## Curriculum Framework for English Language Arts

School: Reach Academy for Girls Curricular Tool: Various Grade: 4 Teacher: Word/Campbell

Standards Alignment	Unit Concept Enduring	Essential Questions Student Learning Targets	Assessments
	Understandings		
Unit One: Narrative Timeline: 4 Weeks			
CC.4.RL.2: Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text; summarize the text.	Readers need to read often to build good habits	Essential Questions: How do stories reveal what we	Formative Assessments: Reading Survey
CC.4.RI.1: Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.	Writers need to write often to build good habits	have in common? What do Good Readers Know and Do?	Writing Survey Multiple Ways of Learning Survey Words Their Way Vocabulary
CC.4.RF.3: Know and apply grade-level phonics and word analysis skills in decoding words.	Readers read a variety of text	How Do Readers and Writers Build Good Habits?	Assessment QRI Assessment SRI
CC.4.RF.3 (a): Use combined knowledge of all letter- sound correspondences, syllabication patterns, and morphology (e.g., roots and affixes) to read accurately unfamiliar multisyllabic words in context and out of context.	Readers know what strategies to use while reading  Readers use context clues	Learning Targets:  I can find similarities and	Teacher Observation Web or Map Concept Exit Ticket Visual Displays of Information Read-Write- Pair-Share
CC.4.W.3 Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, descriptive details, and clear event sequences.	to figure out unknown words	differences in story characters, and how they change over the course of a story.  I can write a variety of	Response Cards Summary Writing Turn to a Partner – Rally Robin
CC.4.W.3.a Orient the reader by establishing a situation and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally.	Readers read to make personal connections with texts	responses to stories and poems using coherent paragraphs.  I can explain a text by using	Summative Assessments: Summer Reading Common Assessment
CC.4.W.3.b Use dialogue and description to develop experiences and events or show the responses of characters to situations.		specific details and examples.  I can summarize using details from the text.	Personal Narrative, scored with the DDOE Narrative Writing Rubric
CC.4.W.3.c Use a variety of transitional words and phrases to manage the sequence of events.		I can definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other	
CC.4.W.3.d Use concrete words and phrases and sensory details to convey experiences and events precisely.		information and examples related to the topic.	
CC.4.SL.1: Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, group, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on <i>grade 4 topics and texts</i> , building on			

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others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.			
CC.4.SL.1 (a): Come to discussions prepared, having read or studied required material; explicitly draw on that preparation and other information known about the topic to explore ideas under discussion. SL.4.1 (b): Follow agreed-upon rules for discussions and carry out assigned roles.			
CC.4.L.4: Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on <i>grade 4 reading and content</i> , choosing flexibly from a range of strategies.			
Unit Two: Patriotism Timeline: 5 Weeks			
CC4RI2 – Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text.	Knowing whether a source is primary or	Essential Questions: How do you determine if a	Formative Assessments: Think-Pair-Share
CC4RI3 – Explain events, procedures, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text, including what happened and why, based on specific information in the	secondary can help readers identify the main idea and the important details.	source is primary or secondary?  How do readers determine the main idea of informational	Partners graphic organizer/materials Primary or Secondary?
text.		text?	Assessment
CC4RI6 – Compare and contrast a firsthand and secondhand account of the same event or topic; describe	Based on point of view, different sources may have different answers to	How do I pose specific questions on a given topic to	Paired reading and discussion
the difference in focus and the information provided.	important questions such	gather information?	Key details analysis
CC4RI7 – Interpret information presented visually, orally,	as those in the 5 W about	How do I choose concrete	Exit tickets
or quantitatively (e.g., in charts, graphs, diagrams, time lines, animations, or interactive elements on Web pages)	the same event.	details to develop informative writing from an interview?	Anticipation guide and discussion
and explain how the information contributes to an understanding of the text in which it appears.	Understanding the 5 Ws allows readers to develop a deeper understanding of	How does an effective writer develop an information-writing	Gallery Walk
CC4RI8 Explain how an author uses reasons and evidence	the event.	piece?	
to support particular points in a text.	A knowledgeable		S
CC4RI9 Integrate information from two texts on the same topic in order to write or speak about the subject knowledgeably.	interviewer does his or her homework— investigates the subject to get some background	Learning Targets: I can identify a source as primary or secondary. I can analyze key details in	Summative Assessments: Feature News Article, scored with the DDOE Informational or Explanatory-BasedWriting Rubric
CC4W2b – Develop the topic with facts, definitions, or concrete details, quotations, or other information or	information—in order to have worthwhile	informational text to determine the main idea.	You are a reporter assigned to interview someone about 9/11.

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examples related to the topic.  CC4W8 Gather relevant information from print and digital sources.  CC4W4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.  CC4S/L2 Paraphrase portions of a text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.  CC4S/L3 Identify the reasons and evidence a speaker provides to support particular points.		I can identify the 5W's in a text.  I can analyze key details in informational text to determine the main idea.  I can explain why the questions get at <i>important</i> or <i>key</i> information about 9/11.  I can develop interview questions that get at important information (key details).  I can write a feature article based on responses to interview	You may choose to interview a teacher, sibling, neighbor, parent, or other relative, etc. You must be prepared to take notes on your interviewee's responses to questions you have planned before the interview. After the interview, you will write a feature article summarizing what you learned from the interview.
CC4S/L4 Report on a topic or text, tell a story, or recount an experience in an organized manner, using appropriate facts and relevant, descriptive details to support main ideas or themes; speak clearly at an understandable pace.  CC4L2 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.  b. Use commas and quotation marks to mark direct speech and quotations from a text.		uestions.  I can order the information.  I can add details so the information makes sense.  I can add transition words and phrases.  I can properly punctuate quotations.	
Unit Three: Opinion/Argumentative/Persuasive Writing Timeline: 6 Weeks			
CC.4.RL.3. Describe in depth a character, setting, or event in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., a character's thoughts, words, or actions)  CC.4.R.I.1 Key Ideas and Details: Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.  CC.4.W.1 opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information.  CC.4.W.1.a Introduce a topic or text clearly, state an opinion, and create an organizational structure in which	Readers and writers should recognize persuasive writing/persuasive techniques in all contexts (i.e. pamphlets, commercials, advertisements, speeches, petitions).  Persuasive writing comes in various forms, but is	Essential Questions: What does persuasive writing look like? How can I persuade my audience? How do writers present their opinion and provide supporting evidence to produce a convincing argument?	Formative Assessments: Conference Note Anecdotal Records Seed Ideas Drafts 1-4 Intervention documentation Mid-Unit 2 Assessment: Most Persuasive Commercial Vote Persuasion/Opinion/Argumentatio n Graphic Organizers

related ideas are grouped to support the writer's purpose.  CC.4.W.1.b Provide reasons that are supported by facts and details.  CC.4.W.1.c Link opinion and reasons using words and phrases (e.g., for instance, in order to, in addition).  CC.4.W.1.d Provide a concluding statement or section related to the opinion presented.  CC.4.W.2d Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.  CC.4.W.2e. Provide a concluding statement or section related to the information or explanation presented.  CC.4.W.4. Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.  CC.4.W.9. Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research.  CC.4.SL.2. Paraphrase portions of a text read-aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.  CC.4.L.1. Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.	Unit Concept Enduring Understandings always intended to convince the reader of a perspective. Writers use evidence (opinions supported by facts) to build a convincing argument.	Essential Questions Student Learning Targets  Learning Targets: I can get ideas for persuasive writing. I can use persuasive language like authors. I know the difference between persuasion, opinions, and argument. I can state my position in persuasive writing. I can use details and information to support my opinions. I can organize my persuasive writing. I can use what I know to create a strong persuasive essay I can refute an argument I can write effective leads I can edit and revise my writing.	Summative Assessments: Final Unit Common Assessment Final Persuasive Witting Piece, scored using the DDOE Rubric for Opinion/Argumentative Writing
Unit: Non-Fiction Biography Timeline: 6 Weeks			
CC.4.RL.1. Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.  CC.4.RL.3. Describe in depth a character, setting, or event in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., a character's thoughts, words, or actions).  CC.4.RI.2. Determine the main idea of a text and explain	Readers develop concepts of a historical period and envision what it was like to live in the past.  Readers gather information about the subject, demonstrating insight into his/her	Essential Questions: How can our society benefit from the understanding how important people of the past helped to shape our present? What can a biography teach us about history?	Formative Assessments: Notes and Graphic Organizer Students will read a new informational text about a woman in history breaking barriers in their field and then answer evidence-based constructed response

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same topic in order to write or speak about the subject knowledgeably.			
CC.4.R.I.10 By the end of year, read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts, in the grades 4–5 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as necessary at the high end of the range.			
CC.4.L.4.c Consult reference materials (e.g., dictionaries, glossaries, thesauruses), both print and digital, to find the pronunciation and determine or clarify the precise meaning of key words and phrases.			
Unit Five: Non-Fiction History Timeline: 4 Weeks			
CC.4.RL.6: Compare and contrast the point of view from	Readers read and discuss	Essential Questions:	Formative Assessments:
which different stories are narrated, including the	a variety of fiction and	What life lessons can we learn	Literary graphic organizer
difference between first- and third-person narrations.	nonfiction texts about	from historical nonfiction?	Class discussion
1	revolutionaries from	How is reading Historical	Response journals
CC.4.RI.5: Describe the overall structure (e.g., chronology,	America's past.	Fiction different from other	Reflection Essay
comparison, cause/effect, problem/solution) of events,	_	genres?	
ideas, concepts, or information in a text or part of a text.	Readers describe the differences between	How are the characters' lives	Summative Assessments: Vocabulary Assessment
CC.4.RI.6: Compare and contrast a firsthand and	firsthand and secondhand	different from your own?	Class Almanac
secondhand account of the same event or topic; describe	accounts in informational	How is the time period different	Speech, scored with the DDOE
the differences in focus and the information provided.	text.	from the current time period?	Informational Writing Rubric
CC 4 W 1. Write eminion misses are tarrier and tarrier	Readers compare and contrast first- and third-		End of Unit Common Assessment
CC.4.W.1: Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons and information.	person narrations.	Learning Targets:	
		I can compare historical events.	
CC.4.SL.3: Identify the reasons and evidence a speaker	Readers describe the	I can write option pieces with a	
provides to support particular points.	chronology of events	point of view, supporting	
CC.4.L.4: Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown	from early American history.	details and provide reasons for	
and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on <i>grade 4</i>	mstory.	my ideas.	
reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of	Readers interpret the	I can provide reasons, evidence	
strategies.	literal and figurative	and supporting details for my	
	meaning of idioms.	ideas or opinions during discussions	
		I can determine or clarify the	

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		meaning of multiple-meaning words and phrases by using a variety of reading comprehension strategies	
Unit Six: Fantasy Timeline: 5 Weeks			
CC.4.R.L.1 Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.	Readers analyze text structure (e.g. allegory, symbolism, motif,	Essential Questions: What is the difference between reality and fantasy?	Formative Assessments: Conference notes Reader's notebook responses
CC.4.R.L.2 Determine a theme of a story, drama, or poem from details in the text; summarize the text.	allusion) to deepen comprehension.	How can books that are fun to read also be good literature?	Stand up, Hand up, Pair up Reflection and Journaling Comparing the book to the movie
CC.4.R.L.3 Describe in depth a character, setting, or event in a story or drama, drawing on specific details in the text (e.g., a character's thoughts, words, or actions).	Readers visualize the setting and fantastical elements (e.g. quest, archetype), often through	How does one's life situation affect one's perspective?	Readers Theater  Summative Assessments:
CC.4.R.L.4 Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including those that allude to significant characters found in mythology (e.g., Herculean).	rereading and discussion, to aid in comprehension.  Readers compare and	How does one's perspective influence one's choices? How can a choice be both good	Common Assessment Unit Pre- Post Tests Fantasy Story, scored with the
CC.4.R.L.5 Explain major differences between poems, drama, and prose, and refer to the structural elements of poems (e.g., verse, rhythm, meter) and drama (e.g., casts of characters, setting descriptions, dialogue, stage directions) when writing or speaking about a text.	contrast two (or more) characters, using precise details from the story to support interpretations.  Readers infer a theme	and evil?  How do the choices made by the characters in this novel reflect their varying perspectives?	DDOE Narrative Writing Rubric
CC.4.R.L.6 Compare and contrast the point of view from which different stories are narrated, including the difference between first- and third-person narrations.  CC.4.R.L.7 Make connections between the text of a story	(e.g. "good triumphs over evil") and defend it with accurate quotes from the text	Learning Targets: I can read and discuss science fiction stories and nonfiction	
or drama and a visual or oral presentation of the text, identifying where each version reflects specific descriptions and directions in the text.	Novels reflect individual perceptions and perspectives that mirror	science texts about space, robots, and planets.  I can compare and contrast the	
CC.4.R.L.9 Compare and contrast the treatment of similar themes and topics (e.g., opposition of good and evil) and patterns of events (e.g., the quest) in stories, myths, and traditional literature from different cultures.	real life.  An individual's perspective influences	settings, characters, and unusual circumstances among science fiction stories, and discuss the unique nature of this	
CC.4.R.L.10 By the end of the year, read and comprehend	his/her perceptions and choices.	genre.	

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literature, including stories, dramas, and poetry, in the grades 4–5 text complexity band proficiently, with scaffolding as needed at the high end of the range.		I can analyze how a science fiction story evolves over the course of a text, and discuss how this is similar to and	
CC.4.R.F.4.a Fluency: Read grade-level text with purpose and understanding.		different from other novels read.	
CC.4.W.5 With guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, and editing. (Editing for conventions should demonstrate command of Language standards 1–3up to and including grade 4 on page 29.)		I can write a variety of responses to literature and informational text.  I can participate in-group discussions.	
CC.4.W.7 Conduct short research projects that build knowledge through investigation of different aspects of a topic.			
CC.4.W.10 Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research, reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two) for a range of discipline-specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.			
CC.4.SL.1.c Pose and respond to specific questions to clarify or follow up on information, and make comments that contribute to the discussion and link to the remarks of others.			
CC.4.L.4 Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases based on grade 4 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of strategies			
CC.4.L.4.a Use context (e.g., definitions, examples, or restatements in text) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.			
CC.4.L.4.b Use common, grade-appropriate Greek and Latin affixes and roots as clues to the meaning of a word (e.g., telegraph, photograph, autograph).			
Unit Seven: Inquiry			
Timeline: 5 Weeks  CC.4.W.2 Write informative /explanatory texts to examine	Interpret charts to	Essential Questions:	Formative Assessments:
a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.	determine key	How can research provide	2 02 MWW 1 0 1 ADDEDDMICHEDS

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	information.	evidence of the past?	Anecdotal notes
CC.4.4.RI.9 Integrate information from two texts of the same topic in order to write or speak about the subject knowledgeably.	Research and compare to identify cause and affect relationships in text.	How can we learn about our past from reading about our earth?	Conferring notes  Create a flipbook outlining geographical features of a planet
CC.4.RI.3 Explain events, procedures, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text, including what happened and why, based on specific information in the	Writing and research are a process.	How can research help authors to impact readers?	Design a map depicting landforms regions.
text.  CC.4.W.4 Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development and organization are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.	Research, details, and precision in writing make meaning clear to your audience,	How does reading nonfiction influence what we write?	Running Records  Take and organize notes for public speaking
CC.4.W.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly. Develop the topic with facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples related to the topic.  CC.4.W.2.a Introduce a topic clearly and group related information in paragraphs and sections; include formatting (e.g., headings), illustrations, and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension.  CC.4.W.2.b Develop the topic with facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples related to the topic.  CC.4.W.2.c Link ideas within categories of information using words and phrases (e.g., another, for example, also, because).	audience,	Learning Targets: I can interpret a chart or map. I can identify and use key geographical features on maps. I can determine how physical processes shape the earths features and patterns. I can determine how density, distribution, and growth rate affected the earth's patterns. I can identify cause and effect relationships between population's distribution and environmental issues.	Summative Assessments: After researching informational texts about a subject of their choice, students will write then write a produce an informative report and presentation, scored with the DDOE Informational Writing Rubric Common Assessment for Unit
CC.4.W.2.d Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.			
CC.4.W.2.e Provide a concluding statement or section related to the information or explanation presented.  CC.4.RI.3 Explain events, procedures, ideas, or concepts in a historical, scientific, or technical text, including what happened and why, based on specific information in the			

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text.  CC.4.RI.7 Write Interpret information presented visually, orally, or quantitatively (e.g., in charts, graphs, diagrams, time lines, animations, or interactive elements on Web pages) and explains how the information contributes to an understanding of the text in which it appears.			