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#LiteracyPromise

### LITERACY ESSENTIALS

## Engagement, Excellence, and Equity for All Learners

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### **Secrets of Good Writers**

- Think about their writing all the time (not just during writing time)
- Write to figure out what they want to say
- · Write with their reader in mind
- Reread as they go—helps their thinking
- Read piece aloud to self—hear how it really sounds
- Read a lot; read quality literature; read like a writer (notice what authors do, including craft)
- Get their behinds in the chair every day, and write
- Often write best in a quiet, organized space
- · Stick with it even when the going gets rough
- Don't always love to write but love having written
- · Get feedback from other writers
- Revise as they go along (not just after they have written)
- Know a lot about their topic (or find out what they need to know)
- Are relentless about accuracy: facts, conventions, spelling, form, format, grammar, presentation

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