

Date: January 13, 2004
To: Parents of Freshmen enrolled in 1st Semester Science
From: Simonsen Science Department Teachers
Re: Freshman Experimental Design Project

Dear Parents,

The Science teachers at Simonsen wanted to let you know of an upcoming project that will be assigned to your 9th Grade student this semester. It has several components, most of which are to be completed at home and turned in on or before the deadline.

This Project will be broken down into small parts over the semester. It is very important that your student turn in each part of the project on time so that the project as a whole is finished ON TIME!! (Each day late will cause your student's grade to drop a grade!)

All directions and scoring guides to be used in grading the projects will be provided along the way as well as necessary instruction. No animals are to be used in the project. All projects are to be done individually and need to be pre-approved by your student's teacher.

HERE IS A LIST OF REQUIRED PARTS ALONG WITH THE DUE DATES:

Parts 1a. Science Concept Map Deadline: January 23, 2003

Part 1b. Four Question Strategy Deadline: January 30, 2003

Part 2. Experimental Design Deadline: February 6, 2004

Part 3. Research Paper Deadline: February 27, 2004

Part 4a. Materials/Safety/Procedures Deadline: March 19, 2004

Part 4b: Running of Experiment At Home: March 8 - 18, 2004

Part 5. Data Table, Graph & Conclusion Deadline: April 19, 2004

Part 6. Project Write-Up Deadline: April 26, 2004

Part 7. Presentation of Project with Visual Aid Deadline: April 26, 2004

Please Note: These dates are subject to change. Of course, we will stick to this schedule as closely as possible, but snow days, etc. may cause a date to be changed. Please check our Project Webpage for updates: <http://home.earthlink.net/~mjkrech/Krech/project.htm>

Please sign the bottom of this letter, clip on the dotted line, and return to school with your student. We've provided this Deadline List so you can be on top of the deadlines and provide your student with any guidance you feel is necessary to the successful completion of the Freshman Experimental Design Project.

I have read the above Deadline List and will remind my student to turn in each part of the project on time.

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

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