

**CHEBEAGUE ISLAND SCHOOL
PRE-K TO GRADE 5 WRITING STANDARDS**

FIFTH GRADE WRITING

The following goals are at the core of our Fifth grade curriculum. Please note that these are important goals, but they are not the only concepts to which students will be exposed at this grade level. Students will have a rich curriculum, and their experiences in writing will introduce them to many new concepts that will deepen over time.

Text Types and Purposes:

- Writes **narratives** using effective techniques, description, and clear event sequences.
- Writes **opinion** pieces supporting a point of view with reasons and information.
- Writes **informative** texts, researching when needed, to convey ideas clearly and teach readers about a topic. Becomes an expert on the topic.
- Writes literary essays, indentifying themes and using evidence from text to support themes.

Conventions in Daily Writing

- Produces complex sentences with correct grammar.
- Uses correct capitalization.
- Uses punctuation appropriately.
- Spells grade-appropriate words correctly.

Production and Distribution

- Uses the writing process (plan, draft, revise, edit, publish).
- Uses technology to assist with writing.
- Conducts short research projects that use several sources to present and build knowledge about a topic.