT Knowledge and Skills

Draw, construct, and describe geometrical figures and describe the relationships between them.

DOA.7.G.A.1	Solve problems involving scale drawings of geometric figures, such as computing actual lengths and areas from a scale drawing and reproducing a scale drawing at a different scale.	Geometry Justification and Explanation Modeling Figures and Their Properties Measurement of Figures
DOA.7.G.A.2	Draw (freehand, with ruler and protractor, or with technology) geometric shapes with given conditions. (Focus is on triangles from three measures of angles or sides, noticing when the conditions determine one and only one triangle, more than one triangle, or no triangle.)	
DOA.7.G.A.3	Describe the two-dimensional figures that result from slicing three-dimensional figures, as in plane sections of right rectangular prisms and right rectangular pyramids.	

Solve real-life and mathematical problems involving angle measure, area, surface area, and volume

DOA.7.G.B.4	Know the formulas for the area and circumference of a circle and solve problems; give an informal derivation of the relationship between the circumference and area of a circle.	Geometry Justification and Explanation Modeling Figures and Their Properties Measurement of Figures
DOA.7.G.B.5	Use facts about supplementary, complementary, vertical, and adjacent angles in a multi-step problem to write and use them to solve simple equations for an unknown angle in a figure.	
DOA.7.G.B.6	Solve real-world and mathematical problems involving area, volume and surface area of two- and three- dimensional objects composed of triangles, quadrilaterals, polygons, cubes, and right prisms. (Pyramids limited to surface area only.)	

Statistics and Probability (DOA.7.SP)

STANDARDS		ACT Reporting Category <i>ACT Knowledge and Skills</i>
Use random sampling to draw inferences about a population		
DOA.7.SP.A.1	Understand that statistics can be used to gain information about a population by examining a sample of the population; generalizations about a population from a sample are valid only if the sample is representative of that population. Understand that random sampling tends to produce representative samples and support valid inferences.	Statistics and Probability Justification and Explanation Modeling Descriptive Statistics Inferential Statistics Probability
DOA.7.SP.A.2	Use data from a random sample to draw inferences about a population with an unknown characteristic of interest. Generate multiple samples (or simulated samples) of the same size to gauge the variation in estimates or predictions. <i>For example, estimate the mean word length in a book by randomly sampling words from the book; predict the winner of a school election based on randomly sampled survey data. Gauge how far off the estimate or prediction might be.</i>	
Draw informal comparative inferences about two populations		
DOA.7.SP.B.3	Informally assess the degree of visual overlap of two numerical data distributions with similar variabilities using quantitative measures of center (median and/or mean) and variability (interquartile range and/or mean absolute deviation), as well as describing any overall pattern and any striking deviations from the overall pattern with reference to the context in which the data were gathered.	Statistics and Probability Justification and Explanation Modeling Descriptive Statistics Inferential Statistics Probability
DOA.7.SP.B.4	Use measures of center and measures of variability for numerical data from random samples to draw informal comparative inferences about two populations. <i>For example, decide whether the words in a chapter of a seventh-grade science book are generally longer than the words in a chapter of a fourth-grade science book.</i>	

Statistics and Probability (DOA.7.SP) continued...

STANDARDS		ACT Reporting Category ACT Knowledge and Skills
Investigate chance processes and develop, use, and evaluate probability models		
DOA.7.SP.C.5	Understand that the probability of a chance event is a number between 0 and 1 that expresses the likelihood of the event occurring. Larger numbers indicate greater likelihood. A probability near 0 indicates an unlikely event, a probability around $\frac{1}{2}$ indicates an event that is neither unlikely nor likely, and a probability near 1 indicates a likely event.	Statistics and Probability Justification and Explanation Modeling Descriptive Statistics Inferential Statistics Probability
DOA.7.SP.C.6	Approximate the probability of a chance event by collecting data on the chance process that produces it and observing its long-run relative frequency, and predict the approximate relative frequency given the probability. <i>For example, when rolling a number cube 600 times, predict that a 3 or 6 would be rolled roughly 200 times, but probably not exactly 200 times.</i>	
DOA.7.SP.C.7	Develop a probability model and use it to find probabilities of events. Compare probabilities from a model to observed frequencies; if the agreement is not good, explain possible sources of the discrepancy.	
DOA.7.SP.C.7a	Develop a uniform probability model by assigning equal probability to all outcomes, and use the model to determine probabilities of events. <i>For example, if a student is selected at random from a class, find the probability that Jane will be selected and the probability that a girl will be selected.</i>	
DOA.7.SP.C.7b	Develop a probability model (which may not be uniform) by observing frequencies in data generated from a chance process. <i>For example, find the approximate probability that a spinning penny will land heads up or that a tossed paper cup will land open-end down. Do the outcomes for the spinning penny appear to be equally likely based on the observed frequencies?</i>	
DOA.7.SP.C.8	Find probabilities of compound events using organized lists, tables, tree diagrams, and simulation.	
DOA.7.SP.C.8a	Understand that, just as with simple events, the probability of a compound event is the fraction of outcomes in the sample space for which the compound event occurs.	
DOA.7.SP.C.8b	Represent sample spaces for compound events using methods such as organized lists, tables and tree diagrams. For an event described in everyday language (e.g., “rolling double sixes”), identify the outcomes in the sample space that compose the event.	
DOA.7.SP.C.8c	Design and use a simulation to generate frequencies for compound events. <i>For example, use random digits as a simulation tool to approximate the answer to the question: If 40% of donors have type A blood, what is the probability that it will take at least 4 donors to find one with type A blood?</i>	