Each essay response must be between 200-400 words. Two required essays.

There are two essay prompts listed below (1A and 1B). Choose ONE of the two to answer:

QUESTION 1:
A. Discuss one opportunity or challenge that you’ve experienced during your high school career that has shaped who you are today.

B. Pretend that you are a high school teacher. If you could choose any topic or subject to teach (other than the four core classes: language arts, math, science, social studies), what would it be? Why is it important, and what tactics or methods would you use to teach it? What is the life-long lesson you hope your students will take away from your class? Don’t limit yourself to subjects taught in classrooms today. Be creative and address all the questions.

There are two essay prompts listed below (2A and 2B). Choose ONE of the two to answer:

QUESTION 2:
A. Think of one problem or issue that is facing your generation. What is the problem, and what is causing it? Why is it unique to your generation, and how can you and your peers make a positive, lasting impact to solve it? Use examples and personal experiences, and be specific.

B. If you could spend the day with any one person (living or deceased, but not a member of your family), who would it be? Explain who this person is and discuss how their accomplishments have made an impact on your life.

One optional essay:
This essay is not required, but may qualify an applicant for additional awards. Responses given throughout the application are kept confidential within our application process.

1. We understand that some children and families are faced with challenging circumstances. To the best of your ability and within your comfort level, discuss how you or your family have been impacted by a difficult situation.