

Writing Portfolio Contents

Elementary Required Writing Aligned to the Common Core Standards

Plainfield School District

Classroom Writing Folders

Teachers are required to keep at least **2 folders** for writing. One folder is the ***Works in Progress Folder*** and the second folder is a ***Writing Portfolio***. Folders should be visible in the classroom in a clearly labeled container for review.

Works in Progress Folder

A Works in Progress is so named because it is a project “in the works,” containing work in progress as well as finished samples of work in the various writing stages. It serves as a *holding tank* for work that may be selected later for a more permanent Writing Portfolio. A Works in Progress portfolio is an intentional collection of work guided by learning objectives.

Writing Portfolio - The primary purpose of a Writing Portfolio is to document student learning on specific writing curriculum outcomes. As such, the items in the portfolio are designed to elicit the knowledge and skill specified in the outcomes. It is the assessment tasks that bring the curriculum outcomes to life. A Writing Portfolio is a showcase of the student’s proficiency in reaching the Common Core Standards. Additionally, Writing Portfolios typically have selections that include teacher feedback and student reflections.

The Writing Portfolio should contain labeled and dated samples of student writing that show evidence of compliance with the **Common Core Standards** and outlined in Plainfield School District’s pacing guide. The standards require that students at each grade level write in the modes of opinion, informational/explanatory, and real or imagined narrative.

Students also produce and distribute their writing using a variety of tools, including technology. Students conduct research to build and present knowledge by conducting short and more sustained research projects, exploring a variety of credible resources and drawing evidence from texts to support analysis, reflection and research.

The samples collected in the Writing Portfolios should include published writing projects as well as additional writing samples that support implementation of the Common Core Standards.

The writing anchor standards are listed as a guide. Teachers should refer to the anchor standards in writing that correlates to their specific grade level for required work of the standard.

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Student Name _____ Grade: K 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th

School _____ Teacher _____

Published Writing: Should include opinion, informative/explanatory, and real or imagined narrative samples. All evidence of the writing process should be included with published piece on top. **Rubric, teacher feedback, and student reflection must be included in these 3 key pieces.** (W.CCR.4-6 may also be included in each piece)

Title	Text Type	Date
1.	Narrative <i>W.CCR.3</i>	
2.	Informative or Explanatory <i>W.CCR.2</i>	
3.	Opinion <i>W.CCR.1</i>	

Short Research Project: Refer to grade level standards. Product may include across content areas subjects such as science, social studies, or thematic topics.

Title/Subject	Brief Description	Date
4.	<i>W.CCR.7</i>	

Student Choice: (reflection sheet required in grades 3-5)

Title	Brief Description	Date
5.	<i>CCSS: _____</i>	

Writing On-Demand: Should include an entry generated in a single sitting based on a teacher provided prompt or topic.

Title	Form	Date
6. <i>*Grades 3-5</i>	<i>W.CCR.10</i>	

Literary Analysis/Writing about Reading: Should include a published piece of writing about a text/texts read, researched and analyzed. Draw Evidence from Literary or Informational Texts.

Title	Description	Date
7. <i>*Grades 4 and 5</i>	<i>W.CCR.9</i>	

Note: NJ Model Curriculum Unit Writing Assessments and/or District Benchmark Assessments are additional pieces that should be included in the portfolio as they become available.

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