

Course Title: Grade ELA
Credit/Hours: 1 Credit

Board Approval Date: June, 2010

Course Description:

This course focuses on mastery of the Pennsylvania Academic Standards for Reading, Writing and Listening, with an emphasis on the Grade 7 Pennsylvania Academic Anchors for Reading. Throughout the year, the students will work on vocabulary development and the further development of basic reading, writing and higher level thinking skills.

Curriculum materials are derived from works of classic literature (myths, fables, folktales/legends), short stories, abridged and unabridged classics, historical fiction novels, biographies, autobiographies, poems, and non-fiction books and articles. In addition, students will complete basic reading exercises and vocabulary activities and compose written responses to articles. Students will also compose informative, persuasive and narrative writing pieces.

Learning Activities / Modes of Assessment:

Large Group Instruction
Small Group Activities
Reading Exercises/Practice
Vocabulary Activities
Tests and Quizzes
Teacher Observation-Formal and Informal
Writing Assignments
Oral and Written Responses

Instructional Resources:

Reading Literature (McDougal, Littell & Company, 1988)
Selections from the LASD Approved Reading List
Appropriate Internet Resources

Course Pacing Guide

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Course Unit (Topic)	Length of Instruction
1. Fiction	50 Days
2. Non-fiction	50 Days
3. Poetry/Drama	50 Days
4. Vocabulary Development	20 Days
5. Grade 8 Preview	10 Days