

[OpenSciEd](#) is a middle school pilot program for freely available high quality science instructional materials. To support school systems, schools, and teachers in ensuring continuous engagement with high quality science curriculum in remote and hybrid school settings, the Department has released guidance for OpenSciEd Grades 6-8.

Each support document includes links to remote learning resources, lesson set overviews, detailed lesson-by-lesson guidance and printable lesson documents. A recorded [webinar](#) and [slide deck](#) are available to walk teachers through these resources.

Grade 6						
Distance Learning Support	6.1 Light and Matter	8.1 Contact Forces <i>(field test unit)</i>	8.2 Sound Waves	8.3 Forces at a Distance	8.4 Earth in Space <i>(field test unit)</i>	6.6 Cells and Systems <i>(field test unit)</i>
Unit Materials	Complete Unit	Complete Unit	Complete Unit	Complete Unit	Complete Unit	Complete Unit

Grade 7						
Distance Learning Support	6.2 Thermal Energy	6.3 Weather, Climate, and Water Cycling	7.1 Chemical Reactions & Matter	7.3 Metabolic Reactions	7.4 Matter Cycling & Photosynthesis	7.5 Ecosystem Dynamics <i>(field test unit)</i>
Unit Materials	Complete Unit	Complete Unit	Complete Unit	Complete Unit	Complete Unit	Complete Unit

Grade 8						
Distance Learning Support	6.4 Plate Tectonics & Rock Cycling <i>(field test unit)</i>	6.5 Natural Hazards <i>(field test unit)</i>	7.2 Energy in Chemical Reactions	7.6 Natural Resources <i>(field test unit)</i>	8.5 Genetics <i>(field test unit)</i>	8.6 Natural Selection <i>(field test unit)</i>
Unit Materials	Complete Unit	Complete Unit	Complete Unit	Complete Unit	Complete Unit	Complete Unit