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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 for Curricular Competencies from Applied Design, Skills, and Technologies K–3 in combination with grade-level content from other areas of learning in cross-curricular activities to develop foundational mindsets and skills in design thinking and making.
Applied Design	
Ideating	
 Identify needs and opportunities for designing, through exploration 	
Generate ideas from their experiences and interests	
Add to others' ideas	
Choose an idea to pursue	
Making	
Choose tools and materials	
Make a product using known procedures or through modelling of others	
Use trial and error to make changes, solve problems, or incorporate new ideas from self or others	
Sharing	
Decide on how and with whom to share their product	
 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 	
Use personal preferences to evaluate the success of their design solutions	
Reflect on their ability to work effectively both as individuals and collaboratively in a group	
Applied Skills	
Use materials, tools, and technologies in a safe manner in both physical and digital environments	
Develop their skills and add new ones through play and collaborative work	
Applied Technologies	
Explore the use of simple, available tools and technologies 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 from other areas of learning in cross-curricular activities to develop foundational mindsets and skills in design thinking and making.
Understanding context	
Gather information about or from potential users	
Defining	
Choose a design opportunity	
Identify key features or user requirements	
Identify the main objective for the design and any constraints	
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	
 Construct a first version of the product, making changes to tools, materials, and procedures as needed 	
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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Learning Standards (continued)

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	
 Determine whether their product meets the objective and contributes to the individual, family, community, and/or environment 	
 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 	
Identify new design issues	
Applied Skills	
 Use materials, tools, and technologies in a safe manner, and with an awareness of the safety of others, in both physical and digital environments 	
 Identify the skills required for a task and develop those skills as needed 	
Applied Technologies	
Use familiar tools and technologies to extend their capabilities when completing a task	
 Choose appropriate technologies to use for specific tasks 	
Demonstrate a willingness to learn new technologies as needed	