Dear Students,

In celebration of the National Day of Writing, I have a lot of questions. I teach writing and I’m interested in the opinions of young people on why they write. I moved to Connecticut a year ago and I have a 101 questions to ask. For now, I narrowed them down to the above five.

Here are the directions. You can answer the questions any way you want. You can draw cartoons, write me a letter, create a list, write an essay, compose a poem or create a piece of art. The goal is for you to do your best to answer those five questions. The more you give me, the smarter I will become. Your teachers and I want to know what your relationship is to writing so we can better prepare you to be spectacular in the future.

You have 30 to 45 minutes to answer the questions. If you need more time, perhaps that can be arranged. If you take less time, that’s cool, too. I simply want to read from each and every student at Hill Central about what writing is to them. Throughout this year my friend, Dr. Jason Courtmanche, and I will be working with your teachers. Your cooperation is appreciated and we hope to meet you soon.

Best,  
me in my Cookie Monster hat

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