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## **BIG IDEAS**

Designs grow out of natural curiosity.

Skills can be developed through play.

Technologies are tools that extend human capabilities.

# **Learning Standards**

Curricular Competencies	Content
Students are expected to be able to do the following:	Students are expected to use the learning standards
Applied Design	for Curricular Competencies from Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies K–3 in combination with
Ideating	grade-level content from other areas of learning in
<ul> <li>Identify needs and opportunities for designing, through exploration</li> </ul>	cross-curricular activities to develop foundational
Generate ideas from their experiences and interests	mindsets and skills in design thinking and making.
Add to others' ideas	
Choose an idea to pursue	
Making	
Choose tools and materials	
<ul> <li>Make a product using known procedures or through modelling of others</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Use trial and error to make changes, solve problems, or incorporate new ideas from self or others</li> </ul>	
Sharing	
Decide on how and with whom to share their product	
<ul> <li>Demonstrate their product, tell the story of designing and making their product, and explain how their product contributes to the individual, family, community, and/or environment</li> </ul>	
Use personal preferences to evaluate the success of their design solutions	
<ul> <li>Reflect on their ability to work effectively both as individuals and collaboratively in a group</li> </ul>	
Applied Skills	
Use materials, tools, and technologies in a safe manner in both physical and digital environments	
<ul> <li>Develop their skills and add new ones through play and collaborative work</li> </ul>	
Applied Technologies	
• Explore the use of simple, available tools and <b>technologies</b> to extend their capabilities	



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Designs can be improved with prototyping and testing.

Skills are developed through practice, effort, and action.

The choice of technology and tools depends on the task.

# **Learning Standards**

Curricular Competencies	Content
Students are expected to be able to do the following:	Students are expected to use the learning standards for
Applied Design	Curricular Competencies from Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies 4–5 in combination with grade-level content
Understanding context	from other areas of learning in cross-curricular activities to
Gather information about or from potential users	develop foundational mindsets and skills in design thinking
Defining	and making.
Choose a design opportunity	
Identify key features or user requirements	
<ul> <li>Identify the main objective for the design and any constraints</li> </ul>	
Ideating	
Generate potential ideas and add to others' ideas	
Screen ideas against the objective and constraints	
Choose an idea to pursue	
Prototyping	
Outline a general plan, identifying tools and materials	
<ul> <li>Construct a first version of the <b>product</b>, making changes to tools, materials, and procedures as needed</li> </ul>	
Record iterations of prototyping	
Testing	
Test the product	
Gather peer feedback and inspiration	
Make changes and test again, repeating until satisfied with the product	



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Curricular Competencies	Content
Making	
Construct the final product, incorporating planned changes	
Sharing	
Decide on how and with whom to share their product	
Demonstrate their product and describe their process	
<ul> <li>Determine whether their product meets the objective and contributes to the individual, family, community, and/or environment</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Reflect on their design thinking and processes, and their ability to work effectively both as individuals and collaboratively in a group, including their ability to share and maintain a co-operative work space</li> </ul>	
Identify new design issues	
Applied Skills	
<ul> <li>Use materials, tools, and technologies in a safe manner, and with an awareness of the safety of others, in both physical and digital environments</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Identify the skills required for a task and develop those skills as needed</li> </ul>	
Applied Technologies	
Use familiar tools and technologies to extend their capabilities when completing a task	
<ul> <li>Choose appropriate technologies to use for specific tasks</li> </ul>	
Demonstrate a willingness to learn new technologies as needed	



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Complex tasks require the acquisition of additional skills.

Complex tasks may require multiple tools and technologies.

## **Learning Standards**

Curricular Competencies	Content
Students are expected to be able to do the following:  Applied Design  Understanding context  • Empathize with potential users to find issues and uncover needs and potential design opportunities	Students will experience a minimum of three modules of Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies 6–7 in each of Grades 6 and 7. Schools may choose from among the modules listed below or develop new modules that use the Curricular Competencies of Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies 6–7 with locally developed content. Locally developed modules can be offered in addition to, or instead of, the modules in the provincial curriculum.
<ul> <li>Defining</li> <li>Choose a design opportunity</li> <li>Identify key features or potential users and their requirements</li> <li>Identify criteria for success and any constraints</li> <li>Ideating</li> <li>Generate potential ideas and add to others' ideas</li> </ul>	Computational Thinking Students are expected to know the following:  • simple algorithms that reflect computational thinking  • visual representations of problems and data  • evolution of programming languages  • visual programming
<ul> <li>Screen ideas against criteria and constraints</li> <li>Evaluate personal, social, and environmental impacts and ethical considerations</li> <li>Choose an idea to pursue</li> </ul>	Computers and Communications Devices  Students are expected to know the following:  • computer system architecture, including hardware and software,
<ul> <li>Prototyping</li> <li>Identify and use sources of information</li> <li>Develop a plan that identifies key stages and resources</li> <li>Explore and test a variety of materials for effective use</li> <li>Construct a first version of the product or a prototype, as appropriate,</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>network infrastructure (local), intranet/Internet, and personal communication devices</li> <li>strategies for identifying and troubleshooting simple hardware and software problems</li> <li>function of input and output devices, including 3D printing and adaptive technologies for those with special needs</li> </ul>
<ul><li>making changes to tools, materials, and procedures as needed</li><li>Record iterations of prototyping</li></ul>	<ul><li>ergonomics in use of computers and computing devices</li><li>effective and efficient keyboarding techniques</li></ul>

Grades 6-7

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## **Learning Standards (continued)**

## **Curricular Competencies**

### Testing

- Test the first version of the product or the prototype
- Gather peer and/or user and/or expert feedback and inspiration
- Make changes, troubleshoot, and test again

#### Making

- Identify and use appropriate tools, technologies, and materials for production
- Make a plan for production that includes key stages, and carry it out, making changes as needed
- Use materials in ways that minimize waste

#### Sharing

- Decide on how and with whom to share their product
- Demonstrate their product and describe their process, using appropriate terminology and providing reasons for their selected solution and modifications
- Evaluate their product against their criteria and explain how it contributes to the individual, family, community, and/or environment
- Reflect on their design thinking and processes, and evaluate their ability to work effectively both as individuals and collaboratively in a group, including their ability to share and maintain an efficient co-operative work space
- Identify new design issues

### **Applied Skills**

- Demonstrate an awareness of precautionary and emergency safety procedures in both physical and digital environments
- Identify and evaluate the skills and skill levels needed, individually
  or as a group, in relation to a specific task, and develop them as
  needed

#### Content

### **Digital Literacy**

Students are expected to know the following:

- Internet safety
- · digital self-image, citizenship, relationships, and communication
- legal and ethical considerations, including creative credit and copyright, and cyberbullying
- methods for personal media management
- search techniques, how search results are selected and ranked, and criteria for evaluating search results
- strategies to identify personal learning networks

### **Drafting**

Students are expected to know the following:

- technical drawing, including sketching techniques and manual drafting techniques
- elements of plans and drawings
- simple computer-aided drafting programs

### **Entrepreneurship and Marketing**

- role of entrepreneurship in designing and making products and services
- market niche
- branding of products, services, institutions, or places
- pricing product/service, including decision to seek profit or break even
- role of basic financial record-keeping and budgeting



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## **Learning Standards (continued)**

## Curricular Competencies

### **Applied Technologies**

- Select, and as needed learn about, appropriate tools and technologies to extend their capability to complete a task
- Identify the personal, social, and environmental impacts, including unintended negative consequences, of the choices they make about technology use
- Identify how the land, natural resources, and culture influence the development and use of tools and technologies

#### Content

#### **Food Studies**

Students are expected to know the following:

- basic food handling and simple preparation techniques and equipment
- factors in ingredient use, including balanced eating/nutrition, function, and dietary restrictions
- factors that influence food choices, including cost, availability, and family and cultural influences

#### **Media Arts**

Students are expected to know the following:

- · digital and non-digital media, and their distinguishing characteristics and uses
- **techniques** for using images, sounds, and text to communicate information, settings, ideas, and story structure
- media technologies and techniques to capture, edit, and manipulate images, sounds, and text for specific purposes
- influences of digital media for the purpose of communication and self-expression

#### Metalwork

Students are expected to know the following:

- · characteristics and uses of metals
- metalworking techniques and processes using hand tools
- metals as a non-renewable resource

### **Power Technology**

- power is the rate at which energy is transformed
- forms of energy
- energy is conserved
- · devices that transform energy

Grades 6-7



# Area of Learning: APPLIED DESIGN, SKILLS, AND TECHNOLOGIES

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Curricular Competencies	Content
	Robotics
	Students are expected to know the following:
	<ul> <li>a robot is a machine capable of carrying out a complex series of actions automatically</li> </ul>
	uses of robotics
	<ul> <li>main components of robots: sensors, control systems, and effectors</li> </ul>
	various ways that objects can move
	programming and logic for robotics components
	various platforms for robotics
	Textiles
	Students are expected to know the following:
	range of uses of textiles
	variety of textile materials
	<ul> <li>hand construction techniques for producing and/or repairing textile items</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>consumer concerns that influence textile choices, including availability, cost, function (e.g., waterproof), and textile care</li> </ul>
	Woodwork
	Students are expected to know the following:
	ways in which wood is used in local cultural and economic contexts
	characteristics of wood as a material
	<ul> <li>woodworking techniques and basic joinery using hand tools</li> </ul>



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### **Learning Standards**

### **Curricular Competencies**

Students are expected to be able to do the following:

### **Applied Design**

Understanding context

• **Empathize** with potential **users** to find issues and uncover needs and potential design opportunities

#### Defining

- Choose a design opportunity
- Identify key features or potential users and their requirements
- Identify criteria for success and any constraints

### Ideating

- · Generate potential ideas and add to others' ideas
- Screen ideas against criteria and constraints
- Evaluate personal, social, and environmental impacts and ethical considerations
- Choose an idea to pursue

### Prototyping

- Identify and use sources of information
- Develop a plan that identifies key stages and resources
- Explore and test a variety of materials for effective use
- Construct a first version of the **product** or a prototype, as appropriate, making changes to tools, materials, and procedures as needed
- · Record iterations of prototyping

#### Content

The curriculum is designed to be offered in modules or courses of various lengths. Schools are required to provide students with the equivalent of a full-year "course" in Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies. This "course" can be made up of one or more modules. Schools may choose from among the modules listed below or develop new modules that use the Curricular Competencies of Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies 8 with locally developed content. Locally developed modules can be offered in addition to, or instead of, the modules in the provincial curriculum.

### **Computational Thinking**

Students are expected to know the following:

- software programs as specific and sequential instructions with algorithms that can be reliably repeated by others
- debugging algorithms and programs by breaking problems down into a series of sub-problems
- binary number system (1s and 0s) to represent data
- programming languages, including visual programming in relation to text-based programming and programming modular components

### **Computers and Communications Devices**

- design and function of digital infrastructures, from personal communication systems to wide area networks and the Internet of Things
- social, cultural, and economic impact of mobile devices
- systems for information transfer and communication, including videos, blogs, podcasts, and social media
- keyboarding techniques



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## **Learning Standards (continued)**

### **Curricular Competencies**

#### Testing

- Test the first version of the product or the prototype
- Gather peer and/or user and/or expert feedback and inspiration
- Make changes, troubleshoot, and test again

#### Making

- Identify and use appropriate tools, technologies, and materials for production
- Make a plan for production that includes key stages, and carry it out, making changes as needed
- Use materials in ways that minimize waste

#### Sharing

- Decide on how and with whom to share their product
- Demonstrate their product and describe their process, using appropriate terminology and providing reasons for their selected solution and modifications
- Evaluate their product against their criteria and explain how it contributes to the individual, family, community, and/or environment
- Reflect on their design thinking and processes, and evaluate their ability to work effectively both as individuals and collaboratively in a group, including their ability to share and maintain an efficient co-operative work space
- Identify new design issues

### **Applied Skills**

- Demonstrate an awareness of precautionary and emergency safety procedures in both physical and digital environments
- Identify and evaluate the skills and skill levels needed, individually or as a group, in relation to a specific task, and develop them as needed

#### Content

### **Digital Literacy**

Students are expected to know the following:

- · elements of digital citizenship
- ethical and legal implications of current and future technologies
- strategies for curating personal digital content, including management, personalization, organization, and maintenance of digital content; e-mail management; and workflow
- search techniques, how search results are selected and ranked, and **criteria** for evaluating search results
- strategies to engage with personal learning networks

#### **Drafting**

Students are expected to know the following:

- · manual and computer-aided drafting techniques
- elements of technical plans and drawings
- advantages of **using** vector files
- virtual creation using CAD

### **Entrepreneurship and Marketing**

- characteristics of entrepreneurial activity
- characteristics of social entrepreneurship in First Nations communities
- recognition of a market need and identification of target market
- development of a product or service, including its features and benefits
- forms of advertising and marketing that can influence a potential customer or buyer
- differences between consumer wants and needs
- role of money management in financing an idea or developing a product



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Curricular Competencies	Content
Select, and as needed learn about, appropriate tools and technologies to extend their capability to complete a task     Identify the personal, social, and environmental impacts, including unintended negative consequences, of the choices they make about technology use     Identify how the land, natural resources, and culture influence the development and use of tools and technologies	Food Studies  Students are expected to know the following:  cross-contamination, including prevention and management  food preparation practices, including elements of a recipe, techniques, and equipment  effects of removing or substituting ingredients, including nutritional profile, food quality, taste  social factors that affect food choices, including eating practices  variety of eating practices  local food systems  First Peoples food use and how that use has changed over time
	<ul> <li>Media Arts</li> <li>Students are expected to know the following:         <ul> <li>digital and non-digital media technologies, their distinguishing characteristics, and their uses, including layout and design, graphics and images, and video production techniques for using images, sounds, and text to represent characterizations and points of view of people, including themselves, as well as settings and ideas</li> <li>story principles and genre conventions</li> <li>media technologies and techniques to shape space, time, movement, and lighting within images, sounds, and text for specific purposes</li> <li>processes for manipulating and testing digital media data</li> <li>issues in ethical media practices, including cultural appropriation, moral copyright, reproduction, and privacy</li> <li>elements of media arts used to communicate meaning</li> <li>influences of digital media, including on communication and self-expression</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



Curricular Competencies	Content
	Metalwork  Students are expected to know the following:  characteristics and uses of ferrous and non-ferrous metals  metal fastening techniques, including basic welding and fabrication practices  metalworking techniques and processes using hand tools and power equipment  elements of plans and drawings  reclamation and repurposing of metals
	Power Technology  Students are expected to know the following:  uses of power technology  renewable and non-renewable sources of energy  conversion and transmission of energy  kinetic and potential energy  effect of mass and inertia on speed and distance  role of aerodynamics  effects of forces on devices
	Robotics  Students are expected to know the following:  uses of robotics in local contexts  types of sensors  user and autonomous control systems  uses and applications of end effectors  movement- and sensor-based responses  program flow  interpretation and use of schematics for assembling circuits  identification and applications of components  various platforms for robotics programming



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Curricular Competencies	Content
	Textiles
	Students are expected to know the following:
	sources of textile materials
	<ul> <li>hand and machine construction techniques for producing and/or repairing textile items</li> </ul>
	basic components of patterns and instructions
	colour as an element of design
	<ul> <li>personal factors that influence textile choices, including culture and self- expression, and the impact of those choices on individual and cultural identity</li> </ul>
	Woodwork
	Students are expected to know the following:
	historical and current contexts of woodworking
	<ul> <li>identification, characteristics, and properties of a variety of woods, both manufactured and natural</li> </ul>
	elements of plans and drawings
	woodworking techniques
	traditional and non-traditional joinery using hand tools and power equipment
	options for <b>reuse</b> of wood and wood products



### **BIG IDEAS**

Social, ethical, and sustainability considerations impact design.

Complex tasks require the sequencing of skills.

Complex tasks require different technologies and tools at different stages.

### **Learning Standards**

### **Curricular Competencies**

Students are expected to be able to do the following:

### **Applied Design**

Understanding context

 Engage in a period of research and empathetic observation in order to understand design opportunities

#### Defining

- Choose a design opportunity
- Identify potential users and relevant contextual factors
- Identify criteria for success, intended impact, and any constraints

### Ideating

- Take creative risks in generating ideas and add to others' ideas in ways that enhance them
- Screen ideas against criteria and constraints
- Critically analyze and prioritize competing factors, including social, ethical, and sustainability considerations, to meet community needs for preferred futures
- Choose an idea to pursue, keeping other potentially viable ideas open

### Prototyping

- Identify and use **sources of inspiration** and information
- Choose a form for prototyping and develop a plan that includes key stages and resources
- Evaluate a variety of materials for effective use and potential for reuse, recycling, and biodegradability
- Prototype, making changes to tools, materials, and procedures as needed
- Record iterations of prototyping

#### Content

The curriculum is designed to be offered in modules or courses of various lengths. There are more Content learning standards for Grade 9, as schools often offer these as full courses. Schools are required to provide students with the equivalent of a full-year "course" in Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies. This "course" can be made up of one or more of the modules listed below. Schools may choose from among the modules provided in the provincial curriculum or develop new modules that use the Curricular Competencies of Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies 9 with locally developed content. Locally developed modules can be offered in addition to, or instead of, the modules in the provincial curriculum.

#### **Drafting**

- drafting technique, including dimensioning and standards
- drafting styles, including perspective, mechanical, and architectural
- CADD/CAM, CNC and 3D printing
- function of models
- basic code
- digital output devices
- virtual creation using CAD/CAM



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### **Learning Standards (continued)**

## **Curricular Competencies**

#### Testing

- Identify sources of feedback
- Develop an appropriate test of the prototype
- Conduct the test, collect and compile data, evaluate data, and decide on changes
- Iterate the prototype or abandon the design idea

#### Makina

- Identify and use appropriate tools, technologies, materials, and processes for production
- Make a step-by-step plan for production and carry it out, making changes as needed
- · Use materials in ways that minimize waste

### Sharing

- Decide on how and with whom to share their product and processes
- Demonstrate their product to potential users, providing a rationale for the selected solution, modifications, and procedures, using appropriate terminology
- Critically evaluate the success of their product, and explain how their design ideas contribute to the individual, family, community, and/or environment
- Critically reflect on their design thinking and processes, and evaluate their ability to work effectively both as individuals and collaboratively in a group, including their ability to share and maintain an efficient co-operative work space
- Identify new design issues

### **Applied Skills**

- Demonstrate an awareness of precautionary and emergency safety procedures in both physical and digital environments
- Identify the skills and skill levels needed, individually or as a group, in relation to specific projects, and develop and refine them as needed

#### Content

#### **Electronics and Robotics**

Students are expected to know the following:

- uses of electronics and robotics
- components of an electric circuit
- ways in which various **electrical components** affect the path of electricity
- Ohm's law
- platforms for PCB (printed circuit board) production
- basic robot behaviours using input/output devices, movement- and sensorbased responses, and microcontrollers
- mechanical devices for the transfer of mechanical energy
- mechanical advantage and power efficiency, including friction, force, and torque
- · robotics coding
- various platforms for robotics programming

#### **Entrepreneurship and Marketing**

- risks and benefits of entrepreneurship
- the role of social entrepreneurship in First Nations communities
- ways of decreasing production costs through training and technological advancement
- flow of goods and services from producers to consumers
- identification of a good or service that ensures brand recognition
- marketing strategies using the 4 Ps: product, price, promotion, and placement
- market segmentation by demographic, geographic, psychographic, and purchasing pattern
- evolving consumer needs and wants
- role of online technologies in expanding access to goods and services
- sources of financing for a new venture or start-up business
- measurement of financial success and failure



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	Learning Standards (Continued)
Curricular Competencies	Content
Choose, adapt, and if necessary learn about appropriate tools and technologies to use for tasks     Evaluate the personal, social, and environmental impacts, including unintended negative consequences, of the choices they make about technology use     Evaluate how the land, natural resources, and culture influence the development and use of tools and technologies	Food Studies  Students are expected to know the following:  • pathogenic microbes associated with food-borne illnesses  • components of food preparation, including use and adaptations of ingredients, techniques, and equipment  • health, economic, and environmental factors that influence availability and choice of food in personal, local, and global contexts  • ethical issues related to food systems  • First Peoples traditional food use, including ingredients, harvesting/gathering, storage, preparation, and preservation
	Information and Communications Technologies  Students are expected to know the following:  • text-based coding  • binary representation of various data types, including text, sound, pictures, video  • drag-and-drop mobile development  • programming modular components  • development and collaboration in a cloud-based environment  • design and function of networking hardware and topology, including wired and wireless network router types, switches, hubs, wireless transfer systems, and client-server relationships  • functions of operating systems, including mobile, open source, and proprietary systems  • current and future impacts of evolving web standards and cloud-based technologies  • design for the web  • strategies for curating and managing personal digital content, including management, personalization, organization, maintenance, contribution, creation, and publishing of digital content  • relationships between technology and social change  • strategies to manage and maintain personal learning networks, including content consumption and creation



Curricular Competencies	Content
	Media Arts
	Students are expected to know the following:
	<ul> <li>digital and non-digital media technologies, their distinguishing characteristics and uses</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>techniques for organizing ideas to structure information and story through media conventions</li> </ul>
	media production skills
	standards-compliant technology
	<ul> <li>ethical, moral, and legal considerations and regulatory issues</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>technical and symbolic elements that can be used in storytelling</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>specific features and purposes of media artworks from the present and the past to explore viewpoints, including those of First Peoples</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>specific purposes of media use in the social advocacy of First Peoples in Canada</li> </ul>
	influences of digital media in society
	Metalwork
	Students are expected to know the following:
	basic metallurgy
	range of uses of metalwork
	welding
	<ul> <li>fabrication techniques and processes using hand tools and stationary equipment</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>foundry processes, including creating patterns and moulds, and casting</li> </ul>
	recycling and repurposing of materials

Curricular Competencies	Content
	Power Technology
	Students are expected to know the following:
	energy transmission and applications
	efficiency, including energy loss in the form of thermal energy
	thermodynamics
	types of fuels and methods of converting fuels to mechanical energy
	alternative energy sources
	small engine systems
	mechanical measurement devices
	power technology hand tools
	effects of forces on devices
	manuals as information sources
	Textiles
	Students are expected to know the following:
	<ul> <li>natural and manufactured fibres, including their origins, characteristics, uses, and care</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>strategies for using and modifying simple patterns</li> </ul>
	elements of design used in the design of a textile item
	social factors that influence textile choices and the impact of those choices on local communities
	role of textiles in First Peoples cultures
	Woodwork
	Students are expected to know the following:
	importance of woodwork in historical and cultural contexts, locally and throughout Canada
	<ul> <li>identification, characteristics, properties, and uses of wood from various tree species</li> </ul>
	techniques for adjusting plans and drawings
	<ul> <li>woodworking techniques and traditional and non-traditional joinery using a variety of tools and equipment, including stationary power equipment</li> </ul>
	the relationship between First Peoples culturally modified trees and the sustainable use of wood
	issues in the sustainable use of wood