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In Class Essay
February 4-8, 2008

Directions: Spend a few minutes planning your essay here (10 pts). You can use the Jane Shaffer model, or any other sort of graphic organizer to plan your essay. After you have a good idea of what you will write, compose your essay on blank lined paper. Your final essay should be at least four paragraphs long.

Sophomores: Use at least three elaboration strategies. Be sure to include them in your plan. When you are done writing, highlight your position statement in yellow, your supporting evidence in blue, and your elaboration strategies in pink.

Prompt: Someone once said, "Sports is an important part of any educational program for it develops leadership and independent thinking." Write a letter to your principal based on this quotation to persuade her to have more (or fewer) sports programs in our school.

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Essay Planner (graphic organizer or outline for each paragraph):