

Department: English
Course Name: English 6

Course Description:

The goal of this course is to develop life-long communicators of the English language through the expansion of grammar, usage, mechanics, and writing skills. The class reinforces the skills needed to write successfully across the curriculum and to use writing as a tool for learning, while exposing students to related technology. Students utilize the writing process through mini-workshop lessons that focus on the six traits of writing. Students practice these skills through writing descriptive, persuasive, narrative, and expository pieces throughout the year.

Content:

Grammar
Composition (Narrative, Descriptive, Expository, Essay, Paragraph, Research)
Poetry
MLA Format
Plagiarism

Skills:

Identify fragments and run-ons
Identify types of sentences
Identify subjects and predicates
Identify and use compound and complex sentences
Identify and use coordinating and subordinating conjunctions
Recognize and distinguish nouns
Recognize and distinguish verbs
Recognize and use direct objects
Recognize and use verb tenses
Recognize and use subject-verb agreement
Recognize and use contractions
Identify and use adjectives
Recognize and use articles and demonstratives
Identify and use adverbs
Recognize and use interjections
Recognize and use commas
Recognize and use abbreviations
Recognize and use quotations
Recognize and use titles
Recognize and use pronouns
Recognize and use prepositions and prepositional phrases
Recognize and use participles, gerunds, infinitives
Diagram sentences
Recognize and use capitalization
Recognize and use punctuation
Construct paragraphs
Write informally
Write formally
Proofread and edit

Write using sensory details
Write using figurative language
Cite research sources
Write thesis statement
Use search engines
Identify reliable sources
Format and construct outline
Write using transition words
Paraphrase text
Identify elements of story writing
Respond to writing prompts
Utilize elements of essay writing
Utilize elements of narrative writing
Develop oral presentation skills
Read orally with fluency and expression
Use presentation technology
Articulate and communicate complex ideas

Text and Materials:

Grammar and Language Workbook (Glencoe/McGraw Hill, 2009)

Noden, Harry R. Introduction to Image Grammar Activity Book (Perfection Learning, 2009)

Daily Language Review, Grade 7 (Evan-Moor)

Methods of Instruction:

Lecture
Class discussion
Individual and group projects
Modeling/examples
Group work
iPad (variety of apps such as Nearpod, Notability, Flipgrid, etc.)
Educational videos
Worksheets

Methods of Evaluation:

Tests
Quizzes
Class projects
Homework
Classwork