

# BETA Essay Directions

Choose one of the following prompts and respond in a 250-300 word essay. Your essay should be **typed, double-spaced, and 12-pt. font**. It should be thoughtful, well-planned, and written for a formal, discerning audience.

## **Prompts to choose from (Select ONE to write about)**

1. Why should you be selected for the EGHS Chapter of the National Beta Club?
2. Write about a specific time you exemplified leadership and what you learned from it.
3. Explain in detail a specific type of service project you would carry out to benefit the community.

**\*\*Failure to comply with any of the essay requirements above will result in immediate loss of consideration. \*\***

## **Scoring Rubric**

	<b>Strong</b>	<b>Sufficient</b>	<b>Limited</b>
<b>Content (10)</b>	Candidate demonstrates a strong understanding of his/her strengths, leadership, and/or community need through specific, thorough, and well explained examples.  <b>10-9 points</b>	Candidate demonstrates a sufficient understanding of his/her strengths, leadership, and/or community need through somewhat specific and adequately explained examples.  <b>8-7 points</b>	Candidate demonstrates a limited understanding of his/her strengths, leadership, and/or community need through non-specific and poorly explained examples.  <b>6-0 points</b>
<b>Writing Style (10)</b>	Candidate demonstrates a strong awareness of task, uses a sophisticated arrangement of ideas, and showcases a precise and illustrative variety of words and sentence structure.  <b>10-9 points</b>	Candidate demonstrates a sufficient awareness of task, uses a functional arrangement of ideas, and showcases a generic variety of words and sentence structure.  <b>8-7 points</b>	Candidate demonstrates a limited awareness of task, uses an inconsistent arrangement of ideas, and showcases a limited variety of words and sentence structure.  <b>6-0 points</b>
<b>Conventions (5)</b>	Candidate demonstrates a strong control of grammar, mechanics, spelling, usage and sentence formation. (0-1 errors)  <b>5-4 points</b>	Candidate demonstrates a sufficient control of grammar, mechanics, spelling, usage and sentence formation. (2-3 errors)  <b>3-2 points</b>	Candidate demonstrates a limited control of grammar, mechanics, spelling, usage and sentence formation. (4+ errors)  <b>1-0 points</b>