

# Language Arts 6

The sixth-grade course employs the key literacy routines of daily, low-stakes writing, self-selected independent reading, understanding, and analyzing nonfiction through the article of the week protocol, and collaboration throughout the entire year. The student will plan, draft, revise, and edit narratives, descriptions, and explanations, with attention to composition and style as well as sentence formation, usage, and mechanics. Students will also participate in shared reading of texts and media from multiple genres and eras, with opportunities to compare texts written on a similar topic. The student will begin the study of word origins and continue vocabulary development using words culled from the texts they are reading. With a focus on applying reading strategies to monitor comprehension and consideration of text features and organizational patterns, students will independently read fiction and non-fiction texts with opportunities to read at grade level. Students will be aware of the consequences of plagiarism and begin to give credit to all sources used, demonstrating responsible use of the internet.

## **Length**

Year

## **Grades**

6

## **Schools**

Benton Middle School

Bull Run Middle School

Gainesville Middle School

Graham Park Middle School

Lake Ridge Middle School

Marsteller Middle School

Parkside Middle School

Pennington Traditional School

Potomac Middle School

Potomac Shores Middle School

Reagan Middle School

Rippon Middle School

Saunders Middle School

The Nokesville School

Woodbridge Middle School