PAPER #1: OUTLINE

1. Introduction
   1. Attention grabber:
   2. Topic (educational experience)
   3. What you were like before event
   4. What did this experience change about you?
   5. Lasting impact on you
2. First Body Paragraph: Who you were before the event
   1. Keeping in mind the change you are will describe because of the event, what were you like beforehand? Consider practical details (age, grade, attitude, etc.)
   2. Specific example of what you were like.
   3. End with a summary of what you were like to set up the event that changed you.
3. Specific Event
   1. What happened? Give supporting details to allow reader to follow your point.
4. Immediate impact on you
   1. Describe how things changed in the days and weeks after the event
   2. Analyze the relationship between what happened and the parts of you that changed: why did it change you?
5. Longer-term impact (i.e. today)
   1. How does the event continue to shape you (in terms of how you see yourself, your level of confidence, or another issue that has changed)?
   2. Has this change helped or hurt you?
6. Conclusion
   1. Recap who you were before, the actual event, and the short/long term impact on you.
   2. Broader implications: if the event created a positive change, how might our society help create similar opportunities for others? If the event created negative change, what should be addressed to help folks not experience that negative outcome?