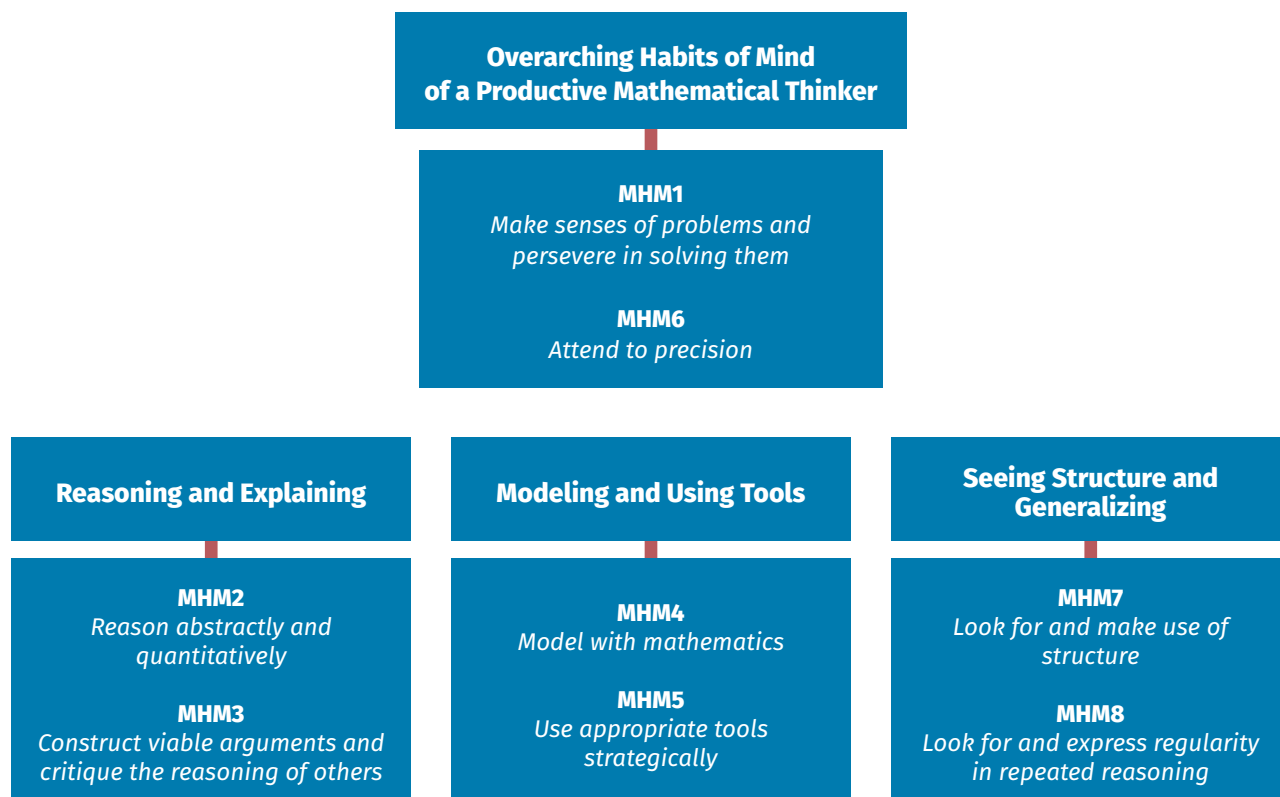


Overview of the West Virginia College- and Career-Readiness Standards for Mathematics

Included in Policy 2520.2B, the West Virginia College- and Career-Readiness Standards for Mathematics are two types of standards: the Mathematical Habits of Mind and the grade-level or course-specific Mathematics Content Standards. These standards address the skills, knowledge, and dispositions that students should develop to foster mathematical understanding and expertise, as well as concepts, skills, and knowledge – what students need to understand, know, and be able to do. The standards also require that the Mathematical Habits of Mind and the grade-level or course-specific Mathematics Content Standards be connected. These connections are essential to support the development of students' broader mathematical understanding, as students who lack understanding of a topic may rely too heavily on procedures. The Mathematical Habits of Mind must be taught as carefully and practiced as intentionally as the grade-level or course-specific Mathematics Content Standards. Neither type should be isolated from the other; mathematics instruction is most effective when these two aspects of the West Virginia College- and Career-Readiness Standards for Mathematics come together as a powerful whole.

Mathematical Habits of Mind



The eight Mathematical Habits of Mind (MHM) describe the attributes of mathematically proficient students and the expertise that mathematics educators at all levels should seek to develop in their students. The Mathematical Habits of Mind provide a vehicle through which students engage with and learn mathematics. As students move from elementary school through high school, the Mathematical Habits of Mind are integrated in the tasks as students engage in doing mathematics and master new and more advanced mathematical ideas and understandings.

The Mathematical Habits of Mind rest on important “processes and proficiencies “ with longstanding importance in mathematics education. The first of these are the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics’ process standards of problem solving, reasoning and proof, communication, representation, and connections. The second are the strands of mathematical proficiency specified in the National Research Council’s report Adding it Up: adaptive reasoning, strategic competence, conceptual understanding, procedural fluency, and productive disposition (NGA/CCSSO 2010).

Ideally, several Mathematical Habits of Mind will be embedded in each lesson as they interact and overlap with each other. The Mathematical Habits of Mind are not a checklist; they are the basis for mathematics instruction and learning. To help students persevere in solving problems (MHM1), teachers need to allow their students to struggle productively, and they must be attentive to the type of feedback they provide to students. Dr. Carol Dweck’s research (Dweck 2006) revealed that feedback offering praise of effort and perseverance seems to engender a “growth mindset.” In Dweck’s estimation, growth-minded teachers tell students the truth about being able to close the learning gap between them and their peers and then give them the tools to close the gap (Dweck 2006).

Students who are proficient in the eight Mathematical Habits of Mind are able to use these skills not only in mathematics, but across disciplines and into their lives beyond school, college, and career.

Policy 2520.2B

West Virginia College- and Career-Readiness Standards for Mathematics

Mathematical Habits of Mind

The Mathematical Habits of Mind (hereinafter MHM) describe varieties of expertise that mathematics educators at all levels should develop in their students.

MHM1. Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.

Mathematically proficient students start by explaining to themselves the meaning of a problem and looking for entry points to its solution. They analyze givens, constraints, relationships and goals. They make conjectures about the form and meaning of the solution and plan a solution pathway rather than simply jumping into a solution attempt. They consider analogous problems and try special cases and simpler forms of the original problem in order to gain insight into its solution. They monitor and evaluate their progress and change course if necessary. Older students might, depending on the context of the problem, transform algebraic expressions or change the viewing window on their graphing calculator to get the information they need. Mathematically proficient students can explain correspondences between equations, verbal descriptions, tables and graphs or draw diagrams of important features and relationships, graph data and search for regularity or trends. Younger students might rely on using concrete objects or pictures to help conceptualize and solve a problem. Mathematically proficient students check their answers to problems using a different method and they continually ask themselves, “Does this make sense?” They can understand the approaches of others to solving complex problems and identify correspondences between different approaches.

MHM2. Reason abstractly and quantitatively.

Mathematically proficient students make sense of quantities and their relationships in problem situations. They bring two complementary abilities to bear on problems involving quantitative relationships: the ability to decontextualize—to abstract a given situation and represent it symbolically and manipulate the representing symbols as if they have a life of their own, without necessarily attending to their referents—and the ability to contextualize - to pause as needed during the manipulation process in order to probe into the referents for the symbols involved. Quantitative reasoning entails habits of creating a coherent representation of the problem at hand, considering the units involved, attending to the meaning of quantities, not just how to compute them, and knowing and flexibly using different properties of operations and objects.

MHM3. Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others.

Mathematically proficient students understand and use stated assumptions, definitions, and previously established results in constructing arguments. They make conjectures and build a logical progression of statements to explore the truth of their conjectures. They are able to analyze situations by breaking them into cases and can recognize and use counterexamples. They justify their conclusions, communicate them to others, and respond to the arguments of others. They reason inductively about data, making plausible arguments that take into account the context from which the data arose. Mathematically proficient students are also able to compare the effectiveness of two plausible arguments, distinguish correct logic or reasoning from that which is flawed, and—if there is a

flaw in an argument—explain what it is. Elementary students can construct arguments using concrete referents such as objects, drawings, diagrams and actions. Such arguments can make sense and be correct, even though they are not generalized or made formal until later grades. Later, students learn to determine domains to which an argument applies. Students at all grades can listen or read the arguments of others, decide whether they make sense and ask useful questions to clarify or improve the arguments.

MHM4. Model with mathematics.

Mathematically proficient students can apply the mathematics they know to solve problems arising in everyday life, society and the workplace. In early grades, this might be as simple as writing an addition equation to describe a situation. In middle grades, a student might apply proportional reasoning to plan a school event or analyze a problem in the community. By high school, a student might use geometry to solve a design problem or use a function to describe how one quantity of interest depends on another. Mathematically proficient students who can apply what they know are comfortable making assumptions and approximations to simplify a complicated situation, realizing that these may need revision later. They are able to identify important quantities in a practical situation and map their relationships using such tools as diagrams, two-way tables, graphs, flowcharts and formulas. They can analyze those relationships mathematically to draw conclusions. They routinely interpret their mathematical results in the context of the situation and reflect on whether the results make sense, possibly improving the model if it has not served its purpose.

MHM5. Use appropriate tools strategically.

Mathematically proficient students consider the available tools when solving a mathematical problem. These tools might include pencil and paper, concrete models, a ruler, a protractor, a calculator, a spreadsheet, a computer algebra system, a statistical package or dynamic geometry software. Proficient students are sufficiently familiar with tools appropriate for their grade or course to make sound decisions about when each of these tools might be helpful, recognizing both the insight to be gained and their limitations. For example, mathematically proficient high school students analyze graphs of functions and solutions generated using a graphing calculator. They detect possible errors by strategically using estimation and other mathematical knowledge. When making mathematical models, they know that technology can enable them to visualize the results of varying assumptions, explore consequences and compare predictions with data. Mathematically proficient students at various grade levels are able to identify relevant external mathematical resources, such as digital content located on a website and use them to pose or solve problems. They are able to use technological tools to explore and deepen their understanding of concepts.

MHM6. Attend to precision.

Mathematically proficient students try to communicate precisely to others. They try to use clear definitions in discussion with others and in their own reasoning. They state the meaning of the symbols they choose, including using the equal sign consistently and appropriately. They are careful about specifying units of measure, and labeling axes to clarify the correspondence with quantities in a problem. They calculate accurately and efficiently, express numerical answers with a degree of precision appropriate for the problem context. In the elementary grades, students give carefully formulated explanations to each other. By the time they reach high school they have learned to examine claims and make explicit use of definitions.

MHM7. Look for and make use of structure.

Mathematically proficient students look closely to discern a pattern or structure. Young students, for example, might notice that three and seven more is the same amount as seven and three more or they may sort a collection of shapes according to how many sides the shapes have. Later, students will see 7×8 equals the well-remembered $7 \times 5 + 7 \times 3$, in preparation for learning about the distributive property. In the expression $x^2 + 9x + 14$, older students can see the 14 as 2×7 and the 9 as $2 + 7$. They recognize the significance of an existing line in a geometric figure and can use the strategy of drawing an auxiliary line for solving problems. They also can step back for an overview and shift perspective. They can see complicated things, such as some algebraic expressions, as single objects or as being composed of several objects. For example, they can see $5 - 3(x - y)^2$ as 5 minus a positive number times a square and use that to realize that its value cannot be more than 5 for any real numbers x and y .

MHM8. Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.

Mathematically proficient students notice if calculations are repeated, and look both for general methods and for shortcuts. Upper elementary students might notice when dividing 25 by 11 that they are repeating the same calculations over and over again, and conclude they have a repeating decimal. By paying attention to the calculation of slope as they repeatedly check whether points are on the line through (1, 2) with slope 3, middle school students might abstract the equation $(y - 2)/(x - 1) = 3$. Noticing the regularity in the way terms cancel when expanding $(x - 1)(x + 1)$, $(x - 1)(x^2 + x + 1)$ and $(x - 1)(x^3 + x^2 + x + 1)$ might lead them to the general formula for the sum of a geometric series. As they work to solve a problem, mathematically proficient students maintain oversight of the process, while attending to the details. They continually evaluate the reasonableness of their intermediate results.

Mathematics – Grade 4

West Virginia teachers who provide mathematics instruction must integrate content standards with the MHM. Students in the fourth grade will focus on three critical areas: (1) developing understanding with multi-digit multiplication, and developing understanding of dividing to find quotients involving multi-digit dividends; (2) developing an understanding of fraction equivalence, addition and subtraction of fractions with like denominators, and multiplication of fractions by whole numbers; (3) understanding that geometric figures can be analyzed and classified based on their properties, such as having parallel sides, perpendicular sides, particular angle measures, and symmetry. The MHM, which should be integrated in these content areas, include: making sense of problems and persevering in solving them; reasoning abstractly and quantitatively; constructing viable arguments and critiquing the reasoning of others; modeling with mathematics; using appropriate tools strategically; attending to precision; looking for and making use of structure; and looking for and expressing regularity in repeated reasoning. Continuing the skill progressions from third grade, the following chart represents the mathematical understandings that will be developed in fourth grade:

Operations and Algebraic Thinking	Number and Operations in Base Ten
• Use whole-number arithmetic to solve word problems, including problems with remainders and problems with measurements. • Add and subtract whole numbers efficiently and accurately using the standard algorithm. • Multiply and divide multi-digit numbers by a one-digit number (e.g., multiplying $1,638 \times 7$ and dividing 6,966 by 6). • Multiply two 2-digit numbers. • Gain familiarity with factors and multiples. • Generate and analyze patterns.	• Generalize place value understanding for multi-digit whole numbers. • Compare and order numbers based on place value. • Use place value understanding and properties of operations to perform multi-digit arithmetic.
Number and Operations- Fractions	Measurement and Data
• Use equivalent fractions to understand and order fractions (e.g., recognize that $\frac{1}{4}$ is less than $\frac{3}{8}$ because $\frac{2}{8}$ is less than $\frac{3}{8}$). • Add and subtract fractions and mixed numbers with like denominators (such as $2\frac{3}{4} - 1\frac{1}{4}$) and solve related word problems. • Multiply fractions by whole numbers. • Understand and compare simple decimals in terms of fractions (e.g., rewriting 0.62 as $\frac{62}{100}$).	• Solve problems involving measurement and conversion of measurements from a larger unit to a smaller unit. • Represent and interpret data. • Measure angles and understand concepts of angles.
Geometry	
• Draw and identify lines and angles and classify shapes by properties of their lines and angles. • Measure angles and find unknown angles in a diagram.	

Numbering of Standards

The following Mathematics Standards will be numbered continuously. The following ranges relate to the clusters found within Mathematics:

Operations and Algebraic Thinking	
Use the four operations with whole numbers to solve problems.	Standards 1-3
Gain familiarity with factors and multiples.	Standard 4
Generate and analyze patterns.	Standard 5

Number and Operations in Base Ten	
Generalize place value understanding for multi-digit whole numbers.	Standards 6-8
Use place value understanding and properties of operations to perform multi-digit arithmetic.	Standards 9-11
Number and Operations- Fractions	
Extend understanding of fraction equivalence and ordering.	Standards 12-13
Build fractions from unit fractions by applying and extending previous understandings of operations on whole numbers.	Standards 14-15
Understand decimal notation for fractions and compare decimal fractions.	Standards 16-18
Measurement and Data	
Solve problems involving measurement and conversion of measurements from a larger unit to a smaller unit.	Standards 19-21
Represent and interpret data.	Standard 22
Geometric measurement: understand concepts of angle and measure angles.	Standards 23-25
Geometry	
Draw and identify lines angles and classify shapes by properties of their lines and angles.	Standards 26-28

Operations and Algebraic Thinking

Cluster	Use the four operations with whole numbers to solve problems.
M.4.1	Interpret a multiplication equation as a comparison of two expressions (e.g., interpret $35 = 5 \times 7$ as a statement that 35 is 5 times as many as 7 and 7 times as many as 5). Represent verbal statements of multiplicative comparisons as multiplication expressions and equations.
M.4.2	Multiply or divide to solve word problems involving multiplicative comparison (e.g., by using drawings and equations with a symbol for the unknown number to represent the problem) and distinguish multiplicative comparison from additive comparison.
M.4.3	Solve multi-step word problems posed with whole numbers and having whole-number answers using the four operations, including problems in which remainders must be interpreted. Represent these problems using equations with a letter standing for the unknown quantity. Assess the reasonableness of answers using mental computation and estimation strategies including rounding.
Cluster	Gain familiarity with factors and multiples.
M.4.4	Find all factor pairs for a whole number in the range 1–100, recognize that a whole number is a multiple of each of its factors. Determine whether a given whole number in the range 1–100 is a multiple of a given one-digit number. Determine whether a given whole number in the range 1–100 is prime or composite.

Cluster	Generate and analyze patterns.
M.4.5	Generate a number pattern that follows a given rule. Identify apparent features of the pattern that were not explicit in the rule itself (e.g., given the rule “Add 3” and the starting number 1, generate terms in the resulting sequence and observe that the terms appear to alternate between odd and even numbers; explain informally why the numbers will continue to alternate in this way).

Number and Operations in Base Ten

Cluster	Generalize place value understanding for multi-digit whole numbers.
M.4.6	Recognize that in a multi-digit whole number, a digit in one place represents ten times what it represents in the place to its right (e.g., recognize that $700 \div 70 = 10$ by applying concepts of place value and division).
M.4.7	Read and write multi-digit whole numbers using base-ten numerals, number names, and expanded form. Compare two multi-digit numbers based on meanings of the digits in each place, using $>$, $=$ and $<$ symbols to record the results of comparisons. Order numbers based on place value.
M.4.8	Use place value understanding to round multi-digit whole numbers to any place.
Cluster	Use place value understanding and properties of operations to perform multi-digit arithmetic.
M.4.9	Fluently (efficiently and accurately) add and subtract multi-digit whole numbers using the standard algorithm.
M.4.10	Multiply a whole number of up to four digits by a one-digit whole number, multiply two two-digit numbers, using strategies based on place value and the properties of operations and illustrate and explain the calculation by using equations, rectangular arrays, area models, and/or partial products.
M.4.11	Find whole-number quotients and remainders with up to four-digit dividends and one-digit divisors, using strategies based on place value, the properties of operations and/or the relationship between multiplication and division. Illustrate and explain the calculation by using equations, rectangular arrays, area models, and/or partial quotients.

Number and Operations- Fractions

Cluster	Extend understanding of fraction equivalence and ordering.
M.4.12	Explain why a fraction a/b is equivalent to another fraction by using visual fraction models, with attention to how the number and size of the parts differ even though the two fractions themselves are the same size. Use this principle to recognize and generate equivalent fractions.

M.4.13	Compare two fractions with different numerators and different denominators (e.g., by creating common denominators or common numerators, or by comparing to a benchmark fraction such as $\frac{1}{2}$). Recognize that comparisons are valid only when the two fractions refer to the same whole. Record the results of comparisons with symbols $>$, $=$ or $<$, and justify the conclusions by using a visual fraction model.
Cluster	Build fractions from unit fractions by applying and extending previous understandings of operations on whole numbers.
M.4.14	Understand the fraction a/b, with $a > 1$, as the sum of a of the fractions $1/b$. - Add and subtract fractions with like denominators. Understand addition and subtraction of fractions as joining and separating parts referring to the same whole. - Decompose a fraction into a sum of fractions with the same denominator in more than one way, recording each decomposition by an equation. Justify decompositions by using a visual fraction model (e.g., $\frac{3}{8} = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8}$; $\frac{3}{8} = \frac{1}{8} + \frac{2}{8}$; $2\frac{1}{8} = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{8} = \frac{8}{8} + \frac{8}{8} + \frac{1}{8}$). - Add and subtract mixed numbers with like denominators by replacing each mixed number with an equivalent fraction greater than one and/or by using properties of operations and the relationship between addition and subtraction. Identify the two whole numbers a mixed number is between. - Solve word problems involving addition and subtraction of fractions referring to the same whole and having like denominators by using visual fraction models and equations to represent the problem.
M.4.15	Apply and extend previous understandings of multiplication to multiply a fraction by a whole number. - Understand a fraction a/b as a multiple of $1/b$, (e.g., use a visual fraction model to represent $\frac{5}{4}$ as the product $5 \times (\frac{1}{4})$, recording the conclusion by the equation $\frac{5}{4} = 5 \times (\frac{1}{4})$). - Understand a multiple of a/b as a multiple of $1/b$ and use this understanding to multiply a fraction by a whole number (e.g., use a visual fraction model to express $3 \times (\frac{2}{5})$ as $6 \times (\frac{1}{5})$, recognizing this product as $\frac{6}{5}$. In general, $n \times (a/b) = (n \times a)/b$). - Solve word problems involving multiplication of a fraction by a whole number by using visual fraction models and equations to represent the problem (e.g., If each person at a party will eat $\frac{3}{8}$ of a pound of roast beef, and there will be 5 people at the party, how many pounds of roast beef will be needed? Between what two whole numbers does your answer lie?).
Cluster	Understand decimal notation for fractions and compare decimal fractions.
M.4.16	Express a fraction with denominator 10 as an equivalent fraction with denominator 100, and use this technique to add two fractions with respective denominators 10 and 100 (e.g., express $\frac{3}{10}$ as $\frac{30}{100}$, and add $\frac{3}{10} + \frac{4}{100} = \frac{34}{100}$). Instructional Note: Students who can generate equivalent fractions can develop strategies for adding fractions with unlike denominators in general. But addition and subtraction with unlike denominators in general is not a requirement at this grade.

M.4.17	Use decimal notation for fractions with denominators 10 or 100 (e.g., rewrite 0.62 as $\frac{62}{100}$; describe a length as 0.62 meters; locate 0.62 on a number line diagram).
M.4.18	Compare two decimals to hundredths by reasoning about their size. Recognize that comparisons are valid only when the two decimals refer to the same whole. Record the results of comparisons with the symbols $>$, $=$ or $<$, and justify the conclusions by using a visual model.

Measurement and Data

Cluster	Solve problems involving measurement and conversion of measurements from a larger unit to a smaller unit.
M.4.19	Know relative sizes of measurement units within a system of units, including the metric system (km, m, cm; kg, g; l, ml), the customary system (lb., oz.), and time (hr., min., sec.). Within one system of measurement, express measurements in a larger unit in terms of a smaller unit. Express measurements in a larger unit in terms of a smaller unit. Record measurement equivalents in a two-column table (e.g., know that 1 ft is 12 times as long as 1 in; express the length of a 4 ft snake as 48 in; generate a conversion table for feet and inches listing the number pairs (1, 12), (2, 24), (3, 36), ...).
M.4.20	Use the four operations to solve word problems involving distances, intervals of time, liquid volumes, masses of objects, and money, including problems involving simple fractions or decimals and problems that require expressing measurements given in a larger unit in terms of a smaller unit. Represent measurement quantities using diagrams such as number line diagrams that feature a measurement scale.
M.4.21	Apply the area and perimeter formulas for rectangles in real-world and mathematical problems by viewing the area formula as a multiplication equation with an unknown factor (e.g., find the width of a rectangular room given the area of the flooring and the length).
Cluster	Represent and interpret data.
M.4.22	Make a line plot to display a data set of measurements in fractions of a unit ($\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{8}$). Solve problems involving addition and subtraction of fractions with like denominators by using information presented in line plots (e.g., from a line plot find and interpret the difference in length between the longest and shortest specimens in an insect collection).
Cluster	Geometric measurement: understand concepts of angles and measure angles.
M.4.23	Recognize angles as geometric shapes that are formed wherever two rays share a common endpoint, and understand concepts of angle measurement: - An angle is measured with reference to a circle with its center at the common endpoint of the rays, by considering the fraction of the circular arc between the points where the two rays intersect the circle. An angle that turns through $\frac{1}{360}$ of a circle is called a “one-degree angle,” and can be used for measuring angles. - An angle that turns through b one-degree angles is said to have an angle measure of b degrees.

M.4.24	Measure angles in whole-number degrees using a protractor and sketch angles of specified measure.
M.4.25	Recognize angle measure as additive. When an angle is decomposed into non-overlapping parts, the angle measure of the whole is the sum of the angle measures of the parts. Solve addition and subtraction problems to find unknown angles on a diagram in real-world and mathematical problems (e.g., by using an equation with a symbol for the unknown angle measure).

Geometry

Cluster	Draw and identify lines and angles and classify shapes by properties of their lines and angles.
M.4.26	Draw points, lines, line segments, rays, angles (right, acute, obtuse) and perpendicular and parallel lines. Identify these in two-dimensional figures.
M.4.27	Classify two-dimensional figures based on the presence or absence of parallel or perpendicular lines or the presence or absence of angles of a specified size. Recognize right triangles as a category and identify right triangles.
M.4.28	Recognize a line of symmetry for a two-dimensional figure as a line across the figure such that the figure can be folded along the line into matching parts. Identify line-symmetric figures and draw lines of symmetry.

