

# WRITING

## **Definition**

The act of using written words to communicate ideas. Children develop several skills as they become writers, including how to organize their ideas, how to use written symbols (letters and words) to record those ideas and how different types of writing are organized

## **Writing**

This website gives information about the basics of writing, videos about supporting students while writing, and tips for parents. There is access to numerous articles from research that has been conducted.

## **Ideas for Home**

- Create writing stations. Keep markers, crayons, pencils, and paper in places around your home that offer lots of light and flat surfaces to work on. Be sure to offer lots of choices of materials for your child to create with.
- Trace and say letters. Have your child use a finger to trace a letter while saying the letter's sound. Do this on paper, in sand, or on a plate of sugar.
- Encourage your child to help you create a menu when guests come for dinner.
- Have your child write out your grocery list before going and while at the store, have your child read the list to you and mark off as they go.
- Comic books. Have your child create a comic book with illustrations for the family to enjoy.
- Have your student write in a diary or a journal.
- While on vacations or even day trips, have your student write down everything you see and do together.