Application for Hugh O'Brian Leadership Competition

Each year, SBA selects one **sophomore** ambassador to attend the Hugh O'Brian Leadership Seminar, a three-day experience that will be held this year at Albright College, June 8-June 10. Registration costs are paid by Saint Basil Academy.

To qualify for this opportunity, you will need to write an essay on the following topic, and *turn it in to Mrs. Corrick in the Counseling Services Department by Monday, November 27*. **No late entries will be accepted.**

TOPIC: In one to two pages, please describe how and why you want to be a leader in your school and community. Please see the rubric on the back. In your essay, address the following:

Why are you interested in representing SBA at the Hugh O'Brian Leadership Seminar?

How are you sensitive and concerned about others and issues in your community?

What is both rewarding and challenging about being a good leader?

What skills do you possess that will contribute to your being a good leader? (i.e. courage to speak out and challenge status quo, critical thinking, creative problem-solving, strong communication skills)

Only typed essays will be read. Please include your name on your essay. A selection committee will choose one ambassador based on the essay and demonstrated character of each applicant.

Please rate the following qualities of the essay on a scale of 1 to 5, with 5 being the highest:

_____ Addresses the question of the most rewarding aspects of being a leader
_____ Addresses the question of the most challenging aspects of being a leader
_____ Clearly written
_____ Conveys critical and/or creative thinking
_____ Communicates desire to be a leader

_____ Sensitivity and concern for others
_____ Desire to be an SBA ambassador at the HOBY Leadership seminar
_____ Desire to communicate knowledge to others
_____ Courage to speak out for one's beliefs and challenge status quo
_____ Strong communication skills

_____ Total out of 50