**MIDYEAR REFLECTION PAPER**

Your Name

Entering the School Year

 Please look back at your time before the school year began and reflect on what your expectations were entering the school year. Discuss new classes you were about to take, new jobs you may begin, sports teams or clubs you were going to either join or participate with and tell me why these things were something you either looked forward to start, feared or were curious what may happen. Be specific with your thoughts and most importantly be honest. Your summation on this section should be in no less than 2 well thought out paragraphs. Be clear to the reader of this as to your expectations, without getting into what actually took place

Review of First Half of School Year

 Look back over the first 4 months of the school year and review how your expectations played out. In other words, did any classes start out well, but fall short. Or, were some courses or activities that you thought may be difficult, possibly something you found very comfortable or easy to complete and why. Please also explain your progress currently in any sports, clubs, work or activities you may be a part of, if your expectations so far has been met, and why. Complete this section in no less than 2 paragraphs as well.

Goals and Conclusions

 Every school year usually ends with a student looking back and saying to themselves “Why didn’t I do \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” or “I wish I would have spoken out about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” or “I wished I pushed myself harder on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” or something like that. Reflect on what the school year has offered so far and set a few goals to push yourself to do something you think you may have a hard time completing and tell me why this is important to you. In addition, explain to me what steps you will take to meet this goal and how you will reflect on this before the school year ends to determine if you met your goal, exceed it or failed to meet the goal.

Extra Credit

 Every year during the holidays, it is a perfect time to be reflective about the wonderful things in your life you have, rather than the things you wish you had. Review something you are thankful for and explain why. In addition, if you could give a gift to someone in need, what would that gift be and why. This topic is something interviewers attempt to get out of possible employees, as it shows you are willing to work for what you get, likely, you are a team player and you have respect for working with others to complete goals (Teamwork). Please complete this section in no more than 2 paragraphs.