## Huntsville City Schools 2017-2018 Pacing Guide

### Course: Physics  Grades: 11-12

All 9 weeks are planned for 20 days of instruction – this can vary slightly based on dates/exams

** All PhET simulations can be found on the mastering physics website, in the student study area. They are organized by chapter.

### 1st Nine Weeks

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| **Physics as Inquiry** | **Scientific Inquiry**  
- identify research questions and design experiments with controlled variables and appropriate numbers of trials.  
- collect, organize, and analyze data using appropriate procedures and technology.  
- interpret results and make conclusions from data, revising hypotheses as necessary.  
- write and speak to effectively present my findings and results using appropriate terms and visuals.  
- safely use laboratory equipment to conduct investigations.  
- routinely make predictions and estimations. | *Walker Pearson Physics, 1e.*  
Chapter 1  
Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy  
LTF “Foundation Lesson I: The Scientific Method”  
LTF “Foundation Lesson II: Numbers in Science:  
PhET “Estimation” | **3 days + application and practice throughout the course** |
| **QualityCore**  
A.1. Scientific Inquiry  
A.2. Mathematics and Measurement in Science  
- distinguish between precision and accuracy.  
- use appropriate SI units for measurements.  
- calculate slope and explain its physical significance.  
- use significant figures to calculate and estimate the uncertainty of experimental results and use these to evaluate the results.  
- express numbers in scientific notation.  
- solve for unknown quantities by manipulating variables.  
- use graphical, mathematical and statistical models to express patterns and relationships amongst data.  
- **Science in Practice**  
- understand the fundamental assumptions of science  
- explain and apply criteria to validate scientific claims and theories  
- explain why experimental and observational data, peer review and ethical procedures are essential in science  
- use multiple sources and cite those sources properly | | |
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| Speed, Velocity and Acceleration                                       | *Speed, Velocity and Acceleration*                                        | - write equations for displacement and velocity over time.  
- recognize and/or draw graphs of an object’s displacement and velocity versus time.  
- solve problems in kinematics using the equation $v_{\text{avg}} = (s - s_0)/t$  
- solve problems in kinematics using the equations $v = v_0 + at$, and $x = x_0 + v_0t + (1/2)at^2$  
- construct the two graphs not given, when given a linear motion graph of displacement, velocity, or acceleration versus time. | Walker Pearson Physics, 1e. Chapters 2 and 3  
Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy  
LTF “Graph Match”  
LTF “Graphing Motion”  
LTF “Ticker Tape Timer”  
LTF “Falling Washers”  
LTF “Carts and Ramps”  
PhET “The Moving Man”  
PhET “Forces in 1 Dimension”  
PhET “Calculus Grapher” | 7 days |
| One- and Two-Dimensional Motion                                       | *One- and Two-Dimensional Motion*                                         | - determine the sum of vector components by graphical and mathematical means.  
- resolve a vector into mutually perpendicular components.  
- write the equations for the horizontal and vertical components of a projectile’s displacement over time, as well as its velocity over time.  
- calculate the displacement, velocity and altitude over time for a projectile that is launched at a given initial velocity from a launch site at a given altitude above the horizontal plane. | Walker Pearson Physics, 1e. Chapter 4  
Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy  
PhET “Vector Addition”  
PhET “Maze Game”  
PhET “Projectile Motion”  
LTF “Kinematics”  
LTF “Vector Scavenger Hunt”  
LTF “Sizzle and Slice”  
LTF “Projectile Motion” | 5 days |
| Momentum                                                              | *Momentum*                                                                | - define momentum and impulse.  
- calculate total linear momentum of an isolated system of moving masses.  
- calculate the time-average force acting on a body when an impulsive force is exerted on the body.  
- identify and explain the situations where linear momentum is conserved, using Newton’s second and third laws.  
- solve problems using the conservation of linear momentum, including those involving two bodies following paths that intersect at arbitrary angles. | Walker Pearson Physics, 1e. Chapter 7  
Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy  
LTF “Conservation of Momentum”  
LTF “Crumple Zone”  
PhET “Collision Lab”  
Video Tutor Demonstrations “Water Rocket” | 5 days |
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| Newton’s Laws | Newton's Laws  
- describe the condition under which a body under the influence of several forces will remain at rest or in a state of unaccelerated motion.  
- compare and contrast mass and weight.  
- calculate the net change in velocity of a body initially moving in a straight line, which will result when a constant net force is applied for a given amount of time.  
- create a free body diagram, as well as write the vector equation for a body using Newton’s second law.  
- write the equation that describes the relationship between a frictional force on a body and a normal force exerted on the surface of the body, as well as explain the meaning of the coefficient of friction.  
- use Newton’s third law to name action-reaction pairs; for each pair, identify the body on which the reaction force acts and vector quantity of the reaction force. | [Walker Pearson Physics, 1e. Chapter 5](#)  
Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy  
[LTF “Newton’s Second Law”](#)  
[LTF “Forces on Objects”](#)  
[LTF “Vector Addition of Forces”](#)  
[LTF “The Atwood Machine”](#)  
[PhET “Force and Motion: Basics”](#)  
[PhET “Forces in 1 dimension”](#)  
[PhET “Ramp: Forces and Motion”](#) | 5 days |
| Kepler’s Laws | Rotational Motion  
- relate the magnitude of centripetal acceleration to the speed or rate of revolution and to the radius of orbit for a particle undergoing uniform circular motion.  
- describe the direction of the velocity and acceleration vectors for a particle undergoing uniform circular motion at any given position in orbit. | [Walker Pearson Physics, 1e. Chapter 8](#)  
Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy  
[LTF “Centripetal Force”](#)  
[PhET “Motion in 2D”](#)  
[PhET “Ladybug Motion 2D”](#)  
[PhET “Ladybug Revolution”](#)  
[PhET “My Solar System”](#)  
[PhET “Gravity and Orbits”](#) | 5 days |
| Gravity | Gravity  
- explain the dependence of the gravitation field (gravitational acceleration) on mass and distance, using proportions.  
- calculate the strength of a gravitational field of a spherical mass at a given point outside of the mass. | [Walker Pearson Physics, 1e. Chapter 9 (skip 9.4 if low on time)](#)  
Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy  
[LTF “Newton’s Second Law”](#) | 5 days |
| **Work and Energy**  
| **ACOS: SCIENCE 5 Energy**  
| **ACOS: SCIENCE 6 Energy** | **Work and Energy** | **5 days** |
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| | • describe the relationship between work and energy. |  
| | • describe the difference between kinetic and potential energy. |  
| | • discuss the relationship of work and kinetic energy as well as work and gravitational potential energy using Newton’s Second Law. |  
| | • calculate the amount of work done by a given force on a body that is constrained to move along a plane. |  
| | • calculate the change in energy (kinetic, gravitational potential, and elastic potential) that results from performing a specified amount of work on a body. |  
| | • solve problems involving elastic and inelastic collisions. |  
| | • write the equation for force exerted by an ideal spring, compressed or stretched, as well as an equation for the potential energy stored by the spring. |  
| | • identify and explain times when mechanical energy is conserved, and vice versa. |  
| | • relate power to work and solve problems involving force, distance, time and acceleration. |  
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| | **Walker Pearson Physics, 1e. Chapter 6** |  
| | Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy |  
| | LTF “Running the Stairs”  
| | LTF “Rollercoaster!”  
| | PhET “Energy Skate Park” |  
| | PhET “Gravity Force Lab”  
| | PhET “Gravity and Orbits”  
<p>| | PhET “My Solar System” |</p>
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<td>Thermodynamics</td>
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| ACOS: SCIENCE 7 Energy     | • I can relate temperature and heat to one another.  
• I can discuss how energy is exchanged by conduction.  
• I can calculate specific heat of a substance.  
• I can relate heat and work.  
• I can explain the concept of entropy.  
• I can relate the first law of thermodynamics to energy conservation. | Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy  
LTF “Conduction, Convection, Radiation”  
LTF “Heat Lost and Heat Gained”  
PhET States of Matter |        |
| Wave Properties            | Wave Properties                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Walker Pearson Physics, 1e. Chapters 13.3 – 13.4                                           | 3 days |
| ACOS: SCIENCE 8 Waves and Their Applications in Information Transfer | • I can use a graph of the displacement of a point in a medium versus time to calculate the frequency, wavelength, and amplitude of a wave.  
• I can explain how wavelength and frequency are related to velocity.  
• I can describe the reflection of a wave from a fixed end and free end of a string.  
• I can state what factors determine the speed of waves on a string.  
• I can model the standing waves for different modes, as well as determine the wavelength, frequency, and amplitude for each mode of a string fastened and pulled taught.  
• I can describe constructive and destructive interference.  
• I can explain the conditions under which a standing wave might be formed by the superposition of multiple waves.  
• I can calculate wave speed, wavelength and frequency.  
• I can discuss factors that determine the energy of a wave.  
• I can compare and contrast transverse and longitudinal waves.  
• I can explain the refraction of a wave, as it passes through mediums.  
• I can describe the wave behavior of the Doppler Effect, as well as give examples. | Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy  
LTF “Waves in a Spring”  
LTF “Ripple Tank”  
PhET “Sound”  
PhET “Wave on a String”  
PhET “Wave Interference”  
PhET “Color Vision” |        |
| Periodic Motion            | Periodic Motion                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Walker Pearson Physics, 1e. Chapter 13.1                                                    | 1 day  |
| ACOS: SCIENCE 8 Waves and Their Applications in Information Transfer | • I can describe the conditions needed to cause a particle to undergo simple harmonic motion (SHM).                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                               |        |
| Technologies for Information Transfer | • I can describe the relationship between the frequency of oscillation of a particle undergoing Simple Harmonic Motion and the period of the particle’s oscillations. | Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy  
LTF “The Inertial Balance”  
LTF “The Pendulum Swings”  
PhET “Pendulum Lab” |
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| **Sound Waves**  
ACOS: SCIENCE 9 Waves and Their Applications in Technologies for Information Transfer | **Sound Waves**  
• I can measure intensity and discuss its relationship to the decibel scale.  
• I can draw standing waves for pipes with different openings, as well as find the frequency and wavelength of each. | **Sound Waves**  
Walker Pearson Physics, 1e. Chapter 14 (all)  
Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy  
LTF “Speed of Sound”  
PhET “Sound”  
PhET “Wave Interference” |
| 3 days | --- | --- |
| **Light Waves**  
ACOS: SCIENCE 10 Waves and Their Applications in Information Transfer | **Light Waves**  
• I can describe how the intensity of light from a point source varies with distance, using proportions.  
• I can calculate the intensity of light at various distances, and use the results to illustrate the invers square law.  
• I can discuss the relationship between the intensity of light and the amplitude of light waves.  
• I can describe the electromagnetic spectrum in relation to energy, frequency, and wavelength, and discuss how our lives are affected by radiation in the various regions of this spectrum.  
• I can relate the wavelength, speed, and index of refraction of light as it passes from one medium to another.  
• I can sketch and diagram the directions of reflected and refracted rays when incident light rays approach in a rectangular glass block.  
• I can use Snell’s law to calculate the direction of a refracted ray, when the direction of the incident ray and index of refraction are unknown.  
• I can trace rays to show the position of an image, object, and focal point or thin lens and determine if the image is real, virtual, upright or inverted.  
• I can elaborate on the conditions under which total internal reflection will occur.  
• I can use the thin lens equation to relate the positions of an object, an image and the focal point of a mirror, or thin lens.  
• I can use image and object distances to determine the lateral magnification, using the mirror equation. | **Light Waves**  
Walker Pearson Physics, 1e. Chapters 15.2, 16 (all), 17 (skip 17.4), and 18 (all)  
Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy  
LTF “Convex Lens and Concave Mirror”  
LTF “Electromagnetic Waves”  
LTF “Refraction of Light”  
LTF “The Science of Light and Color”  
PhET “Wave Interference”  
PhET “Color Vision” |
<p>| 8 days | --- | --- |</p>
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<td>4 days</td>
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| ACOS: SCIENCE 11 Waves and Their Applications in Technologies for Information Transfer | • I can distinguish between Coulomb’s law and Newton’s universal law of gravitation, and explain how each variable affects the forces.  
• I can calculate Coulomb force exerted on a specific point charge by one or many point charges.  
• I can give a qualitative description of electrical charging by conduction and induction. | *Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy*  
*LTF “Introduction to Electricity”*  
*LTF “Electrostatics”*  
*PhET “John Travoltage”*  
*PhET “Balloons and Static Electricity”* |        |
| **Electrical Potential and Electric Fields**  | **Electrical Potential and Electric Fields**                                                  | *Walker Pearson Physics, 1e. Chapter 20.1 – 20.2*                                                    | 4 days |
| ACOS: SCIENCE 11 Waves and Their Applications in Technologies for Information Transfer | • I can qualitatively describe electric fields produced by a point charge.  
• I can use lines of force to represent the electrical fields associated with various symmetrical charge distributions, and describe these fields.  
• I can use vector addition to combine electric fields of two or more point charges and to determine the strength of the resultant electric field at a given location in space.  
• I can find the magnitude and direction of the electrical force exerted by an electric field on a positive and negative charges.  
• I can describe the motion of a particle of a given charge and mass in a uniform electric field.  
• I can calculate the electrical work done on a positive or negative charge that moves in a uniform electric field.  
• I can calculate the work done on a charged particle by an electric field that moves through a uniform electric field.  
• I can relate the intensity of an electric field between two points in space to the differences in electrical potential between the two points as well as to the difference between the two points.  
• I can calculate the potential difference between two points in a uniform electric field, and determine which point is at the higher potential. | *Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy*  
*LTF “Equipotential Lines and Electric Fields”*  
*LTF “What is a Capacitor?”*  
*PhET “Charges and Fields”*  
*PhET “Electric Field Hockey”* |        |
### Electrical Circuits

**ACOS: SCIENCE 12 Waves and Their Applications in Technologies for Information Transfer**

**Walker Pearson Physics, 1e.**  
Chapter 21.1 – 21.2  
Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy  
LTF “Circuits Worksheet 1”  
LTF “Circuits Worksheet 2”  
LTF “Introduction to Electric Circuits”  
LTF “Series and Parallel Circuit Exercises”  
LTF “Paths of Resistance”  
PhET “Battery-Resistor Circuit”  
PhET “Circuit Construction Kit (AC) and (DC)”  
PhET “Ohm’s Law”

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<td>describe the relationship between current flowing through a resistor and the voltage across a resistor.</td>
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<td>calculate the magnitude and determine the direction of the electrical current in a conducting wire.</td>
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<td>distinguish between direct current (DC) and alternating current (AC).</td>
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<td>describe the relationship between the resistance of a resistor and the length, composition, and cross-sectional area of the resistor.</td>
<td>• I can describe the relationship between the resistance of a resistor and the length, composition, and cross-sectional area of the resistor.</td>
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<td>describe the effect of temperature on the resistance of a resistor.</td>
<td>• I can describe the effect of temperature on the resistance of a resistor.</td>
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<td>use Ohm’s Law to calculate the voltage across, the current through, or the resistance of a circuit element in a direct current circuit.</td>
<td>• I can use Ohm’s Law to calculate the voltage across, the current through, or the resistance of a circuit element in a direct current circuit.</td>
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<td>identify the elements in a circuit that are in parallel or series.</td>
<td>• I can identify the elements in a circuit that are in parallel or series.</td>
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<td>calculate the ratio of voltages across two resistors connected in series.</td>
<td>• I can calculate the ratio of voltages across two resistors connected in series.</td>
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<td>calculate the ratio of currents through 2 resistors connected in parallel.</td>
<td>• I can calculate the ratio of currents through 2 resistors connected in parallel.</td>
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<td>calculate the equivalent resistance for a network of resistors.</td>
<td>• I can calculate the equivalent resistance for a network of resistors.</td>
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<td>calculate, for any resistor connected to a single power source, as well as the voltage, current and amount of power dissipated.</td>
<td>• I can calculate, for any resistor connected to a single power source, as well as the voltage, current and amount of power dissipated.</td>
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<td>design, given a pre-determined terminal voltage, a circuit element containing resistors in series and/or parallel such that a predetermined amount of current flows through the element.</td>
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<td>describe the placement of a voltmeter and an ammeter in an electrical circuit to correctly measure current and voltage.</td>
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### Magnetism

**ACOS: SCIENCE 11 Waves and Their Applications in Technologies for Information Transfer**

**Walker Pearson Physics, 1e.**  
Chapters 22.1-22.2 and all of 23  
Mastering Physics Pearson Platform and Khan Academy  
LTF “Magnetic Fields”  
PhET “Magnet and Compass”  
PhET “Magnet and Electromagnets”  
PhET “Faraday’s Law”

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<td>describe the conditions under which magnetic fields are produced.</td>
<td>• I can describe the conditions under which magnetic fields are produced.</td>
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<td>describe the most general path for a charged particle moving in a uniform magnetic field.</td>
<td>• I can describe the most general path for a charged particle moving in a uniform magnetic field.</td>
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<td>describe the conditions under which magnetic flux through a current loop will induce an electromagnetic field in the loop.</td>
<td>• I can describe the conditions under which magnetic flux through a current loop will induce an electromagnetic field in the loop.</td>
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<td>describe how electromagnetic induction applies to the motor and generator.</td>
<td>• I can describe how electromagnetic induction applies to the motor and generator.</td>
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