



KMS Writing Non-Negotiables



	6th-grade	7th-grade	8th-grade
Mechanics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proper capitalization and punctuation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proper capitalization and punctuation • Use the academic voice as appropriate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proper capitalization and punctuation • Use the academic voice as appropriate • Revise and reflect
Response	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PEEL 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PEEL • Cite sources (avoid plagiarism) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PEEL • Cite sources (avoid plagiarism) • A clear thesis that is well supported with appropriate (cited) evidence throughout
Format	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete sentences for ALL writing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete sentences for ALL writing • Organized Writing - Intro/conclusion; Thesis; Paragraph form; Write margin to margin 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete sentences for ALL writing • Organized Writing - Intro/conclusion; Thesis; Paragraph form; Write margin to margin • MLA Format - Heading; Times New Roman; 12 pt font; Double spaced; Works Cited (as needed)