**CP Benchmark 2 Skill List / Gillis / McClure / Morris**

*Benchmark Date: Monday April 17th*

I. ***Grammar***

Parts of Speech

Clauses

Independent

Dependent

Phrases

II. ***Reading***

Reading Comprehension

Making Inferences

Deciphering Vocabulary in Context

Understanding information in a chart or table

Reliable sources

Direct Characterization

Indirect Characerization

Literary Devices

Simile

Metaphor

Personification

Hyperbole

Onomatopoeia

Foreshadowing

Alliteration

**III. Writing**

MLA

Purpose

Entertain

Persuade

Inform

Thesis Statement

Counter-argument

Call-to-Action

Topic sentence

**IV. Mechanics**

Sentence corrections

Analogies

Fragments/Complete sentences

Punctuation

Commas

Colons

Semi-colons