

## **Blizzard Bags for CP Writing and English 12**

### **Blizzard Bag #1**

**Write 25 Remember When..." statements.**

Who doesn't like to reminisce once in a while? Write 25 "Remember When..." statements about your classmates and your school days. Each one must be a complete statement. They should cover a variety of people, events, and ages. You can cover any time from kindergarten through your senior year. You will be sharing these so keep them school appropriate. If you have computer access, go ahead and type. If not, you can type them later.

### **Blizzard Bag #2**

**Write "My Legacy..." paper.**

As you prepare for graduation, I would like you to consider what is your legacy? What are you leaving behind for others? You should think through how you have impacted the lives of others within the school community. Perhaps it is a memory of something you did in school-an accomplishment you achieved or how you made a difference. Maybe, you served as an example, whether it was positive or negative (a former student wrote about his expulsion during his freshmen year and how that changed him. He hoped others would learn from his mistake.) Maybe, your legacy is a tangible item, such as a trophy in the cabinet, a seat in the cafeteria, a parking place, a locker or a bench. If you struggle with this, maybe consider what you would like to leave behind? The underlying question is: how do you want to be remembered by students and staff? As you write about your legacy, be sure to include how this came to be a legacy, why it is a legacy and what it says about you.

Your paper should be 1-2 typed pages.

## **Blizzard Bag #3**

### **Write a Reaction Paper**

Reaction or response papers are usually requested by teachers so that you will consider carefully what you think or feel about something you have read or you have seen. The following guidelines are intended to be used for reacting to a reading or to a film. Read an article or watch a film and think about the following questions:

- How do you feel about the reading or the film?
- What do you agree or disagree with?
- In what ways do you identify with the situation?
- What is the best way to evaluate the article or the film?

As you prepare to write your reaction paper, you may want to address the following:

- I think that...
- I see that...
- It seems that...
- I agree with...
- I disagree with...
- In my opinion...
- An applicable experience I have had is...
- I have read or have heard \_\_\_\_\_ which applies to this in these ways...
- A good quote is ...

Your reaction paper should be argumentative in nature, so you will want to begin with a claim in your introduction. Be sure to include the title and author or film director in introduction also. The introduction should provide a very, very brief synopsis of the article or the film. The body will provide support for your claim and the conclusion will provide closure.

The paper should be a typed 5 paragraph essay.