

**Cornelius Elementary School**  
**Balanced Literacy Components/Expectations**

## Writing

- Writer's Workshop conducted everyday using the *CCSS ELA Writing and Language Standards* to conduct mini-lessons.
- Interactive Writing for Grades K-5
- Shared Writing weekly across content areas
- Mentor and Anchor Texts
- Writing in the content areas daily
- Use of Empowering Writers (Grades 2-5)
- Use of *Units of Study for Writing*
- Use of *6 + 1 Traits of Writing* (Grades 1-5)
- Journaling and Reflections in all core subject areas daily
- Daily Remediation and Enrichment (45 minutes)
- Group Folder Resources

## Independent Reading

- *CCSS Standards for ELA Reading*
- Students will read independently daily from self-selected reading materials based upon their independent reading level with teacher conferences
- Students will have 20 to 30 minutes of independent reading daily.
- Use of STAR and DIBELS Assessments
- Use of Renaissance Learning (AR)
- *Daily 15 minutes of Reading Comprehension Practice/Test Prep Skills (Grades 1-5)*
- ELA Workshop
- Critical Thinking Skills
- Daily Remediation and Enrichment (45 minutes)

## Word Work

- *CCSS Standards for ELA Language, Speaking, and Listening*
- *Preparing to Read/Green Band from Imagine It!* Daily for Grades K-5
- Phonemic Awareness Activities
- Syllables Activities
- Phonics and Word Analysis Activities
- Daily Direct Vocabulary Instruction in all core subject areas (10 minutes)
- Cornelius Elementary Vocabulary Booklets
- Daily Vocabulary Practice
- CCSS Language Standards daily instructional practice (15 minutes)
- Teacher Read Aloud
- Interactive Read Aloud
- Intensive Reading Model
- Daily Remediation and Enrichment (45 minutes)

## Supported Reading

- *CCSS Standards for ELA Reading, Literature, and Informational Text*
- Direct Daily Skill Instruction
- Critical Thinking Skills
- ELA Workshop
- Guided Reading
- Literature Study
- Comprehension Practice
- Shared Reading
- Teacher Read Aloud
- Interactive Read Aloud
- Reciprocal Teaching
- Fluency Instruction Practice
- Reader's Theater
- Intensive Reading Model
- Daily Remediation and Enrichment (45 minutes)