

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

**THIRD GRADE WRITING**

The following goals are at the core of our Third 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:**

**Narrative Writing**

- Develops a narrative that uses dialogue, actions, thoughts, and feelings.
- Writes the events of a narrative in sequence using transition words.
- Writes a lead that hooks the reader.
- Writes an ending that provides a sense of closure.

**Opinion/Persuasive Writing**

- Writes an introduction on a topic and states an opinion.
- Provides persuasive reasons in an organized manner.
- Uses transitional words to link opinion and reasons.
- Writes a concluding statement or section.

**Information Writing**

- Introduces a topic and groups related information together.
- Uses facts, definitions, and details to teach about a topic.
- Uses linking words and phrases to connect ideas within subtopics.
- Writes a concluding statement or section.

**Conventions in Daily Writing**

- Produces simple, compound, and complex sentences.
- Uses appropriate capitalization (proper nouns and titles).
- Uses punctuation correctly.
- Spells grade level high frequency words correctly.
- Applies a variety of spelling patterns.

**Production and Distribution**

- With guidance, strengthens writing by revising and editing.
- With guidance, uses technology to publish and interact with others.