



Attention IB Freshman

-Start Planning NOW for your Personal Project

All students enrolled in the Middle Years Program will complete a Personal Project during their sophomore year, the same semester of their IB ENG II course.

The Personal Project is your opportunity to do what you want to do, to show the skills you have developed over the years in your subjects and through approaches to learning, and to apply them to an area or topic of your choosing.

The Personal Project is a requirement for all IB MYP students at Harding University High School. The topic you select should be clearly focused on an issue or theme closely related to one of the Areas of Interaction.

Remember, you will be working on this project for an extended period of time, so it needs to be something you really want to do! The Personal Project should be the exploration of a *personal passion* rather than a topic that someone else requires you to do.

Your inspiration may come from anywhere - a journal prompt, a brainstorming session, an extracurricular activity, or a hobby. Most of the work involved in the Personal Project will be done outside of class, but you will also work one-on-one with a Personal Project supervisor who should have knowledge of your topic. You will meet regularly with your supervisor and English teacher to discuss your progress throughout the process of the project.

Therefore, as you prepare to begin this Personal Project your sophomore year, here is a list of things you need to do NOW to get started:

- 1) Explore possible topic ideas and areas you're interested in (make a list!)
- 2) Review the five (5) areas of interaction to determine how your topic ideas fit in:
 - a. Community & Service
 - b. Human Ingenuity
 - c. Environment
 - d. Health & Social Science
 - e. Approaches to Learning
- 3) Make a list of possible teachers you'd like to ask to be your project supervisor