Scope and Sequence-8th

Content Area: **ESL**
Course(s): **ESL**
Time Period: **Generic Time Period**
Length: **full year**
Status: **Published**

Course Overview

The middle school ESL curriculum will enhance the student's understanding of English in the academic setting. Throughout the middle school grades, units have been developed that focus on Literature and Narrative Writing or on Informational Text and Expository Writing. Due to the recursive nature of English Language Arts, instruction demands that standards be addressed at many levels and in many units throughout a grade level. Students will need to learn a strategy or skill, for example, and apply it in varying circumstances and within varying levels of text complexity. There are ELA standards that demand much more instructional and practice time than a six-week unit affords. Sometimes the skill is applied orally and then in writing, but there are many ways that students acquire skills. Throughout the units standards and skills are repeated to ensure that students receive mastery in these necessary skills. Throughout the eighth grade curriculum students will continue to build upon the knowledge and skills they acquired in previous year(s) of ESL. Students will work with a number of English language proficiency and grade level appropriate texts. Students will read literature and informational texts. Students will also, throughout the year and units, will work on writing informational texts and narratives. Students will learn how to take Cornell notes which will assist them in high school and beyond. Finally, students will conduct a number of research projects that require them to analyze texts and cite those texts in their writing and discussions. Throughout the year and curriculum students will work on the skills needed to excel in not only the English speaking classroom but also in the 21st century world.

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Order of the Unit	Title of the Unit	Time Frame
Unit 1	Literature and Narrative	10 weeks
Unit 2	Reading Information/Writing Informative/Explanatory	10 weeks
Unit 3	Reading Information/Writing Argument	10 weeks
Unit 4	Reading Literature/Writing Narrative	10 weeks