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

*Benchmark Date: Monday April 17th*

I. ***Grammar***

 Parts of Speech

 Clauses

 Independent

 Dependent

 Phrases

 Appositive

 Prepositional

 Noun

 Gerund

 Participial

 Parallel Structure

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