

# 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Writing Non-Negotiables

- I write legibly.
- I **always** capitalize...
  - the first letter in a sentence,
  - the first, last, and important words in a title,
  - and proper nouns.
- I use ending punctuation correctly.
- I write in complete sentences that...
  - are not run-ons and
  - are not sentence fragments.
- I spell most grade-level words appropriately...
  - including, commonly confused words like to, two, too, there, their, they're, etc.
- I use paragraphs to organize my ideas.
- I use commas and quotations marks to mark dialogue and quotations from other texts.