



# WRITING STANDARDS ASSESSMENT PORTFOLIO

## Grades 6-8

School
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Student
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Teacher
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Year
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**Purpose:** This assessment portfolio is a standards-based assessment data communication tool. It provides the student, parent, and teacher with evidence of the student's progress toward meeting the standards throughout the school year. The student should fill in the information on the portfolio; the teacher should instruct students on how to do this.

### PORTFOLIO COMPONENTS, GRADES 6-8

Content Standard 1.0, Writing Strategies  
Content Standard 2.0, Writing Applications

Component	Description and Purpose
<p>*Writing tasks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grades 6, 7, and 8 will write in the genres of Narrative, Expository, Persuasive and Response to Literature</li> <li>• In grade 7, students will also write Summaries of Reading Materials.</li> <li>• In grade 8, students will write a Business Letter.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Narrative Writing</b> tells a story. Successful narratives include descriptive details and dialogue to develop the characters, setting, and plot. Fictional narratives are stories that recreate an experience, real or imagined. Biographical or autobiographical narratives shape, recreate, reveal, or clarify an actual experience.</p> <p><b>Expository Writing</b> informs and explains. Effective exposition states a clear purpose and supports it with relevant and accurate information. The writing follows an organizational pattern appropriate to the task.</p> <p><b>Persuasive Writing</b> allows you to use the power of language to inform and influence others. Effective persuasion clearly states the issue and the writer's position using relevant, convincing evidence. The reader's concerns and counter-arguments are addressed.</p> <p><b>Response to Literature Writing</b> demonstrates a thoughtful interpretation of a literary work. Successful responses show literary understanding and insight and justify the interpretation through textual references and connections to other texts, to self, and to the world.</p>
<p>*Additional Writing Products</p>	<p>This writing reflects a topic and/or genre chosen by the student or teacher. The student may have chosen to produce this piece (e.g., during Writers' Workshop), or it may be the result of a teacher assignment.</p> <p>This type of writing may be formal (e.g., a poem, brochure, essay, thank you letter, etc.) or informal (e.g., quickwrites, journal entries, graphic organizers, learning log entries, etc.).</p> <p>A teacher created scoring instrument or a district genre rubric may be used to assess this product, whichever is appropriate.</p>

# GRADES 6-8 PERFORMANCE STANDARD: RHETORICAL

## 1.0 Writing Strategies

### 2.0 Writing Applications (Genres and their Characteristics)

**Directions:** Place a dot on the grid for the score received for each timed Writing Task in the appropriate column to indicate when the piece was finished. If more than one Writing Task in that genre was written in a month, place as many dots in that column as apply.

\*Plot timed writing tasks using one color or symbol, and plot process writing tasks using another color or symbol.

		Narrative																				
Performance Level Rhetorical	Advanced Proficient 4																					
	Proficient 3																					
	Partially Proficient 2																					
	Not Proficient 1																					
		Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.									

		Expository																				
Performance Level Rhetorical	Advanced Proficient 4																					
	Proficient 3																					
	Partially Proficient 2																					
	Not Proficient 1																					
		Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.									

\*It is not expected that you write in each genre each month. The grid is merely to keep track of WHEN you had the opportunity to write in the various genres.

		<b>Persuasive</b>														
<b>Performance Level</b> <b>Rhetorical</b>	Advanced Proficient 4															
	Proficient 3															
	Partially Proficient 2															
	Not Proficient 1															
		Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.			

		<b>Response to Literature</b>														
<b>Performance Level</b> <b>Rhetorical</b>	Advanced Proficient 4															
	Proficient 3															
	Partially Proficient 2															
	Not Proficient 1															
		Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.			

<b>Additional Writing Product(s)</b>	
(student or teacher choice)	
Describe:	Score: (Attach scoring instrument used.)

## Summaries of Reading Materials (7th Grade)

<b>Performance Level Rhetorical</b>	Advanced Proficient 4											
	Proficient 3											
	Partially Proficient 2											
	Not Proficient 1											
		Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July

## Business Letter (8th Grade)

<b>Performance Level Rhetorical</b>	Advanced Proficient 4											
	Proficient 3											
	Partially Proficient 2											
	Not Proficient 1											
		Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July

# GRADES 6-8 PERFORMANCE STANDARD: CONVENTIONS

## 1.0 Written and Oral Language Conventions

**Directions:** Place a dot on the grid for the **conventions** score received for each portfolio piece in all of the required genres. Place the dots in the appropriate columns to indicate when each piece was finished. If more than one piece was completed in a month, place as many dots in that column as apply.

<b>Performance Level Conventions</b>	Advanced Proficient 4											
	Proficient 3											
	Partially Proficient 2											
	Not Proficient 1											
		Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July

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## FOR THE WRITING STANDARDS ASSESSMENT PORTFOLIO

School

Student

Content Standard 2.0: Writing Applications  
Use writing as a means of learning and reflecting

<b>My Writing Goals</b>			
<b>Grade Beginning of Year</b>	<b>Date / What I am able to do well in my writing pieces (strengths)</b>	<b>What I need to work on next - future goals</b>	<b>What my teacher should know about me as a writer</b>

# My Writing Goals

<b>Mid Year</b>	<b>Date / What I am able to do well in my writing pieces (strengths)</b>	<b>What I need to work on next - future goals</b>	<b>The piece I'm proud of is... because...</b>
<b>End of Year</b>	<b>Date / What I am able to do well in my writing pieces (strengths)</b>	<b>What I need to work on next - future goals</b>	<b>The most important ideas I've learned about writing are...</b>