















GRADE		Public		Montessori		AGE
K		Begins to read and write the manuscript alphabet.			Begins to read and write the manuscript alphabet	4-6
1 st		Reads more and more fluently.			Reads more and more fluently.	6
2 nd		Spelling from State textbooks.			Spelling starts with phonetic words, then misspelled words taken from own writing.	7
3 rd		Begins to read and write the cursive alphabet. Uses commas in series, dates and proper places for business and personal letters.			Takes dictation; writes in complete sentences; does research.	8
	In the last three grades narrations, descriptions, poetry and research are read and written.					
4 th		Begins to consolidate nouns, verbs and adjectives; business and friendly letter form.			Continues to read and write at a much more advanced level, selecting different types of reading and writing.	9
5 th		Consolidates complete sentences, prefixes, suffixes, etc.; uses transition words.			Consolidates the use of the public library so that what is needed can be found.	9-10
6 th		Consolidates the remaining parts of speech, compounded and simple subjects and predicates.			Continues to develop language skills through researching and writing including use of dictionaries, encyclopedias, atlases and the public library.	10-11

