

Writing Expectations – 3rd Grade

<p>Length of Writing</p>	<p>Write a 1 – 3 paragraph composition in response to a prompt with 100 - 200 words</p>
<p>Modes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Personal or fictional narrative ▫ Expository: report writing, how-to-directions, and response to text ▫ Persuasive – opinion pieces
<p>Expectations</p>	<p><u>Ideas and Content:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ At least 3 or more detailed sentences per paragraph ▫ Easily identifiable purpose <p><u>Organization:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Develop an introductory sentence or paragraph which includes an interesting/strong opening ▫ Transition words used ▫ Concluding sentence or paragraph that summarizes/restates the main idea ▫ Indents or skips a line to show paragraphing <p><u>Conventions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Spell designated sight words correctly and learned spelling patterns ▫ Use correct capitalization and ending punctuation ▫ Use legible handwriting <p><u>Sentence Fluency</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Use simple and compound sentences to vary sentence structure ▫ Vary sentence beginnings ▫ Subject/verb agreement
<p>Instructional Time</p>	<p>Explicit instruction – 30 to 45 minutes daily</p> <p>Note(s): Writing should occur daily and can be integrated into all content areas.</p>