130.222. Principles of Hospitality and Tourism

All writing prompts address TEKS (1) The student applies academic skills for the hospitality and tourism industry. The student is expected to:

(A) write effectively using standard English and correct grammar;

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(2) The student uses verbal and nonverbal communication to provide a positive experience for guests and employees. The student is expected to:

(A) develop and analyze formal and informal presentations;

Think about what a positive experience for a guest and an employee looks like. Write a story that involves a guest having a positive experience with an employee in a restaurant, resort, or a hotel. (9th grade literary writing)

Think about a positive experience for a guest of a restaurant, resort, or hotel. Write an essay explaining what is involved in providing a positive experience for a guest of one of these establishments. (9th and 10th grade expository writing)

(3) The student demonstrates an understanding that personal success depends on personal effort. The student is expected to:

(A) demonstrate a proactive understanding of self-responsibility and self-management;

Think about why it is important to exhibit self-responsibly and self-management. Write an essay explain why these traits are important in the hospitality and tourism industries. (9th and 10th grade expository writing)

(B) explain the characteristics of personal values and principles;
Think about personal values and principles. Write an essay that explains the characteristics of personal values and principles. (9th and 10th grade expository writing)

(C) display positive attitudes and good work habits

Think about the importance of displaying a positive attitude and having good work habits. Imagine that you have a friend that is being negative and is not doing his or her best with work. Write an essay persuading your friend that a positive attitude and good work habits are important. (10th and 11th grade persuasive writing)

Think about the importance of displaying a positive attitude and having good work habits. Write a story about the benefits of having a positive attitude and good work habits. (9th grade literary writing)

(D) develop strategies for achieving accuracy and organizational skills.

Think about the importance of achieving accuracy and organizational skills. Write an essay explaining the why accuracy and organizational skills are important to success. (9th and 10th grade expository writing)

(4) The student develops principles in time management, decision making, and prioritizing. The student is expected to:

(B) analyze the importance of balancing a career, family, and leisure activities;

You have a relative that is spending too much time at their job. Write a letter convincing him or her that it is important to balance career, family, and leisure activities. (10th and 11th grade persuasive writing)

(7) The student demonstrates leadership, citizenship, and teamwork skills required for success. The student is expected to:

(A) develop team-building skills;

Think about team-building. Write an essay explaining the importance of team-building in the hospitality and tourism industries. (9th and 10th grade expository writing)

(8) The student explains how employees, guests, and property are protected to minimize losses or liabilities in the hospitality and tourism industry. The student is expected to:

(D) determine how environmental issues such as recycling and saving energy affect the hospitality and tourism industry.

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Imagine that you have a summer job working for someone who is wasteful. Write an essay persuading them to understand the importance of recycling and saving energy. (10th and 11th grade persuasive writing)