A Performance Based Learning and Assessment Task

The Next Big Thing

I. ASSESSSMENT TASK OVERVIEW & PURPOSE:

Students will assume they are part of a marketing team that develops items to be sold at school athletic events. They will design, carry out and analyze the results of a marketing research experiment focused on the product. Finally they will communicate their results to the class. Students need to develop problem solving skills and to become fluent in experimental procedures and vocabulary.

II. UNIT AUTHOR:

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III. COURSE:

AFDA

IV. CONTENT STRAND:

Algebra I, Data Analysis

V. OBJECTIVES:

Students will use problem solving and reasoning skills to make value decisions and apply their knowledge of sampling techniques to the population of Patrick Henry High School.

VI. REFERENCE/RESOURCE MATERIALS:

Students will have access to computers and should go to khanacademy.org and search for the following: random samples, stratified groups and cluster sampling if they wish to review the materials presented in class. They will also have class notes covering: random samples, stratified groups and cluster sampling.

VII. PRIMARY ASSESSMENT STRATEGIES:

The task includes an assessment component that performs two functions: (1) for the student it will be a checklist and provide a self-assessment and (2) for the teacher it will be used as a rubric. Skills assessed include problem solving, ability to both apply sampling techniques to real life situations and to communicate the results of this application.

VIII. EVALUATION CRITERIA:

Please see attached.

IX. INSTRUCTIONAL TIME:

The following timeline will guide the pacing of a typical class.

- Product development 30 minutes
- Marketing research 90 minutes
- Summary of results and recommendations 30 minutes

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Mathematical Objective(s)

Students will design, conduct and communicate the results from an experiment.

Related SOL

- ADFA.8 (The student will design and conduct an experiment/ survey.)
- AFDA.5 (The student will determine optimal values in problem situations by identifying constraints and using linear programming techniques.)
- EPF.2 (The student will demonstrate knowledge of the role of producers and consumers in a market economy by describing how costs and revenues affect profit and supply.)

NCTM Standards

- Apply and adapt a variety of appropriate strategies to solve problems
- Communicate mathematical thinking coherently and clearly to peers, teachers, and others

Materials/Resources

- Classroom set of computers
- Classroom set of graphing calculators
- Student worksheet for activity

Assumption of Prior Knowledge

- It is assumed that the students will be familiar with the following concepts and processes: sample size, sampling technique, controlling sources of bias and experimental error, data collection and data analysis and reporting.
- It is assumed that students will be familiar with random samples, stratified groups and cluster sampling.

Introduction: Setting Up the Mathematical Task

- The timeline will include. Think, pair, share as an introduction, group work time, a time to present conclusion to other groups and a summary activity.
- The Think, pair, share activity will focus on a brainstorming session on the next big thing.

Student Exploration

- You are a member of the Marketing Team at Patrick Henry High School. We want to add a
 new product to sell at the athletic events. We have brained stormed some ideas but we
 don't know which would be the best new product to include in our current list of items.
 Your marketing team is tasked to identify the new product that will produce the greater
 profit margins. The new product will be introduced to the student body at an assembly next
 semester.
- Students will use the student worksheet (attached) to guide their exploration.
- Each group will share their presentation with the class.

Monitoring Student Responses

- Once students have finished their project they will extend their learning by thinking of marketing strategies for the item they have chosen
- The summary activity is a journal entry addressing the benefits and risk associated with the item they have chosen as the next big thing.

Assessment List and Benchmarks

See attached

Assessment List

			Earned Assessment	
Num.	Element	Point Value	Self	Teacher
1.	The marketing research is reasonable and complete	2		
2.	The data collected was appropriate	2		
3.	The data analysis was appropriate	2		
4.	The conclusions were appropriate for the data collected	2		
5.	Work is neat and attractive.	2		
6.	The PowerPoint is complete	2		
7.	The PowerPoint clearly conveys the analysis	2		

Evaluation

#	Element	0	1	2
1.	The marketing research	The marketing	Some of the	The marketing
	is reasonable and	research not	marketing research is	research is reasonable
	complete	reasonable and is	reasonable and	and complete
		incomplete	complete	
2.	The data collected was	The data collected	The data collected	The data collected
	appropriate	was inappropriate	was somewhat	was appropriate
			appropriate	
3.	The data analysis was	The data analysis was	The data analysis was	The data analysis was
	appropriate	inappropriate	somewhat	appropriate
			appropriate	
4.	The conclusions were	The conclusions were	The conclusions were	The conclusions were
	appropriate for the	inappropriate for the	somewhat	appropriate for the
	data collected	data collected	appropriate for the	data collected
			data collected	
5.	Work is neat and	Work is not neat or	Work is somewhat	Work is neat and
	attractive.	attractive.	neat and attractive.	attractive.
6.	The PowerPoint is	The PowerPoint is	The PowerPoint is	The PowerPoint is
	complete	incomplete	somewhat complete	complete
7.	The PowerPoint clearly	The PowerPoint does	The PowerPoint	The PowerPoint
	conveys the analysis	not convey the	conveys some of the	clearly conveys the
		analysis	analysis	analysis