### Unit TWO: Writing

**Overview:** This unit continues to develop the students' skills in the construction of academic, personal, professional writing as well as informative and persuasive writing. They will practice a variety of organizational structures, utilize the writing process and apply specific formatting guidelines to their writing.

**Big Idea:** Writing is a means of documenting thinking, feeling and learning.

#### **Unit Essential Questions:**

- To what extent does the writing process contribute to quality of writing?
- What role does writing play in the students' everyday lives?
- How do students develop into effective writers?

#### **Pennsylvania Common Core Standard(s):** (See Appendix B)

CC.1.4.11-12.A, CC.1.4.11-12.B, CC.1.4.11-12.C, CC.1.4.11-12.D, CC.1.4.11-12.E, CC.1.4.11-12.F, CC.1.4.11-12.G, CC.1.4.11-12.H, CC.1.4.11-12.I, CC.1.4.11-12.J, CC.1.4.11-12.K, CC.1.4.11-12.L, CC.1.4.11-12.N, CC.1.4.11-14.O, CC.1.4.11-12.P, CC.1.4.11-14.Q, CC.1.4.11-12.R, CC.1.4.11-12.T, CC.1.4.11-14.U, CC.1.4.11-14.W.

#### **Connecting to Common Core and Other Standards:**

PA Standards found at <a href="http://www.pdesas.org/standard/views#115">http://www.pdesas.org/standard/views#115</a>|774|0|0

National Common Core found at <a href="www.corestandards.org">www.corestandards.org</a>
ISTE found at <a href="www.iste.org/standards/nets-for-students.aspx">www.iste.org/standards/nets-for-students.aspx</a>
Career Education and Work found at <a href="www.pacareerstandards.com/">www.pacareerstandards.com/</a>

**ELL Differentiation:** Math and Language Arts specifics found at <a href="https://www.pde.sas.org/module/sas/curriculumframework/elloverlay.aspx">www.pde.sas.org/module/sas/curriculumframework/elloverlay.aspx</a>

Generic Information found at <a href="http://www.esasd.net/esl">http://www.esasd.net/esl</a>
To-dos resources found at <a href="http://www.todos-math.org">www.todos-math.org</a>

10-dos resources round at www.todos-matriolg

SAS Portal ELL Overlay found at <a href="http://www.pdesas.org/module/sas/curriculumframework/elloverlay.aspx">http://www.pdesas.org/module/sas/curriculumframework/elloverlay.aspx</a>
Prentice Hall Audio CD Pack, available United Streaming Videos/internet downloads, translated e-text, building level

ELL teacher, teacher adapted/alternative assignments and assessments.

Enrichment: Teacher and student driven research/materials SAS Portal Assessments and Resources found at <a href="http://www.pdesas.org/module/content/search/">http://www.pdesas.org/module/content/search/</a>

**Remediation:**Additional teacher generated assignments and/or assessments, after school tutoring, one-on-one/small group, differentiated instruction, SAS Portal Assessments and Resources found at <a href="http://www.pdesas.org/module/content/search/">http://www.pdesas.org/module/content/search/</a>

**IEP/GIEP:** Refer to individual student's education plan under specially designed instruction, teacher adapted/alternative assignments, classroom instructional aid, and collaboration with student's case manager.

Unit Concepts What students need to know:	Unit Competencies What students need to be able to do (skills): (Students will:)	Content Vocabulary	Resources	Assessments
Writing improves through the recursive process of revising and editing.  Focus, content, organization, style, and conventions work together to impact writing quality	Write at least 3 essays with five paragraphs that include:  • introduction and conclusion with a minimum of 5 sentences • body paragraphs with a minimum of 10-12 sentences • a graduation project or a minimum of three essays with five paragraphs • a 5 -7 page persuasive research paper  Write with sharp, distinct focus, identifying topic, purpose and audience (focus)  Develop content that is fully explained and well-supported with details, examples, and fact (content)  Use organizational patterns that support key ideas and are appropriate to format and purpose (organization)	Thesis Tone Cause and effect Compare/ contrast Focus Style Informal Communication Formal Communication Transition Editing Introduction Conclusion Pre-writing Draft Revise Publish Plagiarism	Prentice Hall Writing and Grammar: Ruby Level  The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald  The Crucible by Arthur Miller  A Raisin in the Sun by Lorraine Hansberry  Fallen Angels by Walter Dean Meyers  The Catcher in the Rye by J.D. Salinger  The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros  Death of a Salesman by Arthur Miller  SAS portal— http://www.pdesas.org  Purdue Owl— https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/ MLA.org— http://mlaformat.org/	Response to literature, Informational, Expository, and Persuasive essays Rubrics Peer Editing Conferencing Teacher generated activities and prompts

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	Write to create an individual
	writing style (style)
	Use proper conventions to
	compose in the standard form of
	the English language
	(conventions)
	Use socially and academically
	appropriate writing
	conventions, including MLA, in
	a variety of formal and informal
	communication
	Develop complete paragraphs
	that have details and
	information specific to the topic
	and relevant to a well-defined
	focus
	Incorporate vocabulary that
	includes terms specific to the
	topic
	Use strong verbs and nouns,
	concrete details, and sensory
	language to make meaning clear
	to the reader
	Integrate appropriate transitions
	within and between paragraphs

Construct parallel structures	
between sentences, paragraphs	
and related documents	
Apply the writing process to	
develop a piece of work.(i.e.	
pre-write, draft, revise, edit and	
publish)	
Revise writing by:	
Examining how the questions of	
purpose and audience have been	
addressed	
Examining and improving style,	
word choice, and sentence	
variety	
Promote a spirit of honesty and	
integrity in writing (no	
plagiarism)	