

Vertical Alignment of Force and Motion

highlights key concepts and student expectations to assist educators in implementing the science Texas Essential I nowledge and Skills (TEKS). The vertical progression of a concept within the science TEKS is provided along with a side-by-side v ew of the changes implemented in 2024.

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Middle School

Level of Study	Prior Science TEKS	TEKS Implemented in 2024
Grade 6	8.6.A demonstrate and calculate how unbalanced forces change the speed or direction of an object's motion;	 6.7.A identify and explain how forces act on objects, including gravity, friction, magnetism, applied forces, and normal forces, using real- world applications; 6.7.B calculate the net force on an object in a horizontal or vertical direction using diagrams and determine if the forces are balanced or unbalanced; 6.7.C identify simultaneous force pairs that are equal in magnitude and opposite in direction that result from the interactions between objects using Newton's Third Law of Motion.
	6.11.B understand that gravity	

High School

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Integrated Physics and Chemistry (IPC)	IPC.4.D describe and calculate the relationship between force, mass, and acceleration using equipment such as dynamic carts, moving toys, vehicles, and falling objects;	IPC.5.B analyze data to explain the relationship between mass and acceleration in terms of the net force on an object in one dimension using force diagrams, tables, and graphs;
	IPC.4.G examine electrical force as a universal force between any two charged objects	IPC.5.D describe the nature of the four fundamental forces: gravitation; electromagnetic; the strong and weak nuclear forces, including fission and fusion; and mass-energy equivalency;
	Phy.4.D calculate the effect of forces on objects, including the law of inertia , the relationship between force and acceleration, and the nature of force pairs between objects using methods , including free-body force diagrams. S21.r Phy.5.C describe and calculate how the magnitude of the magnitude of the magnitude.	1 Tw 46 1 8 g .C .C 0mag6-01 Twn- s21.r ag