

## 8th Grade Band Field Trip To Northwestern University Writing Assignment

After our trip to work with Dr. Farris, I want you to reflect on our day. Please answer the two questions below. The assignment is due on Friday, February 15. It should be neatly hand written or typed. A typed paper should be no more than one page (use size 12 , single spaced). A hand written paper should be no more than two pages.

Please Describe:

1. - a short reflection of the day  
where, what and when
2. -What did you get from the experience and  
working with Dr. Farris?  
- How did the trip help you understand/perform the  
pieces better

### RUBRIC - Ideas

#### 5. My paper is clear, focused and filled with important information.

You can tell I thought a lot about the Northwestern performance clinic.

I included lots of detail about the day and what I learned from our experience. The reader can identify my main ideas about the trip.

#### 3. My paper is of a general nature, with some details.

I thought a little bit about the Northwestern clinic. I included a few details about our trip and what I learned from the experience. I can sort of identify my ideas from all the others.

#### 1. My paper says very little about the topic.

I did not think about the trip to Northwestern and the clinic. I used very little detail to describe our

experience at the clinic. I can not identify my main ideas.

### Conventions

Almost anything a copy editor would attend to falls under the heading of conventions. This include punctuation, spelling, grammar and usage, capitalization, and paragraphing.

5. I know my conventions and it shows. I made so few errors, it would be a snap getting this ready to publish.

Capitals are in the right place.

Paragraphs begin in the right spots.

Great punctuation – grammar too.

My spelling (even difficult words) would knock your socks off.

An editor won't have much to do on this paper.

There is sufficient length and complexity to demonstrate a range of conventions appropriate to the writer's grade level.

3. Some bothersome mistakes show up when I read carefully.

There may be a few spelling errors.

Capitals are mostly OK.

There may be some errors in grammar.

You might stumble over my punctuation.

I'd definitely need to do some editing to get this ready to publish.

Basics are okay. I haven't written much to show my knowledge of conventions.

1. Better read it once to decode, then once again for meaning.

Look out for spelling mistakes.

There may be some run-on sentences and comma splices.

I could use a period in some places.

There are some distracting errors in punctuation, capitalization, or grammar.