Semester TWO Rubric – GRADE 5 WRITING

Report Card Line	4 ADVANCED	3 PROFICIENT	2 BASIC	1 MINIMAL
Generates and organizes before writing (prewrites)	 Independently demonstrates all proficient prewriting skills beyond grade-level expectation and: Understands and utilizes connection between genre and prewriting strategies 	 Considers purpose, audience and genre before writing Generates ideas (brainstorms independently and with peers and/or uses writer's notebook) from verbal and/or written prompt Seeks and gathers necessary information Narrows topic Uses grade-appropriate strategies and tools to organize ideas (graphic organizers, note-taking, etc.) 	 Demonstrates some proficient prewriting skills and/or requires some teacher help 	 Demonstrates few proficient prewriting skills and/or requires intensive teacher help
Creates draft from ideas	 Independently demonstrates all proficient drafting skills beyond grade-level expectation and: Elaborates appropriately beyond grade-level expectations Considers and applies Six Traits when drafting 	 Creates draft from prewrite activities Re-reads while drafting Creates a draft that makes sense Develops text with purpose Attempts to include genre characteristics in first draft Includes in own writing and/or shows understanding of: Dialogue Mood Onomatopoeia Point of View Plot Simile 	 Demonstrates some proficient drafting skills and/or requires some teacher help 	 Demonstrates few proficient drafting skills and/or requires intensive teacher help

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Conferences and utilizes feedback to make improvements	 Independently demonstrates all proficient conferencing skills beyond grade-level expectation and: Seeks and effectively utilizes conferencing throughout writing process 	 Re-reads own writing Independently identifies topic for conference Shares writing with teacher and peers Seeks and considers feedback from teacher and peers 	 Demonstrates some proficient conferencing skills and/or requires some teacher help and: May be reluctant to share and conference Shares without purpose 	Demonstrates few proficient drafting skills and/or requires intensive teacher help and: • May be resistant to share and conference • Does not understand concept of conferencing
Revises writing to make improvements (adds, subtracts, combines, or rearranges text)	 Independently demonstrates all proficient revision skills beyond grade-level expectation and: Revision dramatically enhances original draft 	 Based on conferences and self-assessment, student uses 6 Trait criteria to: Add, subtract or rearrange text to clarify ideas, meaning and improve word choice Recognize that text has a structure and a genre Organize text to convey message, topic or idea Attempt to include own voice in writing Adjust word order for fluency Improves draft by using resource materials (dictionary, thesaurus, reference books, technology, etc) 	Demonstrates some proficient revision skills and/or requires some teacher help and: • May be reluctant to revise	Demonstrates few proficient revision skills and/or requires intensive teacher help and: • May be resistant to revise

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Edits writing (capitalization, punctuation, grammar, and spelling)	 Independently demonstrates all proficient editing skills beyond grade-level expectation and: Appropriate use of conventions enhances readability Experiments with conventions for stylistic effect 	 Independently identifies and corrects most errors according to grade level convention chart for capitalization, punctuation, grammar and spelling. Uses grade-level editing marks Appropriately uses reference materials to assist in editing 	Demonstrates some proficient editing skills and/or requires some teacher help and: • May be reluctant to edit	Demonstrates few proficient editing skills and/or requires intensive teacher help and: • May be resistant to edit
Publishes and shares writing	 Independently demonstrates all proficient editing skills beyond grade-level expectation and: Uses visual aids as appropriate Publishes in a variety of formats including technology when appropriate 	 Uses the writing process to publish a piece of writing Shares final product with intended audience Demonstrates pride of ownership and neatness Published in a variety of ways (handwritten, word processed, presentation software, visual aids) 	Demonstrates some proficient publishing skills and/or requires some teacher help and: • May be reluctant to publish	Demonstrates few proficient publishing skills and/or requires intensive teacher help and: • May be resistant to publish

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Writes using a variety of formats/genres (self-selected and teacher-assigned)	 Independently demonstrates all proficient genre skills and: Experiments with genres beyond grade-level expectations Shows above grade level grasp of genres in Writer's Workshop writing Shows above level grasp and application of focus genres Exceeds grade level expectations 	 Writes correctly in a variety of genres Self-selects and/or applies appropriate genre format (i.e. poetry format vs. report format) Understands concept of "choosing a genre" as part of writer's workshop writing Demonstrates understanding of and publishes in grade-level genre focus as taught each quarter: Personal Narrative Research Paper Biography Persuasive Writing Publishes in a timed writing genre (as grade appropriate): Completes a piece in allotted time (up to 60 minutes) Compacts writing process steps 	 Demonstrates some proficient genre skills and/or requires some teacher help Inconsistently understands or demonstrates genre skills and/or requires additional teacher help 	 Demonstrates few proficient genre skills and/or requires intensive teacher help

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Demonstrates legible handwriting in daily work	 Independently demonstrates all proficient handwriting skills and: Handwriting enhances effectiveness of published piece Handwriting is pleasing to the eye 	 Maintains manuscript handwriting skills developed in previous grades Automatically uses cursive writing per grade level expectations (may use visual aid) Writing is neat and easy to read 	 Demonstrates some proficient handwriting skills and/or may require teacher assistance 	 Demonstrates few proficient handwriting skills and/or requires intensive teacher help