



Report of Student Learning: Writing  
2016-17 First Grade

Student Name:

Date:

**Writing Behaviors**

Learning to write is not unlike acquiring other talents or mastering skills - in order to learn how to write well, students need time to practice writing and need to receive appropriate feedback. The important life-long writing skills and dispositions we want to nurture in each child include: a love of writing; the ability to write clearly, creatively, and purposefully; and the understanding that writing is communication.

Your child has been working on the following goal(s) in writing:

Writers share their writing with others to communicate their thinking and ideas. The following are ways your child shared his/her writing with others.

The following chart describes the important components of what it takes to be a good writer. Your child's current achievement for each area is indicated to the right.

	(4, 3, 2, 1)	Sem1	Sem2
<b>Foundations of Writing:</b> In early writing development, students learn to match letters and sounds to produce words with beginning and ending consonants, adding middle sounds as they continue learning about letter/sound relationships.			
<b>Writing Process:</b> Students in the early elementary grades plan their writing			
Students transfer their own ideas into print			
<b>Ideas:</b> Communicating ideas is the purpose of writing. A piece of writing with well-developed ideas and accurate content should be clear and focused, with enough details to enrich the main ideas.			
<b>Word Choice:</b> An author's carefully chosen vocabulary helps communicate messages and enhance meaning. As students continue to expand their vocabulary through the late elementary grades, imagery and figurative language help "paint a picture" for the reader. Using strong word choice conveys the intended message in a precise and interesting manner.			
<b>Crafting Sentences:</b> Writers craft sentences that are rhythmic and flow from one sentence to another. In the early elementary grades, writers learn how to craft simple sentences to communicate their ideas with a clear beginning, middle and end.			
<b>Skills and Conventions:</b> Conventions - grammar, usage, punctuation, capitalization, and spelling - are important skills in the writing process. Proper conventions help communicate clear meaning.			

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