CAPSTONE: 2012 (Enter Name of Capstone)

PHASE 1: DETERMINING THE BIG IDEA

1. Capstone Big Idea:

The **big idea** of the capstone is clearly articulated in one of the following forms: concept, theme, theory, issue, problem, process, paradox, perspective



2. Trans-disciplinary Curriculum Web: Identify the team members that will participate on the creation of the Capstone / Big Idea. This should consist of building level disciplines but may extend other grade level courses. (Ex. Government, American History and Government)





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3. Essential Questions

What Essential Questions/ Critical Problem encourages students to uncover/probe deeper into knowledge in all six disciplines? How do we engage our students around the concept of _____? Should be evident in all the Units.

Selected Questions	Questions to consider (Brainstorm)
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4. Capstone Breakdown

Pencil in titles that would break down the Big Ideas into smaller Project Based Units. The units would have individual end products/projects that each has essential questions, specified subject area benchmarks, mastery learning goals, project rubrics, and learning activities.



Setting up the Capstone Breakdown:



Identified benchmarks that are addressed in this activity and align with the unit project



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5. Subject Matter Goals:

Develop subject matter goals for the capstone. How does your content connect to the big idea?

Example: English Language Arts: Reading: Reading comprehension on metaphorical light through short fiction Writing: Display Description Panel, Lesson Plan Speaking: Lesson Teaching, Timing, Public Speaking Listening:GE Presentations on light

English Language Arts:
Math Goals:
Science Goals
Engineering Goals
Social Studies Goals
Chinese Goals





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PHASE 2: Operationalizing

6. Benchmark Alignment/ Trans-disciplinary Project Based Units

Content Standards and Benchmarks that were identified for the CAPSTONE that have natural disciplinary connections and are overlapping in theme, ideas, topics, etc.

The benchmarks codes will be concatenated together and placed in the first column of the unit rubric.

Benchmark(s)	Mastery Learning Goals	Exceeding	Mastery	Reaching	Basic
(Code)		4	3	2	1
SCI INQR 9-10 A SCI KNWG 9-10 D SCI KNWG 11-12 C		Phase 3	Phase 3	Phase 3	Phase 3

ELA - English Language Arts

Unit Title	Benchmark Code	Benchmark

SCIENCE

Unit Title	Benchmark Code	Benchmark

MATH

UNIT Title	Benchmark Code	Benchmark



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ENGINEERING

UNIT Title	Benchmark Code	Benchmark

SOCIAL STUDIES

Benchmark Code	Benchmark
	Benchmark Code



7. Creation of Mastery Learning Goals - Unit

The identified capstone benchmarks should be operationalized as capstone Mastery Learning Goals that describe clearly the expected student performance aligned to the benchmarks. These Mastery Learning Goals will be plugged into the units' project rubrics.

Mastery Learning Goals = What does it look like when students demonstrate mastery of the benchmarks in the project? Example:

Benchmark(s)	Mastery Learning Goals	Exceeding	Mastery	Reaching	Basic
(Code)		4	3	2	1
SCI INQR 9-10 A SCI KNWG 9-10 D SCI KNWG 11-12 C	Students will apply the processes of scientific investigation/inquiry, citizenship, and social action by creating teaching models, lesson plans, and learning activities to teach a class about light, cells, and the energy pyramid.	Phase 3	Phase 3	Phase 3	Phase 3

8. Unit - Performance Criteria (Rubrics):

You can use a holistic rubric or a criterion rubric to measure your performance assessment. Insert your rubric below the samples provided. The scale is an example, but you can design the scale and criteria that best fits your intended outcomes. The capstone's mastery learning goals are deconstructed and represented in a rubric that describes clear, scaffolded performance criteria for the demo of mastery learning, as well as, learning that goes beyond mastery, approaches mastery, or is basic to mastery.

Benchmark(s)	Mastery Learning	Exceeding	Mastery	Reaching	Basic
(Code)	Goals	4	3	2	1
SCI INQR 9-10 A SCI KNWG 9-10 D SCI KNWG 11-12 C	Students will apply the processes of scientific investigation/inquiry, citizenship, and social action by creating teaching models, lesson plans, and learning activities to teach a class about light, cells, and the energy pyramid.	Student's reflection assessment explains their role as a student and a citizen of Cleveland within this project. Student's design process document is 100% complete.	Student's reflection assessment explains their role as a student and a citizen of Cleveland within this project. Student's design process document is 90% complete.	Student's reflection assessment explains their role as a student and a citizen of Cleveland within this project. Student's design process document is 70% complete.	Student's reflection assessment explains their role as a student and a citizen of Cleveland within this project. Student's design process document is < 50% complete.

9. Unit Rubrics:

Unit rubrics are on a seperate google document that is very similar to to Microsoft Excel. Complete the rubric by pasting appropriate information from this document into the google excel document.

LINK: Patterns and People RUBRIC



Tabs for each unit / project are located at the bottom of page.

PHASE 3: Assessment Development



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8. Unit – Assessments & Reflection

Formative assessments of student performance on learning activities are designed into the capstone and units to provide data that determines learning activities and their pacing, as well as, the provision of remediation/extension opportunities - to insure successful performance of the mastery learning goals

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Formative (During project)

Checklists, flowcharts, concept maps, mock/practice, quizzes/tests, Journal, outlines,

Summative (End of Project)

Conference, Gallery Walk, Presentation of Work,

Unit Title	Unit Projects	Group Assessments (deliverables)	Individual Assessments (deliverables)	Product / Performance Assessment (Exhibition of Work)	Reflection Methods: Journal,discussion, survey, portfolio, focus group Why
	What	Who & How	Who & How	How & Where	



PHASE 4: Choreography of Learning

9. Unit - Learning Activities

The learning activities within the capstone (as well as their sequence and pacing) provide adequate scaffolding / differentiation to facilitate successful performance of the mastery learning goals in both project time and class time.

9a. Entry Event: Launch inquiry, kick-off event, "the hook"

9b. Community Resources and Partnerships: Mentors, speakers, authentic assessment

9c. Capstone Vocabulary:

English	Science	Math	Social Studies	Engineering	
insert vocabulary words here	insert vocabulary words here	insert vocabulary words here	insert vocabulary words here	insert vocabulary words here	insert vocabulary words here



10. Resources Needed:

Unit 1:

Facilities / Venues	Equipment	Materials	Purchased Supplies

Unit 2:

Facilities / Venues	Equipment	Materials	Purchased Supplies

Unit 3:

Facilities / Venues	Equipment	Materials	Purchased Supplies



11. **Project Time Calendar** - Sequencing of Instruction

Project Week: 1

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Project Week: 2

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Project Week: 3

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Project Week: 4

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Project Week: 7

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Project Week: 9

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Project Week: 10

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12. Resources and Links

Articles about Capstone Theme

Description	Link

Project Resources

Description	Link

Others articles, links, resources:

Description	Link

Others:

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