Content Area: English Language Arts

Grades 9-12

# **Critical Proficiency**-Reading

I can comprehend, interpret, analyze, and evaluate complex literary and informational texts.

### **Priority Performance Indicators**

#### **Evidence:**

• I can read closely to determine what the text says explicitly and to make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text, analysis, reflection, and/or research.

### **Analysis:**

• I can summarize a text, including key supporting details; determine a central idea or theme; and analyze the development or interaction of individuals, events, or ideas.

#### Craft:

• I can analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text relate to each other and the whole; assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text.

## **Critical Proficiency**-Writing

I can craft clear and coherent writing for a range of tasks, audiences, and purposes.

# **Priority Performance Indicators**

#### Narrative:

• I can write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or events using effective technique, well-chosen details and well-structured events and sequences.

#### **Argument:**

• I can write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.

### **Expository:**

 I can write expository texts to examine and convey complex ideas and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

#### **Writing Process**

• I can develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing and varying the approach.

## **Critical Proficiency-** Speaking & Listening

I can participate effectively in a range of discussions, collaborations, and presentations.

## **Priority Performance Indicators**

#### Collaboration

• I can prepare for and participate effectively in a range of conversations and collaborations with diverse partners, listening to and building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly and persuasively; consider varied perspectives and recognize opportunities for further inquiry.

### **Comprehension and Evaluation:**

• I can listen to understand and integrate information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally; evaluate a speaker's point of view, argument, reasoning, and/or use of evidence and rhetoric.

#### **Presentation:**

• I can present information, findings, and supporting evidence such that listeners can follow the line of reasoning and the organization, development, medium, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

# **Critical Proficiency**- Language

I can demonstrate command of the conventions of English, effective language use, and vocabulary appropriate to a range of tasks.

# **Priority Performance Indicators**

#### **Conventions:**

• I can demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar, usage, and mechanics.

### **Knowledge of Language:**

- I can apply and demonstrate linguistic knowledge, including figurative language, word relationships, and nuances in meaning.
- I can understand the function of language in different contexts and make effective choices for meaning and/or style.

### Vocabulary:

• I can demonstrate independent acquisition and use of general and domain-specific words and phrases sufficient for reading, writing, speaking, and listening.