## Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP) and MEAP-Access\* Analytic Rubric Informational Writing Grades 4 and 7

|                           | 0  | 1   | 2  | 3  |
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| Ideas (points<br>doubled) | Ideas are not<br>focused on the<br>task and/or are<br>undeveloped.   | Ideas are minimally<br>focused on the task with<br>limited details and<br>examples.   | Ideas are somewhat<br>focused on the task and<br>are developed with some<br>details and examples.  | Ideas are clearly focused on<br>the task and are thoroughly<br>developed with relevant details<br>and examples.  |
| Organization              | No organization<br>evident.  | Organization and connections between ideas are weak.  | Organization and connections between ideas are logical.  | Organization and connections<br>between ideas are clear,<br>logical and appropriate for the<br>context.  |
| Style                     | Ineffective use<br>of language for<br>the writer's<br>purpose and<br>audience.   | Limited use of language,<br>including lack of variety in<br>word choice and<br>sentences, may hinder the<br>effectiveness of the<br>writer's purpose and<br>audience. | Adequate command of<br>language, including<br>accurate word choice and<br>clear sentences, is<br>effective for the writer's<br>purpose and audience.   | Command of language,<br>including precise word choice<br>and varied sentence structure,<br>is highly effective for the<br>writer's purpose and audience.           |
| Conventions               | Ineffective use<br>of conventions<br>of Standard<br>English** for<br>grammar,<br>usage, spelling,<br>capitalization,<br>and punctuation. | Limited use of<br>conventions of Standard<br>English** for grammar,<br>usage, spelling,<br>capitalization, and<br>punctuation for the grade<br>level.                 | Adequate use of<br>conventions of Standard<br>English** for grammar,<br>usage, spelling,<br>capitalization, and<br>punctuation for the grade<br>level. | Consistent, appropriate use of<br>conventions of Standard<br>English** for grammar, usage,<br>spelling, capitalization, and<br>punctuation for the grade<br>level. |

Any condition code will result in a score of 0 for all traits: A is Off-topic; B is Illegible or written in a language other than English; C is Blank; D is Insufficient to rate.

\*The same rubric is applied to both MEAP and MEAP-Access responses. However, the MEAP and MEAP-Access papers are scored by separate range finding committees that interpret the rubric in light of the populations that take each assessment.

\*\*Standard English is the form of English most widely accepted for writing in schools.