



Secondary ELA

What does it take to be successful?

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What does my child learn in ELA?

STATE STANDARDS English Language Arts

Reading

- Understanding Key Ideas and Details
- Craft and Structure
- Integration of Knowledge and Ideas
- Text Complexity

Writing

- Mastery of Text Types (argument, informative, narrative)
- Production and Distribution of Writing
- Researching and Presenting

STATE STANDARDS

English Language Arts

Speaking and Listening

- Conversation, Comprehension, and Collaboration
- Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas

Language

- Command of Writing Conventions
- Knowledge of Language (style)
- Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

**What does
my child
learn in
ELA?**

How can I nurture my child's skills in ELA?

- Maintain a well-stocked home library.
- Read with your children. Choose from many genres.
- Ask your children questions about what they are reading. Try to ask recall, analysis, evaluative, and synthesis questions.
- Don't use "baby-talk" with your children. Speak to them with high-level language and vocabulary. Encourage multilingual skills.
- Encourage diary, journal, or creative writing.
- Go on cultural outings to build background knowledge.



Questions for Reading: *The Three Little Pigs*

Recall

What happened in the story?

Evaluative

What effect does the rhyme pattern have on how the story is told?

Analysis

Why couldn't the wolf blow down the brick house?

Synthesis

How does the 1989 version, *The True Story of the Three Little Pigs*, by Jon Scieszca, both incorporate and satirize elements of the original story?

Transitioning from Elementary ELA to Secondary ELA



READING

- Adolescent and Classical Literature
- Novels, Short Stories, Poetry
- Articles, Essays, and Other Nonfiction
- Analysis, Evaluation & Synthesis



WRITING

- Informative, Persuasive, and Narrative Writing
- Essays/Response to Literature
- Research Papers
- Creative Writing
- MLA Style



LISTENING/SPEAKING

- Socratic Seminar
- Evidence Based Conversations
- Presentations to Classmates
- Public Speaking Elective
- Use of Digital Media



LANGUAGE

- Understanding Literary Devices
- Using Modes of Persuasion
- Developing Proper Grammar, Syntax, Punctuation, & Spelling
- Acquiring New Vocabulary

6th Grade to 7th Grade: Tips for Success

-Have an organized notebook or digital portfolio.

-Attend Extra Help even if you are doing well. Consider it enrichment.

-Let your guidance counselor know if you are struggling. Don't keep your struggles to yourself.

-Make sure to continue reading books of your choice.

-Communication is key! Don't be afraid to ask questions in class.

-Annotating books (or handouts) will help you study and remember important points in the text.

-9th grade report card grades go on your transcript, so keep your grades up! Low grades can compromise your GPA.

8th Grade to 9th Grade: Tips for Success

ASSESSMENTS

End of Unit Performance Tasks

Quarterly Exams

Final Exams

AP Seminar, AP Research, AP Language, AP
Literature Assessments

English Regents

Secondary ELA
Curriculum
Maps can be
found on the
HHH website.

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