

## Learning Activity A-1

Possible Points: 20 **Passing Score: 15/10**

		Exemplary	Approaching	Developing
	Score	15	8	0
<b>Content and Critical Thinking</b>	__/15	A strong argument is established that explains why an aligned curriculum framework is needed for effective instruction; Argument is well supported with relevant ideas;	Response refers to why an aligned curriculum supports instruction, but does not go into detail about how it does so;  Few examples and details support explanation;	Response lacks a rationale for the existence and purpose of a curriculum framework;
		Response makes solid connections about how big ideas, essential questions, concepts, and competencies are intertwined to prepare students for higher levels of academia;	Response alludes to subtle connections about how the components of the curriculum framework are intertwined. Little to no examples are included that explain why it is vital to prepare students for higher grade levels;	Nonspecific and general in nature, lacks reflective thinking about the impact curriculum framework has on students' success;
		A thorough explanation is offered with examples of how a curriculum framework assists teachers as they design instruction; OR an argument articulates how the Curriculum Framework supports a vision for career and college readiness	Some vague examples are included to attempt to illustrate how a curriculum framework would assist teachers as they design instruction; OR, a superficial argument is made that articulates how the Curriculum Framework supports a vision for career and college readiness	Does not document or specify any areas that are important to a child's education that are not covered by SAS;  Response does not convey how the Curriculum Framework supports students as they prepare for career and college readiness;

	Score	5	3	0
<b>Mechanics</b>	___/5	<p>Cohesive and fluent response of at least two double-spaced pages or five paragraphs;</p> <p>Proper grammar and spelling usage;</p>	<p>Comprehensible response, but lacks development;</p> <p>Some grammar and spelling errors;</p>	<p>Incomprehensible response; lacks clarity</p> <p>Unorganized thoughts; poor grammar and spelling;</p>
<b>Total:</b>	___/20			