

# GEO STAC Teaching Guide

**Lesson Developer:** Teacher and School

**Subject Area:** Math, Science, etc

**Grade Level:** Senior high, junior high, etc

**Lesson Description:** Provide a general overview of the lesson in terms of topic focus, activities, and purpose and the career connect you will make. Will this be a stand alone lesson, an inquiry based lesson, or part of a larger class research project? Provide a brief statement about the data used in the lesson/map. Briefly discuss your thoughts, experience, and advice about this lesson.

**Recommended Time to Teach:** (minutes)

**National Standards:** List at least two standards for your lesson discipline (i.e. Language arts, Science), at least two for technology, and two for another discipline.

Technology:

- 1)
- 2)

Discipline:

- 1)
- 2)

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- 2)

**Learning Objectives:** Lesson objectives must be measurable and address learning geospatial concepts in the context of a specific discipline. You will address three geospatial concepts and another discipline area (i.e. math, science, history, language arts). Describe what students will do while working through the lesson.

- ▶ **Geospatial Concepts:** What are the spatial questions students to be able to answer?
  - a) Explicitly list at least three spatial concepts students will address.
  - b) We will focus on the spatial concepts listed in the spatial thinking concepts from the Gersmehl list of words for spatial thinking.

**For example:** Location - Students will discuss absolute and relative location by providing the latitude and longitude for large tornadoes and by describing where they occurred relative to each other.

- ▶ **Other Discipline:**

- ▶ **Career Connection:**

**Web-based GIS Tools:** What tools will student use in this activity? For example: Find, Query, buffer, measure.

**Materials:** List all materials students will need to complete this activity. For example: answer sheets, pen/pencil, paper, rulers, reading.

**Prerequisites:** What must students know before they begin this lesson? How does the lesson fit into the course?

### Beginning the Lesson

Describe how you will introduce the lesson. What might you use as a anticipatory set? What question will you ask to get them engaged?

### Developing the Lesson

Discuss how you will lead the student through the lesson. Remember the web-based GIS activity will most likely be only one aspect of this lesson.

### Concluding the Lesson

**Career Connections:** Discuss the aspect of making STEM career connections and assessment

**Assessment/Evaluation:** How will you assess the stated learning objectives? Develop a specific assessment for the activity. For example: scoring rubric, post-test, project.