

Tahoma School District
Thinking Skills

- ◆ Goal Setting Determining direction and monitoring progress
- ◆ Problem Solving A situation that needs resolution
- ◆ Decision Making Choosing from alternatives
- ◆ Observing Using your senses to learn about something in detail
- ◆ Comparing/Contrasting Looking for similarities and differences
- ◆ Sequencing Arranging things in an order
- ◆ Classifying Grouping things by common characteristics and assigning labels
- ◆ Finding Patterns Detecting repetitions
- ◆ Predicting Determining what will happen next
- ◆ Inferring Deriving meaning from clues, hints, evidence
- ◆ Finding Evidence Proof to support a given statement
- ◆ Main Idea Major point or central thought
- ◆ Summarize Restate in a simplified or condensed version
- ◆ Fact and Opinion Fact: That which can be proved or disproved
Opinion: A belief or judgment
- ◆ Cause and Effect Recognizing actions and their reactions
- ◆ Point of View Determining perspectives
- ◆ Detecting Bias Finding a one-sided or slanted point of view
- ◆ Analysis Breaking into parts to determine meaning
- ◆ Synthesis Creating a new whole
- ◆ Evaluation Judging using a criteria