

Strong Middle School Pacing Guide

Pacing Schedule: Quarters & Months & Units of Instruction		Common Core State Standards Priority CCSSs: bold Supporting CCSSs: regular	Content Objective	Language Objective	Assessments
Quarter 1:	September				Q1 STAR
	W1:	Cardinal 101			Fall NWEA (9/10 – 10/8) Common Assessments
	W2:	Classroom procedures/expectations			
	W3: 12 core reading strategies & Star Reading Test				
	W4: Collection 1 Bold Actions				
	W5: Collection 1 Bold Actions				
	October				Q1 STAR
	W1: Collection 1 Bold Actions				Fall NWEA (9/10 – 10/8) Common Assessments
	W2: Collection 1 Bold Actions				
	W3: Collection 1 Bold Actions				
	W4: Collection 1 Bold Actions				
	W5: Writing Process				
	November				Q1 STAR
	W1: School Wide Argumentative essay				Common Assessments
	W2: School Wide Argumentative essay				
	W3: Reading strategies review & Star Reading Test Q2				
	W4: Collection 3 Nature at Work				
Quarter 2:	December				Q2 STAR
	W1: Collection 3 Nature at Work				Common Assessments
	W2: Collection 3 Nature at Work				
	W3: Collection 3 Nature at Work				
	W4: holiday recess				
	W5: holiday recess				
	January				Winter NWEA (1/7 – 2/25)
	W1: holiday recess				Common Assessments
	W2: Personal Narrative Instruction				
	W3: Personal Narrative Instruction				
Quarter 3:	W4: Personal Narrative Instruction				Winter NWEA (1/7 – 2/25)
	W5: Reading Strategies & Star Reading Test Q3				

					Common Assessments
	February				Q3 STAR
	W1: Collection 5 Stuff of Consumer Culture				Common Assessments
	W2: Collection 5 Stuff of Consumer Culture				WIDA (2/3 – 3/20)
	W3: Collection 5 Stuff of Consumer Culture				
	W4: Collection 5 Stuff of Consumer Culture				
	March				Q3 STAR
	W1: Collection 5 Stuff of Consumer Culture				Common Assessments
	W2: Informative/Explanatory Writing				WIDA (2/3 – 3/20)
	W3: Informative/Explanatory Writing				
	W4: Informative/Explanatory Writing				
Quarter 4:					Q3 STAR, Common Assessments, WIDA (2/3 – 3/20)
	April				M-Step Window for 8 th grade: 4/13 – 5/8
	W1: W5:Reading Strategy Review & Star Test Q4				M-Step Window for 6 th & 7 th grades: 5/4 – 5/29
	W2: Spring Recess				MI-Access: 4/13 – 5/29
	W3: MSTEP Prep				
	W4: MSTEP Prep				
	W5: MSTEP Prep				PSAT 8 th Grade: 4/9 – 4/24
					PSAT Accommodated Testing Window: 4/9 – 4/23
					Spring NWEA: 4/15 – 5/10
					Common Assessments
	May				Q4 STAR
	W1: MSTEP Prep				

	W2: Collection 6 Guided by a Cause				M-Step Window for 8 th grade: 4/13 – 5/8
	W3: Collection 6 Guided by a Cause				
	W4: Collection 6 Guided by a Cause				
	W5: Collection 6 Guided by a Cause				M-Step Window for 6 th & 7 th grades: 5/4 – 5/29
					MI-Access: 4/13 – 5/29
					Spring NWEA: 4/15 – 5/10
					Common Assessments
	June				Q4 STAR Common Assessments
	W1:				
	W2:				