

**Missouri State Show-Me Standards
correlated to
Merit Software Process Writing Programs**

The academic standards incorporate and strongly promote the understanding that active, hands-on learning will benefit students of all ages. By integrating and applying basic knowledge and skills in practical and challenging ways across all disciplines, students experience learning that is more engaging and motivating. Such learning stays in the mind long after the tests are over and acts as a springboard to success beyond the classroom.

These standards for students are not a curriculum. Rather, the standards serve as a blueprint from which local school districts may write challenging curriculum to help all students achieve their maximum potential. Missouri law assures local control of education. Each school district will determine how its curriculum will be structured and the best methods to implement that curriculum in the classroom.

Merit’s Process Writing programs address the following Missouri State Show-Me Standards:

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Grades 3-5

Subhead	Performance Goal	Performance Standard	Knowledge Standard	Merit Software
Writing	GOAL 2: Students in Missouri public schools will acquire the knowledge and skills to communicate effectively within and beyond the classroom.	Students will demonstrate within and integrate across all content areas the ability to: 1. plan and make written, oral and visual presentations for a variety of purposes and audiences	Communication Arts In Communication Arts, students in Missouri public schools will acquire a solid foundation which includes knowledge of and proficiency in 4. writing formally (such as reports, narratives, essays) and informally (such as outlines, notes)	Starter Paragraph Punch, Paragraph Punch, Writing About Reading
Writing	GOAL 2: Students in Missouri public schools will acquire the knowledge and skills to communicate effectively within and beyond the classroom.	Students will demonstrate within and integrate across all content areas the ability to: 4. present perceptions and ideas regarding works of the arts, humanities and sciences	Communication Arts In Communication Arts, students in Missouri public schools will acquire a solid foundation which includes knowledge of and proficiency in 4. writing formally (such as reports, narratives, essays) and informally (such as outlines, notes)	Writing about Reading

Writing	GOAL 2: Students in Missouri public schools will acquire the knowledge and skills to communicate effectively within and beyond the classroom.	Students will demonstrate within and integrate across all content areas the ability to: 6. apply communication techniques to the job search and to the workplace	Communication Arts In Communication Arts, students in Missouri public schools will acquire a solid foundation which includes knowledge of and proficiency in 4. writing formally (such as reports, narratives, essays) and informally (such as outlines, notes)	Starter Paragraph Punch, Paragraph Punch, Writing About Reading
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Writing	GOAL 2: Students in Missouri public schools will acquire the knowledge and skills to communicate effectively within and beyond the classroom.	Students will demonstrate within and integrate across all content areas the ability to: 6. apply communication techniques to the job search and to the workplace	Communication Arts In Communication Arts, students in Missouri public schools will acquire a solid foundation which includes knowledge of and proficiency in 4. writing formally (such as reports, narratives, essays) and informally (such as outlines, notes)	Business Letter Punch, Writing for Business