## Language Arts - Reading

- ✓ Analyzes word structures of unfamiliar words to read and increase personal vocabulary
- ✓ Recognizes when meaning breaks down, then rereads to self-correct and gain understanding
- ✓ Comprehends by focusing attention on meaning and sources of information in the text
- ✓ Reads fluently with expression and appropriate volume to match interpretation of text
- ✓ Demonstrates positive independent reading
- ✓ Recognizes that an author's point of view about culture impacts how and what he/she writes
- ✓ Identifies persuasive messages in advertising and peer communications
- ✓ Differentiates between fact and opinion and relevant from irrelevant information
- ✓ Makes decisions about which resource is best for locating information about definitions, synonyms, short descriptions, and geographic data
- ✓ Writes research notes, using key words and phrases
- ✓ Applies knowledge of characterization to make connections within a text and among texts
- ✓ Applies knowledge of setting to infer mood, tone, and events that may occur
- ✓ Responds to reading by determining topics to investigate, reading another book within the same genre or author, and writing about what was read
- √ Recognizes literary elements of onomatopoeia and alliteration

## Language Arts - Writing

- ✓ Organizes thinking before and during writing, using graphic organizers and sequencing
- ✓ Writes to explain or give basic information about familiar topics
- ✓ Revises writing by rereading, adding on, and grouping ideas
- ✓ Applies organization of how published texts are structured to one's own writing
- ✓ Publishes, using legible handwriting
- ✓ Uses phonics and spelling patterns to spell unfamiliar words
- ✓ Spells grade level high frequency no excuse words
- ✓ Uses language patterns, common word endings, words with multiple meanings, and parts of speech knowledge for spelling and writing
- ✓ Writes and edits for correct conventions of contractions, abbreviations, complete sentences, capitals for proper nouns and beginnings of sentences
- ✓ Proofreads and edits for grade level grammar, mechanics, and conventions