



**Alignment Overview Table for
Common Core State Standards for English Language Arts & Literacy in
History/Social Studies, Science, and Technical Subjects and
NES Essential Academic Skills Subtest II: Writing**

Common Core Strands [K–12]	
RF	Reading: Foundational Skills
RL	Reading: Literature
RI	Reading: Informational Text
W	Writing
SL	Speaking and Listening
L	Language
RH	History/Social Studies: Reading
RST	Science and Technical Subjects: Reading
WHST	History/Social Studies, Science, and Technical Subjects: Writing

NES Essential Academic Skills Subtest II: Writing Competencies	
0001	Understand purpose, audience, organization, and development in writing.
0002	Understand problems in sentence formation.
0003	Understand conventions of Standard Written English grammar, usage, and mechanics.
0004	In response to an assignment, demonstrate the ability to compose a developed composition in Standard Written English on a given topic.

Important Notes About the Alignment Overview Table:

- Four-digit numbers (e.g., 0004) correspond to NES competency number identifiers. In each cell, the NES competencies that align to the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) in the domain at the grade level are indicated.
- Cells are shaded yellow or grey to indicate whether CCSS domains/strands exist for the associated grade level.
- CCSS domains/strands do not exist at certain grade levels.
- When there is no alignment between the CCSS and NES competencies, a dash ("-") appears in the cell.
- When a CCSS does not apply to one or more competencies, "n/a" appears in the cell.

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Common Core domains/strands exist at the grade level.
 Common Core domains/strands DO NOT exist at the grade level.

Grade Level														
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Common Core Strands	RF	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a								
	RL	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
	RI	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
	W	-	0001, 0004	0001, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004
	SL	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	L	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004
	RH							n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	RST							n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
	WHST							0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004	0001, 0002, 0003, 0004