

## What makes a good All Star?

### All Stars have a *spark* inside.

We've identified a set of traits, or "competencies," that help us spot that spark:

Growth Mindset	Collaboration	Hustle
Seeks new challenges and believes effort and attitude make all the difference; sees failure as part of the process and bounces back quickly from setbacks	Works toward a common goal; listens, seeks input, contributes, and shares the spotlight.	Shows enthusiasm and ambition; seeks out and takes advantage of opportunities; takes an entrepreneurial and problem-solving approach

#### A few more things about All Stars:

All Stars are **self-reflective** and are **enthusiastic about the future**.

An All Star is **willing to take risks** and **embraces failure**.

All Stars are **curious about the world** and **enlist the help of others**.

## How to Read & Rate All Star Code Summer Intensive Applications

The Summer Intensive application includes five short essay questions. You won't score each essay, but rather the application as a whole.

You will score each application as a **0, 1 or 2**. Use this guide to help you determine the score:


SCORE	DESCRIPTION	RESULTS
<b>0</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Has made little or no effort to answer all five questions</li> <li>Does not demonstrate strength in any of the three learning competencies</li> <li>Is not ready for a rigorous, six-week learning program</li> </ul>	<u>Not a good fit</u> for the All Star Code Summer Intensive
<b>1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed application thoroughly</li> <li>Demonstrates strength in at least two competencies</li> <li>Shows readiness and interest in a rigorous six-week learning program</li> <li>Looks like there might be a spark!</li> </ul>	<u>Possibly a good fit</u> for the All Star Code Summer Intensive; needs further review
<b>2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>★ Took great care to write strong, compelling essays</li> <li>★ Demonstrates strength in two or three competencies</li> <li>★ Shows enthusiasm for a rigorous, six-week learning program</li> <li>★ Would be a great representative of All Star Code</li> </ul>	The spark is strong in this one! <u>Definitely a good fit</u> for the All Star Code Summer Intensive

#### Things to remember:

- ★ These are high school kids with a wide range of educational opportunities and experiences. Try not to judge based on grammar or writing skills. Look for the spark!
- ★ Your score will be added to two other scores, so don't fear making the "wrong choice."
- ★ Grade each application individually; avoid side-by-side comparisons or "saving your 2s." If it's good, it's good!

# Instructions


1. Log in using the User ID provided to you by ASC Staff. After logging in, you will be directed to a page that looks something like this:

**A L L S T A R C O D E** 

Check out our [How-To Guide](#) for instructions on reading and scoring applicant essays.  
You've completed 1 app(s) and have 1 on hold.

Students you've read so far:

17230

Students you have on hold: 

17361

Read and Score

Next Student

I'm done!

## All Star Tip:

You may have students on hold if you requested paper copies of your readathon essays, or if you left the readathon page before submitting a student's score.

### 2a. Digital/Remote Readers:

Click "Next Student" to pull an application from the database to read. Feel free to read as many as you wish. Our suggested contribution is reading and scoring 10 applications.

### 2b. Paper Copy Readers:

Each printed essay you receive will have a Unique Student ID Number at the top of the page. Find the same number under "Students you have on hold" and click "Read and Score" next to the ID number when you are ready to enter the applicant's score. Double check that the essays shown match the ones on your paper copy!

3. Scroll to the bottom of the page, and give the application a score from 0 to 2. If you feel compelled to include any comments about the essays or applicants, you may write them in the box below the score, but comments are not required. Click "Input" at the very bottom of the page when you are ready to submit your score (and comments, if any). Repeat steps 2 & 3 as necessary!

Score:

☐ 0

☐ 1

☐ 2

Comments (OPTIONAL):

Input

4. Click "I'm done!" when you are finished scoring essays. You can always return to the page and read more essays later if you wish, by logging in with your User ID.