# Michiana Covenant Academy Course Descriptions 2011-2012

## **First Trimester**

The following is a summary of the classes offered at MCA this year. The classes are listed in subject groups, with classes for younger students listed first, then elementary, middle school and high school. The second column gives the grade level for the class. The third gives the Class Code, which you will need to register for the class. The last column states the class time. Also, scroll down to see course descriptions.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Trimester

## **Younger Elementary (grades K-2)**

Class	Grade Level	Class Code	Class Time
Art	K-2	ND 4	12:30-1:20 p.m.
Music	K-3	SZ 5	1:30-2:20 p.m.

## **Older Elementary (grades 3-5)**

Class	Grade Level	Class Code	Class Time
Art	3-5	ND 5	1:30-2:20 p.m.
Geography	3-5	SZ 3	11:00-11:50 a.m.
Writing Road to Reading	3-12	KW 4	12:30-1:20 p.m.
Shurley Grammar 5 4-6	KW 1	9:00-9:50 a.m	l <b>.</b>
<u>Latin—Minimus</u>	2-5	KP 2	10:00-10:50 a.m.
Elementary Literature	3-5	SZ 1	9:00-9:50 a.m.
Recorder	3-12	SZ 4	12:30-1:20 p.m.
Zoology I	3-5	SAL 7	3:30-4:20 p.m.
Beginning Writing	3-5	KW 6	2:30-3:20 p.m.

## **Intermediate (grades 6-8)**

Class	Grade Level	Class Code	Class Time
<u>Art</u>	6-8	ND 3	11:00-11:50 a.m.
<u>Drawing</u>	7-12	ND 6	2:30-3:20 p.m.
#write to read 3-12	3-12	KW 4	12:30-1:20 p.m.
Shurley Grammar 7	6-8	KW 5	1:30-2:20 p.m.
Early Modern History I	5-8	PW 4	12:30-1:20 p.m.
Junior High Literatur	6-8	ND 2	10:00-10:50 a.m.
Recorder	3-12	SZ 4	12:30-1:20 p.m.
Astronomy	6-8	SAL 1	9:00-9:50 a.m.
<b>Intermediate Writing</b>	6-8	KW 7	3:30-4:20 p.m.

## **High School (grades 9-12)**

Class	Grade Level	Class Code	Class Time
<u>Art</u>	9-12	ND 7	3:30-4:20 p.m.
Drawing	7-12	ND 6	2:30-3:20 p.m.
Writing Road to Reading	3-12	KW 4	12:30-1:20 p.m.
Early Modern History I – 16 <sup>t</sup>	<sup>h</sup> c. 9-12	PW 1	12:30-1:20 p.m.
Spanish I Class and Lab	8-12	SD 3 and SD 6	11:00-11:50am&2:30-3:20 pm
Spanish II Class and Lab	9-12	SD 3 and SD 7	11:00-11:50am&3:30-4:20 pm
Spanish III/IV Class and Lab	10-12	SD 3 and SD 5	11:00-11:50am&1:30-2:20pm
Early Modern Literature I—	<u>16<sup>th</sup> c.</u> 9-12	AD 4	12:30-1:20 p.m.
Recorder	3-12	SZ 4	12:30-1:20 p.m.
SAT I-25 Minute Essay Prep	9-12	KW 3	11:00-11:50 a.m.
Advanced Writing	9-12	KW 2	10:00-10:50 a.m.

[Study Hall is available at every hour for every grade level]

#### Art

#### **Art** (K-2):

This is a foundation art class that will focus on the elements and techniques of art. In this first trimester, student artwork will be based on what they learn about nineteenth-century Romantic and Realism art styles and artists. Students will explore both two-dimensional and three-dimensional artwork. A syllabus will be sent home with supplementary information about the styles, techniques and art terms that we discuss in class. All artwork will remain in class until the last class when students can take their portfolios home. Students will need to wear old clothing or an apron as some supplies will not wash out of clothing. All art materials will be supplied; there is a \$5.00 material fee.

Class size: 7	Class time: 12:30-1:20 p.m.
Class level: K-2	Taught by: Ninette Deliyannides
Materials fee: \$5 per	Materials needed: An art apron to wear, internet access will be useful.
student	
Class code: ND 4	

#### **Art** (3-5):

This is a foundation art class that will focus on the elements and techniques of art. In this first trimester, student artwork will be based on what they learn about Renaissance art and artists. Students will work with a wide variety of media. A syllabus will be sent home with supplementary information about the areas, styles, techniques and art terms that we discuss in class. All artwork will remain in class until the last class when students can take their portfolios home. Students will need to wear old clothing or an apron as some supplies will not wash out of clothing. All art materials will be supplied; there is a \$5.00 material fee.

Class size: 12	Class time: 1:30-2:20 p.m.
Class level: 3-5	Taught by: Ninette Deliyannides
Materials fee: \$5 per	Materials needed: An art apron to wear, internet access will be useful.
student	
Class code: ND 5	

## **Art** (6-8):

This art class will focus on the techniques of Aegean, Greek and Etruscan art and artists. Students will work with a wide range of media to create original designs based on studied art. A syllabus will be sent home with supplementary information about the styles, techniques and history of what we discuss in class. All artwork will remain in class until the last class when students can take their portfolios home. Students will need to wear old clothing or an apron as some supplies will not wash out of clothing. All art materials will be supplied; there is a \$5.00 material fee

Class size: 8	Class time: 11:00-11:50 a.m.
Class level: 6-8	Taught by: Ninette Deliyannides
Materials fee: \$5 per	Materials needed: An art apron to wear, internet access will be useful.
student	
Class code: ND 3	

#### **Art** (9-12):

This fine arts class will focus on Egyptian, Ancient Near East, Bronze and Iron Age art. Students will examine works of art and use the styles and techniques to create original works of their own. There will be occasional homework. A syllabus will be sent home with supplementary information about the styles, techniques and history of what we discuss in class. All artwork will remain in class until the last class when students can take their portfolios home. Students will need to wear old clothing or an apron as some supplies will not wash out of clothing. All art materials will be supplied; there is a \$5.00 material fee.

Class size: 12	Class time: 3:30-4:20 p.m.
Class level: 9-12	Taught by: Ninette Deliyannides
Materials fee: \$5 per	Materials needed: An art apron to wear, internet access
student	
Class code: ND 7	

#### **Drawing** (7-12):

Students will use the five basic elements of shape and focus on drawing what they see. This first trimester students will focus on the lights and darks of Chiaroscuro and Renaissance drawings. There will be 2-3 hours of homework per week. Students may take their portfolios home on the last day of class. This is an ungraded class unless parents request otherwise before the first class.

Class size: 15	Class time: 2:30-3:20 p.m.
Class level: 7-12	Taught by: Ninette Deliyannides
Materials fee: \$5 per	Materials needed: one 9" x 12" spiral pad of drawing paper (60lb minimum), 1 pen
student	each of 6B, 2B, 2H, 1 kneaded eraser
Class code: ND 6	

## Geography

## Geography (3-5):

Students will begin by learning about the geography of the Eastern United States. They will be responsible for learning where each state is located on the map and how to spell the names of the

states and their capitals. They will also be required to do a project on one state in the Northeast and one state in the Southeast and present it to the class. This course will be graded.

Class size: 10	Class time: 11:00-11:50 a.m.
Class level: 3-5	Taught by: Sandra Zylstra
Materials fee: none	Materials needed: folder or binder
Class code: SZ 3	

## **Grammar and Spelling**

## Writing Road to Reading (3-12) (I of III):

This course takes the entire year to properly teach phonics and spelling for you now and for the future. Without proper spelling, any documentation you write will not be as credible as when you have the confidence to write without fear of mistakes. DON'T RELY ON SPELL CHECK! Learn the basic rules for spelling the English language! Using the *Writing Road to Reading* program, I will help you conquer those spelling fears! Once all of the phonograms are mastered, weekly spelling test are given. This course does require some help from the teacher at home to ensure spelling practice is completed.

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Class size: 10	Class time: 12:30-1:20 p.m.
Class level: 3-12	Taught by: Kathleen Williamson
Materials fee: none	Materials needed: Pencils, erasers, APPROPRIATE spelling notebook from the S
Class code: KW 4	Education International website: <a href="http://www.spalding.org">http://www.spalding.org</a> .

#### **Grammar 5 (I of III)** Shurley English Homeschooling Level 5.

Classes will cover approximately one chapter per week. Class time will be spent learning and reinforcing grammar concepts and oral recitation. Students will learn basic editing and writing skills. Writing assignments will reinforce learned concepts. Weekly homework will include a take home test, writing assignment and brief exercises to reinforce what is learned during class. The test and exercises will be due Tuesdays at 12:00pm via e-mail, or handed in on Wednesday at the beginning of class. The writing assignments will be due at the start of class.

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Class size: 10	Class time: 9:00-9:50 a.m.	
Class level: 4-6	Taught by: Kathleen Williamson	
Materials fee: none	Materials needed: <u>Shurley English Homeschooling Workbook Level 5</u> ISBN: 9781585610334, one spiral notebook to use as a journal, 3-ring binder and	
Class code: KW 1	pen/pencil. A clipboard will be helpful.	

## Grammar 7 (I of III) English Made Easy Level 7 The Shurley Method.

Classes will cover approximately one chapter per week. Class time will be spent learning and reinforcing grammar concepts, diagramming sentences, and oral recitation. Students will learn editing and writing skills including three point paragraphs, narrative and persuasive writing, note taking, research papers and some creative writing. Writing assignments may vary somewhat from the text. Weekly homework will include a take home test, writing assignment and brief

exercises to reinforce what is learned during class. The test and exercises will be due Tuesdays at 12:00pm via e-mail. The writing assignments will be due at the start of class.

Class size: 10	Class time: 1:30-2:20 p.m.
Class level: 6-8	Taught by: Kathleen Williamson
Materials fee: none	Materials needed: English Made Easy Level 7 ISBN: 978-1881940524, 3 rin
Class code: KW 5	binder and pen/pencil. A clipboard will be helpful.

## History

## Early Modern History I (5-8):

This is the first of three courses that will provide an introductory survey of the early modern world as part of a four-year sequence in world history. This world history survey is designed to prepare students for the high school history and literature classes.

This class, "Renaissance and Reformation, 1492-1603," will introduce students to the basic outline of sixteenth-century history. The student's primary work will be learning how to use wikipedia (and other resources) to identify key people, events, and places. The information gathered during the week will be analyzed and discussed in class to show how it all fits together. The final grade will be based on class participation, completion of weekly assignments, quizzes, and a final exam.

Class size:	Class time: 12:30-1:20 p.m.
Class level: 5-8	Taught by: Dr. Peter J. Wallace
Materials fee: none	Materials needed:
Class code: PW 4	

## Early Modern History I – 16<sup>th</sup> Century (9–12):

This is the first of three courses that will cover several classic works of modern history as part of the third year of a four-year sequence of college preparatory history classes. The course dovetails with the "Early Modern Literature I" course in order to help students understand the interplay of literature, politics, religion, and culture. The instructors of the two courses confer regularly in order to help students connect history and literature within a Christian worldview. The final grade will be based on class participation, completion of study questions, quizzes, essay, and a final exam.

This course is designed to lay a foundation for understanding the development of republican thought in the sixteenth century from both Renaissance and Reformation sources. Since republican thought was not purely a matter of "politics" the readings will include a variety of themes.

[Please note: this year's course could be considered "World History" (all three trimesters), "U.S. Government" (especially the last two trimesters); or "U.S. History" (especially the last trimester)]

To facilitate class discussion, the following editions will be *required*: Niccolo Macchiavelli, *The Prince* (Norton Critical Edition)

http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0393962202

Baldesar Castiglione, *The Book of the Courtier* (Norton Critical Edition)

http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0393976068

Girolamo Cardano, The Book of My Life (New York Review Book Classics)

http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/1590170164

Michel de Montaigne, The Complete Essays (Penguin Classics)

http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0140446044

Coursepack on Reformation Roots of Republican Thought

Class time: 9:00-9:50 a.m.
Taught by: Dr. Peter J. Wallace
Materials needed: texts as noted above
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#### Language

#### Latin - Minimus (2-5) (I of III):

*Minimus* is designed to introduce students to Latin through a story of a real Roman family, with Minimus the mouse as a guide. Through the family's various adventures, students will learn something of what it meant to be invaded by the Romans, to serve in the Roman army, and be the wife or child of someone serving in the army. These cultural adventures provide an enjoyable framework for the most important part of the class—beginning to learn Latin. Students will begin to learn the language that the Romans spoke, which influenced so many other languages. But this class is not merely a one-way track to ancient Rome, learning Latin will strengthen students' grasp of English grammar and vocabulary. This is a two year program designed for children 7 - 10 years old. Students may purchase the Minimus student book to follow along in class or review at home but it is not required. Homework handouts will be provided in class

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Class size: 10	Class time: 10:00-10:50 a.m.
Class level: 2-5	Taught by: Kathryn Plopper
Materials fee: none	Materials needed: 3 ring binder to store handouts and homework
Class code: KP 2	

**Spanish I Class and Lab:** (8-12) (I of III) Spanish Lab and Spanish Class are each one-hour classes.

This is a 3 trimester course, the first year of high school Spanish. The course focuses on vocabulary of everyday life, the present tense of verbs, and culture; listening, reading, writing, and speaking the language will be practiced. Lab time will consist of homework review, testing and conversation, while class time will be devoted to vocabulary, grammar and reading. Students will purchase a workbook, available through the instructor, or online: *Spanish is Fun, Book 1*,

Lively lessons for Beginners, Fourth Edition <a href="www.amscopub.com/frameset.htm">www.amscopub.com/frameset.htm</a> Note that the instructor can purchase the book from the publisher at a discounted price, and will sell to students at cost (approximately \$20, including shipping). When registering, please indicate whether you will be purchasing text through the instructor; payment should be made directly to the instructor on or before the first class session.

Class size: 10	Class time: 11:00-11:50 a.m. <b>and</b> 2:30-3:20 p.m.
Class level: 8 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>	Taught by: Susan Daniels
Materials fee: none	Materials needed: 3 ring binder with 3 divider sheets, paper, folder, 8x marker
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Class code: SD 3 and SD 6	

## Spanish II Class and Lab: (9-12) (I of III)

Prerequisite: Spanish I. This is a 3 trimester course, the second year of high school Spanish. The coursework is grammar intensive, continuing with present, past, future, conditional, and compound tenses; vocabulary, conversation, reading and culture will also be emphasized. Lab time will consist of homework review, testing and conversation, while class time will be devoted to grammar and reading. Students will purchase a workbook through the instructor: Spanish is Fun Book 2 (AMSCO Publications) at a cost of \$20. Please pay the instructor for text on or before first class session.

Class size: 10	Class time: 11:00-11:50 a.m. <b>and</b> 12:30-1:20 p.m.
Class level: 9th-12th	Taught by: Susan Daniels
Materials fee: none	Materials needed: 3 ring binder with divider sheets, pocket folder and a erase board and marker
Class code: SD 3 and SD 7	

**Advanced Spanish III/IV Class and Lab:** (10-12) (I of III) Spanish Lab and Spanish Class are each one-hour classes.

Prerequisite: Spanish II. This is a 3 trimester course, advanced high school Spanish. It is possible to enroll for this course 2 consecutive years. Fourth year students are required to do field experience, volunteer activities in Spanish language settings in the community. The coursework reviews and extends past grammar: present, past, future, conditional, and compound tenses. Vocabulary, conversation, reading and culture will also be emphasized. Lab time will consist of homework review, testing and conversation, while class time will be devoted to

grammar and reading. Students will purchase texts through the instructor: *Momentos Hispanos* (AMSCO) and a Spanish New Testament at a total cost of \$15. The *Spanish Two Years Workbook* (AMSCO Publications) will also be used this year; returning students should bring their copy and new students can purchase this through the instructor at a cost of \$16. Please pay the instructor for texts on or before the first class session.

Class size: 10	Class time: 11:00-11:50 a.m. <b>and</b> 1:30-2:20 p.m.
Class level: 10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>	Taught by: Susan Daniels
Materials fee: none	Materials needed: 3 ring binder with divider sheets, pocket folder and a erase board and marker
Class code: SD 3 and SD 5	

## Literature

#### **Elementary Literature (3-5)**:

In the 1<sup>st</sup> Trimester, students will explore historical fiction. They will compare the hardships of growing up in poverty, and how the main character in each of the books deals with their hardship. *Nory Ryan's Song* is a story about the potato famine. *Indian Captive* tells the story of Mary Memison who was captured by the Seneca Indians. And *Out of the Dust* is a book about the dust bowl that is written as poetry. There are weekly reading assignments, quizzes, homework assignments, and small projects due throughout the trimester. This class will be graded.

Class size: 10	Class time: 9:00-9:50 a.m.
Class level: 3-5	Taught by: Sandra Zylstra
Materials fee: none	Materials needed: folder or binder, <i>Nory Ryan's Song</i> by Patricia Riley Giff, <i>India Captive</i> by Lois Lenski, and <i>Out of the Dust</i> by Karen Hesse.
Class code: SZ 1	

#### **Junior High Literature** (6-8):

The goal of this class is to help intermediate students develop their ability to read critically. In this first trimester students will put their detective skills to use as they learn about the genre of mystery and suspense. Students will read a wide variety of mysteries including: Murder on the Orient Express by Agatha Christie, The Thirty-Nine Steps by John Buchan, short mysteries by Herodotus, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, Dorothy Sayers, Roald Dahl, and selections by Edgar Allen Poe. There are only two books to purchase for this class; all other readings are included in the course handbook. We will approach the literature within a Christian worldview. The final grade will be based on class participation, study questions, weekly quizzes, one essay and final exam. Reading load will be about 100 pages per week.

Class size: 10	Class time: 10:00-10:50 a.m.

Class level: 6-8	Taught by: Ninette Deliyannides
Materials fee: none	Materials needed: three ring binder for course pack and note taking, <u>Murder on the Orient Express</u> by Agatha Christie, <u>The Thirty-Nine Steps</u> by John Buchan
Class code: ND 2	

## Early Modern Literature I: Sixteenth Century (9–12):

This is the first of three courses that will cover several classic works of early modern literature as part of the third year of a four-year sequence of college preparatory literature courses. The course dovetails with the "Early Modern History I" course in order to help students understand the interplay of literature, politics, religion, and culture. The instructors of the two courses confer regularly in order to help students connect history and literature within a Christian worldview. The final grade will be based on class participation, completion of study questions, weekly quizzes, three essays, and a final exam. To facilitate class discussion, the following editions will be *required*:

Thomas More, *Utopia* (Oxford World's Classics, *Three Early Modern Utopias*) tinyurl.com/5t9nw9u (also used in Early Modern Literature II)

Sir Philip Sidney: The Major Works (Oxford World's Classics edition) tinyurl.com/65d9o79 Edmund Spenser, The Faerie Queene: Book Two (Erik Gray, ed.) tinyurl.com/6err8bc William Shakespeare, Richard III (Signet Classics edition) tinyurl.com/6hpgn7b

William Shakespeare, A Midsummer Night's Dream (Signet Classics edition) tinyurl.com/6j8ozjb

Class size:	Class time: 12:30-1:20 p.m.
Class level: 9–12	Taught by: Dr. A.B. Deliyannides
Materials fee: none	Materials needed: texts as noted above
Class code: AD4	

#### Music

#### **Music** (K-3):

This introductory music class teaches students their basic music symbols and how to use them actively, through movement and games. We will begin learning about the famous composers Bach, Mozart, and Handel by listening to stories about their lives. Students will also be singing various children's songs and applying the music terms they are learning.

Class size: 10	Class time: 1:30-2:20 p.m.
Class level: K-3	Taught by: Sandra Zylstra
Materials fee: none	Materials needed:
Class code: SZ 5	

#### Recorder (3-12): (I of III)

Students will learn how to play the recorder as individuals and then focus on how to stay together as a group. This is a great way to start a student in reading music if they are interested in playing an instrument! No previous music reading experience is necessary. Students will need

to purchase their own recorder and book, and a portable music stand would be very helpful. The book includes a CD so the student can listen and play as they practice at home during the week. There will also be various handouts and activities to help the student learn the recorder and music.

Class size: 10	Class time: 12:30-1:20 p.m.
Class level: 3-12	Taught by: Sandra Zylstra
Materials fee: none	Materials needed: Basix Recorder Method by Morty Manus
Class code: SZ 4	(http://www.amazon.com/dp/0882847597/ref=asc_df_08828475971590224/? tag=nextagus0054811-
	20&creative=395009&creativeASIN=0882847597&linkCode=asn)
	Soprano recorder (http://www.amazon.com/Yamaha-YRS-24B-YRS24B-Soprano
	Recorder/dp/B00004UE29/ref=pd sim b 1)

## **SAT I Prep**

## SAT I Prep a-25-Minute Essay (9-12) 1st Trimester:

Each week, your student will be given 25 minutes to practice and develop the necessary skills to produce a complete essay answer to a previous SAT prompt as required on the SAT I exam. It is highly recommended that your college-bound high school student become a reader of college-level literature so as to expose himself to vocabulary which will be commonly found on the SAT I exam. To enhance this development, weekly vocabulary quizzes will also be offered. No grade will be given for this course.

Class size: 10	Class time: 11:00-11:50 a.m.
Class level: 9-12	Taught by: Kathleen Williamson
Materials fee: none	Materials needed: Pencils, erasers. <b>OPTIONAL</b> : <i>Barron's SAT</i> , 24 <sup>th</sup> edition or later.
Class code: KW 3	OPTIONAL: Barron's SA1, 24" edition of later.

#### Science

#### **Zoology** 1 (3-5):

Exploring Creation with Zoology 1: Flying Creatures of the Fifth Day (www.apologia.com) is an introduction to Zoology, with an emphasis on Birds, Bats and Flying Insects. The first trimester introduces Zoology, the benefits of birds and bird watching, and bird biology. We will start a Birders Life List. There will be about two hours of homework per week, to include reading from the text and answering questions from the text and classroom demonstrations. Grades will be based on homework assignments and chapter tests. Students will need a folder or notebook for handouts and lab work.

Class size: 6	Class time: 3:30-4:20 p.m.
Class level: 3-5	Taught by: Sally Hanson
Materials fee: none	Materials needed: textbook, folder
Class code: SAL 7	

## Astronomy (6-8) (I of III):

Exploring Creation with Astronomy (www.apologia.com) is an introduction to the fascinating world of Astronomy. This class introduces Classical Astronomy, emphasizing the visual observation of the cycles of the Sun, Moon and stars with the unaided eye. We will learn useful and practical skills, such as how to tell time, and navigate by the sky. We will also study Modern Astronomy and Meteorology. Homework will include research on the web, and periods of observation of the night sky. Grades will be based on homework assignments, class discussions and chapter tests. Students will need internet access for reading assignments, research, homework and tests. Students will need a folder or notebook for handouts and lab work. There is a \$5 materials fee assessed for lab supplies.

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Class size: 6	Class time: 9:00-9:50 a.m.
Class level: 6-8	Taught by: Sally Hanson
Materials fee: \$5 per student	Materials needed: textbook, folder, internet access
Class code: SAL 1	

# **Study Hall**

Study Hall: (K-12)

This class is designed as a service for the parents. Students signed up for at least one class but need to remain on the premises can sign up for study hall. This will be a supervised time for students to work on quiet homework or read. <u>Students will not be allowed to talk, eat or engage in any activity that is not reading, drawing or schoolwork</u>. Students not signed up for a class or study hall will not be allowed to remain on the premises.

Class Size:	Class times and code: 9:00-9:50am (SH 1), 10:00am-10:50am (SH 2), 11:00am-1
	(SH 3), 12:30pm-1:20pm (SH 4), 1:30pm-2:20pm (SH 5), 2:30pm-3:20pm (SH 6
	3:30pm-4:20pm (SH 7)
Class level: K-12	Taught by: Study Hall Monitor
Material Fee: No Charge	Materials needed: Homework, drawing or reading material.
for this class	

## Writing

## **Beginning Writing (3-5) (I of III):**

This is a beginning formal writing course using the KEY WORD OUTLINE format found in the popular *Institute for Excellence in Writing* program. Reluctant writers will find that writing can be "Fun and Fascinating" as they learn the mechanics of writing with almost immediate results. This is the 1<sup>st</sup> OF 3 TRIMESTERS. It is intended to be a year-long course. This first part covers outlines, note taking, and summarizing from notes, with short stories and some poetry as your student learns how to incorporate vivid words into the structure and style of formal writing. Weekly assignments are due at the beginning of each class and must be completed to enjoy

progress in this course. A grade will be given for improvement in writing skills during this trimester. (NOTE: Text listed below may be found at <a href="http://www.excellenceinwriting.com">http://www.excellenceinwriting.com</a>).

Class size: 10	Class time: 2:30-3:20 p.m.
Class level: 3-5	Taught by: Kathleen Williamson, registered IEW Instructor
Materials fee: none	Materials needed: Text– <i>All Things Fun and Fascinating</i> , ISBN#: 978-0- 9801005 accompanying download, along with a 1 ½" 3-Ring binder, loose leaf paper, pens
Class code: KW 6	highlighters and a packet of 8-tab dividers.

## **Intermediate Writing** (6-8) (**I of III**):

The introduction and the development of the necessary structure and style needed to effectively communicate on paper, this course will help your child to master the basic writing techniques used at the Junior High level of formal writing. Using a character-based text, structural models, vivid vocabulary and the all-important KEY WORD OUTLINE found in the *Institute for Excellence Writing* program, your child will complete weekly assignments that showcase skills used in outlining, note taking and short stories as they learn how to properly summarize from references. Even the most reluctant writer will enjoy immediate success! Assignments are due at the beginning of class each week and a grade will be given for progress made during this term.

(NOTE: Text may be found at the website <a href="http://www.excellenceinwriting.com">http://www.excellenceinwriting.com</a>.)

Class size: 10	Class time: 3:30-4:20 p.m.
Class level: 6-8	Taught by: Kathleen Williamson, registered IEW Instructor
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Materials fee: \$3	Materials needed: TEXT: Character-Based Writing Lessons, ISBN-10: 0-977986
	or <u>ISBN-13</u> : 978-0-9779860-4-0 and its accompanying download, a 2" 3-ring bin
Class code: KW 7	loose leaf paper, pens and a pkg. of 8-tab dividers.

#### **Advanced Writing (9-12) (I of III):**

Based upon the *Institute for Excellence in Writing* program, and using US History-based lessons, which covers Explorers to the Gold Rush, this course will introduce your high school student to effective structural models and stylistic techniques at the high school level. It is expected that students in this course are reading college-level literature on a regular basis to adequately develop the necessary vocabulary. This is the FIRST of THREE trimesters and is intended for those seeking to attend college in the near future. If your high school student is not planning on attending college, they should enroll in the Junior High Intermediate Writing courses offered through Michiana Covenant Academy. Weekly assignments are due at the beginning of each class and a grade will be given for progress made during this trimester. (NOTE: Text may be found at the website <a href="http://www.excellenceinwriting.com">http://www.excellenceinwriting.com</a>.)

Class size: 10	Class time: 10:00-10:50 a.m.
Class level: 9-12	Taught by: Kathleen Williamson, registered IEW Instructor

Materials fee: none	Materials needed: TEXT: <i>US History-Based Writing Lessons, Volume I</i> ISBN#: 9' 9801005-6-3(S) and accompanying download, 2" 3-ring binder, a pkg. of 8-tab div
Class code: KW 2	loose leaf paper and pens.