



ENERGY CAREER ACADEMY FRAMEWORK GRADE 9

THEME: Introduction to Energy and the Energy Industry/High Performance

CREDENTIALS: CMS High Performance Certificate

MODULE 1: Science of Energy

Curriculum Source: [NEED](#)*

Total Instructional Time: 6 hours

- 1) Explain the main things energy enables us to do.
- 2) Differentiate between forms and sources of energy.
- 3) Describe how energy is stored in the major energy sources.
- 4) List the forms of energy and give examples.
- 5) Explain energy transformations.
- 6) Trace the energy flow of a system.

MODULE 2: Introduction to Energy Curriculum

Curriculum Source: NEED

- Energy Infobooks available at [NEED\(1\)](#)
- Energy Infobook Activities available at [NEED\(2\)](#)

Total instructional and testing time: 4 hours

- 1) Define potential energy and kinetic energy.
- 2) Identify the forms of potential energy and kinetic energy.
- 3) Describe the term sources of energy.
- 4) Describe the term renewable energy.
- 5) Describe the term non-renewable energy.

MODULE 3: Renewable Energy Sources

Curriculum Source: NEED

- Energy Infobooks available at [NEED\(1\)](#)
- Energy Infobook Activities available at [NEED\(2\)](#)

Total instructional and testing time: 21 hours

- 1) Define biomass, geothermal, hydropower, solar, wind, and hydrogen as sources of renewable energy.
- 2) Describe how biomass, geothermal, hydropower, solar, wind, and hydrogen generate energy.

MODULE 4: Non-renewable Energy Sources

Curriculum Source: NEED

- Energy Infobooks available at [NEED\(1\)](#)
- Energy Infobook Activities available at [NEED\(2\)](#)
- Energy Expos Guide available at [NEED Energy Expos Guide](#)

Total instructional and testing time: 19 hours

- 1) Define coal, natural gas, petroleum, uranium, and propane as sources of non-renewable energy.
- 2) Describe how coal, natural gas, petroleum, uranium, and propane generate energy.

MODULE 5: Electricity

Curriculum Source: NEED

- Energy Infobooks available at [NEED\(1\)](#)
- Energy Infobook Activities available at [NEED\(2\)](#)

Total instructional and testing time: 6 hours

- 1) Describe how electricity is transported from the plant to the consumer.
- 2) Describe the issues about electricity use.
- 3) Describe emerging technologies for electricity use.

MODULE 6: Efficiency & Conservation

Curriculum Source: NEED (Lessons 4, 5, and 6)

Teacher Guide available at [NEED](#)

Student Guide available at [NEED](#)

Total instructional and testing time: 6 hours

- 1) Explain the relative efficiencies of incandescent, halogen, fluorescent, and light emitting diode lighting.
- 2) Determine the life cycle cost for each of the types of lighting found in schools. Evaluate the data to determine the most economic choice.
- 3) Explain the impacts one energy-consuming system might have on another.
- 4) Justify upgrade choices based on efficiency and payback period data.
- 5) Evaluate the energy use of a school building at a basic, grade-appropriate level.
- 6) Interpret data and make recommendations for energy savings based on the data.

MODULE 7: Energy Careers Curriculum

Curriculum Source: Teachers Section of Get Into Energy/Get Into STEM, available at stem.getintoenergy.com

Total instructional and testing time: 4 hours

- 1) Identify energy career job positions in the energy industry.
- 2) Describe each energy career position.
- 3) Identify entry requirements for each energy career position.
- 4) Conduct a presentation on an energy career of your choice using PPT.

MODULE 8: CSM High Performance Course and Credential/CSM+ Courses

Curriculum Source: CSMlearn, available at csmlearn.com

- Contact Mirriam Goldbererg at miriam@csmlearn.com
- Cost is approximately \$39 per student, if teacher(s) at the school can serve in the coaching role.

Total instructional and testing time: Approximately 60 hours dedicated time to CSM course and CSM+ courses, but will vary by student.

- 1) Apply key quantitative skills, such as mental math, basic statistical concepts, measurement, and more.
- 2) Appraise information from a variety of forms of complex informational text and graphs.
- 3) Analyze problems using a variety of advanced problem-solving strategies.
- 4) Develop new skills independently through reading; and develop and formulate strategies to solve quantitative problems, including quantitative and problem-solving.

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