DeSana Middle School Advanced Studies Readiness Guide: **English Language Arts**

Directions: Use this checklist simply as a guide to aid in your decision for placement in a 6th, 7th or 8th grade Advanced Studies **ELA** course. Answering yes to all or nearly all would indicate a student's readiness for the challenge and rigor of an Advanced Studies **ELA** course.

Characteristics of a successful Advanced Studies Student in ELA:

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	interests including reading for leisure
	well organized
	manages time wisely
	self-motivated
	self-advocates
	is a strong writer and uses feedback to continually improve written work
	Lexile score is in the range below

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	enjoys the writing process
	creative in thoughts, ideas, writing, and projects
	typcially goes beyond the minimum expectation
	contributes actively and collaborates effectively in group assignments
	comfortable asking for clarification/help
	self-manages extensive projects/activities
	last year's Georgia Milestones ELA score was proficient or distinguished

Lexile Text Measures to Guide Reading for College and Career Readiness

6	925L to 1070L
7	970L to 1120L
8	1010L to 1185L

Lexile scores are generated when students take an End of Grade (EOG) English Language Arts assessment. The ranges above are "stretch" text measures that represent the demand of texts students should be reading to be ready for college and career by the end of grade 12.