Middle School Curriculum Plan

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, Bakersfield

Language Arts, Mathematics, & Virtue in Practice

	WRITING FOCUS	GRAMMAR FOCUS	READING STRATEGY FOCUS	SPEAKING & LISTENING FOCUS	VIRTUE IN PRACTICE FOCUS	MATH POWER STANDARDS (MPS)
AUGUST	Informative (6-8) I can write informative texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly Email Etiquette (6-8)	Parts of Speech Review (6-8)	Understand text features and organizational structures(6-8) Determine author's purpose. (6-8)	Classroom Rules & Routines 1. What is the routine for asking a question? 2. What is the routine for working in groups? 3. How do students respond to classmates in a discussion? 4. When should students speak and when should they listen? 5. How should students speak to adults? 6. Email etiquette		MP1: Understand and Persevere I can make sense of problems and not give up when trying to solve them *see attached MPS for more detailed information.
SEPTEMBER	Informative (6-8) I can write informative texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly	Elements of a Complete Sentence (6-8) simple/complete subjects and predicates verbs Subject complements Direct objects Indirect objects	Determine central idea & write an objective summary (K-8)	What makes a strong discussion? 1.Actively participate 2.Listen to one another 3.Build on each other's ideas 4.Remain engaged 5.Behave respectfully	Hope Trusting in God's loving plan	MP2: Logic and Reasoning I can use words, numbers, logic, and reasoning skills to help me solve problems *see attached MPS for more detailed information.
OCTOBER	<u>Informative (6-8)</u>	Phrases (6-8)	Read closely to	What does	<u>Studiousness</u>	MP3: Justify and

	I can write informative texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly	 Appositive (6-7) Prepositional (6-7) Infinitives (8) Participle phrases (8) Gerund phrases (8) 	determine what the text says explicity and to make logical inferences; cite text evidence that most strongly supports conclusions drawn from the text (K-8).	Collaborative Discussion sound like? 1.Leader states the purpose/ goal 2.Pose and respond to questions 3.Be courteous 4.Keep things moving 5.Wrap it up	Seeking knowledge to grow closer to the truth	MP3: Critique I can justify my strategies and evaluate if the ideas of others' make sense *see attached MPS for more detailed information.
NOVEMBER (Trimester 1 ends 11/9)	Literary Analysis (6-8) I can respond to literature by stating a claim that is supported with reasons, analysis and text-based evidence.	Subordinating Conjunctions/Dependent Clauses (6-7) Relative pronouns/relative clauses (8) Independent Clauses (6-8)	Analyze plot development/conflict resolution (6-8)	Preparing for a discussion 1.Research your topic 2.Reflect, synthesize, and question 3.Take notes	Humility Accepting your limitations and God-given talents	MP4: Model with Mathematics I can clearly show my work using words, diagrams, pictures, and symbols *see attached MPS for more detailed information.
DECEMBER	Literary Analysis (6-8) I can respond to literature by stating a claim that is supported with reasons, analysis and text-based evidence.	Compound Sentences/Avoiding Runons (6 -8) Punctuating Compound Sentences (6-8)	Analyze character traits and motives (6-8)	Establish and follow procedures 1.What's your role? 2.Make decisions as a group 3.Set goals and track progress 4.Stay on track 5.Establish rules for talking 6.Moderate the discussion	Patience Waiting or enduring without complaint	MP5: Strategically Use Tools I can select and use the appropriate tools to help me solve problems. *see attached MPS for more detailed information.
JANUARY	Literary Analysus (6-8) I can respond to literature by stating a claim that is supported with reasons, analysis, and text-based evidence	Sentence Types Simple Compound Complex Compound Complex Comma splices Fragments Fused run-ons	Analyze the theme's development in a literary text. (6-8)	Speak constructively 1.Speak formally in complete sentences 2.Watch your body language 3.Listen actively and wait for your turn 4.Don't make side comments 5.Use evidence to add	Fidelity Being faithful to promises and commitments	MP5: Strategically Use Tools I can select and use the appropriate tools to help me solve problems *see attached MPS for more detailed information.

				to discussion 6.Build on others' ideas		
FEBRUARY	Literary Analysus (6-8) I can respond to literature by stating a claim that is supported with reasons, analysis, and text-based evidence	Subject/Verb Agreement (6-8) Tense Shifts (6-8)	Explain literary devices contribution to the text (6-8)	Listen and Respond 1.Stick to the subject 2.Elaborate 3.Connect with your group 4.Add new reasoning 5.Recognize distracted behavior 6.Question and clarify	Cheerfulness Looking on the bright side	MP6: Attend to Precision I can review my calculations and strategies to see if they are correct *see attached MPS for more detailed information.
MARCH	Argumentative (6-8) I can Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.	Pronoun-Antecdent Agreement (6-8)	Analyze author's claim and reasons given to support this claim. Is the claim a debatable opinion?	Wrapping Up the Discussion 1. Reflecting by paraphrasing key points 2. Creating an action plan for each member	Temperance Enjoying things in a proper, balanced way	MP7: Utilize Structure I can use the structure of a problem to help me find the answer *see attached MPS for more detailed information.
APRIL	Argumentative (6-8) I can Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.	Pronoun Problems (6) Parallelism/Correlative Conjunctions (7-8)	Evaluate the author's evidence and reasoning. Evidence should be: A fact From a credible source Relevant to the claim Reasoning should: Draw conclusions from the evidence Support the claim	Use media in a presentation Use audio, video, images, and presentation software to help support your presentation and increase interest Giving a Presentation 1.Information is appropriate for purpose/ audience/ task 2.Claim and thesis stated 3.Claim logically supported with evidence 4.Effective language and style 5.Appropriate eye	Obedience Saying "yes' to the loving will of God and those he has set over us	MP8: Utilize Patterns I can find and use mathematical patterns to help me solve a problem *see attached MPS for more detailed information.

				contact, volume, enunciation, and gestures		
MAY	Argumentative (6-8) I can Write arguments to support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.	Common Usage Errors (6) Review (6) Avoiding Wordiness/Redundancy (7-8) Using Active Voice(8)	Articulate the author's purpose and analyze the rhetorical choices the author makes to achieve the purpose.	Analyze and Evaluate Presentations	Diligence Doing your best and working hard until you're finished	*see attached MPS for more detailed information.