

# EASTPORT-SOUTH MANOR JR.-SR. HIGH SCHOOL



With your application you also need to complete A, B & C:

- A. **Reflection Essay:** 600-800 words in response to the prompt below (demonstration of reading and writing ability)
- B. **Oral presentation** (demonstration of speaking ability)
- C. **Interview** (demonstration of listening ability)

→ Write a 600-800 word essay in the target language about your experience learning the language, including your motivation, connections, reflections and goals. Your essay must include a reflection about an article or book you read in the target language. You can use the following questions as a guide for your essay.

1. **MOTIVATION:** Why did you learn a new language? How did you learn the new language? Who inspired you to learn another language? How does learning another language bring personal enjoyment, enrichment, and/or make a difference in your life?
2. **COMMUNICATION & CULTURE:** Describe the opportunities you have had to use the target language in real life, and what you learned from those experiences. Identify an article or book you read in the new language, and reflect on the impact it had on you. What did you learn from it? How did learning a new language teach you about another culture?
3. **CONNECTIONS & COMPARISONS:** Describe yourself as a language learner. What are the challenges you find when you learn a new language? What makes you continue learning? What similarities and differences have you noticed between the two languages you know? Has learning the target language changed you in any way?
4. **GOALS:** What are your goals as a language learner? How do you plan to use or improve your language skills in the future?