

Student Writing Intensive Course Descriptions

Below are course descriptions for the three levels of Student Writing Intensive (SWI) that can be used to describe the course in your school records.

Student Writing Intensive Level A

This elementary course provides instruction in creative and expository writing. Students will learn elementary outlining skills coupled with writing a paragraph from a source text. They will also learn to write paragraphs on a topic and to produce a basic report from multiple references. Students will also learn how to write a three-paragraph story using a story sequence chart and will practice creative writing on various topics. Additionally, students will discover methods to add style to their writing as they employ strong verbs, quality adjectives, prepositional phrases and adverbial clauses. Grammar instruction is also provided to help students write sentences with appropriate word usage and punctuation.

Student Writing Intensive Level B

This middle school course provides instruction in creative and expository writing. Students will learn elementary outlining skills coupled with writing a paragraph from a source text. They will also learn to write topical paragraphs and to produce a basic report from multiple references. Students will also learn how to write a three-paragraph story using a story sequence chart and will practice creative writing on various topics. Additionally, students will discover methods to add style to their writing as they employ strong verbs, quality adjectives, prepositional phrases and adverbial clauses. Multiple sentence structures will be explored and practiced with the associated grammar instruction necessary to write sentences with appropriate word usage and punctuation.

Student Writing Intensive Level C

This high school level course provides instruction in creative and expository writing. Students will learn elementary outlining skills coupled with writing a paragraph from a source text. Students will practice taking notes on a lecture and on a longer text. They will also learn to write topical paragraphs and to produce a basic report from multiple references. Students will also learn how to write a three-paragraph story using a story sequence chart and will learn the basic essay model producing creative writing on various topics.

Additionally, students will discover methods to add style to their writing as they employ strong verbs, quality adjectives, prepositional phrases and adverbial clauses. Multiple sentence structures will be explored and practiced with the associated grammar instruction necessary to write sentences with appropriate word usage and punctuation.