

Michigan DesCartes Framework

Below is the framework upon which your version of DesCartes is based. In order to present the information in a manner that best supports instruction, in some instances it was necessary to modify the organization and grouping of content. This framework outlines the subject-area information found within DesCartes.

Language Usage

1. Writing Genre

- a. Write a Narrative or an Essay
- b. Write an Informational Piece, Produce Research

2. Writing Process

- a. Purpose, Audience and Prewriting Strategies
- b. Draft, Revise, Proofread, Edit

3. Grammar and Usage (Grammatical Structures)

- a. Parts of Speech
- b. Sentences, Agreement, Phrases, and Clauses

4. Grammar and Usage (Punctuation and Capitalization)

- a. Punctuation
- b. Capitalization

5. Spelling

- a. Frequently Encountered Words
- b. Structural Cues