

Essay for PreAP Consideration

Writing an essay is one of the criteria you can use to earn enough points to gain entry into the Llano High School PreAP/AP program. Please note it is possible to qualify with enough points without doing the essay. You could still qualify with enough points based on teacher recommendation score(s), a summer project, STAAR test score(s), and your final average in your core subject class(es).

If you choose to write the essay, you will need to do so on campus at Llano High School when you turn your project in on July 14th. You cannot write the essay in advance and simply turn it in with your project. The essay will need to be written on paper supplied by Llano High School. (You can come to the high school prior to July 14th and write the essay at the school but not after. Please note the district vacation is July 7-11).

The essay will be rated for following the conventions of good grammar/spelling as well as for its depth of thinking, elaboration, structure, etc. You can receive a score of 0 for not attempting the essay at all up to a 3 for a well-developed, well-written essay.

The topic for the essay is below so you can put some thought into it before you write it on July 14.

Essay Topic

Advanced Placement classes are designed to challenge students' abilities and greatly increase their academic knowledge and skills. Students must be able to exhibit the abilities to achieve these goals through dedication, initiative and the desire and ability to learn independently.

Write a one page mini-essay as to why you think you qualify to be an AP student and how you believe that, by taking these advanced, rigorous courses it will help you with your future goals in both education and your career.