

# Curriculum Mapping

## Prior to Unit Writing

1. Divide the year into quadrants.
2. Block out the non-instructional days (use an actual calendar, e.g. desk calendar, electronic calendar, etc.).
  - a. Test dates
  - b. Picture dates
  - c. Field trips
  - d. Prom
  - e. Pep rallies
  - f. Holiday parties
  - g. Assembly programs
  - h. Reward Fridays
  - i. Professional learning
  - j. Review days
  - k. etc.
3. Using standards that are on sticky notes or strips of paper, group the standards according to concept, genre, theme, etc. in a quadrant.
4. Identify strands/topics (unit topics) of the standards in each quadrant and determine time needed to cover the strand/topic.
5. Decide if the quadrant has enough time to teach the unit topics. If not, shift the topics or carry over into the next quadrant keeping in mind prerequisite skills, test dates, etc.
6. Transfer the information to a template.