AP Research—Hawkins

Final Poster Presentation--50% of Final Exam Grade

Presentation date/Poster due: 12/18/2017

**The Presentation—50%:**

The presentation will encompass an overview of the student’s entire research project up to this point (5-10 minutes in length)-it can include Powerpoint but this is not required. The presentation should demonstrate students’ understanding and expertise on their research topic, how they have arrived at their question, method and findings, and what further steps they plan to take to complete the project over the next few months.

In addition to a personalized “hook,” the presentation must include a discussion or statement on:

1) **The research question/project goal** based on a research gap (and how one arrived at the research question/goal)

2) **The research method** (and how it aligns to one’s research question/project goal as well as how or why one chose their method)

3) **The research argument** **(claim)/conclusions/impact of one’s research**—including any pertinent findings. If a student has not finalized one’s conclusions one will discuss (a) possible conclusions based on what evidence/results one has found thus far and (b) what steps one needs/plans to take to finalize one’s conclusions.

4) **An explanation/discussion** of “how steps in the research process led to the development of the student’s conclusions” (including any challenges and/or revisions that took place during the research process) and future steps to be taken and why.

Following the presentation, the teacher will pose 2 questions from the AP Research question bank (w/possible follow-up questions). Students’ presentations will be graded from the AP Research oral defense rubric on content and engaging the audience.

**The Poster (36”x48”)—50%**

The poster can be a tri-fold or flat, but if flat one should provide a stand in order to display it during one’s presentation.

The poster should follow a similar format/template of earlier posters with addition of a findings/results section and a conclusion section.

Suggestion: print out each section/graph/etc. and glue it on the poster (but one also has the option of printing one enlarged poster at a copy/office supply store