**Personal Reflection Essay Possible Areas of Discussion**

* Syntax: Sentence variety (4 sentence types and punctuation used to create)
* Diction
* Paragraph structure

\*claims \*evidence \*explanation \*conclusion sentences \*transitioning

\*importance of leading into and out of quotes

\*relevance of evidence

* MLA formatting (w/works cited page)
* Organizational patterns
* Flow of ideas
* 9 methods to start an essay
* 3 ways to end an essay
* In-text citation from sources
* Rhetorical devices (ethos/pathos/logos)
* Writing basics (subject/verb agreement, p.o.v, punctuation, capitalization, etc…)
* Research papers (process, time, planning, etc…)
* Rewrite opportunities (benefits of/identifying and correcting errors)
* Glow and Grow activity
* Presentations (multimedia)
* Community service (importance/significance)
* Online assignments (aka – APEX)
* Online resources
* Annotation (importance/significance)
* Yellow handbook readings
* Analysis of readings

\*author’s purpose \*tone \*mode \* \*poetic devices

\*figurative language \*voice

* Novel reading

\*reading between the lines \*character analysis \*literary analysis

* Interpreting Shakespeare
* 5 basic questions while reading (importance of real world connections)
* Reading strategies
* Test-taking strategies
* Time management
* Self-government
* Rigor of course – challenges
* Campus tours (MSU and MCC)
* Self-evaluation of the year☺ taking it ALL into account (feelings/emotions/challenges/accomplishments/friendships/motivation/etc…)