

# 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Writing Expectations

## Organization & Focus

- Strong introduction that catches reader's attention
- Natural sounding transitions that help the paper flow smoothly
- Strong conclusion that ties all main ideas together

## Content

- Strongly addresses the prompt (Did you write about what you were asked to write about?)

## Style

- Rich Vocabulary:  
Uses adjectives and prepositional phrases
- Uses figurative language:  
similes, metaphors, personification, and descriptive language
- Uses simple, complex, and compound sentences

## Writing Conventions

- Minor errors in capitalization, usage, punctuation, and spelling

\*This list of expectations is to be used in conjunction with the writing rubric.