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The NWEA Goal Structure is a document that represents the content and structure of a state's standards documents. Goal structures are created through an alignment process that links state standards documents to the NWEA item bank. The MAP tests and associated reports for teachers and students are based upon this structure and alignment.

The alignment process begins with a thorough review of a state's standards documents by NWEA's curriculum specialists. The general goal areas or strands within a state's standards that appear across grade levels become the goals in the goal structure (indicated below as bold). Areas in a state's standards documents that are determined to be sub-domains of the goals/strands become the sub-goals in the goal structure (indented under each goal below).

Goal and sub-goal names from the Goal Structure are shortened for technical reasons to create the headings in DesCartes. Report Names are shortened further to accommodate report specifications.

Concepts and Processes Goal Structure	Concepts and Processes DesCartes	Concepts and Processes Report Names
Nature of Science	Nature of Science	Nature of Science
Practice of Science	Practice of Science	
Science, Technology, Society, Engineering, and Mathematics	Science, Technology, Society, Engineering, Math	Science, Technology
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General Science Goal Structure	General Science DesCartes	General Science Report Names
Physical Science	Physical Science	Physical Science
Matter	Matter	
Motion	Motion	
Energy and Energy Use	Energy and Energy Use	
Earth and Space Science	Earth and Space Science	Earth, Space Science
Earth Structure and Processes	Earth Structure and Processes	
Interdependence and Human Interactions within Earth System	Interdependence and Human Interactions	
The Universe	The Universe	
Life Science	Life Science	Life Science
Structure and Function in Living Systems	Structure and Function in Living Systems	
Interdependence and Human Interaction in Living Systems	Interdependence and Human Interactions	
Evolution in Living Systems	Evolution in Living Systems	