**School: Durham School of the Arts Classroom: Creative Writing 3/4 Grade Level: 9-12**

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| **What is the teacher doing (How are they teaching)?** | **What are the students doing (How are they learning)?** |
| **Ms. Donovan is walking around the classroom and conferencing with individual students and answering questions.**  **Ms. Donovan provides specific feedback to students.** | **Students are sitting at desks and working on the laptop.**  **Some students are listening to music as they work.**  **Students are writing either a poem, short story, or novel.** |

**Below, give examples showing how the teacher/school ensures that learning is happening by meeting the various developmental needs of students at this age?**

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| **Physical Development** | | | | **Language and Literacy Development** | | | |
| -Students are practicing typing skills by using a laptop.  - | | | | -Students are writing either poetry, a short story, or a novel. | | | |
| **Cognitive Development** | | | | **Self-Concept, Identity, and Motivation** | | | |
| - Ms. Donovan checks in with individual students and provides specific feedback.  - Students are thinking creatively as they write their assignment.  - “I Can” Statements and Essential Questions are written on the board  -Calendar on the board lists all upcoming due dates.  -Bulletin board lists upcoming events. | | | | -Ms. Donovan has designed a unique classroom. Lamps establish a calm environment. The large windows provide a lot of natural light.  -Students choose which type of assignment they will work on.  -Students can listen to music as they work.  -Ms. Donovan uses language that is positive and encouraging.  -Recommended books are placed on the board-The books highlight stories from a variety of perspectives.  -Box of school supplies is located near the classroom door.  -Student work is posted around the classroom. | | | |
| **Peer Relations and Moral Development** | | | | | | | |
| -The students demonstrate behavior that illustrates that this classroom has a culture which highlights respect, responsibility, and hard work.  -Student work is posted around the classroom.  -Ms. Donovan uses language that is positive and encouraging. | | | | | | | |