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## STEM BASKETBALL SUPPLEMENTAL CURRICULUM GRADES 3-5 AND GRADES 6-8

STEM Sports ${ }^{\circledR}$ provides turnkey K-8 supplemental curriculum that uses sports as the real-life application to drive STEM-based, hands-on learning in classrooms, after-school programs, and camps.
We are pleased to present Volume 2 of STEM Basketball, highlighted by the following:

- Content for a minimum of 16 hours of instruction that includes some healthy, physical activity.
- Turnkey kits come equipped with all of the relevant sports equipment along with the necessary science supplies.
- Each curriculum has eight lessons aligned with the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) and/or Common Core State Standards (CCSS) and/or National Standards for K-12 Physical Education.
- Through our 5E lesson plans, students will develop 21st-century skills such as critical thinking, collaboration, creative problem-solving, and leadership.
- Differentiation: lessons for 3rd to 5th graders and lessons for 6th to 8th grade students.
- "Capstone" Project (6th to 8th) to commensurate student's knowledge of each curriculum.
- Assessments in each lesson to effectively evaluate students.
- Ready-to-use worksheets that align with each lesson and standards.
- Each module has a list of STEM-based, sports-related jobs pertinent to the lesson concept.
- Engineering Design Process (EDP) woven into each curriculum.
- Mindfulness Matters: important messaging to assist with the uniqueness of blending STEM with sports.
- Well designed and scalable for teachers, administrators, or volunteers.

Please visit www.STEMSports.com for additional information and to learn about the other STEM Sports ${ }^{\circledR}$ curriculum that we offer.

## We sincerely hope you and your students enjoy this STEM Sports ${ }^{\circledR}$ supplemental curriculum.

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Mindfulness may not be the first thing one thinks about regarding STEM Sports ${ }^{\ominus}$. However, mindfulness is essential to fully understanding the design and benefits of the STEM Sports ${ }^{\ominus}$ curricula by way of the following:

- Approximately $85 \%$ of STEM jobs anticipated for the year 2030 have yet to be invented.
- Moreover, within the next 10 years or so, $80 \%$ of all jobs will be STEM related.


The STEM Sports ${ }^{\circledR}$ curricula distinctly blends STEM content areas through hands-on/active play and sports. Active play provides a mechanism to teach STEM concepts; therefore, learning is integrated, engaging and meaningful as participants are exposed to STEM applications through real world experiences.

Teachers of the curricula should be mindful of the fact STEM Sports ${ }^{\ominus}$ curricula are:

- Collaborative in nature, ensuring peer-to-peer learning opportunities
- Inquiry-based, allowing learners to discover information for themselves
- Designed for problem-solving, an essential lifelong skill
- Hands-on, engaging all types of learners
- Student-led, encouraging ownership of learning
- Active, promoting physical activity and wellbeing

Participants of the curricula should be mindful of the fact STEM Sports ${ }^{\circledR}$ curricula are:

- Introduction to STEM concepts, facilitating comfort with STEM content areas
- Blending play and sport in an environment that is engaging, fun, and applicable to life outside the classroom
- Designed for all ensuring success for all participants - students do not have to be athletic or excel at science to accomplish curricula tasks
- Applicable to the real world where learning is meaningful for all participants

In sum, stakeholders should be mindful of all the STEM Sports ${ }^{\circledR}$ curricula have to offer. The unique design of the STEM Sports ${ }^{\circledR}$ curricula is essential to maximize learning and the understanding of STEM concepts in sports and life applications.

# Contents Grades 3-5 

## Module 1.1

The Measurements of Basketball

## Objective

Students will measure the area and perimeter of a polygon by using a square tile and a tape measure. Students will calculate the perimeter and area of a polygon by using a formula and dimension (either measured or given).

## Concept

Math: Area and Perimeter

## Time

(1) 60-minute session

## Module 3.1 <br> Understanding Basketball

## Objective

Students will explain why balls behave differently by using observations about the solids and gases that make up the balls. Students will make observations about texture, ability to stretch, and state of matter of materials by recording information in a data table. Students will explain there is airinside the ball by comparing an empty ball and a full ball.

## Concept

Science: States of Matter, Observations

## Time

(2) 45-minute sessions

Module 2.1
Forces in Basketball

## Objective

Students will conduct a controlled experiment to determine the change in motion by measuring the number of bounces and the height of the first bounce. Students will predict how gravity/motion will affect/change the ball if it is dropped at a higher or lower height.

## Concept

Science: Motion and Gravity

## Time

(2) 45-minute sessions

## Module 4.1

Motion and Basketballs

## Objective

Students will round whole numbers from the tenth place. Students will divide two whole numbers to determine the speed of a basketball. Students will explain speed as a division problem between distance and time.

## Concept

Science: Measuring Speed
Math: Division and Real World
Problems

## Time

(2) 45-minute sessions

## Module 5.1

Engineering Design Process

## Objective

Students will design a device that increases the motion of an object by conducting a controlled test. Students will conduct a controlled test on their design by taking measurements and recording observations.

## Concept

Motion and Engineering for Accuracy

## Time

(2) 45-minute sessions

## Module 7.2

Shot Tracking

## Objective

Students will compare fractions based on their free throw accuracy by using the greater than and less than symbols.

## Concept

Math: Fractions

## Time

(1) 60-minute session

## PAGE Module 6.1

Calculating Calories

## Objective

Students will calculate calories burned during gameplay by using multiplication and division. Students will predict the calories they will burn by doubling numbers.

## Concept

Math: Multiplication and Division

Time
(1) 60-minute session

## Module 8.1

Advancements in Shoe Technology

## Objective

Students will make detailed observations by using their senses and measurements to make inferences about changes in technology.

## Concept

Science: Observations

## Time

(2) 45-minute sessions

## Contents <br> Grades 6-8

Module 1.1
Basketball Measurements

## Objective

Students will use actual data to determine the scale sizes of a basketball court by using proportional relationships.

Concept
Math: Proportions

## Time

(2) 50-minute blocks

## Module 2.1

Science of Basketball

## Objective

Students will compare the forces acting and reacting on a basketball by using data from a controlled experiment. Students will explain how Newton's Third Law is demonstrated in dribbling a basketball.

## Concept

Science: Physics

## Time

(3) 50-minute blocks

## Objective

Students will describe how temperature changes the properties of the basketball by drawing a diagram of the molecular motion inside the ball. Students will describe how temperature changes the properties of the basketball by drawing a diagram of the molecular motion of the solid ball material.

## Concept

Science: Molecules and Heat

Time
(2) 50-minute blocks

## Module 4.1 <br> Velocity and Acceleration <br> PAGE <br> 50

## Objective

Students will calculate the force used on a basketball in different pass types by using Newton's Second Law. Students will describe the materials of a basketball by using the physical and chemical
properties.

## Concept

Science: Physics and Chemistry

## Time

(2) 50-minute blocks
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## Module 3.1

Understanding Basketball

Module 5.1
Engineering Design Process

## Objective

Students will design and build a mechanical shooting device (aka catapult) by using the Engineering Design Process. Students will test and redesign their prototype by using Newton's Second Law to determine the change in force.

## Concept

Engineering and Science: Physics

## Time

(3) 50-minute blocks

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Module 6.1
Calculating Calories

## Objective

Students will explain how food is converted to energy (kcal) through cellular respiration. Students will develop an equation for calories burned during activity by using letters to represent variable for the equation.

## Concept

Science and Math: Biology and Equations

Time
(1) 50-minute block

## Module 8.1

Advancements in Shoe Technology

## Objective

Students will use qualitative data to evaluate and improve shoe technology by using the Engineering Design Process.

Concept
Engineering
Time
(2) 50-minute blocks

## Supplies Checklist

Five (5)indoor basketballsFive (5)
outdoor basketballs

Five (5)
25'tape measures

## Five (5)

hair dryers

Five (5)
calipers
Twelve (12)
protective eyewear

Five (5)
cut ball swatches - indoor

Five (5)
cut ball swatches - outdoor

Five (5)
masking tape rolls

One Hundred (100)
plastic spoons
Five (5)
digital timers
$\square$ One Thousand $(1,000)$
craft sticks

## Materials Needed

$18 \times 18$ Pieces of Paper

MarshmallowsNotecardsLarge BucketProjector
$\square$ Tennis BallsGolf Balls
Four-Hundred Seventy-Five (475)
rubber bands

One (1)
STEM Basketball Curriculum Manual

## Two (2)

ball bagsOne (1)
ball pump

One (1)
set of inflation needles


## Module <br> GRADES <br> 3-5

## Forces in Basketball

## Concept

Science: Motion and Gravity
Objective
Students will conduct a controlled experiment to determine the change in motion by measuring the number of bounces and the height of the first bounce. Students will predict how gravity/motion will affect/change the ball if it is dropped at a higher or lower height.

## Time



## Standards

## Next Generation Science Standards Connections

3-PS2-2. Make observations and/or measurements of an object's motion to provide evidence that a pattern can be used to predict future motion.

4-PS3-1. Use evidence to construct an explanation relating the speed of an object to the energy of that object.

4-PS3-3. Ask questions and predict outcomes about the changes in energy that occur when objects collide.

5-PS2-1. Support an argument that the gravitational force exerted by Earth on objects is directed down.

## National Standards for K - 12 Physical Education

Standard 1: The physically literate individual demonstrates competency in a variety of motor skills and movement patterns.

Standard 4: The physically literate individual exhibits responsible personal and social behavior that respects self and others.

Supplies Provided

Worksheets, Tape Measures, Masking Tape and Basketballs

Please email Info@STEMSports.com to access Worksheet Keys.

## Materials Needed

Pencils

## Sequence of Lesson


#### Abstract

Have your students take this lesson's assessment prior to engaging by visiting: www.stemsports.com/assessments If you have limited digital capability, please email Info@STEMSports.com to access the Assessment \& Key.


Engage: Allow students to dribble the ball. Ask them the following: How does dribbling work? Why does the ball bounce back up? How can you change the motion of the ball?

Explore: Students conduct experiments measuring the total height, number of bounces when a basketball is dropped from a variety of heights, and attempt to identify patterns in the behavior of the ball.

1. With a small group or a partner, find a hard surface next to a wall (Control Variable).
2. From the floor, measure 48 inches up the wall and mark the spot with masking tape (Independent Variable).
3. Holding the ball against the wall, lineup the bottom of the ball with the top of the tape.
4. From the measured height, drop the ball.
5. Measure the height the ball returns to after the first bounce. One partner should be counting the number of times the ball bounces until it stops bouncing and comes to a rest. Record data (Dependent Variable).
6. Using the same ball and surface, repeat steps 4-6, but this time from a height of 24 inches (Independent Variable).
7. Repeat each trial 3-5 times.

Explain: Explain that gravity occurs when the ball bounces and that dribbling occurs with a combination of gravity and force is placed on
the ball. In turn, ask students to come up with other examples for gravity making things fall or bounce.

Elaborate: Ask students to think back to the experiment and how they can change the motion of the ball (or increase the energy of the bounce). The worksheet will guide them to the areas of the experiment they should change and keep the same.

Evaluate: Students should answer the following questions: Why does the motion of the ball change when you push on it vs. drop it? How does gravity change the motion of a basketball if it is further away from the ground?
Predict what would happen if you dropped the basketball from 12 inches and 50 inches.

Have your students retake this lesson's assessment to effectively evaluate their comprehension by visiting: www.stemsports.com/assessments If you have limited digital capability, please email Info@STEMSports.com to access the Assessment \& Key.

ExGend: Complete the experiment with another variable. Hard and soft surfaces as the independent variable; air pressure changes as the independent variable

## STEM Jobs in Sports

- Statistician
- Head Coach
- Director of Basketball Operations
- Equipment Manufacturer
- Engineer



## Fun Facts

The Guinness World Record for longest dribbling was done over 3 days from December 10, 2007 until December 12, 2007 by Pawan Kumar Srivastava for 55 hours and 26 minutes.
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## Gravity and Push Force

GRADES 3-5

## Part 1

| \# of bounces | Trial 1 | Trial 2 | Trial 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 48 inches |  |  |  |
| 24 inches |  |  |  |
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Part 2

| \# of bounces | Trial 1 | Trial 2 | Trial 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 48 inches <br> Dropped |  |  |  |
| 48 inches <br> Dribbled/Pushed |  |  |  |
| 24 inches |  |  |  |
| Dropped |  |  |  |$\quad$| 24 inches |  |  |
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| Dribbled/Pushed |  |  |

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## Gravity and Push Force

GRADES 3-5

## QUESTIONS:

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## Module

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## Materials Needed

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## Sequence of Lesson

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Engage: Allow students to dribble the ball. Ask them the following: How does dribbling work? Why does the ball bounce back up? What variables would affect the ball's ability to bounce?

Explore: Using the student's engaged responses, or the following questions: How do different surfaces affect the ball bouncing? How does the amount of air in the ball affect the ball bounce? Allow students to design an experiment to test their questions. In lieu of students designing an experiment, you can use the following:

- Students conduct experiments measuring the total height, number, and duration of a bouncing basketball dropped from a variety of heights, and attempt to identify patterns in the behavior of the ball.

1. With a small group or a partner, find a hard surface next to a wall (Control Variable).
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6. Using the same ball and surface, repeat steps $4-6$, but this time from a height of 24 inches (Independent Variable).
7. Repeat each trial 3-5 times.

Explain: Explain to the students the force acting on the ball is gravity and is the normal force. Draw a force diagram for both dribbling and dropping the ball. Explain the reason why the ball bounces back up is because of Newton's Third Law -- for every action there is an equal and opposite reaction.

Elaborate: Ask students to think back to the experiment and collect data on the difference between bouncing and dribbling the ball.

Evaluate: Students should answer the following question: How does dropping the ball and dribbling the ball change how Newton's Third Law is demonstrated? (By dribbling the ball, the player adds a force with each bounce, plus gravity is acting on the ball. By dropping the ball, only gravity is acting on the ball -- less force on the dropped ball equals less reaction). Make a hypothesis on how bouncing the ball on a harder surface would change the forces acting on the ball.
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## STEM Jobs in Sports

- Athletic Material Scientist
- Equipment Manufacturer
- Sports Physiologist
- Athletic Quality Control Coordinator
- Facility Safety Engineer


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## Science of Basketball

GRADES 6-8

## Part 1

| \# of bounces | Trial 1 | Trial 2 | Trial 3 | Trial 4 | Trial 5 | Average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 48 inches |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 24 inches |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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Part 2

| \# of bounces | Trial 1 | Trial 2 | Trial 3 | Trial 4 | Trial 5 | Average |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 48 inches Dropped |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 48 inches Dribbled |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 24 inches <br> Dropped |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 24 inches Dribbled |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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## Science of Basketball

GRADES 6-8

## QUESTIONS:

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