

Fort Zumwalt School District

ELEMENTARY HANDWRITING EXPECTATIONS

Grade Level	Materials	Student/Teacher Expectations
Kindergarten	Zaner-Bloser Handwriting Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will develop basic handwriting skills in manuscript form. <u>Please refer to the Letter Rotation Guide located in the Word Study Curriculum.</u> • Teachers will model manuscript form for students, and also display words and short pieces of text (e.g. anchor charts) in manuscript form.
1 st Grade	Zaner-Bloser Handwriting Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will continue developing handwriting skills in manuscript form. <u>Please refer to the Word Study Curriculum for the sequence of letters.</u> • Teachers will model manuscript form for students, and also display words and short pieces of text (e.g. anchor charts) in manuscript form.
2 nd Grade	Zaner-Bloser Handwriting Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will review/refine handwriting skills in manuscript form for the first quarter. Beginning in second quarter students will be taught cursive writing throughout the remainder of the year with the expectation that the Word Study Assessments will be written in cursive near the end of 4th quarter. <u>Please refer to the Word Study Curriculum for the sequence of letters.</u> • Teachers will model cursive writing for students, and also display words and short pieces of text (e.g. anchor charts) in cursive form.
3 rd Grade	Zaner-Bloser Handwriting Materials <i>(letter chart/teacher's manual)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will review/refine handwriting skills in cursive form during the first quarter. <u>Please refer to the Word Study Curriculum for the sequence of letters.</u> Beginning in second quarter it is expected that students will be using cursive form when taking all Word Study Assessments. In addition, teachers may encourage students to write 1-2 short writing pieces in cursive during a quarter. • Teachers will model cursive writing for students, and also display words and short pieces of text (e.g. anchor charts) in cursive form.
4 th Grade	Zaner-Bloser Handwriting Materials <i>(letter chart/teacher's manual)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will refine handwriting skills in cursive form during the school year. Teachers can use word work activities to help students practice cursive form. It is expected that students will be using cursive form when taking all Word Study Assessments for the entire school year. In addition, teachers may encourage students to write 1-2 short writing pieces in cursive during a quarter. • Teachers will model cursive writing for students, and also display words and short pieces of text (e.g. anchor charts) in cursive form.
5 th Grade	Zaner-Bloser Handwriting Materials <i>(letter chart/teacher's manual)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students will refine handwriting skills in cursive form during the school year. Teachers can use word work activities to help students practice cursive form. It is expected that students will be using cursive form when taking all Word Study Assessments for the entire school year. In addition, teachers may encourage students to write 3-4 short writing pieces in cursive during a quarter. • Teachers will model cursive writing for students, and also display words and short pieces of text (e.g. anchor charts) in cursive form.