

All you do is sit
staring at a blank
sheet of paper
until drops
of blood
form on your
forehead.

Drama is life with the dull bits cut out.
- Alfred Hitchcock

only in childhood is not
worth reading even then.
- C.S. Lewis

The beautiful thing
about writing is that
you don't have to get
it right the first
time. I mean, I say, a
brain surgeon.
Robert Cromier

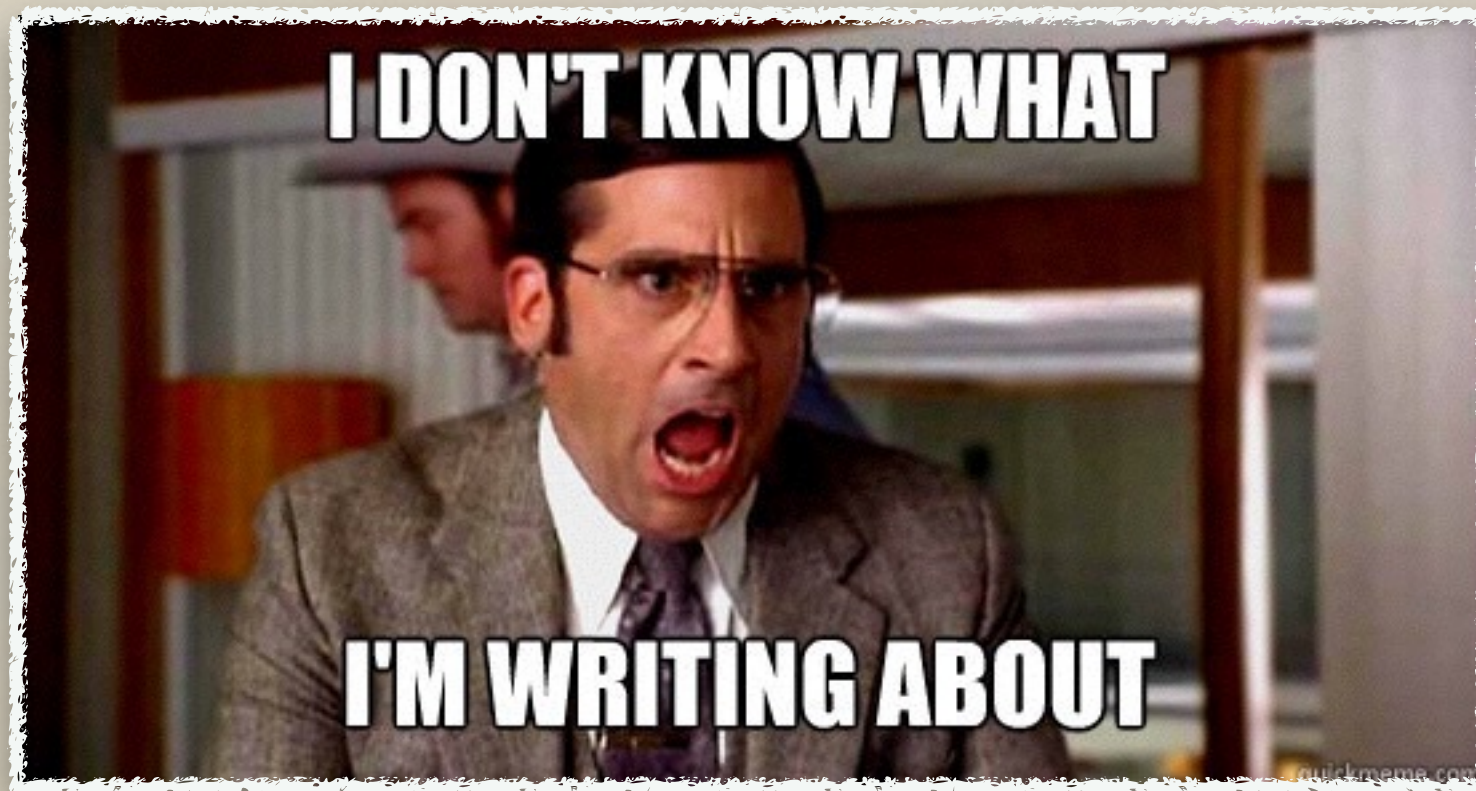
Sometimes you have
to go on when you
don't feel like
it, and sometimes
you're doing good
work when it feels
like all you're
managing is to
shovel shit from a
sitting position.
- Stephen King

WHY YOU SHOULD BE A WRITING CENTER TUTOR

One word
at a time
- Stephen King

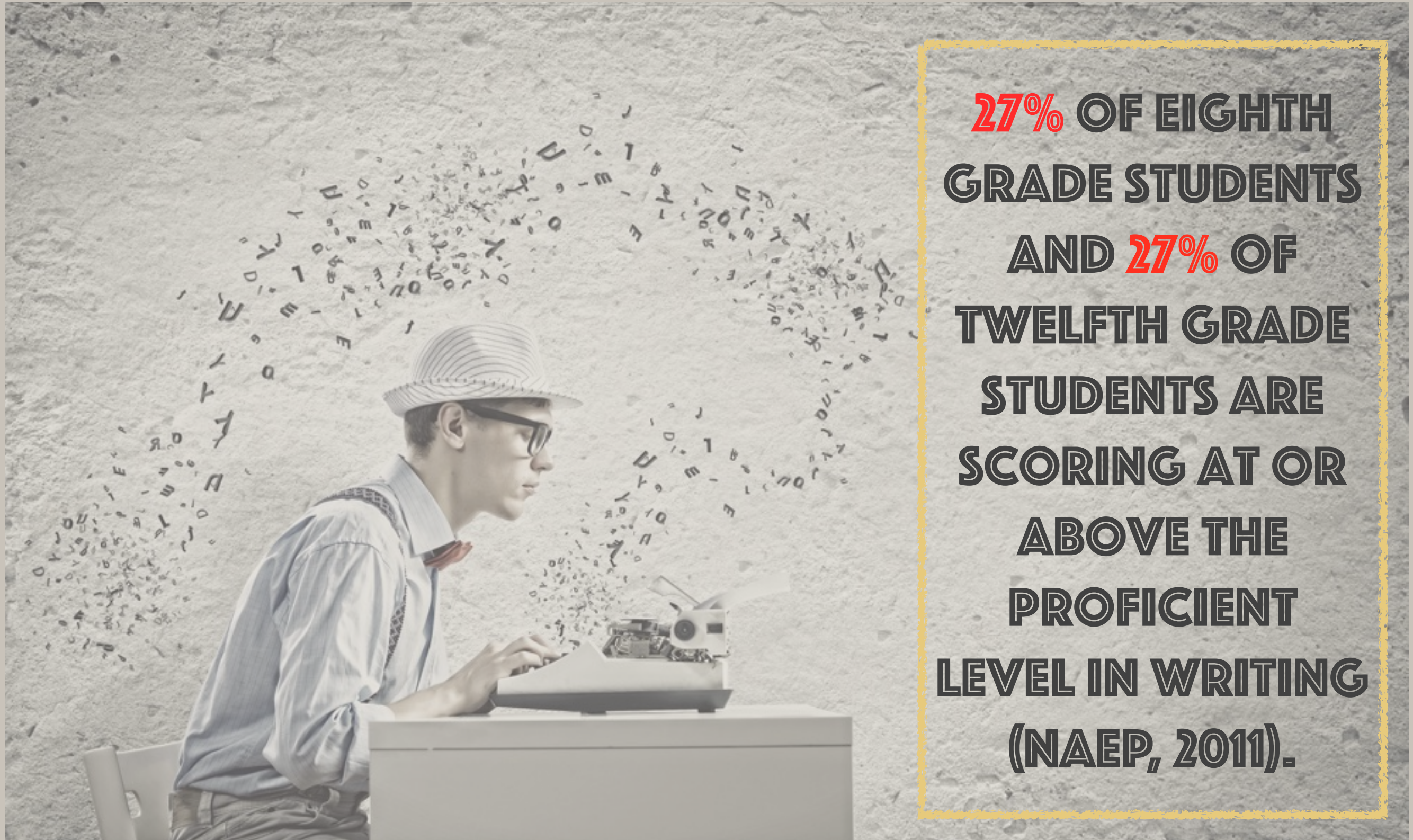
I wondered whether or not I was lazy. When you are a writer you feel
lazy even when you are working. The gods said to sit cross-legged

Writing: How Students Feel



A TUTOR'S JOB IS TO HELP!

Writing: What the Research Shows

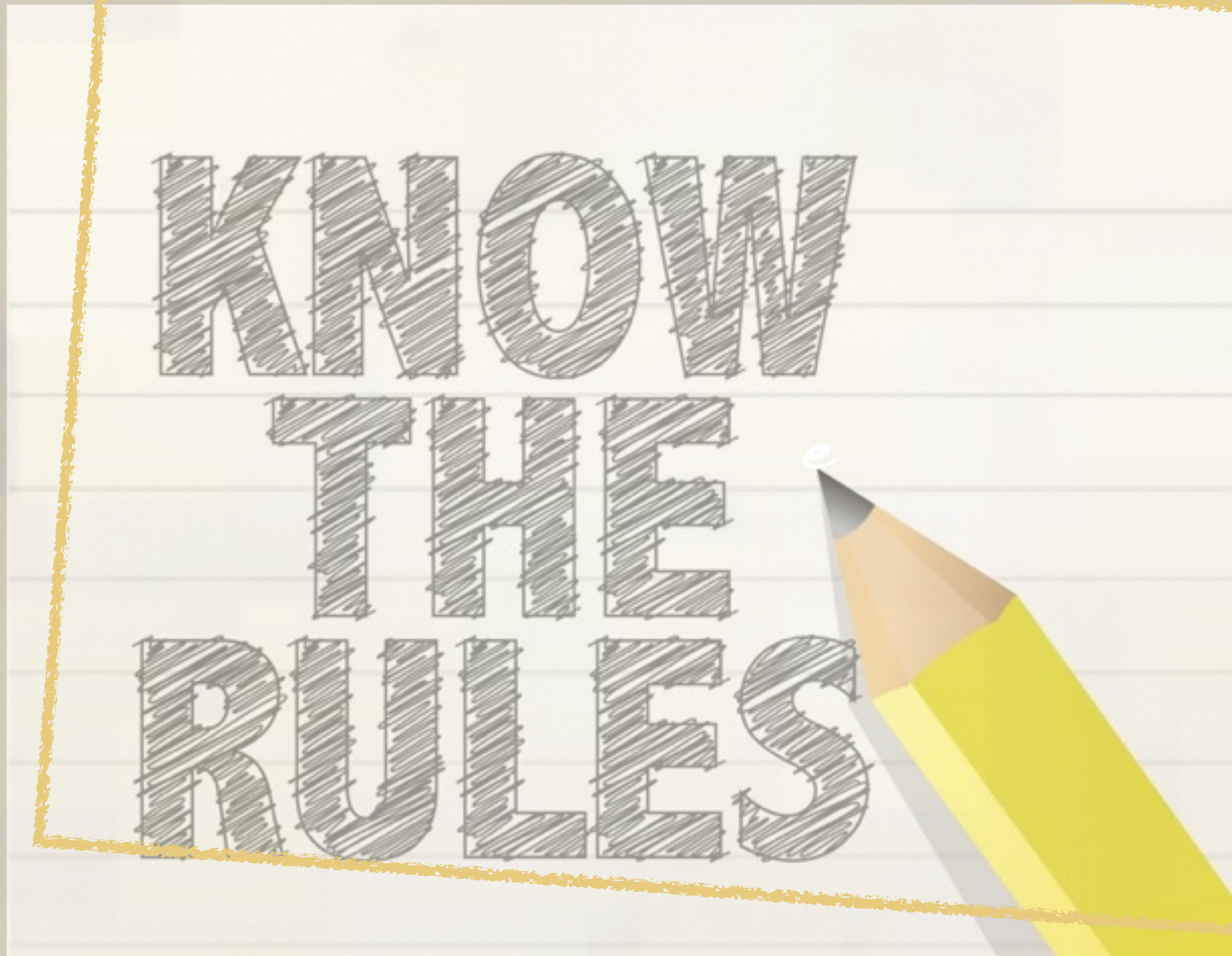


27% OF EIGHTH
GRADE STUDENTS
AND **27%** OF
TWELFTH GRADE
STUDENTS ARE
SCORING AT OR
ABOVE THE
PROFICIENT
LEVEL IN WRITING
(NAEP, 2011).

Our Mission

JCHS STRIVES TO CREATE A SAFE AND WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT THAT SUPPORTS WRITERS AT EVERY STAGE OF THE WRITING PROCESS THROUGH A ONE-ON-ONE, INDIVIDUALIZED APPROACH. WE WILL HELP YOU GAIN THE SKILLS YOU NEED TO BECOME A BETTER WRITER.

Tutors make the process *Easier*



What does a tutor do?

THE WRITING CENTER IS NOT ONLY A PLACE TO GROW AS A WRITER, BUT A PLACE THAT ENCOURAGES THAT GROWTH IN OTHERS. WE ARE A COMMUNITY OF OVER 20 TUTORS WHO BELIEVE WRITING MATTERS AND WHO ARE ALWAYS PUSHING OURSELVES TO LEARN MORE ABOUT WRITING. THESE ARE SOME OF THE THINGS WE DO:

- ➡ “Flex in” to classes during SHIELD
- ➡ Design writing workshops
- ➡ Conduct data analysis
- ➡ Manage and schedule tutors
- ➡ Create handouts
- ➡ Post to the JCHS WC blog
- ➡ Tweet about what we’re doing
- ➡ Present at local and national conferences

Common Problems in Writing: Cause and Effect

Organization: Thesis statements, topic sentences, and more



Analysis and Critical Thinking



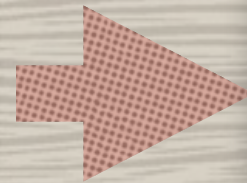
Voice and Tense



Citing Sources



WRITING



Tutors in Action

*Sometimes teachers request the WC tutors come in during **SHIELD** to work with students on reflecting, revising, and shaping their writing.*



Is tutoring *write* for me?

- "A" OR "B" IN ENGLISH
- SOPHOMORE, JUNIOR, OR SENIOR
- STRONG BACKGROUND WRITING
- STRONG CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS
- STRONG COMMITMENT TO HELPING OTHER STUDENTS BECOME MORE EFFECTIVE WRITERS.
- PERSONAL QUALITIES CONDUCIVE TO ONE—ON—ONE CONFERENCES, INCLUDING A FRIENDLY, APPROACHABLE MANNER; PATIENCE; GOOD LISTENING ABILITIES; AND A SENSE OF MATURITY AND RESPONSIBILITY.

How to Apply

Applications for the 2016-2017 school year will be available in March. Completed applications will be due in May. *See Ms. Winstead in 2612.*

- You will participate in an informal interview with the Writing Center coordinator
- You must be recommended by an English teacher
- You must complete a grammar diagnostic and mock-tutoring exercise



