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Below is the Traits of Writing version of the Essay Teacher Feedback Rubric.
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Essay Teacher Feedback - Traits of Writing

Name _____ Date _____ Hour _____

	Teacher: Circle or write in action steps students need to take to improve their papers. Students: Complete each action step. When you are finished with a row, place a checkmark in the box.						Student Checklist
Ideas The main message	State your purpose and audience	Choose a different form for your message.	Organize your ideas into paragraphs.	Focus on your subject; make a list of ideas.	State your main idea clearly		<input type="checkbox"/>
Organization The internal structure	Group related ideas into paragraphs.	Support your ideas with related details	Use chronological or logical sequencing	Use effective transitions	Write an interesting hook and summarize in the conclusion.		<input type="checkbox"/>
Voice The personal tone and flavor of the message	Rewrite with your purpose in mind.	Visualize your audience and write to them.	Express your interest, feelings, and insight in your writing.				<input type="checkbox"/>
Word Choice The vocabulary a writer chooses	Replace dead words with precise words.	Use more figurative language.	Add appositive phrases for more detail.	Make word choice with appropriate level of formality.	Use powerful words to provide energy.		<input type="checkbox"/>
Sentence Fluency The rhythm and flow of the language	Combine sentences with related ideas.	Repair choppy, incomplete, rambling sentences.	Vary sentences structure and length.	Read your work aloud and adjust sentence rhythm.			<input type="checkbox"/>
Conventions The mechanical correctness	Correct spelling of the circled words.	Correct sentence fragments and run-on sentences.	Correct misuse of capitalization and/or punctuation.	Make sure pronouns have antecedents.	Correct the subject and verb agreement.		<input type="checkbox"/>