**Assessment Rubric for Position Paper (Essay)**

The following are guidelines to indicate necessary components to be included in your paper:

1. Take a position on the following question, “If we are going to give funds to support a local community need, which one do you think is of greatest importance?” Include the question in your paper.

2. Clearly identify a local community need shared by the guest speaker.

3. Support your identified need with four reasons (two personal and two factual).

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| 4-point paper | Includes the question to be addressed  
Identifies the need of greatest importance  
Provides four supporting reasons (two personal and two factual) |
| 3-point paper | Includes the question to be addressed  
Identifies the need of greatest importance  
Provides two or three supporting reasons |
| 2-point paper | Includes the question to be addressed  
Identifies the need of greatest importance  
Provides one supporting reason |
| 1-point paper | Includes the question to be addressed  
Identifies the need of greatest importance  
Provides no supporting reasons |
| 0-point paper | Does not include the question to be addressed and/or the need of greatest importance  
Provides no supporting reasons |