

NORTH TONAWANDA HIGH SCHOOL
School-Based Plans
2007-2008

DISTRICT FOCUS AREA: Learning and Achievement
GOAL # 1: Mastery rates will meet or exceed 2006-2007 levels

OBJECTIVES/ OUTCOMES	ACTION PLANS/STRATEGIES	TIME/PERSON RESPONSIBLE	HOW ACTIONS WILL BE MONITORED, EVALUATED	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT
Maintain/increase Mastery Rates	Department will develop a procedure for the creation of student journals.	January 2008 Foreign Language Department Committee	Procedure will be developed for journal writing and implemented throughout foreign language department. Mastery rates will be monitored.	Consult with ELA department to research and establish procedures for journal writing.
<p>At our January department meeting, the Foreign Language Department finalized plans for the development of student journals. All FL teachers will require their students to engage in journal writing. The writing will be done on a consistent basis, as determined by the teacher (daily, weekly), appropriate for the level of study. The journals will not be evaluated for content (in other words, not corrected overtly by the teacher) in order to provide students with an opportunity to practice writing in a self-evaluative and non-judgmental fashion. Journals will be graded as a class participation and/or homework grade to ensure that the work is being done. Journals will be kept in the newly-developed student portfolios.</p>				