



## Getting Started is as Easy as 1, 2, 3!

*Write on, NY!* is a New York State Education Department website initiative that promotes and supports student writing in New York State. The initiative utilizes the Lifelong Practices for Readers and Writers to encourage student engagement in writing. The [Write on, NY! webpage](#) highlights each practice, under which are elements that then link to key elements for writing, as well as classroom resources.

Here are three first steps you can take right now to prioritize writing in your school and district.

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| 1 | <p><b>Make a public commitment to writing as a priority in the classroom and in the school community.</b></p> <p>Pledge your commitment to the students and families/caregivers of the community to making writing an essential part of the curriculum across subject areas.</p>   |
| 2 | <p><b>Convene a school- or district-wide writing committee to prioritize writing across the grades and subject areas.</b></p> <p><i>This committee should be instituted by leadership and include teachers, administrators, special education, and multilingual learner teachers, and include opportunities for participation from family/caregivers and students.</i></p>             |
| 3 | <p><b>Incorporate the <i>Lifelong Practices for Writers</i> and associated elements in your classroom instruction and school culture.</b></p> <p><i>Through curriculum and lesson plan review and development, ensure the Lifelong Practices for Writers and associated elements are addressed within the school instructional goals and are present in classroom instruction.</i></p> |

