January 2019 Meeting: Writing Strategies

We discussed many topics and resources, including tech. Please add to the list with the categories provided or create your own! Others can benefit from the suggested ideas/resources.

- 1. Mapping out year/quarter writing skills: http://www.illinoisliteracyinaction.org/literacy- framework.html Select your grade level under the heading *Quarterly Sequence Guidance*.
- 2. Benchmarking: www.vermontwritingcollaborative.com
- 3. Task development/guidance:
- a. SAP Instructional Practice Guides: https://achievethecore.org/category/1155/printable-versions
- b. Illinois Guidance for Designing Literacy Tasks: these documents are at www.illinoisliteracyinaction.org by selecting grade level and looking under *The Essentials* at the top of the page.
- 4. Station Ideas: https://www.cultofpedagogy.com/note-taking-stations/
- 5. Writing Reviews: Instead of book reports, try tech reports...can be assigned at younger grades but can be choice with older grades. Create a template with specific skills and content that students should consider for the evaluation of their site. They become the expert!
- 6. Strategies: <u>www.illinoisliteracyinaction.org</u> Select your grade level and strategies are provided under each of the literacy buttons.