GOOD SHEPHERD EPISCOPAL SCHOOL 6th Grade Language Arts Year at a Glance

Reading	Reading Skills	Writing	Language Conventions
Year-long Vocabulary (based on works read) Summer Reading: Tuck Everlasting Memoir (memoir excerpts from Welty, King, Cisneros, Sciezka, Erickson, etc.)	Pre-Assessment: CARS Skills Throughout the Year: infer compare/contrast sequencing evaluation summarizing prediction Literary Terms: simile metaphor (and extended) hyperbole personification dialogue to create tone imagery to create mood Application: Book Snaps Project	Pre-Assessment: Persuasive Essay over Suspense Writing Process: Memoir Skills/Practice: pre-writing drafting leads imagery (snapshots) dialogue paragraphing consistent verb tense revising/editing	Pre-Assessment: subjects and simple predicates (verbs) Review: capitalization quotation marks apostrophes subjects simple predicates verbs: action, linking and helping common and proper nouns Learn: prepositional phrases infinitive phrases
Fantasy/Science Fiction: The Giver and "There Will Come Soft Rains" Holiday Short Stories (to supplement practice with plot)	Pre-Reading Activity: Utopia Group Project Literary Terms: plot, setting, conflict protagonist/antagonist characterization (round, flat, indirect, direct, dynamic, static) theme Application: Flipgrid on theme Popplet on characterization	Writing Process: Persuasive Essay Skills/Practice: thesis statement text and anecdotal support transitions conclusions	Review: simple sentences compound sentences dependent and independent clauses Learn: comma rules

	Adobe Sparks choice book project		conjunctions (coordinating and subordinating)
Poetry (in-class reading) Langston Hughes and other poets	Pre-Reading Activity: prose vs. poetry Literary Terms: stanza, rhyme (end, internal, half, eye), rhyme scheme, rhythm, meter, couplet, triplet, quatrain, blank and	Writing Process: poems Skills/Practice application of poetry terms in their poetry	Review: concrete/abstract nouns
	free verse, alliteration, onomatopoeia, shift, narrative poem, ballad, refrain, sonnet, limerick, haiku		Learn: irregular verbs subject-verb agreement
Historical Fiction (at-home reading): Towers Falling	Pre-Reading: 9/11 Memorial Art, "Isle of Hope" song lyrics, <i>Kids Discover</i> - "Immigrants"	Writing Process: News Story Script	
	Literary Terms: (from above) Application: Song Lyrics Analysis News Story Video		
Drama (in-class reading) Diary of Anne Frank	Pre-reading Activity: Holocaust info (new unit)	Writing Process: speech	Learn: pronouns (indefinite, possessive, objective case, and pronoun-antecedent
Historical Fiction (at-home reading): The Boy in the Striped Pajamas	Literary Terms: drama, rhetoric, and research terms (new unit) Application:	Skills/Practice application of rhetorical devices application of MLA formatting and	agreement) Introduce: dashes, ellipses, hyphens, semicolons, colons,
Speeches: (new unit)	research-based speech OR research-based historical fiction story	Works Cited	parentheses

This YAG will change. It is meant only to provide a quick look at the topics that will be addressed during the school year. Class progress, ERB testing, school trips, and inclement weather will all merit YAG adjustments.