

SAIL Writing Frameworks

**By the end of grade 7, SAIL students should be able to:*

- Apply standard conventional grammar in all subject areas.
- Write a developed multi-paragraph essay for a variety of academic purposes and reflection, utilizing standard writing practices.
- Analyze fiction and non-fiction and respond in an extended paragraph, using logical progression of thought revealed through a topic sentence, directly quoting examples to support the analysis, and a concluding sentence that restates the paragraphs ideas.
- Independently apply the steps of the writing process (i.e. prewriting, drafting, revising/editing and publishing).
- Analyze and defend one's own or another's point of view
- Research applying the following skills:
 - Independently choose and refine a topic of focus
 - Gather information via multiple sources
 - Define understanding rationale for source documentation
 - Demonstrate advanced note taking strategies
 - Utilize MLA style bibliographic entry for various sources
 - Present information in a creative and effective manner, using variety of products in accordance with learning style, interest, and abilities

* The SAIL writing expectations are intended to address content across the curriculum; e.g., science, social studies, etc.