**Diocese of Allentown Writing Prompt**

**Descriptive Writing;  Third Grade**

**Sent September 27, 2017; Due November 3, 2017**

**First Trimester Writing Prompt**

***Teachers****: The students will have 3 class periods for students to plan, write, and proofread their response to this writing prompt. Please allow students additional time if needed to complete the prompt.* ***Direct the students to write one well-constructed descriptive paragraph using the prompt below or the teacher may construct a prompt based on a science topic.***

**Students: Writing Prompt**

1. Your body is made up of millions of tiny cells that help to make sure your body functions properly. It is your responsibility to respect your body and to take care of it. If your cells could talk about you, what do you think they would say? **In detail,** explain how your cells would describe what you do in your daily life to take care of your body.

**Plan**

*Before you write:*

Read the prompt carefully so you understand exactly what you are being asked to do.

Think about the topic and your audience.

Use an appropriate graphic organizer to organize your thoughts.

**Write**

*As you write:*

Refer to your graphic organizer to keep your thoughts organized.

Write a clear, interesting topic sentence that grabs the reader’s attention.

Support your topic sentence with at least 3 character traits and supporting details for each trait.

Write a good conclusion.

Be sure to include interesting descriptive words and varied sentences.

Use proper grammar, spelling, and punctuation.

**Proofread**

*After you write:*

Read your paragraph.

    Do your sentences make sense?

    Will the reader be able to understand what you are communicating?

    Are your spelling, grammar, and punctuation correct?

    **Did you check the rubric for expectations?**