Essay writing supports are built into Content Enhancement graphic organizers. Get the most power from your instruction, and give your students a big boost in their abilities to write good essays. Research, samples, and guidelines will be presented. Samples of graphics and associated guidelines and scaffolds will be presented for Question Exploration, Concept Mastery, Cause-and-Effect, Comparison, and Argumentation. In addition, time will be available for discussion of challenges for students as they answer questions that require written responses, and how teachers can respond. Based on audience interests, discussion will include how standards are expanding the need for written responses, and what supports content-area teachers need as they incorporate writing instruction into their classes. Attendees can provide feedback on the samples and essay writing guidelines presented, and suggestions for future research and development.

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