

Writing Center – Sarah Taber

In the classroom, Sarah Taber implements her Star Innovator area of expertise through helping students grow more confident in their writing skills. “When you graduate from St. Teresa’s Academy, you will be writing papers in all of your classes so we want students to graduate as confident communicators,” she explains. She focuses on brainstorming, understanding a prompt, writing a thesis, revising a paper and understanding how to cite.

Taber uses many different methods to practice writing in her classroom. Quickwrites are short essays displaying the content and skills being learned in class. Having quickwrites a couple of times a week helps implement her Star Innovator area of expertise in the classroom. “Quickwrites are like a chem lab for writing,” Taber states. As an athlete, she recognizes that practice is important and students need to practice skills to improve writing.

Taber also points out great moves in writing, encouraging her students: “ I think we get excited when our writing is doing something in the world, and so I try to point out when I see a student do something great.” Engaging students and getting them enthusiastic about their writing helps make a supportive and fun environment for students

Contributed by: Ava Smith, STA junior