Curriculum Map 2023-2024 Teacher: Kristin Hillman Subject: 7th Grade ELA

MONTH	UNIT	Lessons or skills covered
August	Back to School - ELA Review	 Grammar and mechanics basics/review Multiparagraph writing Close reading strategies (annotation, summary writing, characterization, figurative language, etc.).
September	Response to Literature Writing - The Lottery	 Plot, critical thinking about a specific topic, conflict, sequence of events, comprehension, vocabulary, real world connections Multiparagraph essay writing including claim, premise, evidence, reasoning/justification
October	Narrative Writing - Walk Two Moons	 Text to self connections, point of view, author's purpose, mood, symbolism, theme Descriptive writing, figurative language in writing, sensory writing
November	Exposition Writing - Article/Informational Reading	 Reading for main idea, supporting details, evidence to support a claim/thesis, summarizing, multi sentence/complex paragraph writing. Writing to inform, including a thesis, premise, evidence, justification.

December	Intro to Argumentative Writing - <u>Lamb to</u> the Slaughter	Evidence based reasoning to support a stance on a topic, character motivation, developing a claim on an argumentative topic and defending it with text evidence
January	Argumentative Writing - Research Projects	 Continuum of previous unit, research of a given topic, developing understanding through research, writing multi paragraph response arguing their claim on a given topic using researched evidence
February	The Outsiders Novel Study	 Text to society connections, historical context research, plot, characterization, sequence of events, comprehension, vocabulary, figurative language Multi Paragraph response writing to related essay question, editing and revising, critical thinking, evidence and justification
March	Literature Circles	 Plot, characterization, sequence of events, comprehension, vocabulary, figurative language,
April	Literature Circles	 Plot, characterization, sequence of events, comprehension, vocabulary, figurative language
May	Poetry	Dissecting figurative language, prose, rhyme scheme, author's purpose, meaning, theme,

	understanding stanzas • Writing in a specific poetry type formatting related to reading skills
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Year Long Activities: Grade level vocabulary, journal and other brief writing, spiral review of Idaho 7th grade ELA Standards.