



7th Grade ELAR Year at a Glance (YAG) 2023-2024

2023-2024						
First Semester		Second Semester				
1 st Nine Weeks – 41 days (August 15 th – October 12 th) (September 5 th – No School) (October 10 th – No School)		3 rd Nine Weeks – 47 days (January 3 rd – March 10 th) (January 18 th – No School) (February 20 th – PD Day) (March 13 th – 17 th – Spring Break) (March 20 th – Teacher Workday)				
TEKS	Spiraling Rituals of Practice (9	TEKS	Spiraling Rituals of Practice (9			
GT Modifications and Extensions	weeks) Students will engage in independent choice reading,	Reader's Workshop 7.1	weeks) Students will engage in independent choice reading, notebook			
Reader's	notebook gathering, sentence	7.1	gathering, sentence composing,			
Workshop 7.1 7.2 7.3 7.4 7.5 7.6 Writer's Workshop-Across Genres 7.7 7.8	composing, poetry analysis, critical thinking skills, writing into the week, article of the week analysis and discussion, peer review of written pieces, mentor text mini-lessons Novel Study: (5 to 6 weeks) While engaging in small group book clubs for discussion, students examine	7.3 7.4 7.5 7.6 Writer's Workshop- Narrative Focus 7.7 7.8 7;9 7.10	poetry analysis, critical thinking skills, writing into the week, article of the week analysis and discussion, peer review of written pieces, mentor text mini-lessons Narrative Unit of Study: (5 to 6 Weeks) This unit explores short story, flash fiction, and short-form memoir. Students study mentor texts,			
7.6 7;9 7.10 7.11 Novel Study 7.6 7.7 7.10	the novel <i>The Outsiders</i> by S. E. Hinton to analyze how authors create worlds through dramatic conventions and fictional elements. In addition to addressing the focus standards of	7.11 Poetry 7.7 7.8 7.9 7.10 7.11	discuss and note the requisite elements of genre and writer's craft; use these criteria to develop topics, draft, confer, provide and receive feedback, revise, edit, publish, self-and peer-assess			
7.11 Poetry 7.7 7.8 7.9 7.10 7.11 Positive Character Traits §120.7	the unit, students will engage in daily independent reading and low stakes writing. Poetry Unit of Study (Weekly) Throughout the year, students will read, examine and discuss one to two poems per week, analyzing the author's craft, through dramatic conventions and fictional elements. They will review pieces of poetry we have discussed and analyzed	Positive Character Traits §120.7	Poetry Unit of Study (Weekly) Throughout the year, students will read and discuss one to two poems per week, analyzing authors craft, through dramatic conventions and fictional elements. They will review pieces of poetry we have discussed and analyzed throughout the year, critiquing style/format or drafting poems of their own. Students will explore and draft several poem models.			
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- Inferential thinking and 3. Applied thinking. This process will encourage students to analyze information taken in with a formal, declared goal of using the information in a manner which develops the following attributes:
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2nd Nine Weeks - 42 days

(October 13th - December 16st)

(November 21st – 25th – Thanksgiving Break)

(December 19th – January 1st – Holiday Break)

(January 2nd – Teacher Workday)

4th Nine Weeks - 45 days

(March 21st - May 24th) (April 7th - No School)

(April 28th – No School)

TEKS

Reader's Workshop

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Writer's Workshop-**Argument Focus**

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Spiraling Rituals of Practice (9) weeks)

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Argument Unit of Study: (5 to 6 Weeks)

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Reader's Workshop

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Writer's Workshop-**Genre Choice**

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Free Choice Unit of Writing Study: (3 to 4 weeks)

In this unit, students will continue to develop their skills through reading





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This unit encourages students to share their opinions through argumentative writing. Students will research and analyze characteristics of multimodal and digital texts and structures of argumentative text by identifying the claim and 4 types of evidence (illustration, authorization, elaboration and countering). Students examine various mediums to analyze the effects of informational structure and argumentative techniques on meaning and author's message. Students synthesize their learning to compose argumentative essays. In addition to addressing the focus standards of this unit, students will engage in daily independent reading and low stakes writing.

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Digital Showcase

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and writing workshop time. Students have the opportunity to write in the genre of their choice to express their ideas and feelings about real or imagined people, events, and ideas. Students will confer with one another about their writing, provide and receive feedback, revise and edit their written pieces..

Look, Notice, Capture, Respond Digital Showcase (4 weeks)

Students continue to engage in authentic reading, writing, listening, speaking and visual representation through the creation and publication of a multigenre digital presentation.. Students will create a showcase of the skills and growth they have made this year in both their critical thinking skills and their genre specific writing. Using self-generated photography as their writing inspiration, students will use mentor texts, editing and revising skills to take both new and early pieces of work all the way to publishing.

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	resources The Outsiders, S. E.	Newsela	Selected Poems	Selected Poems
	Hinton	Tweentribune	Student Choice Genre Specific Readings.	Student Choice Genre Specific Readings.
	Selected Poems	AHJS Library Curated Research Sites	Newsela	Newsela
	Newsela	Selected Poems	Tweentribune	Tweentribune
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		Student Choice Genre Specific	Selected Short Stories	Google Arts and Culture
	Google Arts and Culture	Readings.	Google Arts and Culture	
	Student Choice Genre Specific Readings.	Google Arts and Culture		
	Specific Readings.			