Deaf Culture Event Essay

Due date: _____

Write an essay about a famous Deaf culture event. This event needs to involved a person/people who identify as Deaf – with an uppercase D. Deaf (with an uppercase D) refers to a "deaf people who shares a language – American Sign Language (ASL) – and a culture. The members of this group have inherited their sign language, use it as a primary means of communication among themselves, and hold a set of beliefs about themselves and their connection to the larger society." - Carol Padden and Tom Humphries, in *Deaf in America: Voices from a Culture* (1988).

Your Deaf Culture Essay must include:

- Name of the event (get approval from Professor)
- Date(s) and place(s) of the event
- Deaf person/people involved
- Describe the scene of the event in detail
- How did this impact the Deaf community?
 - o Short term
 - o Long term
- Work cited page using MLA
 - You must have at least 3 sources cited in your biography in MLA format.



- You may use books, periodic journals, magazines, videos, internet websites (from a credible source).
- Fill out the "Website Evaluation Check" list for each internet source you want to use. Fill out the first page of the "<u>Website Evaluation Checklist</u>" and print off the 1st page of the website. Each internet source must have 9 or more "Yes" answers in order to be considered a reliable source. You can turn these in to me in class.
- You can use <u>http://www.calvin.edu/library/knightcite/index.php</u> to help you create your work cited page. The in-text citations you must still create on your own.
- Wikipedia may <u>not</u> be used as a source.

Other Requirements:

The biography should be 2 full typed pages double-spaced, 12 point Arial font, and utilize MLA format. You should submit your essay through Safe Assign through Blackboard.

Need Help?

The AWC Academic library can help you find resources and evaluate their credibility about the Deaf person. Please utilize their free workshops to help you. If you need help writing, editing, or MLA format, you can get free tutoring at the AWC Student Success Center.