PERFORMING STATISTICS CURRICULUM
In accordance with Performing Statistics’ main goals, this curriculum was created in order to help teachers to educate and activate communities across Virginia around juvenile justice reform. Designed to accompany artwork made by incarcerated youth in the Performing Statistics project, this curriculum addresses three main topics surrounding youth incarceration in the U.S.: Knowledge of the issues, Empathy toward every person affected by this reality, and Action toward a more just system. These three modules can be adapted to your needs and shortened or lengthened as necessary. The teacher is seen as a facilitator, where this curriculum can help the teacher feel more comfortable in helping spark discussion, learn alongside students, and be inspired to take action together. Information and facts on the school-to-prison pipeline and youth incarceration are disseminated, but the true learning takes place when teachers and students critically think about the issues (Knowledge), discuss how youth incarceration affects students and their communities (Empathy), and decide how we can all take steps towards change (Action). This curriculum is a cross disciplinary jumping off point in that teachers and students can choose which avenues to take: arts, writing, history, etc.

**target audience**

middle and high school students, all settings: public school, private school, museum, or community

**rationale**

Youth incarceration and the school-to-prison pipeline are issues that affect every person in our communities, but directly and disproportionately affect students of color and students with disabilities. This curriculum addresses these issues while also addressing enduring human understanding and tools that students can carry with them to apply to issues we will all encounter in our lifetimes. Acquisition of knowledge, critical thinking, empathy, and action can be applied within the classroom, within personal lives, and within communities.
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Objective: By using the artwork made by incarcerated youth in the Performing Statistics project, accompanying discussion questions, and relevant artists, students will discuss empathy, privilege and stereotypes. Students will create work in order to portray their thoughts and feelings of empathy toward people and communities affected by the school-to-prison pipeline and youth incarceration.

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This Performing Statistics curriculum contains:

- Tips for creating a safe space in order to lead thoughtful discussions
- Guiding questions and suggestions for looking at artwork
- Links to information in order to educate the facilitator and/or students
- Three modules: Knowledge, Empathy, and Action, which include:
  - Guiding questions attached to specific images, audio pieces and films within the Performing Statistics newspaper and interactive website can be used to deepen understanding and personal relevance
  - Artists and artworks to spark discussion and inspire action
  - Suggestions for activities
- SOLs for grades 6-12 in Visual Arts, History and Social Science, and English
tips for group discussions

Set up a safe space:

- Lynn Weber’s Guidelines for Classroom Discussions (can be adapted for age)
- Come up with rules of safe space together

Encourage all students to engage in ways that they feel comfortable:

- Use tactics like writing first when responding to a question, that way students will have something to contribute to the conversation as a group
- Use small group work or allow non verbal participation in some way (like writing) in order to engage all learners
- Encourage wait time: Instruct students to think for a moment before raising their hands
- Be aware of who you are calling on; encourage people who may not have spoken, and validate their thoughts when they do speak

guiding questions and tips for looking at and interpreting artwork

Start with basics of what you actually see, then move to meaning and discussion of application to personal lives or community.

Encourage deeper looking with follow up questions:

- What do you mean by that? (Tell us more about that.)

Ask open-ended questions:

- What do you see? (Describe what you see. Tell us what you see.)
- How do you know? (Please point out what you see and how you know that.)
- What else do you see?
- Why do you think the artist chose to.....? (Use those colors, subject matter, composition, materials, etc.)
- How does your life influence how you see this work of art?
- How does this apply to your life? Your community? Your school?
Performing Statistics: What is Performing Statistics? The project connects incarcerated teens with an incredible group of artists, designers, educators, and Virginia's leading policy advocates to transform the juvenile justice system.

Three main goals of Performing Statistics:
1) Work with incarcerated youth to become creative and civic leaders in their communities
2) Educate and Activate communities across Virginia around juvenile justice reform
3) Support Legal Aid Justice Center’s advocacy work to directly affect laws and public policy that affect the school to prison pipeline

Preparing yourself to teach:
- Courage to approach difficult subject matter
- Speak Up at School: How to Respond to Everyday Prejudice, Bias, and Stereotypes
- Begin Within: Preparing Yourself to Speak Up in Public School
- How to be an Advocate for Your Students

Identifying bias
- Test Yourself for Implicit Bias
- Teaching "Those Kids"

Vocabulary / Key Concepts
- Colorblind racism
- Disproportionality: People of color are disproportionately put into jail
- Intersectionality: A concept that describes the ways in which oppressive institutions (racism, sexism, homophobia, transphobia, ableism, xenophobia, classism, etc.) are interconnected and cannot be examined separately from one another.
- Systemic racism: Institutional racism or systemic racism describes forms of racism which are structured into political and social institutions. It occurs when organizations, institutions or governments discriminate, either deliberately or indirectly, against certain groups of people to limit their rights.

Additional Projects and Artists on Prison Systems
- Artists Grapple with America’s Prison System
- Windows From Prison
- Trent Bell: Reflect Project
- Project NIA: Building Peaceful Communities

Visit these sites to learn more
- ACLU fact sheet
- Video: How The School to Prison Pipeline Ruins Lives Before They Start: BRAVE NEW FILMS
- Enhancing Educators’ Capacity to Stop the School-to-Prison Pipeline
- Still I Rise: Youth Caught Between the Worlds of Schools and Prisons
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Because more than 9,500 youth were locked up in Virginia in 2015 and over 500 locked up in a correctional facility

Because 40% of incarcerated youth locked up are between 8 and 15 years old

Because 78.3% of incarcerated youth are rearrested after 3 years

Because 64% of committed incarcerated youth have significant mental health disorders

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“Educate instead of incarcerate.”
What does this mean? Do you agree?
What is the purpose of school? What is the value of learning? What are informal and formal ways of educating/being educated? Do you agree with suspension? What are alternatives to suspension?

“We fear being forgotten, being gone for too long.”
Who was this drawn by? What are they trying to communicate? Call the number and listen. Put yourself in this person’s shoes. How would you feel while incarcerated? Do you think incarceration is the answer? What are other options?

“I like to make people smile. I love my family. I am caring and have an uplifting spirit. I need new opportunities in my community. I’m not a mean person. I’m scared of losing loved ones. I want to be a youth counselor. I struggle with trusting people. I want to change the situation me and my mom and my brother are in.”
What would your ideal community have? What are opportunities you have in your community? What opportunities do you wish you had? How does the school-to-prison pipeline hinder lives and opportunities?

“Fight for equal rights. We need family and friends. Kids shouldn’t get locked up. Freedom. Faith. Family. Jobs. Programs. Mentors.” Do you agree or disagree that kids should be locked up? Why or why not? What are other options? What would you add to this list?

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suggested activities:

- Research an aspect of youth incarceration or the school-to-prison pipeline in groups or individually. Present on your findings through artwork, infographics, or actual presentations.
- Interview relevant people within your community about these issues. Write an article or blogpost on your findings.
- Write a persuasive argument about your thoughts on the school-to-prison pipeline.
- Analyze different points of view from the media on the school-to-prison pipeline. Write an article or blogpost on your findings.
- Create expressive artwork (painting, collage, drawing) about a relevant issue that you learned about that strikes you.
- Create (draw, diorama, etc.) or write about an ideal classroom, school, or neighborhood where youth incarceration does not exist. What would it include? Not include? What would it look like? How would people act?
- Create artwork or write about how youth incarceration (or incarceration in general) has affected you.
- POWER-MAPPING: Identify all the participants along the school-to-prison pipeline. Think beyond police, resource officers, teachers, and students. Who else—from school board to politicians, families, community members, or mentors—play a part in a student’s success or pushout from school?

CLOSE

Reflect on what you have learned. What did you learn that you did not previously know about? How does it make you feel? What are the next steps? Where do you want to go from here?
“More than anything, we want you to listen. To learn. To look and see humans. To read and see brothers, sons, and friends. To understand and not to judge people by their past, but support them to realize their future. These youth have the direct experience to speak on the system’s impact. They are the experts we should listen to. Their voices will help create a more just, whole, and equitable world. Thank you for taking the time to hear them. We hope you will find their art and words as powerful as we have.”

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“I have a voice that needs to be heard like everybody else does. I want to be somebody that’s gone be remembered generations to come. I wish I can’t see people struggle.” Have you ever felt voiceless? When? What do you want to say? What would you like to do in your life? What obstacles are there? Are these obstacles able to be overcome? What obstacles do other people face? Do you see people struggling in your community? What does your community do to help? Is it effective? What could you do or how could you community be more effective in helping people overcome obstacles?

“I love my family. That I have trust issues. I struggle with thinking before my actions. I want to change my life around before it’s too late. I want to move my mom out of the projects. I’m scared of bedbugs and raccoons. I need a father in my life.” What can you relate to about this. What are you surprised or not surprised about? What stereotypes do you hold of incarcerated people?

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“I want to move my family in a bigger house.” What do you want for your family? Who is important to you?

“I have a voice that needs to be heard like everybody else does. I need more support to become what I want to be. I am not a thug just because I am black.” What are stereotypes? Do you think stereotypes are fair or true? How do people stereotype you? Do stereotypes help or hurt people? How can you battle stereotypes? How do you think stereotypes are created? What are some stereotypes you have been guilty of?

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“I didn’t have a role model growing up, so I had to be my own role model. Sometimes I had to learn things on my own. I need more support to become what I want to be. I’m scared of losing my mom and my aunt and sister, and niece. I want to be successful and a better person.” What can you relate to about this. What are you surprised or not surprised about? What stereotypes do you hold of incarcerated people?

“I love my mom. I will never get locked up again. I am smart and brave. I need to have less free time so I won’t do bad things. I care about our black community.” What stereotypes do you hold of incarcerated people? How do you feel when reading these stories? What do you care about in your community?

“We have to read to get our minds off everything. We stay ourselves by laughing and smiling through the pain. I’ll never see the inside of a facility again.” How do you take care of yourself? What are healthy ways to deal with feelings? Why is this important?

“UNITY: There’s not a big difference from YOU & ME.”

Do you agree with this after seeing and reading all of these statements and photographs?

suggested activities:

- Draw your “river of life”: What has happened to you throughout your life? Share your artwork with a small group of classmates perhaps.
- Tell your life story to a classmate in two minutes.
- The big wind blows game: Call out things that are true that have happened to you, have everyone that this applies to as well move to another spot. See link for more detailed description.
- Write a letter to a person in jail: Someone fictional or real, perhaps a person in the Performing Statistics newspaper or someone you know. How can you empathize with them? How do you relate? How would you like to change our system?
- Interview and record or document your own or other’s stories either about incarceration or another topic to build empathy and get to know someone better.
- Create a “Humans of New York” type blog and share stories of reality with others.
- Write a poem or story or create a work of art about stereotypes or privilege and how you have been affected by either or both.
- Invent a way for your school to see every person as they are, beyond stereotypes or judgments: portraits, interviews, radio show, podcast, blog, etc. Get creative!
- Reflect on how it feels to be a seen as who you really are. Have you experienced this? When? By who? How can you take action to make other people feel this way?

relevant artists

- Sonya Clark
- Titus Kaphar
- Kehinde Wiley
- Aaron Axelrod
- Brett Crawford
- Damon Locks
- Humans of New York: Inmate stories
BIG IDEA: ACTION

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO CREATE A WORLD WHERE NO YOUTH ARE LOCKED UP?

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Module 3

Key Concepts:
Micro and Macro actions, change, advocacy and education

Essential Questions:
What is action? Where do you see action in your life? How does change happen? What micro and macro actions can I take or help make happen? What can I do to help? What are other people doing to help? How does change happen? How do these actions affect our community? How do these actions affect me?

Instructional Input:
Ignite critical discussion by looking at newspaper pictures or relevant artists that follow.

LESSON

Hook: Watch these teen-created videos and discuss their importance: Who made these? Why? What is the purpose? What do they tell us? How do they make us feel? Do you think they are important? Why? Have you ever created something to ignite action?

›› How Can We Keep Kids Free? A series of short films made by teens in the Performing Statistics program.

›› Suspension Stories: Collection of Stories About Students’ Experiences of Being Suspended and/or Expelled From School.

›› No Place for Kids: A Film about Youth Incarceration. This is a documentary that was directed and produced by two high school seniors at Francis Parker School in Chicago. Nina and Keely interned for the year at Project NIA, a grassroots organization focused on ending juvenile incarceration.

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Objective:
By utilizing the Performing Statistics newspaper and interactive website, alongside the accompanying discussion questions, and relevant artists, students will discuss action and why action matters. What are other people doing to help and what can I do to help? How do these actions affect myself and our community? Students will create work in order to manifest action.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP CREATE A WORLD WHERE NO YOUTH ARE LOCKED UP?
Fill out, photograph and email or Instagram your response using #prisonsdontwork
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“I think if we all stand up, we can change the law.” Do you agree or disagree? Research historical movements that have done this. How do things change? What would happen if no one takes action? What are small actions you can take? Big actions? (Micro and macro actions)

“Hi want to be somebody that’s gone be remembered generations to come.” Research the childhoods of someone historically relevant or someone you admire that helped to create change. How did they do it? What was their life path? Perhaps look at people who overcame adverse circumstances.

suggested activities:

- Silkscreen or design and print posters about the school-to-prison pipeline. Put them up in your school or neighborhood or participate in a local justice parade (follow Performing Statistics on Facebook for updates)
- Create a zine or publication on the computer or by analogue means which advocates for youth and issues that are important to this cause. Distribute in your school or community.
- Join a rally as a class and bring posters, signs, or t-shirts that you all designed and created.
- Make a movie or a PSA which advocates for youth or related issues. Distribute on the internet or submit to festivals.
- Have a screening of a relevant movie and then have a Q & A after, or invite a panel of relevant people to come speak after.
- Reach out to the Performing Statistics team to organize an exhibition. At the opening, screen some of the teen’s films and invite local advocates, politicians, and school administrators to see the work.
- Work with the Performing Statistics team to organize an event that connects students with police officers, youth, advocates and politicians.
- Create a mural or public art which advocates and educates your community.
- Work with your class to rewrite your school’s “codes of conduct” based on the theme “what can keep kids free and in school?” Hold a press conference to share your work.
- Start your own Youth for RISE student group.
- Come up with your own way to help and take action! Get creative!

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Click names to learn more
» Luba Lukova
» Charlie Becker
» Chris Stein & Josh MacPhee
» Chase Erachi
» Damon Davis
» Richie Pope
» Joseph Delappe

Reflect on how it feels to be a part of action and change! What could you do next? How can you help others feel confident in creating action? What helped you feel confident?
Suggestions for action from the Performing Statistics newspaper

- Sign the RISE for Youth Petition and tell the Governor and Virginia Legislators that you support the reinvestment of funds away from large juvenile prisons into evidence informed, community-based alternatives to youth incarceration. [http://www.riseforyouth.org/signthepetition/](http://www.riseforyouth.org-signthepetition/)

- Tell your story. If you or a family member have experienced issues in the juvenile justice system and have opinion on how to make things better, we want to hear about it. [http://www.riseforyouth.org/take-action/tell-us-your-story/](http://www.riseforyouth.org-take-action-tell-us-your-story/)


- Call or write and tell them youth prisons don’t work, but alternatives do! You can find your legislator at: [http://whosmy.virginiageneralassembly.gov/](http://whosmy.virginiageneralassembly.gov/)

- Write an op-ed or letter to the editor on why juvenile justice reform is important. For tips on how to write an oped or letter to the editor download the RISE for Youth Action Kit here: [http://www.riseforyouth.org/wpcontent/uploads/2015/09/RISEActionKit.pdf](http://www.riseforyouth.org-wpcontent-uploads-2015-09RISEActionKit.pdf)

- Join the Youth for RISE Advisory Network. Youth and young adults ages 13 to 24 with experience in the juvenile justice system and/or interest in juvenile justice reform are encouraged to join the Youth for RISE Advisory Network. For more information contact Valerie Slater at valerie@justice4all.org.
The student will synthesize prior knowledge and experience to create works of art.

The student will convey points of view about contemporary issues in personal works of art.

The student will communicate ideas, experiences, and narratives through the creation of original works of art, using selected media.

The student will describe how works of art are influenced by social, political, and economic factors.

The student will identify the roles of artists in society.

The student will analyze how visual organization in works of art affects the communication of ideas.

The student will analyze the uses and impact of persuasive techniques (e.g., selection of images, design, type, media) in print and contemporary media.

The student will communicate how personal experiences influence critical interpretations and evaluations of works of art.

The student will analyze purposes, values, and meanings of works of art.

The student will communicate ideas in works of art by identifying and using steps of an artistic process, including selecting media and incorporating elements of art and principles of design.

The student will employ a variety of subject matter, including cultural or social concepts, to express ideas in original works of art.

The student will analyze major art movements and influential artists according to events, places, cultures, and historical periods.

The student will use art criticism skills to interpret, analyze, and evaluate works of art.

The student will evaluate how social, cultural, and historical context contribute to meaning in works of art and design.

The student will analyze how media and visual organization in works of art affect the communication of ideas.

The student will use contemporary media, tools, and processes to create works of art.

The student will express personal beliefs and values in works of art.

The student will examine and discuss social, political, economic, and cultural factors that influence works of art and design.

The student will use art criticism skills when analyzing, interpreting, and evaluating personal and professional works of art and design.

The student will participate in art criticism processes based on one or more established models.

The student will evaluate the effectiveness of the communication of ideas in personal works of art and design.
AIII.4 The student will use the artistic process to develop and inform artistic vision/voice.

AIII.9 The student will present and exhibit works of art as part of the artistic process, including selecting and preparing works and writing supporting documentation and reflective statements.

AIII.11 The student will research and analyze artists, art styles, and cultures that inspire personal works.

AIII.12 The student will explain how themes throughout the history of art have been influenced by traditions, norms, values, beliefs, and events.

AIII.17 The student will interpret works of art for symbolic and metaphorical meanings.

AIII.20 The student will view art exhibitions and write reflections about them.

AIV.3 The student will use the artistic process to refine and inform artistic vision/voice.

AIV.6 The student will select subject matter, symbols, images, and media to communicate ideas and themes.

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AIV.13 The student will interpret works of art, including personal work, in order to construct meaning.

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VS.1 The student will demonstrate skills for historical and geographical analysis and responsible citizenship, including the ability to:
- make connections between past and present;
- evaluate and debate issues orally and in writing;
- identify the costs and benefits of specific choices made, including the consequences, both intended and unintended, of the decisions and how people and nations responded to positive and negative incentives.

VS.8 The student will demonstrate knowledge of the reconstruction of Virginia following the Civil War by:
- identifying the effects of segregation and “Jim Crow” on life in Virginia for whites, African Americans, and American Indians;
- understanding the political, social, and economic contributions made by Maggie L. Walker; Harry F. Byrd, Sr.; Oliver W. Hill; Arthur R. Ashe, Jr.; A. Linwood Holton, Jr.; and L. Douglas Wilder.

VS.9 The student will demonstrate knowledge of twentieth- and twenty-first-century Virginia by:
- identifying the social and political events in Virginia linked to desegregation and Massive Resistance and their relationship to national history;

History and Social Sciences

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USII.4 The student will demonstrate knowledge of how life changed after the Civil War by:
- describing racial segregation, the rise of “Jim Crow,” and other constraints faced by African Americans and other groups in the post-Reconstruction South;
- understanding the political, social, and economic contributions made by Maggie L. Walker; Harry F. Byrd, Sr.; Oliver W. Hill; Arthur R. Ashe, Jr.; A. Linwood Holton, Jr.; and L. Douglas Wilder.

USII.9 The student will demonstrate knowledge of the key domestic and international issues during the second half of the twentieth and early twenty-first centuries by:
- examining the Civil Rights Movement and the changing role of women;
- understanding the political, social, and economic contributions made by Maggie L. Walker; Harry F. Byrd, Sr.; Oliver W. Hill; Arthur R. Ashe, Jr.; A. Linwood Holton, Jr.; and L. Douglas Wilder.

CIVICS AND ECONOMICS

CE.1 The student will develop the social studies skills responsible citizenship requires, including the ability to:
- examine and interpret primary and secondary source documents;
- analyze political cartoons, political advertisements, pictures, and other graphic media;
- review information for accuracy, separating fact from opinion;
- formulate an informed, carefully reasoned position on a community issue;
- select and defend positions in writing, discussion, and debate.

CE.3 The student will demonstrate knowledge of citizenship and the rights, duties, and responsibilities of citizens by:
- describing the First Amendment freedoms of religion, speech, press, assembly, and petition, and the rights guaranteed by due process and equal protection of the laws;
- examining the responsibilities of citizenship, including registering and voting, communicating with government officials, participating in political campaigns, keeping informed about current issues, and respecting differing opinions in a diverse society;
- evaluating how civic and social duties address community needs and serve the public good.

CE.4 The student will demonstrate knowledge of personal character traits that facilitate thoughtful and effective participation in civic life by:
- practicing courtesy and respect for the rights of others;
- practicing responsibility, accountability, and self-reliance;
- practicing respect for the law;
- practicing patriotism;
- practicing decision making;
- practicing service to the school and/or local community.
The student will understand that thoughtful and effective participation in civic life is characterized by:

- a) obeying the law and paying taxes;
- b) practicing courtesy and respect for the rights of others;
- c) practicing accountability, responsibility, and self-reliance;
- d) performing public service;
- e) respecting differing opinions in a diverse society;
- f) developing skills in discussion, debate, and persuasive writing with respect to enduring issues and determine how divergent viewpoints have been addressed and reconciled.

The student will demonstrate knowledge of personal character traits that facilitate thoughtful and effective participation in civic life by:

- a) practicing trustworthiness and honesty;
- b) practicing courtesy and respect for the rights of others;
- c) practicing responsibility, accountability, and self-reliance;
- d) practicing respect for the law;
- e) practicing patriotism;
- f) developing skills in discussion, debate, and persuasive writing with respect to enduring issues and determine how divergent viewpoints have been addressed and reconciled.

The student will demonstrate knowledge of the concepts of democracy by:

- a) recognizing the fundamental worth and dignity of the individual;
- b) recognizing the equality of all citizens under the law;
- c) recognizing majority rule and minority rights;
- d) recognizing the freedom of the individual.

The student will demonstrate knowledge of the organization and powers of the state and local governments described in the Constitution of Virginia by:

- a) analyzing primary and secondary source documents;
- b) analyzing political cartoons, political advertisements, pictures, and other graphic media;
- c) evaluating information for accuracy, separating fact from opinion;
- d) selecting and defending positions in writing, discussion, and debate.

The student will demonstrate knowledge of how the nation grew and changed from the end of Reconstruction through the early twentieth century by:

- a) identifying the importance of the Brown v. Board of Education decision, the roles of Thurgood Marshall and Oliver Hill, and how Virginia responded;
- b) describing the importance of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), the 1963 March on Washington, the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

The student will demonstrate mastery of the social studies skills responsible citizenship requires, including the ability to:

- a) analyze primary and secondary source documents;
- b) analyze political cartoons, political advertisements, pictures, and other graphic media;
- c) evaluate information for accuracy, separating fact from opinion;
- d) select and defend positions in writing, discussion, and debate.

The student will read and analyze a variety of nonfiction texts.

- a) The student will participate in and contribute to small-group activities.
- b) The student will present, listen critically, and express opinions in oral presentations.
- c) The student will understand the elements of media literacy.
- d) The student will read and demonstrate comprehension of a variety of nonfiction texts.
- e) The student will write narration, description, exposition, and persuasion.
- f) The student will find, evaluate, and select appropriate resources for a research product.

The student will apply knowledge of appropriate reference materials to produce a research product.

- a) The student will use interviewing techniques to gain information.
- b) The student will develop and deliver oral presentations in groups and individually.
- c) The student will analyze, develop, and produce creative or informational media messages.
- d) The student will read, comprehend, and analyze a variety of nonfiction texts.
- e) The student will write in a variety of forms, including narration, exposition, persuasion, and informational.
- f) The student will apply knowledge of appropriate reference materials to produce a research product.
- g) The student will make planned oral presentations independently and in small groups.
- h) The student will produce, analyze, and evaluate auditory, visual, and written media messages.
- i) The student will read and analyze a variety of nonfiction texts.
- j) The student will develop narrative, expository, and persuasive writings for a variety of audiences and purposes.
- k) The student will use print, electronic databases, online resources, and other media to access information to create a research product.
10.1 The student will participate in, collaborate in, and report on small-group learning activities.
10.2 The student will analyze, produce, and examine similarities and differences between visual and verbal media messages.
10.5 The student will read, interpret, analyze, and evaluate nonfiction texts.
10.6 The student will develop a variety of writing to persuade, interpret, analyze, and evaluate with an emphasis on exposition and analysis.
10.8 The student will collect, evaluate, organize, and present information to create a research product.

11.1 The student will make informative and persuasive presentations.
11.2 The student will examine how values and points of view are included or excluded and how media influences beliefs and behaviors.
11.4 The student will read, comprehend, and analyze relationships among American literature, history, and culture.
11.5 The student will read and analyze a variety of nonfiction texts.
11.6 The student will write in a variety of forms, with an emphasis on persuasion.
11.8 The student will analyze, evaluate, synthesize, and organize information from a variety of sources to produce a research product.

12.1 The student will make a formal oral presentation in a group or individually.
12.2 The student will examine how values and points of view are included or excluded and how media influences beliefs and behaviors.
12.5 The student will read and analyze a variety of nonfiction texts.
12.6 The student will develop expository and informational analyses, and persuasive/argumentative writings.
12.8 The student will write documented research papers.