## Language Arts 7

The seventh-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 compositions with an emphasis on expository and persuasive writing. Students will also participate in shared reading of texts and media from multiple genres, eras, and perspectives with an opportunity to compare texts written on a similar topic. The student will continue the study of word origins and vocabulary development using words culled from the texts they are reading, while beginning to identify connotative meanings of words. With a focus on applying reading strategies to monitor comprehension and consideration of the impact of word choice, imagery, and literary devices, 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**

7

## 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

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