Scope & Sequence of Major Components K-12 Language Arts Curriculum

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WRITING

- Penmanship/Handwriting
- Conventions (Capitalization and Punctuation; Grammar and Usage)
- Language Use (Sentence and Paragraph Structures; Writing Craft)
- Writing Process (Brainstorming and Organizing Ideas, Drafts, Draft Revision, Proofreading and Editing)
- Forms of Effective Communication

SPELLING

- Spelling Patterns, Rules and Generalizations
- Roots, suffixes and prefixes

LISTENING AND SPEAKING

- Listening/Speaking /Participation
- Oral Presentation/Communication
- Critical Listening

READING: DECODING

- Print Awareness
- Phonological Awareness
- Letter-Sound Knowledge
- Word Identification
- Fluency

READING COMPREHENSION AND ACTIVE LEARNING STRATEGIES

- Vocabulary
- Reading Comprehension
- Study Strategies
- Reading Inquiry and Research

LITERATURE

- Wide Reading
- Literary Concepts (Genre, Characters, Setting, Plot/Theme/Conflict)
- Poetry
- Dramatic Literature
- Responding to Literature

Guide to Using the Document:

I= Introduced (skill needs to be introduced)

D= Developing (skill has been introduced and is being further developed)

M= Mastery (skill has been mastered)

Writing

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Penmanship													
Write legibly using cursive					I	I	D	D	M				
Apply keyboarding and word processing skills					I	I	D	D	M				
Conventions	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Capitalization/Punctuation													
Capitalize and punctuate correctly to clarify and enhance meaning such as capitalizing titles, using possessives					I/D	D/M							
Capitalize and punctuate correctly to clarify and enhance meaning such as using hyphens, semicolons, colons,							I	D	M				
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Grammar and Usage													
Consistently use correct subject-verb agreement					I/D	D/M							

• Identify eight parts of speech (noun, pronoun, verb, adverb, adjective, conjunction, preposition, interjection)						I/D	D/M						
Identify verb phrases and verb tenses						I/D	D/M						
 Recognize that a word performs different functions according to its position in the sentence 						I/D	D/M						
Use adjectives (comparative and superlative forms) and adverbs appropriately to make writing vivid or precise					I	I	D	D	M				
Use conjunctions to connect ideas meaningfully					I	I	D	D	M				
Distinguish phrases from clauses								I/D	D/M				
Recognize the make up and function of prepositional phrases							I	D	M				
Language Use	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Sentence and Paragraph Structures													
Expand or reduce sentences, and vary sentence structures						I	D	M					
Identify simple and compound sentences						I	D	D	M				
Employ grammar and usage by combining, including, reordering, and reducing sentences								I/D	D/M				
Recognize that a paragraph is based on a main idea, supported with details				I	D	M							
Write paragraphs with stated and implied main ideas						I/D	D/M						
Writing Craft													
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Writing Process													
BRAINSTORMING AND ORGANIZING IDEAS													
Generate ideas and plans for writing by using					I	D	D	D	M				
prewriting strategies such as brainstorming,													
graphic organizers, notes and logs									1				
DRAFTS						_							
• Improve word choice by using dictionaries,						I	D	D	M				
thesauruses, or other references									ļ				
Develop drafts by categorizing ideas, organizing					I	D	D	D	M				
them into paragraphs, and blending paragraphs													
within larger units of text **DRAFT REVISION**				+				+	1				
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 Revise drafts by adding, elaborating, deleting, combining and rearranging text 					I	ש	D	D	M				
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 Revise drafts for coherence, progression, and logical support of ideas 					1		ש		IVI				
PROOFREADING/EDITING													
Edit for appropriate grammar, spelling,			I	D	D	M							
punctuation, and features of polished writing						111							
Edit for specific purposes such as to ensure					I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M	M
standard usage, varied sentence structure, and													
appropriate word choice													
Proofread one's own writing					I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M	M
Proofread writing of others					I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M	M
Proofread for appropriateness of organization,										I	D	D	M
content, style and conventions													
Select and use reference materials and resources as					I	D	D	D	M				
needed for writing, revising and editing final drafts													
• Select and reflect on personal pieces of writing for			I	D	D	D	D	M	M				
portfolio													
• Demonstrate "Quality Producer" skills (identify	I	I	I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M	M	M
and frame a task, create products that reflect high													

standards, and derive satisfaction from and pride in writing work													
Refine selected pieces to "publish" for general and specific audiences					I	Ι	I	D	D	D	M	M	M
Ensure accuracy of information and responsibly document sources						I	I	D	D	D	M	M	M
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Forms of Effective Communication													
• Express knowledge of content by creating and demonstrating meaningful projects and authentic presentations through multiple intelligences (linguistic, logical/mathematical, spatial, body/kinesthetic, musical, interpersonal, intrapersonal, naturalist)	I	I	I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M	M	M
Write stories or scripts containing the basic elements of fiction (characters, setting, plot with resolution)						I/D	D/M						
Write stories or scripts with well-developed characters, setting, dialogue, clear conflict and resolution, and sufficient descriptive detail								I/D	D/M				
Write well-organized stories or scripts with an explicit or implicit theme and details that contribute to a definite mood or tone										I	D	D	M
Write personal and persuasive essays, editorials and information articles					I	D	D	M	M				
Write argumentative essays, including supportive evidence								I	D	D	M	M	M
Write formal letters to correspondents such as authors, newspapers, businesses, or government officials						I/D	D/M						
Write brief research reports with clear focus and supporting detail						I/D	D/M						
Write multi-paragraph compositions that have clear topic development, logical organization,								I/D	D/M				

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effective use of detail, and variety of sentence										
structure										
Write reports based on research that include					I/D	D/M				
quotations, footnotes or endnotes, and a										
bibliography										
Write well-organized essays that have a clear							I/	D/		
focus, logical development, effective use of detail,							D	M		
and variety of sentence structure										
Write well-organized research papers that prove a							Ι	D	D	M
thesis statement using logical organization,										
effective supporting evidence and a variety of										
sentence structure										
Write coherent compositions with clear focus,									I/D	D/
objective presentation of alternative views, rich										M
detail, well-developed paragraphs, and logical										
argumentation										
Write poems using basic poetic techniques			I/D	D/M						
Write poems using more advanced poetic					I/D	D/M				
techniques										
Write poems using a range of poetic techniques							I	D	D	M
Write memoirs and personal narratives			I	I	D	D	D	M	M	M

Spelling

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Letter and Syllable Patterns													
Spell some compound words and words with contractions				Ι	D	M							
• Spell words with more advanced spelling patterns (e.g., eigh, ough)					I	D	M						
 Spell multisyllabic words containing regularly spelled patterns 				I/D	D/ M								

Spell syllable constructions, including closed, open, consonant –le				I	D	M							
Consistently spell grade-level appropriate high frequency sight words, whether irregularly or regularly spelled		I	I	D	D	M							
• Spell correctly grade-appropriate homophones (e.g., their, they're, there)				I	I	D	D	M	M				
Use resources to find correct spellings		I	I	D	D	D	M	M	M				
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Roots, Suffixes and Prefixes													
• Spell basic word roots such as drink, speak, happy and inflections such as those that change tense or number, suffixes such as –able or –less, and prefixes such as re- and un-					I	D	M						
Add common prefixes and suffixes to root words				I	D	D	M						
 Add less common prefixes and suffixes to root words 						I	D	D	M				
• Use derivations (e.g., aqua, electro, bio, phono) to spell words						I	D	D	M				

Listening and Speaking

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Listening/Speaking Participation: Listening													
and engaging in variety of oral language experiences													
Contribute knowledge to class discussions	I	I	D	D	D	M	M						
Determine purpose for listening: to get info., to solve problems, to enjoy & appreciate	I	I	D	D	D	M	M						
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Oral Presentation/Communication:													
Communicating clearly and making oral presentations													

Use effective rate, volume, pitch and tone for the					I	D	M						
audience and setting													
Organize and sequence oral presentations					I	D	M						
Adapt spoken language (word choice, diction,					I	D	D	M	M				
usage) to the audience, purpose and occasion													
Use changes in delivery (gestures, vocabulary, pace) and appropriate props (objects, charts) visuals) for dramatic effect						I	D	D	M				
Present an organized interpretation of a literary work, film, or dramatic presentation								I/D	D/ M				
Give formal and informal talks to various audiences & for various purposes using appropriate level of formality and rhetorical devices										I/D	D/ M		
Present a clear thesis and support the major thesis with logical points or arguments										I	D	D	M
Choose valid evidence, proofs, or examples to support claims										I	D	D	M
Analyze purpose, audience, and occasion to choose effective verbal and nonverbal strategies for presenting messages and performances												I/D	D/ M
Deliver formal presentations, including portfolio, for particular audiences using clear enunciation, organization of ideas, gestures, tone, and appropriate vocabulary					I	I	D	D	D	M	M	M	M
Use feedback to judge effectiveness in communicating and setting goals for future presentations												I/D	D/ M
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Critical Listening: Listening critically to analyze													
& evaluate a speaker's message													
Distinguish between speaker's opinion and fact					I	D	D	M	M				
Understand the main ideas and supporting evidence in spoken messages					I	D	D	M	M				
Monitor own understanding of spoken messages,					I	D	D	M	M				

and seek clarification as needed													
Evaluate spoken messages in terms of its content, credibility, and delivery							I	D	M				
Listen to learn by taking and organizing notes							I	D	D	M	M		
Listen to learn by summarizing spoken ideas								I	D	D	M		
Integrate relevant information gathered from group discussions and interviews for reports								I	D	D	M		
Monitor speaker's message for clarity and understanding such as asking relevant questions to clarify understanding										I/D	D/ M		
Use effective strategies to evaluate one's own listening such as asking questions for clarification, comparing and contrasting interpretations with others, and researching points of interest or contention												I/D	D/ M
Demonstrate proficiency in each aspect of the listening process such as focusing attention, interpreting and responding												I/D	D/ M
Synthesize new information with one's own experience	I	I	I	I	D	D	D	D	D	M	M	M	M

Reading Comprehension and Active Learning Strategies

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Vocabulary : Developing and using an extensive vocabulary													
Recognize and use words with multiple meanings				I	D	D	M						
 Identify the relevant meaning for a word using its context 		Ι	I	D	D	D	M	M	M				
• Understand words and phrases needed to interpret figurative language					Ι	D	D	M	M				
• Rely on context to determine meanings of words and phrases such as figurative language, idioms,										Ι	D	D	M

multiple meaning words, and technical vocabulary													
Determine meanings of words by using a		I	D	D	M	M							
dictionary													
Use multiple print and electronic reference aids					I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M
(dictionary, thesaurus) to clarify meanings and													
usage													
Use advanced print and electronic reference aids										I	D	D	M
(specialized dictionaries, books of quotations) to													
clarify meaning and usage			+			т	Т	D	D	D	D	M	M
Determine the meaning of unfamiliar words using Second of Common Creek and Letter roots and common Creek and Letter roots and common Creek and Letter roots and common Creek and C						I	I	ען	ען	D	ש	M	IVI
knowledge of common Greek and Latin roots and affixes													
Learn and study content specific words through					I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M
curriculum and current events					1	1					141	141	141
Identify and use correctly idioms, cognates, words										I	D	D	M
with literal and figurative meanings													
Research word origins as an aid to understanding											I	D	M
meanings, derivations, and spellings as well as													
influences on the English language													
Identify Spanish words as an aid to understanding											I	D	M
meanings, derivations, and spelling													
Discriminate between connotative and denotative											I	D	M
meanings and interpret the connotative power of													
words											т	D	M
Read and understand analogies	T 7	1		1	1			 	0	0	I		M
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Reading Comprehension : Using a variety of													
strategies to comprehend text	-	-	-	-							2.5		3.5
Use prior knowledge to anticipate meaning and	I	I	I	I	D	D	D	D	D	M	M	M	M
make sense of text	T	T	T	T		- D				3.4	3.6	2.6	3.4
Establish a purpose for reading	I	I	I	I	D	D	D	D	D	M	M	M	M
Generate and answer different types of			I	1	I	I	D	D	D	D	D	M	M
comprehension questions				т	т	т	D	D	M	M	M	M	M
Generate and answer document based questions				1	I	1	ען	D	IVI	IVI	IVI	IVI	IVI

and constructive response questions										
Identify, state, and analyze main ideas and	I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M	M
supporting details in multi-paragraph text										
Recognize different levels of main ideas in lengthy			I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M
text										
Distinguish fact from opinion or fiction	I	D	D	M						
Locate facts that answer questions	I	I	D	D	M	M				
Identify evidence used to support an argument				I	D	M				
Draw inferences such as conclusions or		I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M
generalizations and support them with text										
evidence										
Analyze and evaluate the logic and use of							I	D	D	M
evidence in an author's argument										
Summarize from multi-paragraph text		I	D	M						
Summarize from lengthy text				I	I	D	D	D	M	M
Paraphrase to recall, inform and organize ideas		I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M
Find similarities and differences across text		I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M
Monitor own comprehension and act purposely	I	I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M
when comprehension breaks down by using										
strategies										
Describe mental images that text descriptions		I	D	D	M	M				
evoke										
Construct images such as graphic organizers based					I	D	D	D	M	M
on text descriptions and text structures										
Identify and use basic common textual features	I	D	D	M						
(paragraphs, topic sentences) and graphic features										
(charts, maps, illustrations)					_					
Identify and use more advanced textual features					I	D	D	M		
(introduction, conclusion, footnotes, index) and										
graphic features (diagrams, graphs)		-	-	_	-	_	_			12.5
Recognize organizational structures (chronological		I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M
order, cause and effect, compare/contrast, etc.),										
and use the text's structure to comprehend and										

recall information													
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Active Learning Strategies: Using a variety of strategies to organize, recall, and write about information from text or listening													
Through pre-reading and skimming, develop a graphic organizer of the key topics in expository text					I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M
Use a story map while reading narrative text to identify and organize essential elements of the story				I	I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M
Organize and represent text information using an outline, graphic organizer or timeline				I	I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M
Take and revise notes from written sources					I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M
Take and revise notes from oral sources								I	I	D	D	M	M
Take and revise notes from multi-media sources								I	I	D	D	M	M
• Practice generating and answering different levels of questions (open-ended, literal, interpretive) as well as test-like questions such as multiple choice, true-false, short answer, and essay.					I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M
Develop oral and written summaries to organize and practice expressing information learned					I	Ι	D	D	D	D	M	M	M
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Reading Inquiry and Research: Developing topics, generating questions, and conducting research.													
Use relevant areas of the library/media center				I	D	D	M						
Use alphabetical order to locate information		I	D	D	M	M							
• Recognize and use parts of a book to locate information (title page, table of contents, chapter titles, guide words, index)			I	D	D	M	M						
Use multiple sources to locate information				I	I	D	D	M	M				
• Interpret and use graphic sources of information (maps, tables, etc.) to address research questions					I	D	D	M	M				
• Use text organizers such as overviews, headings,							I	I	D	D	D	M	M

and graphic features to locate and categorize information										
Identify evidence and cite accurately/responsively to support an argument			I	D	D	M				
 Locate appropriate print and non-print information using texts and technical resources, periodicals and book indices, including databases and the Internet 							I	D	D	M
Summarize and organize information from multiple sources by taking notes, outlining, and summarizing			I	Ι	D	D	D	D	M	M
Draw conclusions from information gathered							I	D	M	
Organize and convert information into different forms such as charts, graphs and drawings							I/D	D/ M		
Analyze and evaluate the logic and use of evidence in an author's argument							I	D	D	M
Evaluate the credibility of information sources and their appropriateness for varied needs									I/D	D/ M
• Draw relevant questions for further study from the research findings or conclusions										M
• Learn to generate and fine-tune topics for report writing and research		I	D	D	M	M				
Generate relevant, interesting and researchable questions and topics							I	D	D	M
Form and revise questions and sub-topics for research		I	I	D	D	D	D	M		
Present organized oral reports using visuals or media to support topic				I	I	D	D	D	M	M
Produce written and milti-media research projects and reports in accordance with the S.E.S. Inquiry Based research model				Ι	I	D	D	D	M	M
Generate the elements of a research paper, such as title page, outline, rough draft, final draft, and bibliography				I	I	D	D	D	M	M

Literature

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Wide Reading: Reading for different purposes in varied sources													
• Engages in wide reading to aid in becoming a life- long learner (respecting established knowledge and traditions, synthesizing new information with one's own experiences, and demonstrating a commitment to continuous improvement)	I	I	Ι	Ι	D	D	D	D	D	M	M	M	M
• Read fiction, nonfiction, poetry, and dramatic works, including classic and contemporary works, from a variety of genres, perspectives and cultures for pleasure and/or information, including picture books, magazines, and electronic texts	I	I	I	I	D	D	D	D	D	M	M	M	M
• Read for varied purposes such as to be informed, to be entertained, to appreciate the writer's craft, and to discover models for writing					I	I	D	D	D	M	M	M	M
Select varied sources such as plays, anthologies, novels, textbooks, poetry, newspapers, magazines and electronic texts when reading for information and pleasure							I	I	D	D	D	M	M
Read and analyze American and world literature, including classic and contemporary works										I	D	D	M
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Literary Concepts: Recognizing the characteristics of various types of texts													
Understand literary terms such as playwright, theater, stage, act, dialogue, and scene				Ι	I	D	D	D	M				
Analyze characteristics of text including its structure, word choices, and intended audience										I	D	D	M
Analyze primary sources				I	I	I	D	D	D	D	M	M	M

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• Recognize ways authors organize and present ideas such as through cause/effect, compare/contrast, inductively, deductively, or chronologically							I	D	M				
 Recognize and interpret literary devices such as flashback, foreshadowing, and symbolism 					I	I	D	D	D	M	M		
• Recognize how style, tone, and mood contribute to the effect of the text							I	D	D	M	M		
• Identify and analyze imagery, figurative language, rhythm, or flow when responding to literature						I	D	D	M				
 Understand literary forms and terms such as drama, biography, autobiography, myth, tall tale, memoir. 		I	D	D	M	M							
 Understand literary devices such as dialogue, tragedy and comedy, structure in poetry, epic, ballad, protagonist, antagonist, paradox, analogy, dialect, and comic relief 							I	I	D	D	D	M	M
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
GENRE													
• Learn the distinguishing features of familiar genres of fiction such as historical fiction, realistic fiction, folk literature, mystery, science fiction, fantasy and poetry.		I	D	D	M	M							
• Learn the distinguishing features of familiar genres of nonfiction such as biography, autobiography, memoir, personal narrative, editorial and essay						I	D	D	M				
• Identify and interpret themes and give supporting evidence from a variety of genres			I	I	D	D	D	M	M				
CHARACTERS													
 Analyze characters, including their traits, motivations, conflicts, points of view, relationships and changes they undergo 					I	D	D	M	M				
SETTING							1		<u> </u>			3.5	1
• Analyze the relevance of setting and time frame to a text's meaning								I	D	D	M	M	M

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• Relate a literary work to artifacts, artistic creations, or historical sites of the period of its setting								ון ו	D/M				
PLOT/THEME/CONFLICT													
Recognize and analyze story plot, setting, and problem resolution					I	D	D	M	M				
Understand that theme refers to the main idea and meaning of a selection, whether it is implied or stated						I	D	D	M				
Identify similar themes across a variety of selections								Ι	D	D	M		
Identify basic conflicts (internal and external)								I	D	M			
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Poetry													
• Analyze the effects of sound, figurative language, and graphics in order to uncover meaning in poetry						I	I	D	D	D	M	M	M
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Dramatic Literature													
Identify and analyze structural elements particular to dramatic literature (scenes, acts, stage directions) in plays						I/D	D/M						
• Identify and analyze elements of setting, plot, and characterization in the plays								I/D	D/M				
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Response to Literature: Responding to various types of literature													
Respond in writing to stories and poems in ways that reflect understanding and interpretation of discussion				I	D	D	M						
• In writing offer observations, make connections, react, speculate, interpret, and raise questions in response to literature				I	I	D	D	M	M				
Identify and analyze the author's use of dialogue and description						I/D	D/M						

• Identify and interpret themes and give supporting evidence from text through the use of critical lens			Ι	Ι	D	D	D	M	M	M

Reading: Decoding

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Letter-Sound Knowledge: Identifying words in													
 Use more advanced structural cues to recognize 					Ī	D	M						
words							1,1						
• Use structural analysis to identify words, including knowledge of Greek and Latin roots and affixes								I	D	M			
Fluency: Reading quickly, accurately and with expression	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Read instructional-level text that is challenging but manageable with fluency, including read aloud, guided independent, and shared reading			I	D	D	M	M						
• Consistently demonstrate characteristics of fluent and effective reading					I	D	M						
 Adjust reading based on genre, difficulty and purpose for reading 					I	D	D	M	M				