



Write on Sports After School Program Overview

The mission of Write on Sports is to improve students' literacy skills by having students write about a topic of interest: sports. We define sports broadly to include sports students play and/or watch, as well as the intersection of sports with topics like fashion, music and societal issues. In Write on Sports, we approach each of our programs by individualizing our instruction based on students' interests and abilities, allowing each student to benefit from the program and grow as a writer and learner.

We modify and adapt our curriculum to suit the specific student population and setting of each after school program. However, the philosophy and overall approach remains consistent. Each program involves students interviewing guest journalists and athletes and completing literacy-based projects. These projects have students build on the literacy skills they are learning in school while engaging in the work of professional journalists. Through our program, students learn and practice the skills of asking probing questions, finding reliable information through research, developing interesting angles for stories, using evidence and details to support their ideas, and revising their work.

Write on Sports After School Program Curriculum Outline

*15 hours divided into 10, 1.5 hour sessions

Session	Focus
1	Introduction: Student Surveys, Overview of Philosophy and Projects, Using the Cameras
2	Video Project: Selecting and Narrowing a Topic and Beginning to Research
3	Video Project: Research and Planning
4	Video Project: Recording
5	Video Project: Recording and Editing
6	Spot Story: Overview and Guest Preparation
7	Spot Story: Guest Interview Event and Beginning the Writing Process
8	Spot Story: Planning, Writing and Revising
9	Revising and Finalizing the Spot Story and Video Project
10	Student Surveys and Sharing Student Work