Conferencing Plan

I will be conferencing with my students on Friday of this week and Monday and Wednesday of next week. Conferences will be ten minutes each, and each of my students signed up for a time in class on Monday. They'll be doing in class peer reviews on Wednesday, and I told them to bring three copies of their rough draft with them to this class session—one copy of the rough draft is for me, the other two will be reviewed by their classmates. Collecting their drafts gives me a chance to read through them before the conferences begin.

My plan for the student conferences is to come with a few notes on each draft and then address any of the students' questions or concerns about their writing. This first round of conferencing is mandatory; conferencing for the second and third essays is optional but strongly recommended. I'm hoping that my students will find these individual meetings really helpful and want to meet with me for each of their major writing assignments.