

Course Title: Grade 6 ELA

Board Approval Date: June, 2010

Course Description:

This course focuses on mastery of the PA Academic Standards for Reading and Writing. As students progress through this course, they will read diverse literature to expand their reading capabilities. Through a variety of writing activities, grammar/spelling will be incorporated into the course objectives. The students will read critically, analyze, and interpret text to respond to literature through a variety of writing activities. In conclusion, the reading curriculum in sixth grade will focus on teaching the anchors at an appropriate level for each child.

Learning Activities / Modes of Assessment:

Large group instruction	Tests and Quizzes
Small group work	Projects with Rubrics
Computer	Writing prompts
Discussion	Open-ended responses
Interactive Polyvision boards	

Instructional Resources:

Junior Great Books
“Read” Plays
Critical Reading Series
Thoughtful Reading Series
PSSA items— Released Poetry, Editorials, Fiction, Non-fiction
Perfection Learning-How to get better test scores for language arts/reading
TestSmart
Reading Attainment Series
SRA Corrective Reading Program
WordSmart vocabulary program
Fast ForWord
Sitton Spelling
Glencoe Writer’s Choice Grammar, Composition, and Spelling
Mark Twain Media A to Z Spelling
Selections from the LASD Approved Reading List
Appropriate Internet sources

Course Pacing Guide

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Course Unit (Topic)	Length of Instruction
1. Fiction	65 Days
2. Non-fiction	55 Days
3. Poetry/Drama	25 Days
4. Persuasive	20 Days
5. Grade 7 Preview	15 Days