

# PS56 Lewis H. Latimer Program of Inquiry 2023-2024

## 13K056 Program of Inquiry

### Second Grade

	Who We Are	Where We Are In Place and Time	Sharing the Planet	How We Express Ourselves	How We Organize Ourselves	How the World Works
	<i>An inquiry into the nature of the self; beliefs and values; personal, physical, mental, social and spiritual health; human relationships including families, friends, communities, and cultures; rights and responsibilities; what it means to be human.</i>	<i>An inquiry into orientation in place and time; personal histories; homes and journeys; the discoveries, explorations and migrations of humankind; the relationship between and the interconnectedness of individuals and civilizations, from local and global perspectives.</i>	<i>An inquiry into rights and responsibilities in the struggle to share finite resources with other people and other living things; communities and the relationships within and between them; access to equal opportunities; peace and conflict resolution.</i>	<i>An inquiry into the ways in which we discover and express ideas, feelings, nature, culture, beliefs and values; the ways in which we reflect on, extend and enjoy our creativity; our appreciation of the aesthetic.</i>	<i>An inquiry into the interconnectedness of human-made systems and communities; the structure and function of organizations; societal decision-making; economic activities and their impact on humankind and the environment.</i>	<i>An inquiry into the natural world and its laws; the interaction between the natural world (physical and biological) and human societies; how humans use their understanding of scientific principles; the impact of scientific and technological advances on society and on the environment.</i>
<b>2nd</b>	<p><b>Central Idea:</b> Families provide varied experiences that contribute to personal well-being and a sense of belonging.</p> <p><b>Key Concepts:</b> Form, function, connection</p> <p><b>Related Concepts:</b> Culture, relationship, interaction</p> <p><b>Lines of Inquiry:</b> Features of a family that makes it unique.</p> <p>The roles and responsibilities of different family members.</p> <p>Family traditions and experiences that provide a sense of belongings.</p>	<p><b>Central Idea:</b> Earth's physical geography has an impact on human interaction and settlement</p> <p><b>Key Concepts:</b> Connection, form, causation</p> <p><b>Related Concepts:</b> Global interactions, place, change</p> <p><b>Lines of Inquiry:</b> Physical features of global locations change overtime.</p> <p>Relationships between location and settlement</p> <p>Physical environment impact on human interaction</p>	<p><b>Central Idea:</b> Humans have a responsibility to care for the earth</p> <p><b>Key Concepts:</b> Change, responsibility, form</p> <p><b>Related Concepts:</b> Advocacy, protection, responsibility</p> <p><b>Lines of Inquiry:</b> Reducing waste</p> <p>Recycling different materials</p> <p>Our responsibility for the wellbeing of the environment</p>	<p><b>Central Idea:</b> People share ideas and connect with others through stories</p> <p><b>Key Concepts:</b> Function, Connection, Form</p> <p><b>Related Concepts:</b> Perspective</p> <p><b>Lines of Inquiry:</b> Types of design(function vs. aesthetic)</p> <p>Mathematics, science and history influence design</p> <p>Personal expression influence design</p>	<p><b>Central Idea:</b> Signs and symbols are human made system</p> <p><b>Key Concepts:</b> Function, form, causation</p> <p><b>Related Concepts:</b> Systems, movement, instruction</p> <p><b>Lines of Inquiry:</b> Signs and symbols around us</p> <p>Purpose of signs and symbols</p> <p>How are they used locally and globally</p>	<p><b>Central Idea:</b> Curiosity about nature/seasons can lead to discoveries</p> <p><b>Key Concepts:</b> Change, function, causation</p> <p><b>Related Concepts:</b> Patterns, cycles, weather</p> <p><b>Lines of Inquiry:</b> Observing the position of the sun and the earth helps us to understand the Earth's natural cycle.</p> <p>Collecting data on weather develops understanding of weather patterns</p> <p>How weather variations impact people's lives around the world.</p>