

I. Curriculum Area
English

II. Courses
English 7, 4070 English 7 Honors, 4073 Applied Language Arts 7, 4075

III. Goal Summary Statement
English 7 students will demonstrate increased skill in one designated standards category by improving SAGE scores in that particular area. Categories include determining key ideas and details, analyzing craft and structure, integrating knowledge and ideas, comprehending oral points and purposes, writing arguments, writing explanatory text, or making effective language choices.

IV. Full Goal Description
To become college and career ready, students must grapple with analyzing complex texts, assert and defend claims, show what they know about a subject, listen attentively to others, and have firm control over both the conventions and the craft of language.
Depending on which of the skills the teacher is focusing on, students will learn to do the following:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use textual evidence to support analysis, inferences, themes, and summaries. • Analyze diction, structure, and point of view to determine their contribution to the text. • Compare the representation of a subject in different texts or mediums, analyzing the effect and understanding the purpose. • Evaluate arguments in oral presentations and express own ideas clearly. • Write arguments to support claims, using reasons and relevant evidence. • Write explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information. • Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English, and express ideas precisely, eliminating redundancy.

V. Connection to DESK Standards
Based on last year’s SAGE scores, the teacher will choose one of the targeted DESK standard categories to focus on to improve students’ skills.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading: Key Ideas and Details • Reading: Craft and Structure • Reading: Integrate Knowledge and Ideas • Writing: Argument • Writing: Explanatory Text • Listening Comprehension • Language

VI. Assessment Tool/Rubric/Evidence
Summative SAGE test