

## Grade 5 Science

## **PROFILE**

Science is a way of knowing and experiencing the natural world. It is a social and intellectual endeavor that provides the foundation for life-long informed decision-making, problem-solving, improved, quality of life and technological advances. Learning science is an active process, and all students should have access to challenging, relevant, exciting, "hands-on," and content-rich science experiences.

## THE CURRICULUM

The Pasadena Independent School District offers students a challenging science curriculum that utilizes inquiry and discovery models of instruction which provide opportunities for all students to participate and master science concepts. Students will experience the richness of science through hands-on laboratory and field investigations through inquiry and active experimentation. Emphasized science process skills include: observing, measuring, identifying, classifying, predicting, comparing, inferring, and drawing conclusions. Students will also develop a proficient use of technology through analyzing and collecting data for real world science applications. The science curriculum is based on the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills curriculum framework.