## Grosse Pointe Curriculum Connected to 6+1 Traits

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IDEAS	Informational writing — list, name & describe Brainstorm ideas for writing Contribute to class research project	Describe specific actions/emotions     Write research questions	Use supporting details Develop 2 research questions related to teacher selected topic Include major events in narrative writing
WORD	Use word like clusters Use copied words Expressed sentiment	Use word wall to enhance writing  Use strong verbs and precise nouns  Use transition words (before, after, now, finally)  Use specific vocabulary in informational writing	Use more complex nouns and verbs     Use descriptive language
SENTENCE FLUENCY			Varying sentence beginnings     Identify declarative, interrogative, and exclamatory sentences     Use more complex sentences
VOICE	Consider audience reaction as they plan for writing (narrative & informational)     Develop originality in oral, written and visual messages in both narrative and informational writing	Set a purpose for writing     Consider audience     Develop personal style	Set a purpose/consider audience/develop personal style     Begin to use style and patterns derived from studying authors craft     Write in 1st and 3rd person based on genre and purpose     Stylistic changes when editing     In informational writing, gather facts interesting to the student and his/her audience
CONVENTIONS	Identify period, question mark and exclamation point	Write complete simple sentences with capital letter and end mark (., ?, !)     Capitalize first and last names     Capitalize I	Correctly write more complex sentences Commas in a series Commas in a letter Commas in a date Contractions Colon in time Capitalize proper nouns Quotation marks with teacher assistance
ORGANIZATION	Write a brief personal narrative     Write a class book     Draft focused ideas	Sequence informational writing     Draft focused ideas using multiple connected sentences     Write a personal narrative     Write an informational piece that addresses a focus question	Produce and present research project  Use effective conclusions  Draft coherent and mechanically sounds paragraphs when writing compositions  Revise for editions, deletions, transitions  Write realistic fiction  Write fantasy  Write personal narrative  Write magazine feature article  Use sequence and problem/solution in narrative writing