

Core Values Expectations Rubric Template  
Mascenic Regional High School

**Academic Expectation 3:** Connect with others through various modes of communication, specifically *written communication*.

	<b>4 Exceeds Standard</b>	<b>3 Meets Standard</b>	<b>2 Working Towards Standard</b>	<b>1 Does Not Meet Standard</b>
<b>Ideas &amp; Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exceptionally clear, original, focused, and engaging with relevant, strong supporting detail</li> <li>Shows deep knowledge of and consideration of the subject matter</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clear, focused, interesting ideas with appropriate detail</li> <li>Shows mature knowledge of and consideration of the subject matter</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Purpose and main idea may be unclear and cluttered by irrelevant detail</li> <li>Some support may be general or limited</li> <li>Shows some knowledge of and consideration of the subject matter</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lacks central idea; development is minimal or non-existent</li> <li>Shows minimal or no knowledge of and consideration of the subject matter</li> </ul>
<b>Organization</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strong, meaningful order and structure enhanced by thoughtful transitioning</li> <li>Paragraphs have topic and concluding sentences with appropriate illustration and example in the body of each.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organization is appropriate, with needed transitional devices present.</li> <li>Most paragraphs are properly constructed with topic and concluding sentences and appropriate support</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attempts at organization; may at times be a “list” of events. Transitions are often lacking.</li> <li>Some paragraphs are properly constructed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lack of coherence; confusing; hard to follow</li> <li>Little or no identifiable structure to paragraphs or to the whole</li> </ul>
<b>Voice</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expressive, engaging, sincere</li> <li>Always appropriate to audience and purpose</li> <li>Shows emotion: humor, honesty, suspense or life where appropriate</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Writing is clear but may lack originality or seem mechanical</li> <li>Generally appropriate to audience and purpose</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Writing is sometimes verbose, wordy, and/or unnatural</li> <li>Sometimes not appropriate to audience and purpose</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Writing is often verbose, wordy, and/or unnatural</li> <li>Shows little or no sense of audience or purpose</li> </ul>
<b>Word Choice</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Language is always precise and appropriate</li> <li>Uses strong, fresh images</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Descriptive, broad range of words</li> <li>Word choice energizes writing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wording is correct but mundane</li> <li>Sometimes monotonous or repetitious</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wording is imprecise, vocabulary is often misused, and poor word choice impedes reader’s comprehension</li> </ul>
<b>Sentence Fluency</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sentences show a high degree of craftsmanship</li> <li>Sentences patterns are varied and effective</li> <li>Punctuation enhances meaning for the reader</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sentence structure is always correct</li> <li>Sentence patterns show some variety</li> <li>Punctuation is always correct</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One or more sentences lack correct structure</li> <li>Sentences are choppy or wandering</li> <li>Sentence patterns show little variety</li> <li>There are errors in punctuation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sentences often disjointed, confusing, and rambling</li> <li>The writing is difficult to follow</li> <li>There are several run-ons and/or fragments</li> </ul>
<b>Conventions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exceptionally strong control of conventions</li> <li>Errors are few and minor</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Control of most writing conventions</li> <li>Occasional errors do not interfere with understanding</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limited control of conventions; frequent errors detract from content</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Frequent significant errors may impede readability</li> </ul>