

ELA Writing: Grade 3 Curriculum Overview

Benchmark Advance is used to address the Illinois State Writing Standards. Students publish both written and computer generated writing pieces. Students write narrative, expository/informational, and persuasive writing.

Skills to be developed throughout the course: (bulleted list of several skills that students will work on throughout the course)

- Writing opinions and explanations that group related information and develop topics with facts and details.
- Writing stories and poetry that establish a situation and include details and clear sequences of events that describe the actions, thoughts, and feelings of characters.
- Introduce the topic or text they are writing about, state an opinion, and create an organizational structure that lists reasons.
- Use temporal words and phrases to signal event order.
- Use dialogue and descriptions of actions, thoughts, and feelings to develop experiences and events or show the response of characters to situations.
- Provide a concluding statement or section.
- Plan, revise, and edit writing.
- Use technology to publish work.

Units of Study:

- Narrative Writing
- Expository/Informational Writing
- Persuasive Writing
- Grammar/Sentence structure
- Poetry

This course follows The New Illinois Learning Standards for English Language Arts Incorporating the Common Core.

- 3rd grade standards are highlighted on pages 15-20 of [this document](#).