

TASIS SERVES

GUIDELINES FOR EVALUATION AND REFLECTION STATEMENT

Please address the following questions in your evaluation and reflection statement. Each question should be answered in a separate paragraph; your completed essay should consist of 5 paragraphs and should be at least 1 page in length.

Paragraph 1: The Project: Briefly describe the kind of service you performed. •What were your responsibilities? Briefly describe your tasks/duties • Were you able to share your personal gifts/talents in this position? How? • If orientation was provided by the agency, was it good, adequate, or insufficient? In what respect might the orientation be improved? • Was your supervisor/sponsor available?• How good were the instructions you were given, and could you follow them easily? • With the tasks you were given to perform, was there enough opportunity for you to take initiative? •Were your talents/gifts well utilized? • Is there anything you would like to have known ahead of time that would have made your service a more rewarding and worthwhile experience? What?

Paragraph 2: What did you learn about yourself through this experience? One of the results of engaging in service to others is learning something about yourself. Please describe how your service taught you something new about yourself, your skills, or your capabilities.

Paragraph 3: What did you learn about others (those whom you served)? Did you have any preconceived notions about those you would serve before beginning the project? Did these notions change?

Paragraph 4: What 'strengths' and 'weaknesses' in you did this project bring out? Every time we try something new, we learn about what we do well and what we still need to work on. What did you learn about your strengths and weaknesses by working on this project?

Paragraph 5: Would you personally recommend this project to someone else? Why?

Thinking further:

If you are engaged in any of the following types of projects, you may want to use these questions as guides in writing your essay.

For Social Service Projects: Would the situations these people find themselves in involve a 'justice' issue of some type? Why? Who should be concerned with this issue? Could you be of assistance to these people outside of your required service project? Should you? Does your responsibility toward these people end with this project?

For Environmental Service Projects: In which way would the service you provided benefit the environment and mankind? If you worked together with an organization, could you be of assistance to these people outside of your required service project? Should you? Does your responsibility toward this issue end with this project?

For Education Service Projects: In what way did the service you provided benefit the learner? What value do you attribute to your contribution? Why? What feedback did you get from those you helped?

All essays must be emailed to Dr. Norris at cnorris@tasisengland.org.

***Essays are due by:
2 March, 2015 for Seniors
1 May, 2015 for Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors***

You must write your essay as soon as you finish your project, but no later than the deadline above.