

TAPPAN



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English Language Arts Department

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Welcome to English Language Arts at Tappan

Units are taught through various genres at each grade level.

Independent Reading Word Study/ Language

Literature Analysis Nonfiction Analysis Creative Writing

Research Writing Argue / Persuade Speaking and Listening

6th Grade

Adventure / Action

Biographies

Fables

Fantasy

Non-Fiction Articles

Research focusing on
comparing and contrasting

Persuasive Writing

Greek & Latin Roots

Word Study

7th Grade

Memoirs

Mysteries

Mythology

Poetry

Non-Fiction Articles

Research focusing on
cause and effect

Argumentative Writing

Greek & Latin Roots

Word Study

8th Grade

Historical Fiction

Holocaust / Genocide

Realistic Fiction

Science Fiction

Non-Fiction articles

Research writing that
reflects multi-genres

Argumentative Writing

Greek & Latin Roots

Word Study

Additional support is offered to students through classes for English Language Learners, Academic Literacy classes at each level and homework club. We also host a Literacy Night when parents are invited to see students share their learning.

