

PENMANSHIP RULES

1. WRITE IN CURSIVE OR PRINT, WHATEVER IS NEATER FOR YOU.
2. WRITE SLOW ENOUGH TO FORM ALL YOUR LETTERS NEATLY.
3. ALL LETTERS MUST REST ON THE LINE.
4. DO NOT ALLOW PRINTED LETTERS TO TOUCH EACH OTHER.
5. DO NOT USE MORE THAN A PENCIL WIDTH BETWEEN WORDS.
6. ONLY INDENT ABOUT THE WIDTH OF YOUR THUMB ON THE FIRST LINE OF EACH PARAGRAPH. ALL OTHER LINES MUST START ON THE LEFT MARGIN AND END CLOSE TO THE RIGHT.
7. ALL PAPERS MUST BE WRITTEN IN PENCIL.
8. PAPERS THAT ARE TORN OR DIRTY WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
(DO NOT GET FOOD OR DRINKS ON YOUR PAPER)
9. TRY TO HAVE ABOUT EIGHT TO TWELVE WORDS ON EACH LINE.
10. DO NOT SKIP LINES.
11. WHEN USING A TITLE, WRITE IT ABOVE THE FIRST LINE,
NOT ABOVE THE BOX. (titles not recommended for STAAR essays)
12. KEEP ALL YOUR LETTER SLANTS FACING THE SAME DIRECTION.
13. DO NOT DRAW ARROWS OR DESIGNS ON YOUR PAPER.
(Dot the letter "i", periods, and abbreviations instead of using eyeballs, hearts, or stars)

I agree to follow the penmanship rules listed above to the best of my ability or I will be asked to rewrite my paper.

Student _____ Date _____
Parent _____ Date _____