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Curricular Requirements

- CR1a Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P1: Connecting Computing.
- See pages 2, 6, 8, 10, 11, 14
- CR1b Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P2: Creating Computational Artifacts.
- See pages 3, 4, 5, 7, 10, 14, 15
- CR1c Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P3: Abstracting.
- See pages 2, 4, 5, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16
- CR1d Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P4: Analyzing Problems and Artifacts.
- See pages 2, 5, 6, 10, 11, 14
- CR1e Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P5: Communicating (both orally and written).
- See pages 3, 6, 11
- CR1f Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P6: Collaborating.
- See pages 3, 4, 10, 11, 15
- CR2a Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 1: Creativity. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.
- See pages 2, 3, 10, 14
- CR2b Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 2: Abstraction. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.
- See pages 3, 4, 5, 10, 15
- CR2c Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 3: Data and Information. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.
- See page 11
- CR2d Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 4: Algorithms. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.
- See pages 3, 5



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- CR2e Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 5: Programming. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.
- See pages 4, 5, 7, 10, 14, 15, 16
- CR2f Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 6: The Internet. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.
- See pages 2, 6, 8
- CR2g Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 7: Global Impact. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.
- See pages 2, 6, 11
- CR3 Students are provided the required amount of class time to complete the AP Through-Course Assessment *Explore - Impact of Computing Innovations* Performance Task.
- See page 13
- CR4 Students are provided the required amount of class time to complete the AP Through-Course Assessment *Create - Applications from Ideas* Performance Task.
- See page 18

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Textbook: Dale, Nell and John Lewis. *Computer Science Illuminated*. 6th ed. Burlington, MA: Jones & Bartlett Learning, 2016. (CS Illuminated)

AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks

- *Explore – Impact of Computing Innovations*
- *Create – Applications from Ideas*

Additional Resource: APCSP Exam Reference Guide

During both semesters, emphasis will be placed on building computer science (CS) vocabulary from the APCSP Curriculum Framework, discussion of current topics in CS, and CS theory. Vocabulary building as well as learning objective concepts and essential knowledge statements will be taught through standing class protocols incorporated into a variety of individual and cooperative learning activities.

Unit #1: Semester 1/Week 1

Big Ideas: *Global Impact, Abstraction*

Text and Resources:

- CS Illuminated: Chapters 1-2
- “Activities,” *CS Unplugged: Computer Science Without a Computer*, CS Education Research Group at the University of Canterbury, NZ (CSU)
- “Binary Game,” *Cisco*, 2011 at cisco.com

Content Summary:

Introduction to APCSP

- Why is computer science relevant?
- What does computer science involve?
- How does CS impact my area(s) of interest?
- Man vs. Machine (CSU activity)
- Speaking Machine Language (CSU activity)
- Binary Game (Cisco and CSU)
- Abstraction all around us
- Innovation impact: Three things in a bag
- Vocabulary Unit #1 (Cooperative Learning Strategies)

Assessments:

Formative

1. Participation in activities including cooperative learning
2. Reflective writing: Innovation
3. Cisco game
4. CS Illuminated: Chapters 1-2 reading, activities, and discussion

Summative

1. Unit 1 reflection via Google form response
2. Binary counting quiz
3. Vocabulary #1 progress check

Sample Activities:

- During the first week of class, students participate in activities and discussions to form a basis for the CSP course: What computer science involves (CS), how CS impacts our lives, how CS shapes our innovations and activities, and more. LO 7.2.1[P1] [CR1a] [CR2g]
- We will create a wall of (1) abstraction in everyday life using visual examples and (2) WHY? – a list of why CS is relevant to our lives, careers, businesses, governments, etc. By semester two, the question mark “?” of the WHY? will be changed to a “!”: WHY! Because at this transition we will see that computer science is not only relevant but also exciting and deserves an exclamation. LO 2.1.1[P3], LO 7.1.1[P4] [CR1c] [CR2f]
- Students will be given a paper sack and asked to bring it back with three items inside that represent their past, present, and future in technology. The items can be actual devices/items or photos of the item. Students will share their innovations as way to introduce themselves and share innovations in computing. LO 1.2.5[P4] [CR1d] [CR2a]

[CR1a] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P1: Connecting Computing.

[CR2g] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 7: Global Impact. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

[CR1c] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P3: Abstracting.

[CR2f] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 6: The Internet. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

[CR1d] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P4: Analyzing Problems and Artifacts.

[CR2a] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 1: Creativity. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

Unit #2: Semester 1/Week 2***Big Idea: Algorithms*****Text and Resources:**

- CS Illuminated: Chapter 6
- “Google Maps,” *Google* at google.com
- Board games
- Lego NXT robot
- Sphero ball

Content Summary:

Computational Thinking

- Flowcharting
- Pseudocode

Programming to Solve a Problem

- Algorithms
 - ◇ Write algorithms in natural language
 - ◇ Evaluate algorithms
 - ◇ Think beyond “math” algorithms
- Abstraction
 - ◇ Consider how programs use abstractions
 - ◇ Abstractions illustrated by Google Maps
 - ◇ Evaluate abstractions and levels of abstraction in a program
- Lego NXT or Sphero
 - ◇ Program to move in a pattern (e.g., square, figure eight, circle)
 - ◇ Reflect on algorithm(s) used
 - ◇ Reflect on abstraction(s) used

Assessments:

Formative

1. Participation
2. Flowchart draft
3. Algorithm samples
4. Abstraction samples
5. CS Illuminated: Chapter 6 reading, activities, and discussion

Summative

1. Flowchart final version with pseudocode
2. Algorithm quiz
3. Programming project video (1 minute)
4. Programming code PDF
5. Programming flowchart draft
6. Vocabulary Unit #2 progress check

Sample Activities:

- Students will play board games in groups and create flow charts based on their game movements. Using the flowcharts, students will collaborate to write pseudocode. Board games useful to flowcharting include the following: Sorry, Trouble, Chutes & Ladders, Clue, Uno, Racko, and Mastermind. LO 4.1.2[P5], LO 5.1.3[P6] [CR1e] [CR1f]
- With a partner, students will use software to create digital versions of the flowcharts. The pairs will finish by translating the flowcharts into pseudocode. LO 1.2.2[P2], LO 2.2.1[P2], LO 4.1.2[P5] [CR1b] [CR1e] [CR2a] [CR2b] [CR2d]
- Students work collaboratively to complete a programming lab that solves a given problem. During the semi-guided lab, emphasis will be placed on the algorithm of the block-based code and the abstraction(s)

evident. A flowchart, one-minute video, and code PDF will be submitted by each team to demonstrate their program design and functionality. LO 2.2.3 [P3], LO 5.1.2 [P2], LO 5.1.3 [P6], LO 5.2.1 [P3]
[CR1c] [CR1b] [CR1f] [CR2b] [CR2e]

[CR1e] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P5: Communicating (both orally and written).

[CR1f] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P6: Collaborating.

[CR1b] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P2: Creating Computational Artifacts.

[CR2a] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 1: Creativity. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

[CR2b] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 2: Abstraction. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

[CR2d] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 4: Algorithms. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

[CR1c] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P3: Abstracting.

[CR2e] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 5: Programming. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

Unit #3: Semester 1/Weeks 3-4

Big Ideas: Programming, Abstraction

Text and Resources:

- “Snap!,” *University of California, Berkeley* at snap.berkeley.edu
- Windows Moviemaker, iMovie, or similar program

Content Summary:

- Introduction to block programming
- Days 1-4: Maze Game—Teacher guided and pair programming collaboration
- Days 5-8: Collaborative project enhancement to develop levels, start, and finish to game
- Days 9-10: Project demonstrations and presentations

Assessments:

Formative

1. Participation
2. Maze project: Submit link
3. Algorithm samples from Maze
4. Abstraction samples from Maze

Summative

1. Project video (1 minute)
2. Project code PDF with boxes as Performance Task (PT) requires
3. Reflection paragraph on collaborative or individual project similar to PT prompts

4. Vocabulary Unit #3 progress check (after Week 3)
5. Vocabulary test Units 1-3 (end of Week 4)

Sample Activity:

- Students will be introduced to block programming in Snap! and will be guided to create a Maze project during the first four days of the unit. Students may work individually or paired with a classmate. After the four-day teacher introduction and overview of the interface, students can work collaboratively or independently to create additional levels to the game. Students may wish to develop a theme for their maze game such as kitten finding yarn or princess finding frog to kiss. The ideas of student decision-making and time management will be introduced along with use of prior concepts of flowcharting, use of efficient algorithms, and abstraction development in programming. Students will present their final projects on Days 9-10 of the project. LO 2.2.1[P2], LO 2.2.2[P3], LO 4.2.4[P4], LO 5.1.1[P2], LO 5.1.2[P2], LO 5.3.1[P3] [CR1b] [CR1c] [CR1d] [CR2b] [CR2d] [CR2e]

[CR1b] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P2: Creating Computational Artifacts.

[CR1c] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P3: Abstracting.

[CR1d] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P4: Analyzing Problems and Artifacts.

[CR2b] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 2: Abstraction. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

[CR2d] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 4: Algorithms. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

[CR2e] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 5: Programming. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

Unit #4: Semester 1/Weeks 5-6***Big Idea: The Internet*****Text and Resources:**

- CS Illuminated: Chapter 15
- “Learn,” *Code Academy* at [codecademy.com](https://www.codecademy.com)

Content Summary:

- Introduction to the Internet
 - ◇ History of technology
 - ◇ Timeline of innovation, devices, and usage
 - ◇ Systems of the Internet
 - ◇ URL and IP address scavenger hunt
 - ◇ HTML: The language of the web; NOTE: Students will be encouraged to work on Code Academy HTML lessons for supplementary work in coding
 - ◇ Levels of abstraction on the Internet

Assessments:

Formative

1. Timeline notes and participation
2. Internet systems diagram
3. Packet simulation activity
4. HTML website activities
5. CS Illuminated: Chapter 15 reading, activities, and discussion

Summative

1. Finished web pages from HTML coding
2. Reflective writing from packet simulation activity
3. Reflective writing on impact of access to the Internet
4. Vocabulary Unit #4 progress check (end of Week 5)
5. Internet concepts quiz (end of Week 6)

Sample Activities:

- A packet simulation whole-class activity will be a two-day interactive activity. Students will have researched the role of various components/devices in packet movement and will simulate the role of each as assigned. Teacher-made “packets” will travel through the classroom “Internet” to see if all are correctly delivered and then assembled into the message as sent. At the end of the activity, students will write a short summary of the simulation, and how well it did or did not demonstrate the characteristics of the Internet. LO 6.2.1[P5], LO 6.2.2[P4] [CR1e] [CR1d] [CR2f]
- Students will be challenged to consider the Internet impact; what does access allow one to do or know when compared to those without access or without skills to utilize the Internet effectively? Students consider socioeconomic impact and global impact of access to technology. LO 7.4.1[P1] [CR1a] [CR2g]

[CR1e] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P5: Communicating (both orally and written).

[CR1d] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P4: Analyzing Problems and Artifacts.

[CR2f] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 6: The Internet. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

[CR1a] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P1: Connecting Computing.

[CR2g] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 7: Global Impact. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

Unit #5: Semester 1/Weeks 7-8**Big Ideas: Programming, Abstraction****Text and Resources:**

- CS Illuminated: Chapter 7
- “App Inventor,” MIT at appinventor.mit.edu

- “App Inventor Online Book 2,” *MIT* at appinventor.org
- Windows Moviemaker, iMovie, or similar program

Content Summary:

- Introduction to Block Programming
 - ◇ Days 1-4: Teacher guided doodle app
 - ◇ Days 5-8: Collaborative projects
 - ◇ Days 9-10: Project demonstrations and presentations
 - ◇ NOTE: Students will be required to submit code printed with red (algorithm) and blue (abstraction) rectangles indicating use of programming components

Assessments:

Formative

1. Participation
2. Doodle app project: Submit link
3. Code PDF with abstractions and algorithms identified
4. Explain in paragraph form the algorithm(s) and abstraction(s) in project as PT requires
5. CS Illuminated: Chapter 7 reading, activities, and discussion

Summative

1. Project video (1 minute)
2. Project code PDF with red/blue boxes as PT requires
3. Reflection paragraph on collaborative or individual project similar to PT prompts
4. Vocabulary Unit #5 progress check (end of Week 7)
5. Block programming objective test to include Snap! and AI with code segments

Sample Activity:

- Using App Inventor, students will create a Doodle drawing project during the first four days of the unit. After the four-day teacher introduction and overview of the interface, students will independently create another app of their choosing (from App Inventor’s online book) or from their own design. The ideas of student decision-making and time management will be discussed along with the use of prior concepts of flowcharting, efficient algorithms, and abstraction development in programming. Students will present their final projects on Days 9-10 of the project. Submission of artifacts will be meant to mimic PT components as a way to scaffold skill set development. LO 5.1.1 [P2] [CR1b] [CR2e]

[CR1b] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P2: Creating Computational Artifacts.

[CR2e] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 5: Programming. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

Unit #6: Semester 1/Weeks 9-10***Big Ideas: The Internet, Global Impact, Data and Information*****Text and Resources:**

- CS Illuminated: Chapters 16-17
- Caesar cipher websites
- *Imitation Game* movie: Select clips related to decryption of World War II Nazi messages and use of data obtained

Content Summary:

- The Impact of The Internet and Data
 - ◇ Cybersecurity
 - What is at risk?
 - Who keeps the data gate?
 - Hardware and software related to security
 - ◇ Cryptography
 - Caesar cipher
 - Huffman coding activity
 - Public key encryption
 - ◇ Models and Simulations
 - Connecting data to how devices and systems collect, feed, and use data
 - Data models used for decision making
 - Simulations used for predicting and anticipating errors

Assessments:

Formative

1. Caesar cipher activity: Create a cipher; decrypt a message from a classmate
2. Huffman coding guided activity
3. CS Illuminated: Chapters 16-17 reading, activities, and discussion

Summative

1. Reflective writing on ethical dilemmas related to access to data, security of data, and implications of data misuse
2. Vocabulary Unit #6 progress check (end of Week 9)
3. Internet concepts test (end of Week 10)
4. Vocabulary test, Units 4 and 6 (end of Week 9)

Sample Activity:

- Encrypted messages will be created by each student in Caesar cipher format and then decrypted by other students. In addition, examples from World War II and the Enigma machine provide a rich cross-curricular lesson in ethics, innovation, and algorithms. Finally, the Alice and Bob video examples can be used to discuss and analyze public key encryption. LO 6.3.1[P1] [CR1a] [CR2f]

[CR1a] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P1: Connecting Computing.

[CR2f] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 6: The Internet. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

Unit #7: Semester 1/Weeks 11-12

Big Ideas: Programming, Abstraction

Text and Resources:

- CS Illuminated: Chapter 8
- Python.org
- “jGRASP,” *Auburn University* at jgrasp.org
- “Learn,” *Code Academy* at codecademy.com or similar resource

Content Summary:

- Introduction to Text Programming
 - ◇ Days 1-4: Teacher guided simple programs with much direction on use of editor
 - ◇ Days 5-10: Student projects
 - ◇ Variables
 - Types, integers, and real numbers
 - Self-defining
 - Using to create algorithms
 - ◇ Operators
 - +, -, /, *, =
 - Boolean
 - Conditional statements
 - ◇ Abstraction and Algorithm Use
 - Basic calculator project

Assessments:

Formative

1. Participation
2. Python projects
3. Code PDF with abstractions and algorithms identified
4. Explain in paragraph form the algorithm(s) and abstraction(s) in project as PT requires
5. CS Illuminated: Chapter 8 reading, activities, and discussion

Summative

1. Calculator project video (1 minute)
2. Calculator project code PDF with red/blue boxes as PT requires
3. Vocabulary Unit #7 progress check (end of Week 11)
4. Vocabulary test, Units 5 and 7 (end of Week 12)
5. Python free response quiz (end of Week 12)

Sample Activities:

- Students will be introduced to text programming language using Python. Emphasis will be placed on how the code components “look in block vs. look in text.” Students will use variables and levels of abstraction

to create a basic calculator program using Python. Students will teach each other's calculators for correctness. Submission of artifacts will be meant to mimic PT components as a way to scaffold skill set development. LO 2.2.2[P3], LO 5.3.1[P3], LO 5.4.1[P4], LO 5.5.1[P1] [CR1c] [CR1d] [CR1a] [CR2b] [CR2e]

- Students will work in collaborative teams to create either a checker set of chips or chess set. Depending on the size of the team, students will be assigned a number of game pieces to design based on the group's chosen theme. Various computer-aided design (CAD) programs may be used for this group project based on student selection. Creativity, exploration of innovation, and collaboration are the main areas of focus of this four-week secondary class activity. Student projects will be displayed. LO 1.1.1[P2], LO 1.2.4[P6] [CR1b] [CR1f] [CR2a]

[CR1c] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P3: Abstracting.

[CR1d] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P4: Analyzing Problems and Artifacts.

[CR1a] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P1: Connecting Computing.

[CR2b] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 2: Abstraction. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

[CR2e] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 5: Programming. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

[CR1b] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P2: Creating Computational Artifacts.

[CR1f] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P6: Collaborating.

[CR2a] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 1: Creativity. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

Unit #8: Semester 1/Weeks 13-14

Big Ideas: Data and Information, Global Impact

Text and Resources:

- CS Illuminated: Chapters 3, 18

Content Summary:

- Data Systems
 - ◇ Collection
 - ◇ Storage
 - ◇ Management on devices
 - ◇ Management on systems
 - ◇ Management on cloud
 - ◇ Evaluate need for scalability of systems
 - ◇ Ethical issues related to data
 - ◇ Legal requirements (HIPAA, FERPA, copyright, Creative Commons)
 - ◇ Impact of data

- ◇ Models and simulations
 - Innovation
 - Crisis planning
 - Research and development

Assessments:

Formative

1. Filter, sort, and search a data set
2. Cloud use research (student presentations)
3. Ethical issue presentations
4. CS Illuminated: Chapters 3 and 18 reading, activities, and discussion

Summative

1. Reflective writing on ethical dilemmas related to access to data, security of data, and implications of data misuse
2. Vocabulary Unit #8 progress check (end of Week 9)
3. Data unit test including Unit 8 vocabulary (end of Week 10)

Sample Activities:

- Students will research and write a report about how data management is impacted by society’s need for data (e.g., how is data accessed by devices, where is data collected and used by businesses, what data tells about a person’s lifestyle). Students will verify the validity of the information sources and provide the respective citations and references. The report will also include legal issues related to data management. Innovations such as Netflix, Twitter, Instagram, and targeted marketing are topics that will fit well into this assignment. LO 3.1.3[P5], LO 7.2.1[P1], LO 7.3.1[P4], LO 7.5.1[P1], LO 7.5.2 [P5] **[CR1e] [CR1a] [CR1d] [CR2c] [CR2g]**
- Students will collaboratively filter, sort, and select data from a public data set. LO 3.1.2[P6], LO 3.2.1[P1], LO 3.2.2[P3] **[CR1f] [CR1a] [CR1c] [CR2c]**

[CR1e] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P5: Communicating (both orally and written).

[CR1a] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P1: Connecting Computing.

[CR1d] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P4: Analyzing Problems and Artifacts.

[CR2c] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 3: Data and Information. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

[CR2g] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 7: Global Impact. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

[CR1f] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P6: Collaborating.

[CR1c] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P3: Abstracting.

Unit #9: Semester 1/Week 15***Big Ideas: Data and Information, Global Impact*****Text and Resources:**

- AP Computer Science Principles Performance Task (PT) *Explore - Impact of Computing Innovations*.

Content Summary:

- Mock *Explore* Performance Task
 - ◇ Possible topics may include:
 - Google glass
 - Police body cameras
 - 3D printer technology
 - Tesla car
- NOTE: Topics students wish to use for their PT submission should NOT be used for the class Mock PT project.

Assessments:

Formative

1. Research about the innovation; discussion and informal presentation
2. Participation

Summative

1. Video artifact as outlined in *Explore* PT
2. Team written submission of one *Explore* PT prompt as assigned

Sample Activity:

- Students will work as a whole-class group and two-to-three person teams to create a Mock *Explore* PT. A teacher-given topic will be used to allow students to work through the performance task components while experiencing the expectation of the project. Emphasis will be placed on student understanding of the PT prompts and deliverable components. Each student small team will be assigned one prompt to write after whole class research and discussion. Additionally each team will create a one-minute video about the class topic. The teacher will assemble the written submissions into one final PT document. Using the College Board rubric, the class will work collaboratively to “score” the written document while each team completes a self-assessment on their video artifact. This will give students experience with the rubric language and scoring.

Unit #10: Semester 1/Weeks 16-17***Big Ideas: Data and Information, Global Impact*****Text and Resources:**

- AP Computer Science Principles Performance Task *Explore - Impact of Computing Innovations*.

Content Summary:

- *Explore* PT

Assessments:

Formative

1. Research about the innovation; discussion and informal presentation
2. Participation

Summative

1. Project deliverables submission to the College Board

Sample Activity:

- Students will complete the *Explore* Performance Task as outlined. Two class weeks or 10 days of 48 minutes each (total of 480 minutes or 8 hours) will be provided in accordance with the College Board project parameters. During these class lab days, the teacher will ensure that students are progressing toward PT completion and that there is understanding of the PT components using the Mock PT experience as a foundation for comparison. **[CR3]**

[CR3] — Students are provided the required amount of class time to complete the AP Through-Course Assessment *Explore - Impact of Computing Innovations* Performance Task.

NOTE: Week 18 is Semester Exam week (no new content)

End of Semester 1 Syllabus and Pacing Guide

Unit #11: Semester 2/Weeks 1-3***Big Idea: Programming*****Text and Resources:**

- CS Illuminated: Chapter 8
- “Snap!,” *University of California, Berkeley* at snap.berkeley.edu
- Python.org
- “jGRASP,” *Auburn University* at jgrasp.org
- APCSP Exam Reference Guide

Content Summary:

- Advanced Programming Concepts
 - ◇ Loops/Iteration
 - ESPN song in Snap!
 - Revise calculator file from Unit 7 to include a loop feature

- ◇ Strings
 - Use of strings
- ◇ Lists
 - Hangman game in Python

Assessments:

Formative

1. Participation
2. Algorithm analysis
3. Exam reference guide explanation with block and text code
4. Code PDF with abstractions and algorithms identified
5. Explain in paragraph form the algorithm(s) and abstraction(s) in project as PT requires
6. CS Illuminated: Chapter 8 reading, activities, and discussion

Summative

1. Project submission
2. Free response quiz (end of Week 2)
3. Advanced concept programming application test (end of Week 3)

Sample Activities:

- Students will revise their own calculator project from Unit 7 to include procedures as well as a loop feature for “play again” yes or no. LO 1.2.3[P2], LO 5.3.1[P3] [CR1b] [CR1c] [CR2a] [CR2e]
- Students will use starter code to edit and develop a hangman game in Python. LO 5.2.1[P3], LO 5.4.1[P4], LO 5.5.1[P1] [CR1c] [CR1d] [CR1a] [CR2e]

[CR1b] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P2: Creating Computational Artifacts.

[CR1c] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P3: Abstracting.

[CR2a] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 1: Creativity. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

[CR2e] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 5: Programming. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

[CR1d] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P4: Analyzing Problems and Artifacts.

[CR1a] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P1: Connecting Computing.

Unit #12: Semester 2/Weeks 4-6***Big Idea: Programming*****Text and Resources:**

- CS Illuminated: Chapter 9
- “Java Software,” *Oracle* at oracle.com

- “jGRASP,” *Auburn University* at jgrasp.org
- APCSP Exam Reference Guide

Content Summary:

- Java Programming
 - ◇ Introduction to hybrid structure of Java
 - ◇ Introduction to object-oriented programming (OOP)
 - ◇ Classes and methods
 - ◇ Data types
 - ◇ Review of programming concepts in Java syntax
 - ◇ Graphic programming using applets
 - ◇ Inheritance
 - ◇ Modulus

Assessments:

Formative

1. Participation
2. Algorithm analysis
3. Activity completion
4. Code PDF with abstractions and algorithms identified
5. Explain in paragraph form the algorithm(s) and abstraction(s) in project as PT requires
6. CS Illuminated: Chapter 9 reading, activities, and discussion

Summative

1. Project submission
2. Java free response quiz (end of Week 5)
3. Java programming application test (end of Week 6)
4. Programming, algorithm, and abstraction vocabulary test (from Units 3, 5, 7 from Semester 1)

Sample Activity:

- Java programming will be introduced to students in this three-week unit. Students will complete several guided activities with the teacher and then will work in pair programming collaborations and individually to complete projects. Graphic projects will be used to introduce students to the use of methods and parameters in Java and to allow students to create works of art. Pair programming will be used during teacher-guided instruction and class activities. LO 2.2.2 [P3], LO 5.1.1[P2], LO 5.1.3[P6] [CR1c] [CR1b] [CR1f] [CR2b] [CR2e]

[CR1c] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P3: Abstracting.

[CR1b] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P2: Creating Computational Artifacts.

[CR1f] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P6: Collaborating.

[CR2b] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 2: Abstraction. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

[CR2e] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 5: Programming. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

Unit #13: Semester 2/Week 7

Big Ideas: Abstraction, Programming

Text and Resources:

- “Snap!,” *University of California, Berkeley* at snap.berkeley.edu
- Python.org
- “Java Software,” *Oracle* at oracle.com
- “jGRASP,” *Auburn University* at jgrasp.org
- APCSP Exam Reference Guide

Content Summary:

- Advanced Programming Concepts
 - ◇ Layers of abstraction
 - ◇ Program design
 - ◇ Algorithms
 - ◇ Collaborative troubleshooting
 - ◇ Libraries and APIs

Assessments:

Formative

1. Participation
2. Algorithm analysis
3. Abstraction analysis

Summative

1. Project submission

Sample Activity:

- Working with starter code and an API, students will create a complicated program and evaluate the algorithms, abstractions, and design of the program for efficiency and reliability. LO 5.2.1[P3], LO 5.3.1[P3] [CR1c] [CR2e]

[CR1c] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives connected to Computational Thinking Practice P3: Abstracting.

[CR2e] — Students are provided with opportunities to meet learning objectives within Big Idea 5: Programming. Such opportunities must occur in addition to the AP Computer Science Principles Performance Tasks.

Unit #14: Semester 2/Weeks 8-9

Big Ideas: Creativity, Abstraction, Algorithms, Programming

Text and Resources:

- “Snap!,” *University of California, Berkeley* at snap.berkeley.edu
- Python.org

- “App Inventor,” *MIT* at appinventor.mit.edu
- “Java Software,” *Oracle* at oracle.com
- “jGRASP,” *Auburn University* at jgrasp.org
- Windows Moviemaker, iMovie, or similar program
- AP Computer Science Principles Performance Task *Create – Applications from Ideas*

Content Summary:

- Mock *Create* Performance Task
 - ◊ Possible topics may include:
 - Rock-paper-scissors project
 - Advanced calculator project
 - Hangman game (Snap! or AI)
- NOTE: Project(s) used for the Mock *Create* PT should NOT be used or enhanced for *Create* PT individual or collaborative submissions.

Assessments:

Formative

1. Participation
2. Collaboration reflection

Summative

1. Mock PT project submission
2. Self-assessment of group project
3. Individual reflection on group project

Sample Activity:

- Students will work in two-to-three person teams to create a Mock *Create* Performance Task. A teacher-given topic will be used to allow students to work through the performance task components while experiencing the expectation of the project. Emphasis will be placed on student understanding of the PT prompts and deliverable components. Student groups may select the programming language for their project from Snap!, AI, Java, or Python. Each student small team will be dividing the written components and deliverables to produce one document for each team. Additionally each team will create a one-minute video demonstrating execution of their finished project. Using the College Board rubric, the class will work collaboratively to “score” the written documents while each team completes a self-assessment on their video artifact. This will give students experience with the rubric language and scoring.

Unit #15: Semester 2/Weeks 10-13***Big Ideas: Creativity, Abstraction, Algorithms, Programming*****Text and Resources:**

- “Snap!,” *University of California, Berkeley* at snap.berkeley.edu
- Python.org
- “App Inventor,” *MIT* at appinventor.mit.edu
- “Java Software,” *Oracle* at oracle.com
- “jGRASP,” *Auburn University* at jgrasp.org

- Windows Moviemaker, iMovie, or similar program
- AP Computer Science Principles Performance Task *Create – Applications from Ideas*

Content Summary:

- *Create* Performance Task
 - ◇ Weeks 10-11: Collaborative portion
 - ◇ Weeks 12-13: Individual portion

Assessments:

Formative

1. Collaborative participation
2. Individual completion

Summative

1. Deliverable component submission to the College Board

Sample Activity:

- Students will complete the *Create* Performance Task as outlined. Three class weeks or 15 days of 48 minutes each (for a total of 720 minutes or 12 hours) will be provided in accordance with the College Board project parameters. During these class lab days, the teacher will ensure that students are progressing toward PT completion and that there is understanding of the PT components using the Mock PT experience as a foundation for comparison. **[CR4]**

[CR4] — Students are provided the required amount of class time to complete the AP Through-Course Assessment *Create - Applications from Ideas* Performance Task.

Unit #16: Semester 2/Weeks 14-16

Big Ideas: Creativity, Abstraction, Data and Information, Algorithms, Programming, The Internet, Global Impact

Text and Resources:

- CS Illuminated: Chapter 18
- Exam Reference Guide for APCSP

Content Summary:

- Review of AP CSP Concepts, all learning objectives, essential knowledge statements, and vocabulary units

Assessments:

Formative

1. Review of concepts
2. CS Illuminated: Chapter 18 reading, activities, and discussion

Summative

1. Vocabulary test on all key terms: Self-test for mastery
2. APCSP Practice Exam

Sample Activity:

- Class time after completion of the *Create* PT will focus on student review of course terminology and concepts in preparation for the AP exam. Small group and cooperative learning strategies will be used during the review of course content. The Exam Reference Guide will guide review of programming concepts in block and text syntax. Students will evaluate code samples from projects completed during the course and others provided by the teacher.

NOTE: The APCSP Exam will be in the testing window around Weeks 14-16. Weeks 17-18 (after the AP Exam) will be spent on student individual projects in the language of choice.

End of Semester 2 Syllabus and Pacing Guide
