

# WCMS EIGHTH GRADE ELA CURRICULUM MAP

Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading
Stay True to Yourself	What's in it for You?	What's Worth Fighting For?	What Really Matters?
Primary Focus: Informational Text ELAGSE8RI1-10 <b>Outliers</b> <b>Only the Names Remain</b> Secondary Focus: Literary Text ELAGSE8RL1-10 "My Name", "Raymond's Run", "Ain't I a Woman?", "The Medicine Bag", "Abuela Invents the Zero", "The Question of Popularity", "Barbara Frietchie", "Stopping By Woods on a Snowy Evening", "If", "The Treasure of Lemon Brown"	Primary Focus: Literary Text ELAGSE8RL1-10 <b>Counting Coup</b> Secondary Focus: Informational Text ELAGSE8RI1-10 from <i>Zoya's Story</i> , "There is no Frigate Like a Book", Because of Libraries We Can Say These Things", from <i>I Know Why the Caged Birds Sing</i> , "Huge, Freed Pet Pythons Invade Florida Everglades", "The Great Fire", "Hollywood's Rise to Fame", "Casey at the Bat", "Oh Captain, My Captain", "The Landlady", "The Tell-Tale Heart", "The Monkey's Paw", "Gettysburg Address"	Primary Focus: Informational Text ELAGSE8RI1-10 <b>A Separate Peace</b> Secondary Focus: Literary Text ELAGSE8RL1-10 "The Lesson of the Moth", "Identity", "Icarus and Daedalus", "The New Colossus", from <i>Beowulf</i> , "Homeless", "Saving Water", "The Trouble with Television", "Escaping", "Teen Curfews", "Harlem", "I Have a Dream"	Primary Focus: Literary Text ELAGSE8RL1-10 <b>Author Study (Teacher's Choice of novel)</b> Secondary Focus: Informational Text ELAGSE8RI1-10 from <i>The Book of Rock Stars</i> , "The Night Ghost", from <i>Sky</i> , "Flowers for Algernon", <i>Coach Book (review for milestones)</i> ,
Writing Focus: Argumentative	Writing Focus : Informative	Writing Focus: Argumentative	Writing Focus: Informative
4-6 argumentative analysis essays ELAGSE8W1, 4, 5, 6, 10	4-6 informative/explanatory analysis essays ELAGSE7W2, 4, 5, 6, 10	4-6 argumentative analysis essays ELAGSE8W2, 4, 5, 6, 10	4-6 informative/explanatory analysis essays ELAGSE8W2, 4, 5, 6, 10
<b>Research connection</b> Brief or sustained inquiries related to the texts or themes ELAGSE8W7, 8, 10	<b>Research connection</b> Brief or sustained inquiries related to the texts or themes ELAGSE8W7, 8, 10	<b>Research connection</b> Brief or sustained inquiries related to the texts or themes ELAGSE8W7, 8, 10	<b>Research connection</b> Brief or sustained inquiries related to the texts or themes ELAGSE8W7, 8, 10
2-3 narratives to develop real or imagined experiences ELAGSE8W3, 4, 5, 6, 10	2-3 narratives to develop real or imagined experiences ELAGSE8W3, 4, 5, 6, 10	2-3 narratives to develop real or imagined experiences ELAGSE8W3, 4, 5, 6, 10	2-3 narratives to develop real or imagined experiences ELAGSE8W3, 4, 5, 6, 10
<b>Routine writing</b> Notes, summaries, process journals, and short responses across all genres ELAGSE8W1, 2, 3, 9, 10	<b>Routine writing</b> Notes, summaries, process journals, and short responses across all genres ELAGSE8W1, 2, 3, 9, 10	<b>Routine writing</b> Notes, summaries, process journals, and short responses across all genres ELAGSE8W1, 2, 3, 9, 10	<b>Routine writing</b> Notes, summaries, process journals, and short responses across all genres ELAGSE8W1, 2, 3, 9, 10
Language	Language	Language	Language
<b>Conventions:</b> Punctuation (Quotation Marks, Commas, Ellipses, Dashes), verbals/verb moods ELAGSE8L1,2,3 <b>Vocabulary:</b> Greek and Latin roots/affixes, word meanings, use of reference materials ELAGSE8L4	<b>Conventions:</b> Usage Errors(Misplaced Modifiers, S-V agreement),Verbals/Verb Moods ELAGSE8L1,2 3 <b>Vocabulary:</b> Greek and Latin roots/affixes , word meanings, figurative language, connotations/denotations ELAGSE8L4	<b>Conventions:</b> Shifts in Verb Tense, Verbals, Verb Moods, Context Clues ELAGSE8L2, 3,4 <b>Vocabulary:</b> Greek and Latin roots/ affixes, word meanings, word relationships ELAGSE8L14	<b>Conventions:</b> Figures of Speech (irony, puns, idioms) ELAGSE8L5 <b>Vocabulary:</b> Greek and Latin affixes and roots, word meanings, word relationships/multiple meanings ELAGSE8L4

**Speaking and Listening ELAGSE8SL1-6 will be incorporated into all units via collaborative discussions, analysis and presentation of findings, and multimedia components.**