English Language Brunswick School Department Arts English III Junior Research Paper

Essential Understandings	 Good researchers generate ideas, pose questions as well as gather, evaluate and synthesize facts from a variety of sources. Research papers require specific thesis statements. Part of writing a research paper is knowing when to broaden or narrow the inquiry.
Essential Questions	 How does one find and evaluate evidence? How does analysis differ from fact or opinion? How does one use facts and analysis to support a position? How does one avoid plagiarism? How does one collate information from a variety of sources? How does one synthesize multiple sources? How does one apply MLA rules to a research paper?
Essential Knowledge	 Writers use facts to support a position. Writers distinguish between personal opinion and analysis. Writers determine source credibility.
Vocabulary	 <u>Terms</u>: parenthetical citation, works cited, primary and secondary sources, plagiarism, note cards, outlines, rough drafts, final drafts, working thesis, final thesis, implication, analysis, synthesis
Essential Skills	 Select and limit an appropriate topic. Take notes using a minimum of three sources. Prepare an outline. Write a first draft and works cited. Write a final draft and works cited. Write a strong introduction and conclusion. Include precise, effective quotations that directly correspond to the main idea.

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	English Language Arts
	English Language Arts C. Research
	C1.Research
	Students develop research questions and modify them as
	necessary to elicit, present, and critique evidence fro ma variety
	of primary and secondary sources following the conventions of
	documentation.
	a. Select and apply research methods that are appropriate for
	the purpose of the inquiry.
	b. Make judgments about conflicting findings from different
	sources, incorporating findings from sources that are valid
	and refuting others.
	c. Synthesize information from varied sources and/or data
	gathered from fieldwork and interviews.
Related	d. Utilize media relevant to audience and purpose that extend
Maine Learning	and support oral, written, and visual communication.
Results	e. Create and present a coherent set of findings that integrates
	paraphrasing, quotations, and proper citation.
	f. Access and present information ethically and legally.
	D. Language
	D1.Grammar and Usage
	Students apply rhetorical skills when reading, writing, and
	speaking through their understanding of Standard American
	English.
	b. Use handbooks, style guides or other writing sources to
	confirm accuracy of Standard American English.
	D2.Mechanics
	Students demonstrate the use of the structures and
	conventions of Standard American English in their
	communication.
	a. Use appropriate punctuation, spelling and sentence and
	paragraph structure to suit purpose, situation, and audience.
	 Critique peer work to examine introductions, conclusions, transitions, and suidenes personable.
Commis	transitions, and evidence paragraphs.
Sample	 Participate in group composition as a model.
Lessons	 Complete templates to master paragraph form. Create an outline
And	 Create an outline. Attend workshape provided by the PHS librarian and Learning
Activities	 Attend workshops provided by the BHS librarian and Learning Conter instructor
	Center instructor.
	 Write an editorial letter in response to a peer first draft.

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Sample Classroom Assessment Methods	 Peer editing of drafts Evaluation of note cards Evaluation of outline Evaluation of final paper Read work aloud
Sample Resources	 <u>Other Resources</u>: Community members, Experts in the Field