

# ESSAY GUIDELINES

Please attach an essay that outlines the information listed below. This essay is the primary component of your application. There is a three-page limit. Essays must be double-space and well-written.

- ❖ **Introduction:** Introduce yourself using your full name and affiliation with AYSO. Include information about your home, family and community.
  
- ❖ **Academics:** Describe yourself as a student – how you made the grades you received and how much time you spend studying. Tell us who/what inspired you to pursue a college education. Tell us about school activities you were involved in.
  
- ❖ **Career Plans:** Describe your ultimate career goal. Tell us the steps you are taking to reach your goals. Explain what qualities you see in yourself that will help you in your journey and career. Discuss your strengths and weaknesses.
  
- ❖ **AYSO Involvement:** Share your years of participation with AYSO, the years you were involved and in what capacity. List the years you played and how you volunteered.
  
- ❖ **Closing:** Share how you plan to continue volunteering in the community in the future.