

Roaring Fork Schools will ensure that every student develops the enduring knowledge, skills and character to thrive in a changing world.

K-12 Language Arts

Vision: All students read, write, think and communicate powerfully in order to contribute to their communities and direct their own lives.

Guiding Principles:

Powerful Readers	Powerful Writers	Powerful Thinkers	Powerful Communicators
The ability to read is a fundamental right. Our students are provided the direct instruction and time they need to develop fluency and comprehension. Our students access diverse authors, genres and ideas throughout their educational experience.	All of our students are writers who represent varying ideologies, values and identities, which they have the right to express. Our students will recognize that writing is social and rhetorical, be able to write for a variety of purposes and be encouraged to bring their cultural and linguistic assets to their compositions.	Our students will be savvy consumers of information, identifying the source and audience of messages in order to determine the impact of information on themselves and others. Metacognition is a part of their daily learning process. As critical thinkers, our students recognize their own and other's biases and are able to take multiple perspectives.	Speaking and listening are vital components of a literate citizenry. Our students are able to engage in interpersonal dialogue, whole group discussion, debates, and presentations utilizing a variety of media to support their messages. Our students understand how communication is influenced by verbal and nonverbal factors.