# English 11 Writing/ Grammar/ Mechanics Ligon

## 1. Essay structure

The Writing Process

Author's Purpose/Text structure

Introduction

Thesis statement

Body paragraphs

Topic sentence

Adequate/Logical development

Unity

Coherence/ Transition words

Transition sentences

Horizontal/Vertical elaboration

Types of Evidence

Connotation/Denotation

Fact/ Opinion

Counterclaims

Conclusion

Persuasive writing/ Argumentation

# 2. Capitalization

Rules/Proofreading

Job-School Applications/ Forms

Resume

Direct quotes

Sentence/ fragment/ run on

Simple/ Compound/ Complex

**Precise Words** 

#### 3. Cap/Punctuation titles

Rules/ Proofreading

Works cited

Research project

**Evaluating sources** 

**Citing Sources** 

MLA documentation

Internet safety

#### 4. Phrases - Horizontal Elaboration

Prepositional Phr (Recognize, Combine, Misplaced)

Participial Phrases (Combine, Misplaced)

**Dangling Modifiers** 

SV agreement – intervening phrases

Commas

Active/ Passive Voice

Confused Preps (to, too/threw, through, etc)

Apostrophes (plural/poss)/ Proofreading

# 5. Sentence structure (S-V, complete, variety, style)

S-V

Fragments (phrases/subordinate clause/no S-V)

Compound/ complex sentences

Run-ons

Compound S-V/ S-V agree (compound sub)

Pronoun usage

Confused words, S-V (its, they're, etc)

Parallelism

Style (Revise: wordy, empty, redundant)

#### 6. Horizontal elaboration

Adjectives (add, usage, comparison, precise)

Adverbs (add, usage, comparison, precise)

**Appositives** 

Participial phrases

Gerund/ gerund phrases

Adjective clauses

Simple, compound, complex sentences

Commas

Double negatives

Misplaced/dangling modifiers

Combining sentences

## 7. Verbs

Tense

Shifts in tense

Active/passive voice

Irregular verbs

# 8. Text patterns/ Author's purpose

Persuasive

Cause/effect

Compare/ contrast

Descriptive

Chronological order

Problem/ solution

# 9. Research/Technology

**Evaluate Sources** 

Cite Sources/ MLA format

Synthesize Information

**Presentation Technology** 

**VDOE SOL Writing Test Tool** 

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