

Direct Writing Assessment

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Utah Performance Assessment System for Students

LEA : 3B BEEHIVE SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY
School : 700 (BSTA) BEEHIVE SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY ACADEMY
Grade : 09 (BSTA)

Direct Writing Assessment (DWA) School Summary Report Spring 2009 Assessment

Performance on Each Writing Skill		Points Possible	School Avg.* Points Earned	LEA Avg.* Points Earned
Ideas and Content	Writes a clear, focused, and persuasive paper	5	3.6	3.6
Organization	Writes a well organized paper	5	3.7	3.7
Voice	Writes with style to a specified audience	5	3.7	3.7
Word Choice	Writes with words that convey the intended meaning	5	3.5	3.5
Sentence Fluency	Writes consistently well-crafted sentences	5	3.5	3.5
Conventions	Writes using standard writing conventions	5	3.5	3.5
Totals		30	21.5	21.5
Achievement Level			Sufficient	Sufficient

Measured Objectives of the Core Curriculum for Writing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write to persuade others. • State a thesis that clearly takes a position. • Organize writing effectively. • Refute counter-arguments.

Achievement Levels	
Level	Total Points Earned
Substantial	24 - 30
Sufficient	18 - 23
Partial	13 - 17
Minimal	0 - 12

Definition of Each Writing Skill	
Ideas and Content	Do the supporting details help develop the student's position? Does the student acknowledge other perspectives on the topic?
Organization	Did the student write an introduction and a conclusion to support the main idea? Are transitions effective?
Voice	Does the response indicate the writer's personal involvement in the topic and an awareness of the audience?
Word Choice	Do the selected words and phrases effectively convey the student's ideas?
Sentence Fluency	Does the response demonstrate both simple and complex sentence structure? Do the sentences flow together smoothly?
Conventions	The response was evaluated for the use of correct grammar, capitalization, punctuation, usage, spelling, and paragraphing.

* Initial summary calculations may change. For additional information about the Direct Writing Assessment, please see the Utah State Office of Education website at <http://www.schools.utah.gov/eval/Results.asp>