





# **WELDING FABRICATION**



SkillsUSA Championships Technical Standards

## **PURPOSE**

To evaluate each competitor's preparation for employment and to recognize outstanding students for excellence and professionalism in the field of welding fabrication.

First, download and review the General Regulations at <u>updates.skillsusa.org</u>.

# **ELIGIBILITY (TEAM OF THREE)**

Open to a team of three (3) active SkillsUSA members from the same local chapter (school) enrolled in programs with welding as an occupational objective. Each state may send one high school and one college/postsecondary team. A full team must be registered. See General Regulations for more information about substitution and penalty rules.

## **CLOTHING REQUIREMENTS**

### Class I: Competition Specific — Welding | Welding Fabrication

- Official SkillsUSA khaki long-sleeve work shirt (100% cotton as per OSHA regulations)
- Khaki pants (100% cotton as per OSHA regulations)
- Black, brown, or tan work shoes

**Note:** Safety glasses must have side shields or goggles meeting ANSI/ISEA Z87.1 2020. (Prescription safety glasses may be used only if they are equipped with side shields. If not, they must be covered with goggles.)

These regulations refer to SkillsUSA Championships Clothing Classifications that are pictured and described at <a href="mailto:skillsusastore.org">skillsusastore.org</a>. If you have questions about competition uniforms, call the SkillsUSA Store at 888-501-2183.

*Note:* Competitors must wear their official competition clothing to the competition orientation.

## SAFETY INSTRUCTION AND VERIFICATION OF TRAINING

Each individual competitor must submit online a copy of the team's letter from the appropriate school official (i.e., CTE administrator, principal, instructor, etc.) on school letterhead which simply states:

"I certify that [competitor's name] meets the safety training requirements as outlined in the national technical standards for the SkillsUSA Championships Welding Fabrication competition. Both the instructor(s) and the competitor certify that [competitor's name] has received instruction and has satisfactorily passed examination on the safe use of equipment that may be used in the competition. We understand that competitors will be removed from competition if proper training has not been provided, and/or they are using the equipment in an unsafe manner. Signed, [school official]."

Both the instructor and the competitor certify by agreeing to enter this competition that SkillsUSA Inc., the national technical committee and national judges are released from all responsibilities relating to personal injury resulting from their use. Competitors will be removed from competition if proper training is not provided and/or the equipment is used unsafely.

See "Online Submission Requirements" below for guidelines.

## **EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS**

- 1. Supplied by the technical committee:
  - a. All necessary welding equipment and materials.
  - b. All drawings and procedures
  - c. Power tools needed for the competition.
  - d. Some tools will be provided; please review the updated list on the SkillsUSA website at updates.skillsusa.org.
- 2. Supplied by the competitor team:
  - a. Hearing and/or ear protection
  - b. Welding helmet with appropriate filter plate/lens and protective cover plate/lens in a flip or slide front. Auto darkening shields are permissible.
  - c. Spare spatter and filter lenses/plates for arc welding helmet and oxy acetylene goggles.
  - d. Pocket calculator
  - e. Lead pencil and/or ballpoint pen
  - f. Soapstone with holder
  - g. Scribe with magnet
  - h. Combination square set
  - i. Fillet weld gauge
  - j. Center punch
  - k. Chipping hammer with or without wire brush
  - 1. Stainless-steel wire brush

- m. 4 ½ inch grinder
- n. All competitors must create and submit online a one-page single sided resume. See "Online Submission Requirements" below for guidelines.
- o. All competitors must submit online a copy of the team's letter identifying their program of study or course(s) and their state's applicable aligned career cluster(s). See "Online Submission Requirements" below for guidelines.

*Note:* All national competitors must also check for competition-specific updates and/or competitor preparation instructions on the SkillsUSA website at updates.skillsusa.org.

## **PROHIBITED DEVICES**

Cellphones, electronic watches and/or other electronic devices not approved by a competition's national technical committee are *NOT* allowed in the competition area. Please follow the guidelines in each technical standard for approved exceptions. Technical committee members may also approve exceptions onsite during the SkillsUSA Championships if deemed appropriate.

#### **Penalties for Prohibited Devices**

If a competitor's electronic device makes noise or if the competitor is seen using it at any time during the competition, an official report will be documented for review by the Director of the SkillsUSA Championships. If confirmed that the competitor used the device in a manner which compromised the integrity of the competition, the competitor's scores may be removed.

## ONLINE SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

All SkillsUSA national competitors must submit their one-page single sided resume online. The deadline and link for online submissions will be published on <u>updates.skillsusa.org</u>. Failure to submit any of the required online submission document(s) listed below by the established deadline will result in a 10-point penalty for each missing document.

- 1. One-page single sided resume
- 2. Safety verification letter

Your submissions must be saved as individual PDF file types using the file name format of "Your Last Name\_Your First Name\_DocumentType." For example, "Amanda Smith" would save the individual PDF submissions files as:

- Smith Amanda Resume
- Smith Amanda Safety

## **SCOPE OF THE COMPETITION**

The scope of the competition is defined by industry standards as identified by the following companies: American Welding Society Inc., Harris Products Group, Hobart Brothers Co., Lincoln Electric Co., Linweld Inc., and Miller Electric Manufacturing Co. All drawings, welding symbols, and welding terms conform to the latest edition of the American Welding Society (AWS) standards.

#### **KNOWLEDGE PERFORMANCE**

The competition will include a test that assesses practical knowledge of welding, including safety, measurement, and blueprint reading. Other common fabrication operations will also be assessed, such as saw operation, drilling, grinding, and material handling. Competitors are also required to take the SkillsUSA Professional Development Test.

### **SKILL PERFORMANCE**

The skill performance assessment includes the completion of a metal project and a demonstration of the ability to weld carbon steel, aluminum, or a stainless-steel project in various positions using a variety of filler metals. Competitors will be involved in completing a metal project involving various manufacturing methods.

#### **COMPETITION GUIDELINES**

- Competitors must correctly use the welding equipment during the competition. The
  competition chair and competition coordinator may stop competitors at any section of the
  competition if they deem a competitor's manner to be hazardous to either themselves or
  others. Such a stoppage shall disqualify the participant from that section of the competition.
  If the competitor is warned a second time, they will be disqualified as a competition
  participant.
- 2. While the competition is in progress, there shall be no communication between the competing teams or anyone else, except as directed by a judge, competition coordinator or competition chair. It is expected that team members will communicate with each other.
- 3. Time limits will be established on the competition procedure sheets for all segments of the test.
- 4. Evaluation of the completed project will be judged visually. Nondestructive and/or destructive tests may be used to complete the project evaluation.
- 5. Welding and cutting operation instructions will be specified in drawings and procedure sheets provided to the competitors.
- 6. Welding equipment used in the competition may be obtained from a variety of manufacturers and may include transformers, rectifiers, and/or inverters.
- 7. Filler metals will be compatible with the metals being welded and will be detailed on the competition procedure sheet. Instructions to the competitors will define more specifically the filler metals that may be used.
- 8. Welds will be evaluated visually using a rating system as established by the SkillsUSA technical committee. Nondestructive and/or destructive tests may be used to complete the project evaluation.
- 9. Final judging of the welded projects will be evaluated according to the difficulty of the assigned task and by using the following visual inspection criteria: dimensional accuracy, including distortion; conformity to drawing requirements, including determination of whether all welds have been completed and whether the finished welds conform to the required size and contour; and visual examination of the welds for cracks, undercut, overlap, crater fill, spatter, arc strikes, porosity, convexity, and reinforcement.

#### STANDARDS AND COMPETENCIES

## WF 1.0 — Identify safety standards on a test in accordance with ANSI Z49.

- 1.1. Demonstrate proper use and inspection of equipment used for protection of personnel.
- 1.2. Model proper work area operation.
- 1.3. Demonstrate proper use and inspection of equipment used for ventilation.
- 1.4. Demonstrate proper Hot Zone operation.
- 1.5. Demonstrate proper procedures for working in confined spaces.
- 1.6. Understand precautionary labeling.
- 1.7. Model proper use and inspection of equipment used for each required welding or thermal cutting process.

### WF 2.0 — Demonstrate an understanding of practical measurement.

- 2.1. Identify basic metal-working tools used in measuring.
- 2.2. Use visual measuring tools to accuracy of  $\frac{1}{64}$  of an inch.
- 2.3. Employ the components of a combination square set.
- 2.4. Use layout and marking tools as required.
- 2.5. Determine wire feed speed as indicated on drawing.

### WF 3.0 — Read and interpret blueprints.

- 3.1. Apply information found in the information block of the drawing.
- 3.2. Read and understand three-dimensional drawings.
- 3.3. Identify the basic views used in blueprints including assembly, detail and fit-up drawings.
- 3.4. Identify common types of lines, abbreviations and symbols in accordance with national drawing standards (ANSI).
- 3.5. Identify basic welding symbols and components of a symbol (such as arrow, reference line, tail, size or length) in accordance with the current national welding symbol standard, AWS A 2.4, current edition.

# WF 4.0 — Produce welds using a Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW) process to AWS QC10 standards.

- 4.1. Demonstrate safety procedures for SMAW.
- 4.2. Demonstrate ability to correctly set up SMAW power sources and related welding equipment and do basic process and equipment troubleshooting.
- 4.3. Correctly identify base metal prior to welding.
- 4.4. Set up and shut down equipment for welding carbon steel and/or stainless-steel.
- 4.5. Select the correct type of filler metal size of electrode based on carbon steel and/or stainless-steel plate ( $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch to  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch thickness).
- 4.6. Prepare carbon steel and/or stainless-steel for welding.
- 4.7. Start, stop and restart stringer beads on carbon steel and/or stainless-steel in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down, and overhead positions.
- 4.8. Weld a pad with a multiple-pass weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down, and overhead positions.

- 4.9. Weld a lap joint with a single-pass, fillet weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel sheet/plate in flat, horizontal, vertical up and down, and overhead positions.
- 4.10. Weld a lap joint with a multiple-pass, fillet weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down, and overhead positions.
- 4.11. Weld a T-joint with a single-pass, fillet weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel sheet/plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down, and overhead positions.
- 4.12. Weld a T-joint with a multiple-pass, fillet weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down, and overhead position.
- 4.13. Weld a butt joint with a single-pass, square groove weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel sheet/plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down, and overhead positions.
- 4.14. Weld a butt joint with a partial joint penetration, single pass, double V-groove weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down, and overhead positions.
- 4.15. Weld a butt joint with a multiple-pass, V-groove weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down, and overhead positions.
- 4.16. Weld a butt joint with complete joint penetration, multiple pass, double groove weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down, and overhead positions.
- 4.17. Weld 2- to 8-inch diameter, schedules 40 to 80 carbon steel and stainless-steel pipe, single/multiple-pass V-groove weld in the 2G, 5G and 6G positions.
- 4.18. Lay out, weld, cut and prepare coupons for evaluation.
- 4.19. Test the prepared coupon.

# WF 5.0 — Produce welds using a Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW) process to AWS QC10 standards.

- 5.1. Demonstrate correct safety procedures for GMAW.
- 5.2. Demonstrate ability to correctly set up GMAW power sources and related welding equipment and do basic process and equipment troubleshooting.
- 5.3. Correctly identify base metal prior to welding.
- 5.4. Set up and shut down equipment for short circuiting, globular, spray and pulsed transfer welding of carbon steel, stainless-steel and/or aluminum.
- 5.5. Select the correct type of filler metal size of electrode, type of shielding gas, wire feed speed and voltage based on carbon steel, stainless-steel and/or aluminum sheet and/or plate (1/16-inch to 3/8-inch thickness).
- 5.6. Prepare the carbon steel, stainless-steel and/or aluminum for welding.
- 5.7. Start, stop and restart stringer beads on carbon steel, stainless-steel and aluminum steel sheet/plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down, and overhead positions.
- 5.8. Weld a pad with a multiple-pass weld on carbon steel, stainless-steel and aluminum sheet/plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 5.9. Weld a lap joint with a single-pass, fillet weld on carbon steel, stainless-steel and aluminum sheet/plate in flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 5.10. Weld a lap joint with a multiple-pass, fillet weld on carbon steel, stainless-steel and aluminum plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 5.11. Interrupt root pass at midpoint and restart arc.

- 5.12. Weld a T-joint with a single-pass, fillet weld on carbon steel, stainless-steel and aluminum sheet/plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 5.13. Weld a T-joint with a multiple-pass, fillet weld on carbon steel, stainless-steel and aluminum plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 5.14. Weld a butt joint with a single-pass, square groove weld on carbon steel, stainless-steel and aluminum sheet/plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 5.15. Weld a butt joint with a partial joint penetration; single-pass and double V-groove weld on carbon steel, stainless-steel and aluminum plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 5.16. Weld a butt joint with a multiple-pass, V-groove weld on carbon steel, stainless-steel and aluminum plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 5.17. Weld a butt joint with complete joint penetration; multiple-pass and double V-groove weld on carbon steel, stainless-steel and aluminum plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 5.18. Weld 2- to 8-inch diameter, schedule 40 to 80 carbon steel, stainless-steel and aluminum pipe, single/multiple pass V-groove weld in the 2G, 5G and 6G positions.
- 5.19. Lay out, weld, cut and prepare coupons for evaluation.
- 5.20. Test prepared coupons.

# WF 6.0 — Produce welds using a Fluxed Cored Arc Welding (FCAW) process to AWS QC10 standards.

- 6.1. Demonstrate correct safety procedures for FCAW.
- 6.2. Demonstrate ability to correctly set up FCAW power sources and related welding equipment and do basic process and equipment troubleshooting.
- 6.3. Correctly identify base metal prior to welding.
- 6.4. Set up and shut down equipment for welding carbon steel and/or stainless-steel.
- 6.5. Select the correct type of filler metal, size of electrode, type of shielding gas (if needed), wire feed speed and voltage based upon carbon steel and/or stainless-steel sheet and/or plate (½-inch to ½-inch thickness).
- 6.6. Prepare carbon steel and/or stainless-steel for welding.
- 6.7. Start, stop and restart stringer beads on carbon steel and stainless-steel sheet/plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and overhead positions.
- 6.8. Weld a pad with a multiple-pass weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel sheet/plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and overhead positions.
- 6.9. Weld a lap joint with a single-pass, fillet weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel sheet/plate in flat, horizontal, vertical up and overhead positions.
- 6.10. Weld a lap joint with a multiple-pass, fillet weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and overhead positions. Stop and restart in the middle of the joint.
- 6.11. Weld a T-joint with a single-pass, fillet weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel sheet/plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and overhead positions.
- 6.12. Weld a T-joint with a multiple-pass, fillet weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and overhead positions.

- 6.13. Weld a butt joint with a single-pass, square groove weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel sheet/plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and overhead positions.
- 6.14. Weld a butt joint with a partial joint penetration, single pass, double V-groove weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and overhead positions.
- 6.15. Weld a butt joint with a multiple-pass, V-groove weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and overhead positions.
- 6.16. Weld a butt joint with complete joint penetration, multiple-pass, double V-groove weld on carbon steel and stainless-steel plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and overhead positions.
- 6.17. Weld 2- to 8-inch diameter, schedules 40 to 80 carbon steel and stainless-steel pipe, single/multiple pass V-groove weld in the 2G, 5G and 6G positions.
- 6.18. Lay out, cut and prepare coupons for evaluation.
- 6.19. Test prepared coupons.

# WF 7.0 — Produce welds using a Gas Tungsten Arc Welding (GTAW) process to AWS QC10 standards.

- 7.1. Demonstrate safety procedures for GTAW.
- 7.2. Demonstrate ability to correctly set up GTAW power sources and related welding equipment and do basic process and equipment troubleshooting.
- 7.3. Correctly identify base metal prior to welding.
- 7.4. Set up and shut down equipment for regular and pulsed welding of aluminum, stainless-steel and/or carbon steel.
- 7.5. Select the correct size and type of tungsten and/or filler metal based on aluminum, stainless-steel or carbon steel sheet and/or plate ( $\frac{1}{16}$ -inch to  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch thickness).
- 7.6. Prepare aluminum, stainless steel and/or carbon steel for welding.
- 7.7. Start, stop and restart stringer beads on aluminum, stainless-steel and carbon steel sheet/plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 7.8. Weld a pad with multiple-pass weld on aluminum, stainless-steel and carbon steel sheet/plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 7.9. Weld a lap joint with a single-pass, fillet weld on aluminum, steel, stainless-steel and carbon steel sheet/plate in flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 7.10. Weld a lap joint with a multiple-pass, fillet weld on aluminum, stainless-steel and carbon steel plate in the flat, horizontal vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 7.11. Weld a T-joint with a single-pass fillet weld on aluminum, stainless-steel and carbon steel sheet/ plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 7.12. Weld a T-joint with a multiple-pass, fillet weld on aluminum, stainless-steel and carbon steel plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 7.13. Weld a butt joint with a single-pass, square groove weld on aluminum, stainless-steel and carbon steel sheet/plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 7.14. Weld a butt joint with a partial joint penetration, single-pass, double V-groove weld on aluminum, stainless-steel and carbon steel plate in the flat, horizontal vertical up and down and overhead positions.

- 7.15. Weld a butt joint with a multiple-pass, V-groove weld on aluminum, stainless-steel and carbon steel plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 7.16. Weld a butt joint with complete joint penetration, multiple-pass and double V-groove weld on aluminum, stainless-steel and carbon steel plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical up and down and overhead positions.
- 7.17. Weld 2- to 8-inches diameter, schedules 40 to 80 aluminum, stainless-steel, carbon steel pipe, single/multiple pass V-groove weld in the 2G, 5G and 6G positions.
- 7.18. Lay out, weld, cut and prepare coupons for evaluation.
- 7.19. Test prepared coupons.

# WF 8.0 — Produce cut materials using an Oxygen Fuel Cutting (OFC) process to AWS QC10 standards.

- 8.1. Demonstrate safety procedures for OFC.
- 8.2. Demonstrate ability to correctly set up the OAC equipment for cutting and do basic process troubleshooting.
- 8.3. Correctly identify base metal prior to cutting.
- 8.4. Set up and shut down equipment for cutting carbon steel plates.
- 8.5. Select correct tip size and gas pressure for serving carbon steel plate (1/4-inch to 1/2-inch thickness).
- 8.6. Prepare carbon steel for cutting.
- 8.7. Cutting operations will be specified in drawings and procedure sheets provided to the competitors.
- 8.8. Properly light, adjust the flame on and shut down the oxygen fuel equipment.
- 8.9. Use a straight edge and soapstone laying out the prescribed pattern.
- 8.10. Make a square cut on carbon steel in flat, horizontal, vertical and overhead positions.
- 8.11. Make a bevel cut (45-degree angle) on a carbon steel plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical and overhead positions.
- 8.12. Pierce a hole in carbon steel in the flat, horizontal, vertical and overhead position.
- 8.13. Make a pipe and tubing cut on carbon steel pipe in flat, horizontal, vertical and overhead positions.
- 8.14. Make a gouge and groove cut on carbon steel in flat, horizontal, vertical and overhead positions.
- 8.15. Lay out, weld, cut and prepare coupons for evaluation.
- 8.16. Test prepared coupon.

# WF 9.0 — Produce cut materials using a Plasma Arc Cutting (PAC) process to AWS QC10 standards.

- 9.1. Demonstrate safety procedures for PAC.
- 9.2. Demonstrate ability to correctly set up the PAC power sources and related cutting equipment and do basic process and equipment troubleshooting.
- 9.3. Correctly identify base metal prior to cutting.
- 9.4. Set up and shut down equipment for cutting carbon steel, stainless-steel and/or aluminum.
- 9.5. Select correct cutting head and gas pressure for severing carbon steel, stainless-steel or aluminum plate and/or sheet ( $\frac{1}{16}$ -inch to  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch thickness).

- 9.6. Prepare carbon steel, stainless steel and/or aluminum for cutting.
- 9.7. Cutting operations will be specified in drawings and procedure sheets provided to the competitors.
- 9.8. Properly adjust and use the plasma arc equipment.
- 9.9. Use a straight edge and soapstone for laying out the prescribed pattern.
- 9.10. Make a square cut on carbon steel, stainless-steel and aluminum sheet/plate in flat, horizontal, vertical and overhead positions.
- 9.11. Make a bevel cut (45-degree angle) on carbon steel, stainless-steel and aluminum sheet/plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical and overhead positions.
- 9.12. Pierce a hole on carbon steel, stainless-steel and aluminum sheet/plate in the flat, horizontal, vertical and overhead position.
- 9.13. Make a pipe and tubing cut on carbon steel, stainless-steel and aluminum pipe in the horizontal position.
- 9.14. Make a gouge and groove cut on carbon steel, stainless-steel and aluminum sheet/plate in the flat position.
- 9.15. Lay out, cut and prepare coupons for evaluation.
- 9.16. Test prepared coupon.

### WF 10.0 — Demonstrate knowledge of visual inspection.

- 10.1. Examine and measure undercut.
- 10.2. Examine and measure porosity.
- 10.3. Measure fillet size.
- 10.4. Examine and measure weld reinforcement.
- 10.5. Determine acceptability of welded samples in accordance with provided acceptance criteria.

### WF 11.0 — SkillsUSA Framework

The SkillsUSA Framework is used to pinpoint the Essential Elements found in Personal Skills, Workplace Skills and Technical Skills Grounded in Academics. Students will be expected to display or explain how they used some of these Essential Elements. For more, visit: <a href="https://www.skillsusa.org/who-we-are/skillsusa-framework/">www.skillsusa.org/who-we-are/skillsusa-framework/</a>.

### **COMMITTEE IDENTIFIED ACADEMIC SKILLS**

The technical committee has identified that the following academic skills are embedded in this competition.

#### **Math Skills**

- Use fractions to solve practical problems.
- Measure angles.
- Construct three-dimensional models.

### **Science Skills**

- Describe and recognize solids, liquids and gasses.
- Use knowledge of principles of electricity and magnetism.

### **Language Arts Skills**

• Provide information for oral presentations.

### **CONNECTIONS TO NATIONAL STANDARDS**

State-level academic curriculum specialists identified the following connections to national academic standards.

### **Math Standards**

- Geometry
- Measurement
- Problem Solving
- Communication
- Connections
- Representation

Source: NCTM Principles and Standards for School Mathematics. For more information, visit: www.nctm.org.

### **Science Standards**

- Understands the structure and properties of matter.
- Understands the sources and properties of energy.
- Understands forces and motion.
- Understands the nature of scientific inquiry.

### **Language Arts Standards**

• Students apply a wide range of strategies to comprehend, interpret, evaluate and appreciate texts. They draw on their prior experience, their interactions with other readers and writers, their knowledge of word meaning and of other texts, their word identification strategies and their understanding of textual features (e.g., sound-letter correspondence, sentence structure, context, graphics).

Source: IRA/NCTE Standards for the English Language Arts. To view the standards, visit: www.ncte.org/standards.