

# Grade Six Writing Standards

## First Semester & 3<sup>rd</sup> qtr.

### CAPITALIZATION

- Beginning of a sentence
- The word "I"
- Proper nouns
- Titles in papers, of books, magazines
- First word in a quotation

### PUNCTUATION

- End of every sentence
- Commas in a series
- Commas in day, month, year within a sentence
- Comma in a compound sentence with a FANBOYS
- Comma in direct address
- Comma between two adjectives before a noun

### SPELLING

- Common contractions that replace not
- Plural nouns
- Common homophones:
  - to, two, too
  - there, their, they're
  - you're, your
  - its, it's

### GRAMMAR

- Subject/verb agreement
- Consistent verb tense

**Fourth Quarter**  
also includes

**PUNCTUATION**  
Commas with  
interrupters,  
transitions  
Comma after  
introductory words

### Grading Guidelines

	Assignments	Tests and Quizzes
For Language Arts Classes	-1 for each error up to 8 points	-1/2 per error up to 5 points
For All Other Classes	-1/2 for each error up to 5 points	-1/2 per error up to 2 points