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Language Arts

Grade 6 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 6.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

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ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.a.	Recognize and describe expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, key details, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.3.	Argumentative Techniques – Analyze and apply argumentative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.3.c.	Apply argumentative techniques (e.g., author's claim, supporting relevant evidence, an identified counterclaim, and a logical conclusion) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.c.	Vary tone, pace, and nonverbal gestures as appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.a.	Analyze expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.3.	Argumentative Techniques – Analyze and apply argumentative techniques.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.3.c.	Apply argumentative techniques (e.g., author's claim, supporting relevant evidence, an identified counterclaim, and a logical conclusion) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1 .a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.c.	Vary tone, pace, and nonverbal gestures as appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 8 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.a.	Analyze the development of expository techniques used to present and design content, including multiple main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.3.	Argumentative Techniques – Analyze and apply argumentative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.3.c.	Apply argumentative techniques (e.g., author's claim, supporting relevant and logical evidence, an identified counterclaim, a rebuttal, and a conclusion) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.c.	Vary tone, pace, and nonverbal gestures as appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 6 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 6.L.GC.2.
d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.a.	Recognize and describe expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, key details, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1. .a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.a.	Analyze expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.
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ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

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ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.a.	Analyze the development of expository techniques used to present and design content, including multiple main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.

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EXPECTATION 8.T.T.2.c. Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 8.T.RA.2.
a. Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.

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EXPECTATION 8.T.RA.2.
c. Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION K-12.P.EICC .1.a. Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1 .a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	6.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

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EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.
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EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text’s purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author’s lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 7.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.a.	Analyze expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

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Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.a.	Analyze the development of expository techniques used to present and design content, including multiple main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
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ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text’s purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author’s lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 6 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 6.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

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ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.a.	Recognize and describe expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, key details, and a sense of closure.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.

ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1. b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1. c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1. d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.a.	Analyze expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2. c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K- 12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1. .a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 8 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.
STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.a.	Analyze the development of expository techniques used to present and design content, including multiple main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.
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ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1. .a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.
STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	6.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1. b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1. c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1. d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.a.	Describe how narrative techniques are used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.b.	Analyze how setting, events, conflict, and characterization influence plot pacing.
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.c.	Identify multiple themes and describe how the relationships and interactions between characters influence and shape themes.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.PM.1. a.	Read and comprehend myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works.
EXPECTATION	6.T.PM.1. b.	Read and comprehend one genre of literature from a particular time period.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.

ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1. b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1. c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1. d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.a.	Analyze how narrative techniques are used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.b.	Analyze the use of plot structures, conflict, and narrative devices (e.g., flashback, foreshadowing) within a text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.c.	Compare and contrast how themes are developed and expressed in texts through characters, events, and other story elements.

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Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2. c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.

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Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.PM.1. a.	Read and comprehend to analyze myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works and identify key features of style and theme.
EXPECTATION	7.T.PM.1. b.	Read and comprehend to analyze one genre of literature from a particular time period and identify key features of style and theme.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE

Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION

6-8.L.V.1.a.

Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION

6-8.L.V.1.b.

Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

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ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION

6-8.L.V.3.b.

Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.a.	Analyze the development of the narrative techniques used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.b.	Analyze how plot structures, conflict, and narrative devices (e.g., flashback, foreshadowing) work together to create an intended effect (e.g., suspense, tension, humor) on the audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.c.	Analyze how authors convey and reveal themes through characters, events, and other story elements.
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.d.	Analyze how a modern literary work draws on themes, event patterns, or character types from different time periods.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.

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ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.PM.1. a.	Read and compare and contrast myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K- 12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K- 12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K- 12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K- 12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 6.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
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ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
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ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.a.	Describe how narrative techniques are used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.b.	Analyze how setting, events, conflict, and characterization influence plot pacing.
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.c.	Identify multiple themes and describe how the relationships and interactions between characters influence and shape themes.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.PM.1.a.	Read and comprehend myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works.
EXPECTATION	6.T.PM.1.b.	Read and comprehend one genre of literature from a particular time period.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
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STRAND/TOPIC

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1 .a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.a.	Analyze how narrative techniques are used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.b.	Analyze the use of plot structures, conflict, and narrative devices (e.g., flashback, foreshadowing) within a text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.c.	Compare and contrast how themes are developed and expressed in texts through characters, events, and other story elements.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.PM.1.a.	Read and comprehend to analyze myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works and identify key features of style and theme.
EXPECTATION	7.T.PM.1.b.	Read and comprehend to analyze one genre of literature from a particular time period and identify key features of style and theme.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.
STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.a.	Analyze the development of the narrative techniques used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.b.	Analyze how plot structures, conflict, and narrative devices (e.g., flashback, foreshadowing) work together to create an intended effect (e.g., suspense, tension, humor) on the audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.c.	Analyze how authors convey and reveal themes through characters, events, and other story elements.
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.d.	Analyze how a modern literary work draws on themes, event patterns, or character types from different time periods.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.PM.1. a.	Read and compare and contrast myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 6.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.a.	Describe how narrative techniques are used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.

EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.b.	Analyze how setting, events, conflict, and characterization influence plot pacing.

EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.c.	Identify multiple themes and describe how the relationships and interactions between characters influence and shape themes.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.PM.1. a.	Read and comprehend myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works.
EXPECTATION	6.T.PM.1. b.	Read and comprehend one genre of literature from a particular time period.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text’s purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author’s lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

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Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC

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ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.a.	Analyze how narrative techniques are used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.b.	Analyze the use of plot structures, conflict, and narrative devices (e.g., flashback, foreshadowing) within a text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.c.	Compare and contrast how themes are developed and expressed in texts through characters, events, and other story elements.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.PM.1.a.	Read and comprehend to analyze myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works and identify key features of style and theme.
EXPECTATION	7.T.PM.1.b.	Read and comprehend to analyze one genre of literature from a particular time period and identify key features of style and theme.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 8 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.a.	Analyze the development of the narrative techniques used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.b.	Analyze how plot structures, conflict, and narrative devices (e.g., flashback, foreshadowing) work together to create an intended effect (e.g., suspense, tension, humor) on the audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.c.	Analyze how authors convey and reveal themes through characters, events, and other story elements.

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.d.	Analyze how a modern literary work draws on themes, event patterns, or character types from different time periods.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.PM.1.a.	Read and compare and contrast myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.

ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	6.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.a.	Describe how narrative techniques are used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.b.	Analyze how setting, events, conflict, and characterization influence plot pacing.
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.c.	Identify multiple themes and describe how the relationships and interactions between characters influence and shape themes.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.PM.1.a.	Read and comprehend myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works.
EXPECTATION	6.T.PM.1.b.	Read and comprehend one genre of literature from a particular time period.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author’s lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text’s purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.a.	Analyze how narrative techniques are used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.b.	Analyze the use of plot structures, conflict, and narrative devices (e.g., flashback, foreshadowing) within a text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.c.	Compare and contrast how themes are developed and expressed in texts through characters, events, and other story elements.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.PM.1. a.	Read and comprehend to analyze myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works and identify key features of style and theme.

EXPECTATION	7.T.PM.1. b.	Read and comprehend to analyze one genre of literature from a particular time period and identify key features of style and theme.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 8 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE

Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION

6-8.L.V.1.a.

Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION

6-8.L.V.1.b.

Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION

6-8.L.V.3.b.

Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.a.	Analyze the development of the narrative techniques used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.b.	Analyze how plot structures, conflict, and narrative devices (e.g., flashback, foreshadowing) work together to create an intended effect (e.g., suspense, tension, humor) on the audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.c.	Analyze how authors convey and reveal themes through characters, events, and other story elements.
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.d.	Analyze how a modern literary work draws on themes, event patterns, or character types from different time periods.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.PM.1. a.	Read and compare and contrast myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K- 12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K- 12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K- 12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K- 12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 6 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 6.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

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ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.a.	Recognize and describe expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, key details, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text’s purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author’s lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 7.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.a.	Analyze expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 8 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.a.	Analyze the development of expository techniques used to present and design content, including multiple main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text’s purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author’s lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 6 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 6.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.a.	Recognize and describe expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, key details, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.4.	Poetic Techniques – Analyze and apply poetic techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.4.a.	Recognize and describe poetic techniques used to present and design content, including stanzas, rhyme scheme, imagery, figurative language, and/or sound devices.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.4.	Poetic Techniques – Analyze and apply poetic techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.4.b.	Apply poetic techniques (e.g., stanzas, rhyme/rhyme scheme, imagery, figurative language, sound devices) to produce poetry and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.PM.1.a.	Read and comprehend myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works.
EXPECTATION	6.T.PM.1.b.	Read and comprehend one genre of literature from a particular time period.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1 .a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.a.	Analyze expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.4.	Poetic Techniques – Analyze and apply poetic techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.4.a.	Analyze poetic techniques used to present and design content, including stanzas, rhyme scheme, imagery, figurative language, and/or sound devices.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.4.	Poetic Techniques – Analyze and apply poetic techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.4.b.	Apply poetic techniques (e.g., stanzas, rhyme/rhyme scheme, imagery, figurative language, sound devices) to produce poetry and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.PM.1.a.	Read and comprehend to analyze myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works and identify key features of style and theme.
EXPECTATION	7.T.PM.1.b.	Read and comprehend to analyze one genre of literature from a particular time period and identify key features of style and theme.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text’s purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author’s lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.a.	Analyze the development of expository techniques used to present and design content, including multiple main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.4.	Poetic Techniques – Analyze and apply poetic techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.4.a.	Analyze the development of poetic techniques used to present and design content, including stanzas, rhyme scheme, imagery, figurative language, and/or cacophony.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.4.	Poetic Techniques – Analyze and apply poetic techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 8.T.T.4.b. Apply poetic techniques (e.g., stanzas, rhyme/rhyme scheme, imagery, figurative language, sound devices) to produce poetry and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 8.T.RA.2. Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 8.T.RA.2. Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 8.T.PM.1. Read and compare and contrast myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 6 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.

ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	6.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.a.	Recognize and describe expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, key details, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.a.	Analyze expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.

ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.a.	Analyze the development of expository techniques used to present and design content, including multiple main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.

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ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 6 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	6.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.

ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.a.	Recognize and describe expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, key details, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 7.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.a.	Analyze expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text’s purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author’s lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.a.	Analyze the development of expository techniques used to present and design content, including multiple main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
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ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text’s purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author’s lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 6 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 6.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6.T.SS.1.b. Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 8 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 8.T.SS.1.b. Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION 8.T.SS.1.c. Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.

EXPECTATION 8.T.SS.1.d. Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 6.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.

ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 8 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.
STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 6.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6.T.SS.1.b. Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION 6.T.SS.1.c. Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

Language Arts

Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2. d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1. b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1. c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1. d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 8 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 8.T.SS.1.b. Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION 8.T.SS.1.c. Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.

EXPECTATION 8.T.SS.1.d. Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	6.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.

ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.a.	Recognize and describe expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, key details, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.

ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.a.	Analyze expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.C.2.d.	Use a variety of credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.a.	Analyze the development of expository techniques used to present and design content, including multiple main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 8.T.RA.1.
c. Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 8.T.RA.2.
a. Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 8.T.RA.2.
c. Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION K-12.P.EICC
.1.a. Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1. a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.

ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	6.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.a.	Recognize and describe expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, key details, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.b.	Scan and skim the text, making note of structures and sections that might be most useful.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 7.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.a.	Analyze expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.b.	Scan and skim the text, making note of structures and sections that might be most useful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1 .a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 8 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.
STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.3.b. Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 8.T.C.2.d. Use a variety of credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 8.T.SS.1.b. Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.a.	Analyze the development of expository techniques used to present and design content, including multiple main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
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ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

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ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.b.	Scan and skim the text, making note of structures and sections that might be most useful.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2 b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 6.L.GC.2.
d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

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ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.

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ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

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EXPECTATION 6.T.T.2.a. Recognize and describe expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, key details, and a sense of closure.

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EXPECTATION 6.T.T.2.c. Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

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EXPECTATION 6.T.RA.1.c. Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.

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EXPECTATION 6.T.RA.2.a. Locate evidence in print and digital sources to support a central idea or question, recording basic bibliographic information, such as author, title, and page number.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2.c.	Use basic parenthetical citations to credit authors when quoting or paraphrasing texts, ensuring each source is accompanied by a basic entry on a works cited page.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 7.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.a.	Analyze expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print and digital sources to support a central idea or question, recording standard bibliographic information, such as author, title, website name, page number, and year of publication.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 8 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.
STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.C.2.d.	Use a variety of credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.a.	Analyze the development of expository techniques used to present and design content, including multiple main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text’s purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author’s lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 6 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 6.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.a.	Recognize and describe expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, key details, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.1.a.	Generate questions to guide research and make connections between related topics of interest, formulating questions to investigate complex topics and ideas.
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.1.b.	Draw from accumulated knowledge and research to analyze texts, supporting, challenging, or extending ideas and information.
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ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print and digital sources to support a central idea or question, recording basic bibliographic information, such as author, title, and page number.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2.c.	Use basic parenthetical citations to credit authors when quoting or paraphrasing texts, ensuring each source is accompanied by a basic entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.a.	Analyze expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
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EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

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ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.1. a.	Generate questions to guide research and make connections between related topics of interest, formulating questions to investigate complex topics and ideas.

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.1. b.	Draw from accumulated knowledge and research to analyze texts, supporting, challenging, or extending ideas and information.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.1. c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.

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ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print and digital sources to support a central idea or question, recording standard bibliographic information, such as author, title, website name, page number, and year of publication.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 8 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.C.2.d.	Use a variety of credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.a.	Analyze the development of expository techniques used to present and design content, including multiple main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.1. a.	Generate questions to guide research and make connections between related topics of interest, formulating questions to investigate complex topics and ideas.

EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.1. b.	Draw from accumulated knowledge and research to analyze texts, supporting, challenging, or extending ideas and information.

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ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.1. c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

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ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author’s lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text’s purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	6.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2.c.	Use basic parenthetical citations to credit authors when quoting or paraphrasing texts, ensuring each source is accompanied by a basic entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use colons to introduce quotations.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1. b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1. c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1. d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K- 12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	6.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2.c.	Use basic parenthetical citations to credit authors when quoting or paraphrasing texts, ensuring each source is accompanied by a basic entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use colons to introduce quotations.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1. b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1. c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1. d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K- 12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC 4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	6.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2.c.	Use basic parenthetical citations to credit authors when quoting or paraphrasing texts, ensuring each source is accompanied by a basic entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 8 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use colons to introduce quotations.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1. b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1. c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1. d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K- 12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 6 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	6.L.GC.2. d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1. b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1. c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1. d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2.c.	Use basic parenthetical citations to credit authors when quoting or paraphrasing texts, ensuring each source is accompanied by a basic entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use colons to introduce quotations.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1. b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1. c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1. d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K- 12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 6 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

ELEMENT/GLE		Use parts of speech and their associated phrases or clauses to perform indicated sentence functions (e.g., subject, direct object, predicate nominative, modifier).
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	6.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2.c.	Use basic parenthetical citations to credit authors when quoting or paraphrasing texts, ensuring each source is accompanied by a basic entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE

Form and use verbals and verbal phrases (participles/participials, gerunds, and infinitives) based on function.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION

7.L.GC.2.
d.

Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION

6-8.L.V.1.b.

Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION

7.T.SS.1.
b.

Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 8 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use colons to introduce quotations.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text’s purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 6 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

ELEMENT/GLE		Use parts of speech and their associated phrases or clauses to perform indicated sentence functions (e.g., subject, direct object, predicate nominative, modifier).
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	6.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.

STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print and digital sources to support a central idea or question, recording basic bibliographic information, such as author, title, and page number.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2.c.	Use basic parenthetical citations to credit authors when quoting or paraphrasing texts, ensuring each source is accompanied by a basic entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text’s purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE

Form and use verbals and verbal phrases (participles/participials, gerunds, and infinitives) based on function.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION

7.L.GC.2.d.

Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION

6-8.L.V.1.b.

Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION

7.T.C.2.d.

Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1. b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1. c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1. d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.1. c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print and digital sources to support a central idea or question, recording standard bibliographic information, such as author, title, website name, page number, and year of publication.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use colons to introduce quotations.

ELEMENT/GLE

Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION

6-8.L.V.1.b.

Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION

8.T.C.2.d.

Use a variety of credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION

8.T.SS.1.b.

Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION

8.T.SS.1.c.

Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1. d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.1. c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text’s purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE

Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

ELEMENT/GLE

Use parts of speech and their associated phrases or clauses to perform indicated sentence functions (e.g., subject, direct object, predicate nominative, modifier).

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION

6.L.GC.2.
d.

Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION

6-8.L.V.1.a.

Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.1.	Purpose & Audience – Analyze the impact of purpose and audience on a wide variety of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.C.1.b.	Use text mode features to aid comprehension and analysis of a variety of disciplinary texts and their related contexts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.a.	Recognize and describe expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, key details, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.1.a.	Generate questions to guide research and make connections between related topics of interest, formulating questions to investigate complex topics and ideas.
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.1.b.	Draw from accumulated knowledge and research to analyze texts, supporting, challenging, or extending ideas and information.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print and digital sources to support a central idea or question, recording basic bibliographic information, such as author, title, and page number.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

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ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2. c.	Use basic parenthetical citations to credit authors when quoting or paraphrasing texts, ensuring each source is accompanied by a basic entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.b.	Scan and skim the text, making note of structures and sections that might be most useful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Form and use verbals and verbal phrases (participles/participials, gerunds, and infinitives) based on function.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.

ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.1.	Purpose & Audience – Analyze the impact of purpose and audience on a wide variety of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.1.b.	Use text mode features to aid comprehension and analysis of a variety of disciplinary texts and their related contexts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.a.	Analyze expository techniques used to present and design content, including main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.1. a.	Generate questions to guide research and make connections between related topics of interest, formulating questions to investigate complex topics and ideas.

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.1. b.	Draw from accumulated knowledge and research to analyze texts, supporting, challenging, or extending ideas and information.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.1. c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print and digital sources to support a central idea or question, recording standard bibliographic information, such as author, title, website name, page number, and year of publication.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2. c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.b.	Scan and skim the text, making note of structures and sections that might be most useful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 8 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Use colons to introduce quotations.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.1.	Purpose & Audience – Analyze the impact of purpose and audience on a wide variety of texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.C.1.b.	Use text mode features to aid comprehension and analysis of a variety of disciplinary texts and their related contexts.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.C.2.d.	Use a variety of credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.a.	Analyze the development of expository techniques used to present and design content, including multiple main ideas, facts, statistics, key details, information from text features, and a sense of closure.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.1. a.	Generate questions to guide research and make connections between related topics of interest, formulating questions to investigate complex topics and ideas.
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.1. b.	Draw from accumulated knowledge and research to analyze texts, supporting, challenging, or extending ideas and information.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.1. c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.b.	Scan and skim the text, making note of structures and sections that might be most useful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

ELEMENT/GLE Use parts of speech and their associated phrases or clauses to perform indicated sentence functions (e.g., subject, direct object, predicate nominative, modifier).

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 6.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.b. Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1. b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1. c.	Use concept repetition and connected terms to support transitions, clarify the relationship between ideas and information in texts, and increase text cohesion.
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1. d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.1. a.	Generate questions to guide research and make connections between related topics of interest, formulating questions to investigate complex topics and ideas.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print and digital sources to support a central idea or question, recording basic bibliographic information, such as author, title, and page number.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2.c.	Use basic parenthetical citations to credit authors when quoting or paraphrasing texts, ensuring each source is accompanied by a basic entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Form and use verbals and verbal phrases (participles/participials, gerunds, and infinitives) based on function.
STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.b.	Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.c.	Use varied transition words and phrases to connect ideas, sentences, paragraphs, and sections of text.

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.1. a.	Generate questions to guide research and make connections between related topics of interest, formulating questions to investigate complex topics and ideas.

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.1. b.	Draw from accumulated knowledge and research to analyze texts, supporting, challenging, or extending ideas and information.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.1. c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print and digital sources to support a central idea or question, recording standard bibliographic information, such as author, title, website name, page number, and year of publication.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2. c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use colons to introduce quotations.

ELEMENT/GLE

Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION

6-8.L.V.1.b.

Use grade-level general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary to communicate clearly and precisely in a variety of settings.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION

8.T.C.2.d.

Use a variety of credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.

STRAND/TOPIC

Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION

8.T.SS.1.b.

Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION

8.T.SS.1.c.

Use varied words, phrases, and clauses to transition between ideas and to aid overall cohesion.

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1. d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.1. a.	Generate questions to guide research and make connections between related topics of interest, formulating questions to investigate complex topics and ideas.
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.1. b.	Draw from accumulated knowledge and research to analyze texts, supporting, challenging, or extending ideas and information.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.1. c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6- 8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.

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ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2 .d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

ELEMENT/GLE Use parts of speech and their associated phrases or clauses to perform indicated sentence functions (e.g., subject, direct object, predicate nominative, modifier).

STRAND/TOPIC

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION 6.L.GC.2.d. Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.a.	Describe how narrative techniques are used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.

EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.b.	Analyze how setting, events, conflict, and characterization influence plot pacing.

EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.c.	Identify multiple themes and describe how the relationships and interactions between characters influence and shape themes.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
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ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print and digital sources to support a central idea or question, recording basic bibliographic information, such as author, title, and page number.
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ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2.c.	Use basic parenthetical citations to credit authors when quoting or paraphrasing texts, ensuring each source is accompanied by a basic entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.PM.1. a.	Read and comprehend myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works.
EXPECTATION	6.T.PM.1. b.	Read and comprehend one genre of literature from a particular time period.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE

Form and use verbals and verbal phrases (participles/participials, gerunds, and infinitives) based on function.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION

7.L.GC.2.
d.

Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION

6-8.L.V.1.a.

Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC

Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.a.	Analyze how narrative techniques are used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.b.	Analyze the use of plot structures, conflict, and narrative devices (e.g., flashback, foreshadowing) within a text.

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.c.	Compare and contrast how themes are developed and expressed in texts through characters, events, and other story elements.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print and digital sources to support a central idea or question, recording standard bibliographic information, such as author, title, website name, page number, and year of publication.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.PM.1. a.	Read and comprehend to analyze myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works and identify key features of style and theme.
EXPECTATION	7.T.PM.1. b.	Read and comprehend to analyze one genre of literature from a particular time period and identify key features of style and theme.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 8 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use colons to introduce quotations.

ELEMENT/GLE Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.1.a. Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6-8.L.V.3.b. Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 8.T.C.2.d. Use a variety of credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.a.	Analyze the development of the narrative techniques used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.b.	Analyze how plot structures, conflict, and narrative devices (e.g., flashback, foreshadowing) work together to create an intended effect (e.g., suspense, tension, humor) on the audience.

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.c.	Analyze how authors convey and reveal themes through characters, events, and other story elements.

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.d.	Analyze how a modern literary work draws on themes, event patterns, or character types from different time periods.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.PM.1.a.	Read and compare and contrast myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1. a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.

ELEMENT/GLE Use parts of speech and their associated phrases or clauses to perform indicated sentence functions (e.g., subject, direct object, predicate nominative, modifier).

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	6.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.a.	Describe how narrative techniques are used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.

EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.b.	Analyze how setting, events, conflict, and characterization influence plot pacing.

EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.c.	Identify multiple themes and describe how the relationships and interactions between characters influence and shape themes.

EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.d.	Compare and contrast literary texts in different modes and genres (e.g., historical novels and fantasy texts) in terms of their approaches to similar themes and topics.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6.T.T.2.c. Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.4.	Poetic Techniques – Analyze and apply poetic techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6.T.T.4.a. Recognize and describe poetic techniques used to present and design content, including stanzas, rhyme scheme, imagery, figurative language, and/or sound devices.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION 6.T.RA.1.c. Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION 6.T.RA.2.a. Locate evidence in print and digital sources to support a central idea or question, recording basic bibliographic information, such as author, title, and page number.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2.c.	Use basic parenthetical citations to credit authors when quoting or paraphrasing texts, ensuring each source is accompanied by a basic entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.PM.1.a.	Read and comprehend myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. b.	Draw from knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish a clear point of view or unique perspective when interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. c.	Draw from knowledge of how authors consider context and audience to determine which information and ideas to highlight, which text design is most accessible, which word choices and language structures are most effective, and which craft techniques are most impactful.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1. .c.	Explain, analyze, and evaluate how the author's use of sentence structure and syntax affects the target audience and supports the text's purpose.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1. .d.	Describe, analyze, and evaluate the design and organization of the text, explaining how specific formats, structures, patterns, and features influence the audience, contribute to the text's accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Form and use verbals and verbal phrases (participles/participials, gerunds, and infinitives) based on function.
STRAND/TOPIC		Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.a.	Analyze how narrative techniques are used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.b.	Analyze the use of plot structures, conflict, and narrative devices (e.g., flashback, foreshadowing) within a text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.c.	Compare and contrast how themes are developed and expressed in texts through characters, events, and other story elements.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.4.	Poetic Techniques – Analyze and apply poetic techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.4.a.	Analyze poetic techniques used to present and design content, including stanzas, rhyme scheme, imagery, figurative language, and/or sound devices.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print and digital sources to support a central idea or question, recording standard bibliographic information, such as author, title, website name, page number, and year of publication.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2.c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.

ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.PM.1.a.	Read and comprehend to analyze myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works and identify key features of style and theme.
EXPECTATION	7.T.PM.1.b.	Read and comprehend to analyze one genre of literature from a particular time period and identify key features of style and theme.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.b.	Draw from knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish a clear point of view or unique perspective when interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.c.	Draw from knowledge of how authors consider context and audience to determine which information and ideas to highlight, which text design is most accessible, which word choices and language structures are most effective, and which craft techniques are most impactful.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.c.	Explain, analyze, and evaluate how the author's use of sentence structure and syntax affects the target audience and supports the text's purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.d.	Describe, analyze, and evaluate the design and organization of the text, explaining how specific formats, structures, patterns, and features influence the audience, contribute to the text's accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.

ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience’s experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text’s purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author’s Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use colons to introduce quotations.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.
STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.C.2.d.	Use a variety of credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.a.	Analyze the development of the narrative techniques used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.b.	Analyze how plot structures, conflict, and narrative devices (e.g., flashback, foreshadowing) work together to create an intended effect (e.g., suspense, tension, humor) on the audience.

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.c.	Analyze how authors convey and reveal themes through characters, events, and other story elements.

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.d.	Analyze how a modern literary work draws on themes, event patterns, or character types from different time periods.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.4.	Poetic Techniques – Analyze and apply poetic techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.4.a.	Analyze the development of poetic techniques used to present and design content, including stanzas, rhyme scheme, imagery, figurative language, and/or cacophony.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.PM.1.a.	Read and compare and contrast myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works.
EXPECTATION	8.T.PM.1.b.	Compare and contrast the treatment of a common theme by different writers within a time period.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.b.	Draw from knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish a clear point of view or unique perspective when interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.c.	Draw from knowledge of how authors consider context and audience to determine which information and ideas to highlight, which text design is most accessible, which word choices and language structures are most effective, and which craft techniques are most impactful.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.c.	Explain, analyze, and evaluate how the author's use of sentence structure and syntax affects the target audience and supports the text's purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.d.	Describe, analyze, and evaluate the design and organization of the text, explaining how specific formats, structures, patterns, and features influence the audience, contribute to the text's accessibility, and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

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Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use commas, parentheses, and dashes to set off nonessential words, phrases, or clauses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use parts of speech and their associated phrases or clauses to perform indicated sentence functions (e.g., subject, direct object, predicate nominative, modifier).
STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing

EXPECTATION	6.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, using modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.
STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.
STRAND/TOPIC	Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	6.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure to organize ideas with an introduction; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.a.	Describe how narrative techniques are used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.b.	Analyze how setting, events, conflict, and characterization influence plot pacing.
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.1.c.	Identify multiple themes and describe how the relationships and interactions between characters influence and shape themes.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, key details, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
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ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print and digital sources to support a central idea or question, recording basic bibliographic information, such as author, title, and page number.

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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	6.T.RA.2. c.	Use basic parenthetical citations to credit authors when quoting or paraphrasing texts, ensuring each source is accompanied by a basic entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6.T.PM.1. a.	Read and comprehend myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works.

EXPECTATION	6.T.PM.1. b.	Read and comprehend one genre of literature from a particular time period.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.		
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC.4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC.4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1.c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.b.	Draw from knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish a clear point of view or unique perspective when interpreting and constructing texts.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC		Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

STRAND/TOPIC Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) - Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 7 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Form and use verbals and verbal phrases (participles/participials, gerunds, and infinitives) based on function.
STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.2.	Syntax – Apply understanding of syntax to comprehend, analyze, condense, and combine ideas and information, enhancing clarity, style, and meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Composing
EXPECTATION	7.L.GC.2.d.	Build and enrich ideas and information in texts, avoiding misplaced or dangling modifiers when incorporating details and descriptions to convey meaning and facilitate engagement.
STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.b.	Analyze how evidence and tone reveal the author's perspective and impact credibility.

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ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.C.2.d.	Use credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.

STRAND/TOPIC Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.
EXPECTATION	7.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; supporting facts, reasons, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.a.	Analyze how narrative techniques are used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.b.	Analyze the use of plot structures, conflict, and narrative devices (e.g., flashback, foreshadowing) within a text.
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.1.c.	Compare and contrast how themes are developed and expressed in texts through characters, events, and other story elements.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.T.2.c.	Apply expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2. a.	Locate evidence in print and digital sources to support a central idea or question, recording standard bibliographic information, such as author, title, website name, page number, and year of publication.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	7.T.RA.2. c.	Follow a standard format for citation when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a standard entry on a works cited page.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	7.T.PM.1. a.	Read and comprehend to analyze myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works and identify key features of style and theme.
EXPECTATION	7.T.PM.1. b.	Read and comprehend to analyze one genre of literature from a particular time period and identify key features of style and theme.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2. b.	Draw from knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish a clear point of view or unique perspective when interpreting and constructing texts.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1 .a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
STRAND/TOPIC	Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.d.	Organize texts by incorporating specific formats, structures, patterns, and features to influence the audience, facilitate accessibility, and support the text's purpose.

STRAND/TOPIC

Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.3.	Text Design – Consider the impact of text design on audience and purpose when consuming and producing texts across modes and genres.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.1.	Collaboration – Collaborate with others to accomplish shared goals and projects.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.b.	Collaborate with others to determine group norms, establish goals and procedures, and facilitate productivity when working on shared projects.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.d.	Work with others to discuss topics, investigate questions, solve problems, and explore and create texts.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Collaboration & Presentation (CP) Students build and share knowledge as they engage with others in a range of settings and for a variety of purposes.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.CP.2.	Presentation - Use presentation skills to tailor communication to target audiences for specific purposes.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.

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Language Arts

Grade 8 - Adopted: 2023

STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Grammar Conventions (GC) Students observe, analyze, and use the structures and conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics as they interpret and construct texts.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.GC.1.	Grammar, Usage, & Mechanics – Draw from knowledge of the conventions of Standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics when analyzing and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use colons to introduce quotations.
ELEMENT/GLE		Use an appropriate style guide to address complex issues of grammar, usage, or mechanics.
STRAND/TOPIC	Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.	
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.1.	General, Academic, & Specialized Vocabulary – Use a variety of approaches to continuously build vocabulary across a range of real-life, academic, and disciplinary contexts and apply those understandings to analyze texts and to communicate effectively.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.1.a.	Acquire a range of general, academic, and disciplinary vocabulary through grade-level print, digital, and/or multimodal texts or content.

STRAND/TOPIC **Language (L) – Students learn and apply the structures and conventions of standard English. Students observe and analyze how grammar works in reading and writing. Students build vocabularies and determine word meanings as they relate to reading and writing.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Vocabulary (V) Students engage in a wide range of written and spoken activities during which they expand and deepen their vocabularies, build word analysis skillsets (morphology), and determine or clarify the meanings of words and phrases.
ELEMENT	6-8.L.V.3.	Meaning & Purpose – Analyze the denotative and connotative meanings of words and phrases and strategically apply those understandings when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	6-8.L.V.3.b.	Analyze relationships between words, phrases, and/or clauses (e.g., synonyms, antonyms, analogies, contextual clues) to determine, distinguish, or clarify the meaning of unknown or multiple-meaning words and phrases.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Context (C) Students recognize influences on texts and analyze how they shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.C.2.	Authors & Speakers – Analyze how authors' and/or speakers' perspectives influence texts and how circumstances shape their creation.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.C.2.d.	Use a variety of credible sources to research the answers to questions on academic and individual topics of interest.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Structures & Style (SS) Students analyze and use organizational structures and style to shape ideas and information.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.SS.1.	Organization – Analyze and use organizational structures to craft meaning.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.b.	Design texts, flexibly employing a variety of text structures and text features to convey information and add style, as appropriate to purpose and audience.

EXPECTATION	8.T.SS.1.d.	Craft multi-paragraph texts using a coherent structure with an introduction that guides the focus; logically organized and integrated supporting facts, reasons, explanations, details, descriptions, and/or events; and a conclusion with a sense of finality.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.1.	Narrative Techniques – Analyze and apply narrative techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.a.	Analyze the development of the narrative techniques used across the text to develop plot, characters, and setting.

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.b.	Analyze how plot structures, conflict, and narrative devices (e.g., flashback, foreshadowing) work together to create an intended effect (e.g., suspense, tension, humor) on the audience.

EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.c.	Analyze how authors convey and reveal themes through characters, events, and other story elements.
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.1.d.	Analyze how a modern literary work draws on themes, event patterns, or character types from different time periods.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Techniques (T) Students analyze and apply various techniques to comprehend and shape meaning.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.T.2.	Expository Techniques – Analyze and apply expository techniques.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.T.2.c.	Apply multiple expository techniques (e.g., main idea, facts, statistics, key details, text features, sense of closure) to enhance writing and engage audiences.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.1.	Research & Inquiry – Conduct research, generating questions to guide investigations of complex topics of interest and using credible resources to support analyses.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.1.c.	Conduct research by locating, gathering, curating, and integrating information from credible sources (including print, digital, and personal communication) about texts and related topics.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.a.	Locate evidence in print, digital, and multimodal sources to support a central idea or question, consulting Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines to determine the specific information needed to document particular modes and genres.
STRAND/TOPIC		Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.
STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	IV.	BIG IDEA: Research & Analysis (RA) Students use, discuss, analyze, and curate texts as they engage in various conversations, activities, and projects about a range of grade-level texts and topics.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.RA.2.	Curating Sources & Evidence – Utilize multiple print and digital texts to address a specific topic or question, assessing source credibility and relevance and integrating evidence properly to avoid plagiarism.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	8.T.RA.2.c.	Follow Modern Language Association (MLA) guidelines when integrating textual evidence, clearly identifying and citing the ideas and information of others and ensuring each source is accompanied by a properly formatted entry on a works cited page.

STRAND/TOPIC **Texts (T) – Students grow in their learning as they purposefully engage with texts.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	V.	BIG IDEA: Periods & Movements (PM) Students demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT	6-8.T.PM.1.	Periods & Movements – Demonstrate knowledge of dominant themes, genres, and verbal styles of literature from a particular time period.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	8.T.PM.1. a.	Read and compare and contrast myths and stories (fictional or historical) that modern writers have adapted into their own works.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .1.	Reader & Writer Identity – Build an identity as a reader and writer, developing a repertoire of resources and tools to continuously expand participation as an active consumer and producer of texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.a.	Generate, understand, monitor, and discuss personal and academic reading and writing goals, revising as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.b.	Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.c.	Select, read, and write texts of personal interest and academic relevance to grade-level texts and topics.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.d.	Build a repertoire of comprehension and composition skills, strategies, and techniques, drawing from them as needed to aid the interpretation and construction of texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.e.	Participate in a community of readers and writers by developing group norms, discussing texts, sharing individual writing, listening as others share their writing, and offering and responding to feedback.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .1.f.	Develop independence and autonomy as a reader and writer.

STRAND/TOPIC **Practices (P) – Students engage routinely in four literacy practices that ground, shape, and inform the expectations of the Foundations, Language, and Texts domains.**

STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .2.	Engagement & Intention – Engage in written or spoken dialogue as author and audience for a variety of tasks and purposes, making intentional connections within, between, and beyond texts.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.b.	Make use of texts to build knowledge, develop skills, make informed decisions, and share information and ideas.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.c.	Explain and learn concepts and processes by interpreting and constructing texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .2.d.	Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	I.	BIG IDEA: Engagement & Intention for Comprehension & Composition (EICC) Students develop personal and academic identities as readers and writers, approaching texts for a variety of tasks and purposes and engaging in reading and writing processes in order to deepen comprehension and strengthen composition.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .3.	Comprehension Strategies – Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.a.	Establish a purpose and set goals for reading, monitor comprehension, and adjust as needed.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.c.	Draw from, compare, build, and integrate prior knowledge with the material in the text, addressing inconsistencies or gaps and adding to knowledge repertoires as appropriate.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .3.g.	Determine the meanings of unfamiliar words and concepts by applying knowledge of context and of academic vocabulary and word parts.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.EICC .4.	Writing Processes – Compose a range of texts for a variety of purposes and audiences, flexibly engaging in writing processes to plan, draft, evaluate, revise, and edit texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.a.	Establish a purpose and goals for writing and identify a target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.b.	Plan how to organize the text by selecting modes, genres, and structures that will achieve the purpose and meet the needs of the target audience.

EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.c.	Generate ideas for content by assessing prior knowledge, gathering information from texts, and engaging in discussions with others.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.d.	Link ideas and information to the organization plan, highlighting ideas and information that are most relevant, useful, and impactful.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.e.	Construct an initial draft by integrating ideas and information; selecting words, phrases, and sentences; and incorporating craft techniques that will best achieve the purpose of the text and resonate with the target audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.f.	Evaluate the text's effectiveness based on self-review or feedback from others, determining whether the text matches the purpose and goals for writing.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.g.	Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.EICC .4.h.	Edit the text, ensuring it adheres to the conventions of written language.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.1.	Context – Develop and apply knowledge of key components of context such as background information, geographic location, cultural influences, time period, and contemporary events when interpreting and constructing texts.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. a.	Use prior knowledge, formal or informal research, and discussions with others to identify the key components of context that are most relevant.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. b.	Consider how context impacts the purposes of the author and the audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.1. c.	Explore how context shapes the author's decisions and the audience's responses during the interpretation and construction of texts.

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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	II.	BIG IDEA: Situating Texts (ST) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.ST.2.	Author, Audience, & Purpose – Interpret and construct texts by developing and applying knowledge of the strategies and techniques authors use to accommodate the target audience and achieve the text's purpose.

ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.a.	Develop and apply knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish the purpose of texts being interpreted or constructed and to evaluate the extent to which those texts achieve those purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.ST.2.b.	Draw from knowledge of author, audience, and context to discern and establish a clear point of view or unique perspective when interpreting and constructing texts.
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STANDARD / DESCRIPTION	III.	BIG IDEA: Author's Craft (AC) Students develop and apply a multilayered understanding of context, author, audience, and purpose to ground and propel the interpretation and construction of texts.
ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.1.	Reading like a Writer – Interpret texts through the author's lens by identifying, analyzing, and evaluating craft techniques that are connected to the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions triggered by the text.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting Texts; Reading Listening Viewing
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.1.a.	Identify, apply, and analyze the literary, expository, and opinion (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements in texts, explaining or evaluating how specific elements affect the target audience and support the text's purpose.
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ELEMENT	K-12.P.AC.2.	Writing like a Reader – Construct texts with the audience's experience in mind, basing decisions about craft techniques on context and purpose.
ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Constructing Texts; Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.a.	Integrate literary, expository, and persuasive (grades K-5) or rhetorical (grades 6-12) elements to appeal to target audiences and achieve specific purposes.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.b.	Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.2.c.	Make decisions about sentence structure and syntax in order to accommodate and influence the audience and achieve a specific purpose.
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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.a.	Explore and create texts in various modes and genres, developing and applying knowledge of how specific features impact meaning, tone, style, purpose, and audience.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.b.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact what kinds of ideas and information are included in texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.AC.3.c.	Apply knowledge of how mode and genre impact how ideas and information are structured and arranged in texts.
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EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.1.a.	Arrive to group discussions and collaborative meetings prepared to be an active participant in the work.
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ELEMENT/GLE		Expectations for Interpreting & Constructing Texts; Reading Listening Viewing Writing Speaking Creating
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.a.	Communicate clearly to present ideas, information, and texts.
EXPECTATION	K-12.P.CP.2.b.	Integrate modes and genres most appropriate to purpose and audience.