

	Content	Skills	Assessment	Common Core Standards	Essential Question(s)
August-September	<p>Writing an Essay: Parts of a composition</p> <p>Types of Compositions</p> <p>Common Core Vocabulary</p>	<p>Thesis, hook, introduction, body paragraphs, conclusions, effective endings</p> <p>Narrative, expository, descriptive, argumentative</p>	<p>Quizzes</p> <p>Formal Written Test</p> <p>Bi-weekly vocabulary review</p>	<p>CCSS ELA W.7.2 CCSS ELA W.7.3 CCSS ELA W.7.4 CCSS ELA W.7.5</p>	<p>How does each component of a composition work together in a cohesive manner to create an effective piece of writing?</p> <p>How do effective writers determine when to use each type of a composition ie: narrative, expository, descriptive, argumentative?</p>
October	<p>Writing Process</p> <p>Peer revision and editing</p> <p>Expository writing (non-research based)</p> <p>Common Core</p>	<p>Prewriting, drafting, editing, proofreading, revision, publishing</p> <p>Outlines</p> <p>Grammar and Mechanics (mini lessons)</p>	<p>Formal Written Test</p> <p>Quizzes</p> <p>Composition 1</p>	<p>CCSS ELA W.7.2 CCSS ELA W.2A,B,C,D,E,F CCSS ELA W.7.4 CCSS ELA W.7.5 CCSS ELA W.7.6</p>	<p>How do effective writers utilize the writing process to generate a thorough composition?</p> <p>How does peer revision enhance the overall flow and consistency of a</p>

	Vocabulary				composition?
November	Introduction to research and research citations Common Core Vocabulary Expository and Argumentative Writing	Citations, plagiarism, primary and secondary sources, direct quotes, paraphrasing, quality of sources, website evaluation	Quizzes Composition 2 and 3	CCSS ELA W.7.7 CCSS ELA W.7.8 CCSS ELA W.7.9 A, B	How do effective writers use research to enhance their own ideas and further prove their claims
December- January	Argumentative Writing Peer editing and revision Common Core Vocabulary	Claims, evidence, citations, arguments, proof, defending opinions Grammar and mechanics (mini lessons)	Composition 4	CCSS ELA W.7.1 A,B,C,D,E	Why do writers develop claims as a means of developing and defending their arguments?
February- March	Speaking and Listening Common Core Vocabulary	Formal and informal discussion, rules of collegial discussions, posing questions, responsive listening, analyzing and sharing ideas, framing and outlining speeches	Oral Presentation	CCSS ELA SL7.1.A,B,C,D CCSS ELA SL 7.2 CCSS ELA SL 7.3 CCSS ELA SL 7.4 CCSS ELA SL 7.5 CCSS ELA SL 7.6	How does responsive listening promote collaboration in group discussions? How do informative and prepared speakers look, sound, and appeal to audiences?

April	<p>Narrative Writing</p> <p>Peer editing and revision</p> <p>Common Core Vocabulary</p>	<p>Exposition, setting, theme, tone, mood, rising action, climax, falling action, resolution</p> <p>Grammar and mechanics (mini lessons)</p>	<p>Narrative Stories</p>	<p>CCSS ELA W.7.3A,B,C,D,E</p> <p>CCSS ELA W.7.4</p> <p>CCSS ELA W.7.5</p> <p>CCSS ELA W.7.6</p> <p>CCSS ELA W.7.10</p>	<p>How does each component of a narrative story contribute to the overall story's effectiveness?</p>
May	<p>Compare and contrast writing</p> <p>Debate</p> <p>Common Core Vocabulary</p>	<p>Similarity and difference, position, support and reasoning, debate etiquette</p>	<p>Compare and Contrast composition</p> <p>In Class debate</p>	<p>CCSS ELA W.7.7</p> <p>CCSS ELA W.7.8</p> <p>CCSS ELA W.7.9</p> <p>A, B</p> <p>CCSS ELA SL7.1.A,B,C,D</p> <p>CCSS ELA SL 7.2</p> <p>CCSS ELA SL 7.3</p> <p>CCSS ELA SL 7.4</p> <p>CCSS ELA SL 7.5</p> <p>CCSS ELA SL 7.6</p>	<p>How do the rules of debate allot of an organized and transitional argument to occur?</p>