## **Gr.12 Research Paper**

	Weak	Competent	Strong	Excellent
Content	- No thesis statement	- Thesis statement	- Clear thesis statement	- Strong thesis statement
	- Insufficient research	- Evidence of	- Good research &	- Thorough research &
	and/or poor sources	research & reliable	reliable sources	reliable sources
	- Poorly integrated	sources	- Correct citations	- Correct citations
	quotations	- Citations used	- Good observations &	- Strong observations &
	- Few observations	- Some	ideas.	ideas
	and ideas.	observations and		
		ideas		
Lay-Out	- Poorly organized	- Generally well-	- Well-organized	- Well-organized
	and lacking focus	organized	- Clear intro, body,	- Strong beginning,
	- Incorrect paragraphs	- Multi-paragraph	conclusion	middle, and end
	- Incomplete	- Has intro, body, &	- Works cited provided	- Works cited provided
	beginning, middle,	conclusion		
	and end	- Works cited		
	- Works cited	provided		
	incomplete or			
	missing			
Style	- Ineffective opening	- Attempt at hook	- Effective hook	- Engaging opening
	- Weak vocabulary	- Predictable	- Strong diction	- Sophisticated diction
	- Use of first person	diction	- Consistent voice	- Strong, consistent
	- Little or no sentence	- Some sentence	- Some sentence variety	voice
	variety	variety		- Active voice
				- Sentence variety
Mechanics	- Numerous errors	- Some errors	- Some errors, but they	- Minimal errors
	- Wrong verb tense	- Wrong verb tense	aren't distracting	
	- Serious issues with	- Some issues with		
	punctuation, spelling,	punctuation,		
	etc.	spelling, etc.		