

# 6th Grade English

Below are the Mastery Learning Targets, or priorities for all students to be successful when they advance to 7th Grade English. **Mastery** (M) of these skills means the student has met the grade-level standard and is independently performing on grade level. Mastery may take time to reach, as foundational skills progress throughout the school year.

## COMPREHENSION

- Cites textual evidence to support a claim.
- Analyzes the theme of a text using evidence.
- Writes an opinion-free summary.
- Describes how the plot unfolds in a series of episodes or as a story advances.
- Describes how a character develops in response to a conflict in a narrative text.
- Determines the meaning of words and phrases based on context clues.
- Cites textual evidence to support a claim.
- Identifies the central idea of a text.
- Determines word meanings based on context clues.
- Identifies an author's perspective and purpose.
- Distinguishes claims that are supported by evidence and reasoning from claims that are not

## COMPOSITION

- Plans and composes a piece of writing using a particular text structure.
- Incorporates relevant facts, definitions, details, quotations, and/or other information and examples.
- Restates the thesis and summarizes supporting claims/details.

## LANGUAGE

- Demonstrates correct usage of punctuation.
- Uses context clues to determine meaning of words.