

Course Title: Grade 3 Writing

Board Approval Date: June, 2011

Course Description:

The Lewisburg Area School District Third Grade maximizes student learning by creating interactive language arts instruction aligned with the Pennsylvania State Standards and Anchors. The students acquire knowledge and skills in: Developing Writers (learning about good writing and writers, generating ideas for writing, and freely writing), Writing Process (reread their writing critically, add sensory details, revise, edit and publish), Genre Studies (explore and draft writings in various genres).

Learning Activities / Methods of Assessment:

- Whole group instruction & guided practice
- Small group instruction & guided practice
- Partner work/cooperative learning
- Independent practice
- Computer programs and websites
- Textbook work, Practice Book workbook, worksheets
- Teacher Read Aloud
- Teacher made activities
- Teacher observation

Instructional Resources:

- Writing tools/programs (i.e. *Being a Writer*, *6+1 Traits*, *Storytown*)
- Age-appropriate literature, including titles from LASD Approved List
- Age-appropriate Internet resources, books

Course Pacing Guide

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Course Unit (Topic)	Length of Instruction (Days/Periods)
1. Developing Writers	24 Days
2. Writing Process	15 Days
3. Genre Studies	70 Days