**Assignment Two: Begin investigating your college options and the application essay requirements.**

Even if you are aiming to attend UTEP or EPCC which do not require application essays, Ms. Zumr requires both a college application essay and a scholarship application for a grade in her class

1) Visit college sites and other places to determine the standards universities establish, essay prompts they typically assign, and sample essays they may post, e.g., The College Board is a great place to begin. Also check out a variety of college sites, e.g., the University of Arizona, and Essay Planning Sites (but do not sign up for help – they can cost).

2) You MUST become familiar with the Common Application and Apply Texas. You will learn a great deal here, and will have to use at least one of them later.

3) For your personal use, create a list of guidelines, typical prompts, and several example essays and place them in a folder labeled “College Applications.” Believe me, you will need this later.

4) Be ready to share your findings with the class.

IF YOU INTEND TO APPLY FOR A NATIONAL HISPANIC FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP, YOU MUST GET GOING NOW. THE DEADLINE IS APPROACHING.

If you are applying anywhere this summer, feel free to ask me for help. [MAZumr@episd.org](mailto:MAZumr@episd.org). My major objective for all of my students is to help you get into the college you prefer and to get the financial assistance you need.