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District 8: Grade 7

September 2026

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1	2	3	4
7 Labor Day	8	9	10 First day of school	11
14 HMH Launch Expectations and Procedures Online Preparation/ Logistics (Grades 3-8: use WIN Period to complete iReady Screener)	15 Unit 1 Begins Reality Check Unit Launch: Day 1	16 NGLS: 7R3 Analyze Plot and Flashback Unit 1: Day 2 (<i>Mirror Image</i>)	17 NGLS: 7R6, 7R3 Analyze Plot and character traits Unit 1: Day 3	18 NGLS: 7R6 Analyze Character Development Unit 1: Day 4
21 Yom Kippur Schools Closed	22 NGLS: 7R6, 7R3 Analyze Plot and character traits Unit 1: Day 5	23 NGLS: 7R6, 7R3 Analyze Plot and character traits Unit 1: Day 6	24 NGLS: 7R6, 7R3 Analyze Plot and character traits Unit 1: Day 7	25 NGLS: 7R6, 7R3 Analyze Plot and character traits Unit 1: Day 8
28 NGLS: 7R6 Determine Author's Purpose Unit 1: Day 9 (<i>Not everything</i>)	29 NGLS: 7R6, 7R1 Determine Author's Purpose/ Cite Evidence Unit 1: Day 10	30 NGLS: 7R6, 7R1 Determine Author's Purpose/ Cite Evidence Unit 1: Day 11		



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October 2026

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
			1 NGLS: 7R6, 7R1 Determine Author's Purpose/ Cite Evidence Unit 1: Day 12	2 NGLS: 7R6, 7R1 Determine Author's Purpose/ Cite Evidence Unit 1: Day 13
5 NGLS: 7R5 Analyze Rhyme, Rhyme Scheme Unit 1: Day 14 (<i>Wandering Aengus/ Eldorado</i>)	6 NGLS: 7R5 Analyze Rhyme, Rhyme Scheme Unit 1: Day 15	7 NGLS: 7R5 Analyze Rhyme, Rhyme Scheme Unit 1: Day 16	8 NGLS: 7R5 Analyze Rhyme, Rhyme Scheme Unit 1: Day 17	9 NGLS: 7R5 Analyze Rhyme, Rhyme Scheme Unit 1: Day 18
12 Italian Heritage/ Indigenous People's Day Schools Closed	13 NGLS: 7R5 Analyze Sound devices and mood Unit 1: Day 19	14 NGLS: 7R5 Analyze Sound devices, rhyme and mood Unit 1: Day 20	15 NGLS: 7R4, 7R5, 7SL6 Compare mood Unit 1: Day 21	16 NGLS: 7R6, 7R3 Analyze Plot and character traits Unit 1: Day 22 (<i>The Taken- Optional</i>)
19 NGLS: 7R6, 7R3 Analyze Plot and character traits Unit 1: Day 23	20 NGLS: 7R6, 7R3 Analyze Plot and character traits Unit 1: Day 24	21 NGLS: 7R6, 7R3 Analyze Plot and character traits Unit 1: Day 25	22 NGLS: 7R6, 7R3 Analyze Plot and character traits Unit 1: Day 26	23 NGLS: 7R6, 7R3 Analyze Plot and character traits Unit 1: Day 27
26 NGLS: 7R6, 7R3 Analyze Plot and character traits Unit 1: Day 28	27 NGLS: 7W2b Writing 1: Plan and write an Informative Essay Unit 1: Day 29	28 NGLS: 7W2 Writing 2: Write and Draft an Informative Essay Unit 1: Day 30	29 NGLS: 7W2 Writing 3: Write and Draft an Informative Essay Unit 1: Day 31	30 End of Marking Period 1 NGLS: 7W2 Writing 4: Improve Writing by Planning, Revising, Editing, and Rewriting Unit 1: Day 32



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November 2026

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2 NGLS: 7W2 Writing 5: Improve Writing by Planning, Revising, Editing, and Rewriting Unit 1: Day 33	3 Election Day No School for Students	4 NGLS: 7W2 Writing 6: Improve Writing by Planning, Revising, Editing, and Rewriting Unit 1: Day 34	5 NGLS: 7SL4 Writing 7: Present Written Essay Unit 1: Day 35	6 Unit 1 Assessment completed by 11/9 (ONLINE ONLY) Middle School Find and Assign Assessments.mp4 Unit 1: Day 36
9 Unit 1 Assessment completed by 11/9 (ONLINE ONLY) Unit 1 Ends :Day 37	10 Unit 3 Begins The Terror and Wonder of Space Unit Launch: Day 1	11 Veteran's Day Schools Closed	12 MS: PTC	13 NGLS: 7R5 Analyze Science Fiction Unit 3: Day 2 (Dark They Were)
16 NGLS: 7R4, 7R5 Analyze Science Fiction and mood Unit 3: Day 3	17 NGLS: 7R4, 7R5 Analyze Science Fiction and mood Unit 3: Day 4	18 NGLS: 7R4 Analyze Mood Unit 3: Day 5	19 NGLS: 7R4 Analyze Mood Unit 3: Day 6	20 NGLS: 7R4, 7R5 Analyze Science Fiction and mood Unit 3: Day 7
23 NGLS: 7R4, 7R5 Analyze mood and theme Unit 3: Day 8	24 NGLS: 7R4, 7R5 Analyze Science Fiction and mood Unit 3: Day 9	25 NGLS: 7R1, 7L4b Analyze Central Ideas and Greek Roots Unit 3: Day 10 (Martian Metropolis)	26 Thanksgiving Schools Closed	27 Thanksgiving Schools Closed
30 NGLS: 7R1 Analyze Central Ideas and details Unit 3: Day 11				



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December 2026

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1 NGLS: 7R5, 7L3 Analyze Structure and Capitalization Unit 3: Day 12	2 NGLS: 7R1 Analyze Central Ideas and details Unit 3: Day 13	3 NGLS: 7R1 Analyze Central Ideas and Structure Unit 3: Day 14	4 NGLS: 7R1 Analyze Central Ideas and Structure Unit 3: Day 15
7 NGLS: 7R7 Analyze Video Unit 3: Day 16 (7 Minutes of Terror)	8 NGLS: 7R7 Analyze Video Unit 3: Day 17	9 NGLS: 7R7 Analyze Video Unit 3: Day 18	10 NGLS: 7R7 Analyze Video Unit 3: Day 19	11 NGLS: 7R8 Analyze Argument Unit 3: Day 20 (Humans Need)
14 NGLS: 7R8 Analyze Rhetorical Devices Unit 3: Day 21	15 NGLS: 7R8 Analyze Argument Rhetorical Devices Unit 3: Day 22	16 NGLS: 7R8 Analyze Argument Rhetorical Devices Unit 3: Day 23	17 NGLS: 7R8 Analyze Argument Rhetorical Devices Unit 3: Day 24	18 NGLS: 7R8 Analyze Argument Rhetorical Devices Unit 3: Day 25
21 NGLS: 7R8 Analyze Argument Unit 3: Day 26 (Let Robots Take)	22 NGLS: 7R8 Analyze Argument Unit 3: Day 27	23 End of Marking Period 2 NGLS: 7R8 Analyze Argument Rhetorical Devices Unit 3: Day 28	24 Winter Recess Schools closed	25 Christmas Winter Recess Schools closed
28 Winter Recess Schools closed	29 Winter Recess Schools closed	30 Winter Recess Schools closed	31 Winter Recess Schools closed	



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January 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
				1
				Winter Recess
				Schools closed
4	5	6	7	8
	NGLS: 7R8	NGLS: 7R8	NGLS: 7R4, 7R8 7SL1a	NGLS: 7W1
ELA Screener	Analyze Argument Rhetorical Devices	Analyze Argument Rhetorical Devices	Compare Arguments	Writing Day 1: Write an Argument
(Grades 3-8: use WIN Period to complete iReady Screener)	Unit 3: Day 29	Unit 3: Day 30	Unit 3: Day 31	Unit 3: Day 32
11	12	13	14	15
NGLS: 7W1, 7W1a Writing 2: Write and Draft an Argument	NGLS: 7W1, 7W1a Writing 3: Write and Draft an Argument	NGLS: 7W1, 7W1a, 7L3 Writing 4: Improve Writing by Planning, Revising, Editing, and Rewriting	NGLS: 7W1, 7W1a, 7L3 Writing 5: Improve Writing by Planning, Revising, Editing, and Rewriting	NGLS: 7W1, 7W1a, 7L3 Writing 6: Improve Writing by Planning, Revising, Editing, and Rewriting
Unit 3: Day 33	Unit 3: Day 34	Unit 3: Day 35	Unit 3: Day 36	Unit 3: Day 37
18	19	20	21	22
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Schools Closed	NGLS: 7W1, 7W1a, 7L3 Writing 7: Improve Writing by Planning, Revising, Editing, and Rewriting	NGLS: 7W1, 7W1a, 7L3 Writing 8: Improve Writing by Planning, Revising, Editing, and Rewriting	Unit 3 Assessment (ONLINE ONLY) Completed by 1/22 Middle School Find and Assign Assessments.mp4 Unit 3: Day 40	Unit 3 Assessment (ONLINE ONLY) Completed by 1/22 Unit 3 Ends: Day 41
	Unit 3: Day 38	Unit 3: Day 39		
25	26	27	28	29
Unit 6 Begins Change Agents	Lunar New Year Schools closed	NGLS: 7R1, 7R6	NGLS: 7R6	NGLS: 7R1
Unit Launch: Day 1		Analyze Realistic Fiction, Character	Analyze Character	Analyze Realistic Fiction
		Unit 6: Day 2 (Sometimes a Dream)	Unit 6: Day 3	Unit 6: Day 4



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February 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1 NGLS: 7R1, 7R6 Analyze Realistic Fiction, Character Unit 6: Day 5	2 NGLS: 7R1, 7R6 Analyze Realistic Fiction, Character Unit 6: Day 6	3 NGLS: 7R1, 7W4 Questions, POV Unit 6: Day 7 (<i>Craig Kielburger</i>)	4 NGLS: 7R1, 7W4 Questions, POV Unit 6: Day 8	5 NGLS: 7R1, 7W4 Questions, POV Unit 6: Day 9
8 NGLS: 7R1, 7W4 Questions, POV Unit 6: Day 10	9 NGLS: 7R1, 7W4 Questions, POV Unit 6: Day 11	10 NGLS: 7R5 Analyze Free-Verse Poetry Unit 6: Day 12 (<i>Poem to Librarian</i>)	11 NGLS: 7R5 Analyze Free-Verse Poetry Unit 6: Day 13	12 NGLS: 7R2 Analyze Themes Unit 6: Day 14
15 Midwinter Recess Schools closed	16 Midwinter Recess Schools closed	17 Midwinter Recess Schools closed	18 Midwinter Recess Schools closed	19 Midwinter Recess Schools closed
22 NGLS: 7R2, 7R5 Analyze Themes, Free-Verse Poetry Unit 6: Day 15	23 NGLS: 7R2, 7R5 Analyze Themes, Free-Verse Poetry Unit 6: Day 16	24 NGLS: 7R2 Central Ideas and Paraphrase History Writing Unit 6: Day 17 (<i>Frances Perkins</i>)	25 NGLS: 7R2 Central Ideas and Paraphrase History Writing Unit 6: Day 18	26 End of Marking Period 3 NGLS: 7R2 Central Ideas and Paraphrase History Writing Unit 6: Day 19



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March 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1	2	3	4	5
NGLS: 7R2 Central Ideas and Paraphrase History Writing Unit 6: Day 20	NGLS: 7R2 Central Ideas and Paraphrase History Writing Unit 6: Day 21	NGLS: 7R2 Central Ideas and Paraphrase History Writing Unit 6: Day 22	MS: PTC	NGLS: 7R5 , 7R9 Historical Fiction Unit 6: Day 23 (<i>Ashes of Roses</i>)
8	9	10	11	12
NGLS: 7R3 , 7R5 Setting and Motivation Unit 6: Day 24	NGLS: 7R3 , 7R5 Setting and Motivation Unit 6: Day 25	Eid al- Fitr Schools closed	NGLS: 7R5 , 7R9 Historical Fiction Unit 6: Day 26	NGLS: 7R3 , 7R5 Setting and Motivation Unit 6: Day 27
15	16	17	18	19
NGLS: 7R5 , 7R9 Historical Fiction Unit 6: Day 28	NGLS: 7R1 , 7R9 Reading: Compare Authors' Perspectives Unit 6: Day 29	NGLS: 7R1 , 7R9 Reading: Compare Authors' Perspectives Unit 6: Day 30	NGLS: 7W2 Writing Day 1: Plan a Research Report Unit 6: Day 31	NGLS: 7W2 , 7W6 , 7W7 Writing Day 2: Conduct Research Unit 6: Day 32
22	23	24	25	26
NGLS: 7W5 Writing Day 3: Write and Draft a Research Report Unit 6: Day 33	NGLS: 7W5 Writing Day 4: Write and Draft a Research Report Unit 6: Day 34	NGLS: 7W3 , 7L3 Writing 6: Improve Writing by Planning, Revising, Editing, and Rewriting Unit 6: Day 35	NGLS: 7W3 , 7L3 Writing 7: Improve Writing by Planning, Revising, Editing, and Rewriting Unit 6: Day 36	Good Friday Schools closed
29	30	31		
NGLS: 7W3 , 7L3 Writing 8: Improve Writing by Planning, Revising, Editing, and Rewriting Unit 6: Day 37	Unit 6 Assessment completed by 3/31 (ONLINE ONLY) Middle School_ Find and Assign Assessments.mp4 Unit 6: Day 38	Unit 6 Assessment completed by 3/31 (ONLINE ONLY) Unit 6: Day 39		



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April 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
			1 Unit 5 Begins	2 NGLS: 7R3, 7R6
			Game On!	Analyze Conflict and POV
			Unit Launch: Day 1	Unit 5: Day 2 (<i>Ball Hawk</i>)
5 NGLS: 7R3	6 NGLS: 7R3, 7R6	7 NGLS: 7R3	8 NGLS: 7R3, 7R6, 7L4b	9 NGLS: 7W3, 7L4a
Analyze Conflict	Analyze Conflict and POV	Analyze Conflict	Analyze Conflict and POV	Choices, Commonly Confused Words
Unit 5: Day 3	Unit 5: Day 4	Unit 5: Day 5	Unit 5: Day 6	Unit 5: Day 7
12 NGLS: 7R1, 7R6 Predict and	13 NGLS: 7R1, 7R6 Predict and	14 NGLS: 7R6, 7L4a	15 NGLS: 7W3	16 NGLS: 7W3
Analyze Purpose and Perspective	Analyze Purpose and Perspective	Analyze Purpose and Perspective, Verify Meaning	Analyze Purpose and Perspective	Analyze Purpose and Perspective
Unit 5: Day 8 (<i>Get in the Zone</i>)	Unit 5: Day 9	Unit 5: Day 10	Unit 5: Day 11	Unit 5: Day 12
19 ELA State Test Place Holder	20 ELA State Test Place Holder	21 Spring Recess	22 Spring Recess	23 Spring Recess
		Schools closed	Schools closed	Schools closed
26 Spring Recess	27 Spring Recess	28 Spring Recess	29 Spring Recess	30 Spring Recess
Schools closed	Schools closed	Schools closed	Schools closed	Schools closed



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May 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
3 NGLS: 7R1, 7R2, 7R5 Determine Central Ideas and Structure Unit 5: Day 13 (<i>Not Just a Game</i>)	4 NGLS: 7R5 Determine Organizational Structure Unit 5: Day 14	5 NGLS: 7R1, 7R2, 7R5 Determine Central Ideas and Structure Unit 5: Day 15	6 NGLS: 7R1, 7R2, 7R5 Determine Central Ideas and Structure Unit 5: Day 16	7 NGLS: 7R1, 7R2, 7R5 Determine Central Ideas and Structure Unit 5: Day 17
10 NGLS: 7W1, 7W7 Determine Central Ideas and Structure Unit 5: Day 18	11 NGLS: 7R4 Analyze Figurative Language Unit 5: Day 19 (<i>the Crossover</i>)	12 NGLS: 7R5 Analyze Novel in Verse Unit 5: Day 20	13 NGLS: 7R4, 7R5 Analyze Novel in Verse and Figurative Language Unit 5: Day 21	14 NGLS: 7R4, 7R5 Analyze Novel in Verse and Figurative Language Unit 5: Day 22
17	18	19 NGLS: 7W3 Poem with Type Effects Unit 5: Day 23	20 NGLS: 7R5 Analyze Two- Voice Poetry Unit 5: Day 24 (<i>Double Doubles</i>)	21 NGLS: 7R1 Make Inferences Unit 5: Day 25
Eid al-Adha Schools closed	ELA Screener (Grades 3-8: use WIN Period to complete iReady Screener)			
24 NGLS: 7R1 Make Inferences Unit 5: Day 26	25 NGLS: 7W3, 7R4 Write a Two-Voice Poem Unit 5: Day 27	26 NGLS: 7R1, 7R2 Compare Themes Unit 5: Day 28	27 NGLS: 7R1, 7R2 Compare Themes Unit 5: Day 29	28 End of Marking Period 4 NGLS: 7W3 Writing 1: Plan a Short Story Unit 5: Day 30
31 Memorial Day Schools closed				



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June 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1 NGLS: 7W3 Writing 2: Draft and Write a Short Story Unit 5: Day 31	2 NGLS: 7W3 Writing 3: Draft and Write a Short Story Unit 5: Day 32	3 NGLS: 7W3 Writing 4: Improve Writing by Planning, Revising, Editing, and Rewriting a Short Story Unit 5: Day 33	4 NGLS: 7W3 Writing 5: Improve Writing by Planning, Revising, Editing, and Rewriting a Short Story Unit 5: Day 34
7	8	9 NGLS: 7W3 Writing 6: Improve Writing by Planning, Revising, Editing, and Rewriting a Short Story Unit 5: Day 35	10 Anniversary Day/ Chancellor's Conference Day No Students	11 <u>Unit 5 Assessment</u> completed by 6/11 (ONLINE ONLY) Unit 5: Day 36
14 <u>Unit 5 Assessment</u> completed by 6/14 (ONLINE ONLY) Unit 5: Day 37	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28 Last Day of School	29	30		