Warren County School District

PLANNED INSTRUCTION

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Course Title: Reading 8

Course Number: ____00027_

Course Prerequisites: Students must score below the proficiency level on the PSSA reading assessment with administration (principal) recommendation and also meet placement test requirements.

Course Description: These students need additional support in the areas of decoding, comprehension, fluency, and vocabulary. In order to provide the reading teacher with necessary materials to focus instruction appropriately for these readers, various research validated programs will be used dependent on student need. The reading curriculum in 8th grade utilizes a variety of reading genres. High interest, leveled reading books provide students with the in-context practice they need to gain skill mastery. Together, these materials provide the skills necessary for students to progress to grade level in reading. Students learn to recognize different texts organizational patterns and apply appropriate strategies for understanding and remembering. It provides opportunities for growth in word attack, vocabulary, critical comprehension, and learning strategies. Teachers focus on teaching students how to monitor one's own thinking when reading to learn. (Include "no final exam" or "final exam required")

Suggested Grade Level: 8

Length of Course: _____One Semester _____Two Semesters _____Other (Describe) Students who demonstrate reading proficiency will test out of the program.

Units of Credit: 1 (Insert <u>NONE</u> if appropriate.)

PDE *Certification and Staffing Policies and Guidelines (CSPG)* Required Teacher Certification(s): Reading Specialist, Middle Level English 7-9, or English 7-12

Certification verified by WCSD Human Resources Department:

District approved curriculum and supplemental materials will be used.

BOARD APPROVAL:

Date Written:	August 2016	
Date Approved:	August 29, 2016	
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SPECIAL EDUCATION AND GIFTED REQUIREMENTS

The teacher shall make appropriate modifications to instruction and assessment based on a student's Individual Education Plan (IEP) or Gifted Individual Education Plan (GIEP).

SPECIFIC EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS, CONTENT, & SKILLS

I. Reading Process	
A. Before Reading: Use Before Reading Strategies (e.g. graphic organizers,	
preview text, skim passage, prior knowledge, make predictions, set a purpose,	
choose a plan).	
B. During Reading: Use During Reading Strategies (e.g. highlight, graphic	
organizers, sticky notes, take notes, annotate text).	
C. After Reading: Use After Reading Strategies (e.g. summarize, make	
connections, relate to the real world, reflect, interpret, analyze, comprehension	
activities).	
II. Reading Standards: Literature Text – Students read and	E08.A
respond to works of literature with an emphasis on	
comprehension, vocabulary acquisition, and making	
connections among ideas and between texts with a focus on	
textual evidence.	
A. Key Ideas and Details: Demonstrate understanding of key	
ideas and details in literature.	
1) Cite the textual evidence that most strongly supports an analysis of what the text	E08.A-K.1.1
says explicitly as well as inferences, conclusions, and/or generalizations drawn	
from the text.	
2) Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze its development over the	E08.A-K.1.1.2
course of the text, including its relationship to the characters, setting, and plot;	
provide an objective summary of the text.	
3) Analyze how particular lines of dialogue or incidents in a story, drama, or poem	E08.A-K.1.1.3
propel the action, reveal aspects of a character, or provoke a decision.	
B. Craft and Structure: Demonstrate understanding of craft	
and structure in literature.	
1) Analyze how differences in the points of view of the characters and the audience	E08.A-C.2.1.1
or reader (e.g., created through the use of dramatic irony) create such effects as	
suspense or humor.	
2) Compare and contrast the structure of two or more texts, and analyze how the	E08.A-C.2.1.2 3
differing structure of each text contributes to its meaning and style.	
3) Determine how the author uses the meaning of words and phrases, including	E08.A-C.2.1.3
figurative and connotative meanings, in a text; analyze the impact of specific word	
choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to other texts.	

C. Integration of Knowledge and Ideas: Demonstrate understanding of	
connections within, between and/or among texts.	
1) Analyze how a modern work of fiction draws on themes, patterns of events, or	E08.A-C.3.1.1
character types from myths and traditional stories, including describing how the	
material is rendered new. Note: "Stories" means narration of events told through the	
text types of stories, dramas, or poems.	
D. Vocabulary Acquisition and Use: Demonstrate understanding of vocabulary	
and figurative language in literature.	
1) Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiplemeaning words and	E08.A-V.4.1.1.a
phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of	
strategies.	
2) Use context (e.g. the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph, a word's	E08.A-V.4.1.1.b
position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.	
3) Use common grade-appropriate Greek or Latin affixes and roots as clues to the	E08.A-V.4.1.2
meaning of a word.	
4) Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and	E08.A-V.4.1.2.a
nuances in word meaning.	
5) Interpret figures of speech (e.g., verbal irony, puns) in context.	E08.A-V.4.1.2.b
6) Use the relationship between particular words to better understand each of the	
words.	E08.A-V.4.1.2.c
7) Distinguish among the connotations of words with similar denotations.	
8) Analyze the influence of the words and phrases in a text, including figurative and	C.C.1.3.8.F
connotative meanings and how they shape meaning and tone.	
9) Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-	C.C.1.3.8.J
specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word	
or phrase important to the comprehension or expression.	
E. Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	CC.1.2.8.L
1) Read and comprehend literary nonfiction and informational text on grade level,	
reading independently and proficiently.	
III. Reading Standards: Informational Text – Students read, understand, and	
respond to informational text – with an emphasis on comprehension, vocabulary	
acquisition, and making connections among ideas and between texts with focus on	
textual evidence.	
A. Key Ideas and Details: Demonstrate understanding of key ideas and details in	E08.B-K.1.1
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figurative, connotative, or technical meanings, in a text; analyze the impact of	
specific word choices on meaning and tone, including analogies or allusions to	
other texts.	
C. Integration of Knowledge and Ideas: Demonstrate understanding of	
connections within, between, and/or among informational texts.	
1) Delineate and evaluate the argument and specific claims in a text, assessing	E08.B-C.3.1.1
whether the reasoning is sound and the evidence is relevant and sufficient;	
recognize when irrelevant evidence is introduced.	
2) Analyze a case in which two or more texts provide conflicting information on the	E08.B-C.3.1.2
same topic, and identify where the texts disagree on matters of fact or	
interpretation.	
D. Vocabulary Acquisition and Use: Demonstrate understanding of vocabulary	
and figurative language in informational texts.	
1) Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiplemeaning words and	E08.B-V.4.1.1
phrases based on grade 8 reading and content, choosing flexibly from a range of	
strategies.	
2) Use context (e.g. the overall meaning of a sentence or paragraph; a word's	E08.B-V.4.1.1.a
position or function in a sentence) as a clue to the meaning of a word or phrase.	L00.D V.4.1.1.a
3) Use common grade-appropriate Greek or Latin affixes and roots as clues to the	E08.B-V.4.1.1.b
meaning of a word.	L00.D-V.4.1.1.0
4) Determine the meaning of technical words and phrases used in a text.	E08.B-V.4.1.1.c
5) Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships, and	E08.B-V.4.1.2
nuances in word meaning.	L00.D-V.4.1.2
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6) Interpret figures of speech (e.g., verbal irony, puns) in context.	E08.B-V.4.1.2.b
7) Use the relationship between particular words to better understand each of the words.	EU0.D-V.4.1.2.0
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8) Distinguish among the connotations of words with similar denotations.	E08.B-V.4.1.2.c C.C.1.3.8.J
9) Acquire and use accurately grade-appropriate general academic and domain-	C.C.1.5.8.J
specific words and phrases; gather vocabulary knowledge when considering a word	
or phrase important to the comprehension or expression.	
E. Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	CC 1 2 9 I
1) Read and comprehend literary nonfiction and information text on grade level,	CC.1.2.8.L
reading independently and proficiently.	
IV. Writing Standards: Students write for a different purposes and	
audiences. Students write clear and focused text to convey a well-defined	
perspective and appropriate content.	EOPC11
A. Text Types and Purposes – Opinion/Argumentative: Write arguments to	EO8.C.1.1
support claims with clear reasons and relevant evidence.	$E_{00} = 0.1 \pm 1.1$
1) Focus and Organization: Introduce claim(s) for the intended audience,	E08.C.1.1.1
acknowledge and distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims, and	
support the writer's purpose by logically organizing reasons and evidence.	E00 C 1 1 C
2) Content: Support claim(s) with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using	E08.C.1.1.2
accurate, credible sources and demonstrating an understanding of the topic or text.	E00 C 1 1 2
3) Organization: Use words, phrases, and clauses to create cohesion, and clarify the	E08.C.1.1.3
relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence.	E 00 G 1 1 4
4) Style: Establish and maintain a formal style.	E08.C.1.1.4
5) Organization: Provide a concluding section that reinforces the claims and reasons	E08.C.1.1.5
presented.	
6) Organization: Organize the claim(s) with clear reasons and evidence clearly;	CC.1.4.8.J
clarify relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence by using	
words, phrases and clauses to create cohesion; provide a concluding statement or	

section that follows from and supports the argument presented.	
7) Style: Write with an awareness of the stylistic aspects of composition. Use	CC.1.4.8.K B.
precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the	
topic. Use sentences of varying lengths and complexities. Create tone and voice	
through precise language. Establish and maintain a formal style.	
B. Text Types and Purposes : Informative/Explanatory: Write	
informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas, concepts, and	
information through the selection, organization, and analysis of relevant content.	
1) Focus and Organization: Introduce a topic for the intended audience and preview	E08.C.1.2.1
what is to follow; organize ideas, concepts, and information using strategies such as	
definition, classification, compare/contrast, and cause/effect to support the writer's	
purpose.	
2) Content: Develop the topic with relevant, well-chosen facts, definitions, concrete	E08.C.1.2.2
details, quotations, or other information and examples.	
3) Organization: Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and	E08.C.1.2.3
clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.	
4) Style: Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or	E08.C.1.2.4
explain the topic.	
5) Style: Establish and maintain a formal style.	E08.C.1.2.5
6) Organization: Provide a concluding section that follows from and supports the	E08.C.1.2.6
information or explanation presented.	
7) Organization: Organize ideas, concepts, and information into broader categories;	CC.1.4.8.D
use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and clarify the	
relationships among ideas and concepts; provide a concluding statement or section;	
include formatting when useful to aiding comprehension.	
8) Style: Write with an awareness of the stylistic aspects of composition. Use	CC.1.4.8.E
precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about of explain the	
topic. Use sentences of varying lengths and complexities. Create tone and voice	
through precise language. Establish and maintain a formal style.	
C. Text Types and Purposes- Narrative: Write narratives to develop real or	
imagined experiences or events using effective techniques, relevant descriptive	
details, and well-structured event sequences.	
1) Focus and Organization: Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context	E08.C.1.3.1
and point of view and introducing a narrator and/or characters; organize an event	
sequence that unfolds naturally and logically to support the writer's purpose.	
2) Content: Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue, pacing, and description, and	E08.C.1.3.2
reflection to develop experiences, events, and/or characters.	
3) Organization: Use a variety of transitional words, phrases, and clauses to convey	E08.C.1.3.3
sequence, to signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another, and to show the	
relationships among experiences and events.	
4) Style and Content: Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details,	E08.C.1.3.4
and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.	
5) Organization: Provide a conclusion that follows from and reflects on the narrated	E08.C.1.3.5 7
experiences or events.	
6) Style: Write with an awareness of the stylistic aspects of writing. Use verbs in	CC.1.4.8.Q
the active and passive voice and in the conditional and subjunctive mood to achieve	
particular effects. Use sentences of varying lengths and complexities. Create tone	
and voice through precise language.	
D. Text Types and Purposes - Text Dependent Analysis Evidence-Based Analysis	
of a Text: Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis,	
reflection, and/or research.	

1) Focus and Organization: Introduce text(s) for the intended audience, state an	E08.E.1.1.1
opinion and/or topic, establish a situation, and create an organizational structure in	L00.L.1.1.1
which ideas are logically grouped to support the writer's purpose.	$E_{00} = 1.1.2$
2) Content and Organization: Develop the analysis using relevant evidence from	E08.E.1.1.2
text(s) to support claims, opinions, ideas, and inferences and demonstrating an	
understanding of the text(s).	
3) Organization: Use appropriate and varied transitions to create cohesion and	E08.E.1.1.3
clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts.	
4) Style: Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or	E08.E.1.1.4
explain the topic and/or convey the experience and events.	
5) Style: Establish and maintain a formal style.	E08.E.1.1.5
6) Organization: Provide a concluding section that follows from and supports and	E08.E.1.1.6
supports the analysis presented.	
7) Content: Acknowledge and distinguish the claim(s) from alternate or opposing	
claims and support claim with logical reasoning and relevant evidence, using	CC.1.4.8.I
accurate, credible sources and demonstrating an understanding of the topic.	
8) Organization: Organize the claim(s) with clear reasons and evidence clearly;	CC.1.4.8.J
clarify relationships among claim(s), counterclaims, reasons, and evidence by using	0.000
words, phrases and clauses to create cohesion; provide a concluding statement or	
section that follows from and supports the argument presented.	
9) Style: Write with an awareness of the stylistic aspects of composition. Use	CC.1.4.8.K
precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the	CC.1.7.0.IX
topic. Use sentences of varying lengths and complexities. Create tone and voice	
through precise language. Establish and maintain a formal style.	CC.1.4.8.S
10) Response to Literature: Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to	CC.1.4.0.5
support analysis, reflection, and research, applying grade-level reading standards	
for literature and literary nonfiction.	CC 1 4 9 T
E. Production and Distribution of Writing/Writing Process: With some	CC.1.4.8.T
guidance and support from peers and adults, develop and strengthen writing as	
needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach, focusing	
on how well purpose and audience have been addressed.	
F. Technology and Publication: Use technology, including the Internet, to	CC.1.4.8.U
produce and publish writing and present the relationships between information and	
ideas efficiently as well as to interact and collaborate with others.	
G. Conducting Research: Conduct short research projects to answer a question	CC.1.4.8.V
(including a self-generated question), drawing on several sources and generating	
additional related, focused questions that allow for multiple avenues of exploration.	
H. Credibility, Reliability, and Validity of Sources: Gather relevant information	CC.1.4.8.W
from multiple print/digital sources, using search terms effectively; assess the	
credibility and accuracy of each source; and quote or paraphrase the data and	
conclusions of others while avoiding plagiarism and following a standard format for	
citation.	
I. Range of Writing: Write routinely over extended time frames (time for research,	CC.1.4.8.X
reflection, and revision) and shorter time frames (a single sitting or a day or two)	
for a range of discipline specific tasks, purposes, and audiences.	
V. Speaking and Listening Standards – Students present appropriately in formal	
speaking situations, listen critically, and respond intelligently as individuals or in	
group discussions.	
A. Comprehension and Collaboration/Collaborative Discussion: Engage	CC.1.5.8.A
effectively in a range of collaborative discussions on grade- level topics, texts, and	

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issues, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.	
B. Comprehension and Collaboration/Critical Listening: Delineate a speaker's	CC.1.5.8.B
argument and specific claims, evaluating the soundness of the reasoning and the	
relevance and sufficiency of the evidence.	
C. Comprehension and Collaboration/Evaluating Information: Analyze the	CC.1.5.8.C
purpose of information presented in diverse media formats (e.g., visually,	
quantitatively, orally) and evaluate the motives (e.g., social, commercial, political)	
behind its presentation.	
D. Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas/Purpose, Audience, and Task : Present	CC.1.5.8.D
claims and findings, emphasizing salient points in a focused, coherent manner with	
relevant evidence, sound, valid reasoning, and well-chosen details; use appropriate	
eye contact, adequate volume and clear pronunciation.	
E. Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas/Context: Adapt speech to a variety of	CC.1.5.8.E
contexts and tasks.	
F. Presentation of Knowledge and Ideas/Multimedia: Integrate multimedia and	CC.1.5.8.F
visual displays into presentations to add interest, clarify information, and strengthen	
claims and evidence.	

ASSESSMENTS

Suggested Formative Assessments: The teacher will develop and use standards-based assessments throughout the course.

- Reading Inventory at start, mid marking period and end of marking period.
- Summarizing
- Retelling
- Graphic Organizers
- Reading out loud

Suggested Summative Assessments:

- End of Unit Assessments
- Fluency, spelling, comprehension, vocabulary and grammar assessments

District Approved Assessment Instruments

• Any district approved assessment instrument

Portfolio Assessment: Yes X No

District-wide Final Examination Required: _____Yes ____Yes ___Yes ___YYS __YYS __YY

Course Challenge Assessment (Describe):

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WCSD STUDENT DATA SYSTEM INFORMATION

1. Is there a required final examination? Yes X No
2. Does this course issue a mark/grade for the report card?
X Yes No
3. Does this course issue a Pass/Fail mark? Yes X No
4. Is the course mark/grade part of the GPA calculation?
X Yes No
5. Is the course eligible for Honor Roll calculation? <u>X</u> Yes <u>No</u>
6. What is the academic weight of the course?
No weight/Non credit X Standard weight
Enhanced weight (Describe) AP