Appendix F: Summit Public Schools Cognitive Skills Rubric

The cognitive skills included in Summit Public Schools' Cognitive Skills Rubric are listed below. For more detail about the April 2019 version of the rubric (in the right-hand column below), see https://cdn.summitlearning.org/assets/marketing/Cognitive-Skills-Document-Suite.pdf.

The May 2017 version (in the left-hand column below) had been at that location when we first downloaded it.

Cognitive Skills Rubric	Cognitive Skills Rubric
Dated May 2017	Dated April 2019

Skill Domain: Textual Analysis	Skill Domain: Textual Analysis (Close Reading)
Theme/central idea	Theme/central idea
Point of view/purpose	Point of view/purpose
Development	Development
Structure	Structure
Word choice	Word choice

Skill Domain: Using Sources	Skill Domain: Using Sources
Selecting relevant sources	Selecting relevant sources
Contextualizing sources	Contextualizing sources
Synthesizing multiple sources	Synthesizing multiple sources

Skill Domain: Inquiry	Skill Domain: Inquiry
Asking questions	Asking questions
Hypothesizing	Predicting/hypothesizing
Designing processes and procedures	Defining a design problem
	Planning and carrying out investigations

Skill Domain: Analysis & Synthesis	Skill Domain: Analysis & Synthesis
Identifying patterns & relationships	Identifying patterns and relationships
Comparing/contrasting	Comparing/contrasting
Making connections and inferences	Making connections and inferences
Critiquing others' reasoning	Evaluating competing design solutions
Justifying/constructing explanations	Interpreting data/info to make valid claims
Interpreting data/info	Organizing and representing information

Modeling	Modeling
	Evaluating arguments
	Designing a solution
	Constructing an evidence-based explanation

Skill Domain: Composing/Writing	Skill Domain: Composition/Writing
Argumentative Claim	Argumentative claim
Narrative	Narrative
Counterclaims	Counterclaims
Information/explanatory thesis	Informational/explanatory thesis
Selection of evidence	Selection of evidence
Integration of evidence	Integration of evidence
Organization (transitions, cohesion, structure)	Organization (transition, cohesion, structure)
Introduction and conclusion	Introduction and conclusion
Explanation of evidence	Explanation of evidence

Skill Domain: Speaking & Listening	Skill Domain: Listening & Speaking
Discussion/contribution	Contributing to evidence-based discussions
Preparation	Norms/active listening
Norms/active listening	

Skill Domain: Products & Presentations	Skill Domain: Products & Presentations
Style & language (tone, academic language, syntax)	Oral presentation
Oral presentation	Multimedia in communication
Multimedia in written production	Communicating accurately and precisely
Multimedia in oral presentation	
Conventions	
Precision	

Source: Summit Learning (2017, May). *Cognitive skills rubric*. Retrieved June 20, 2019, from https://cdn.summitlearning.org/assets/marketing/Cognitive-Skills-Document-Suite.pdf

Summit Learning (2019, April). *Cognitive skills rubric*. Retrieved June 7, 2020, from https://cdn.summitlearning.org/assets/marketing/Cognitive-Skills-Document-Suite.pdf