**COLLEGE RESEARCH POWERPOINT**

There are two parts to this assignment. One part is to create a PowerPoint presentation about the college or university that interests you. The second part is to write a college essay. We will also look at the FAFSA (Federal Application for Student Financial Aid), but it is not required for this project.

**The college essay** will be based on one of the prompts provided.

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-in/essays/3-ways-to-approach-common-college-essay-questions>

Gives a overview of the three main types of college essay prompts.

<https://collegeadmissions.uchicago.edu/apply/essays/>

Choose EITHER One of these from the University of Chicago

<http://www.eduers.com/University/College_Admission_Essay_Topics.html>

OR One from this list.

**The PowerPoint** will be described below in more detail. Most of the information will be found on the website of the particular school that you research.

HELPFUL LINKS:

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-in/essays>

Lots of tips for writing college essays and examples to look at and critique

Be sure and read Character Counts …

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/get-in/essays>

Finding Colleges / College 101 gives lots of overall, general, and specific information about college

**THE PowerPoint**

* Should be a minimum of 10 slides. If more than one person is working on the same project, 5 slides per person should be added to the presentation.
* Should have color and art on every slide.
* Should have transition on every slide.
* Should NOT have bells and whistles such as flying letters or clacking words. KISS
* Includes the name of the institution and all contact information as well as a logo on slide 1
* Includes all student names on the first slide along with the name of the institution.
* Includes all incoming freshman required grades and test scores
* Includes the AP policy for that school (AP CLASSES ONLY)
* Includes the tuition costs per semester.
* Includes a housing cost per semester.
* Includes at least three interesting facts about the school and/or its history
* Includes information about your major area of study (degrees available, specific requirements, time needed to finish the degree, etc.)
* Copy on all slides should be well-edited and proofread.
* Includes on the final slide the websites or other sources for the information in the presentation.
* Includes any other information you think is pertinent and interesting.

The essay is due on the day of presentation.

Presentation worth 100 points. Essay worth 50 points.