## COMMON CORE STANDARDS

- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.4.2** Determine the main idea of a text and explain how it is supported by key details; summarize the text.
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.5.2c** Link ideas within and across categories of information using words and phrases and clauses.
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RI.4.1** Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.5.1a** Introduce a topic or text clearly, state an opinion, and create an organizational structure in which ideas are logically grouped to support the writer's purpose.
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.5.1** Quote accurately from a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.6.1** Cite textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.6.2c** Use appropriate transitions to clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.6.2d/W.7.2.d/8.2d** Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.6.1** Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.6.2/W.7.2/W.8.2** Write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.6.4** Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in a text, including figurative and connotative meanings; analyze the impact of a specific word choice on meaning and tone.
- **CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.7.2b/W.8.2b** Develop the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.