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To: Sophomore Students and Parents

RE: Personal Project Update

Dear Sophomore students, and Parents/Guardians,

We would like to take a few moments to provide an update on the timeline and due dates for the Middle Years Personal Project; and briefly review the expectations for each sophomore. All sophomores are expected to complete the Middle Years Program Personal Project. The personal project emphasizes intellectual challenge and encourages connections across educational content and real world applications. This is an opportunity for students to express themselves and their passions by applying their educational content to their personal passions in an individual way. Each student is required to create an original product/project; a written paper; and each student must present their product. This is an individual independent project. However, each student is supported and guided through the process by an individual personal project supervisor and extensive support within instruction and during weekly advisory sessions. The updated timeline is below:

- Paper
 - o Draft of Sections 1 &2 (investigation and planning) with bibliography November 26, 2019
 - o Draft of Section 3 (taking action) with bibliography December 20, 2019
 - o Draft of Section 4 (reflection) with bibliography January 10, 2020
 - o Final Draft with bibliography January 24, 2020
- Product
 - o Draft product presentation January 10, 2020
- Evaluation
 - o Personal Project Supervisor Evaluation January 27 February 21, 2020
 - Final Evaluation **February 22, 2020**
- Personal Project Showcase February 26, 2020
- Half Cap Celebration May 22, 2020 (participation dependent on personal project completion)

We are looking forward to some exciting projects created by our sophomores. Families will receive updates and reminders regarding final due dates. Please feel free to call the personal project lead teacher Ms. Davis with questions or comments 773-535-0880.

Sincerely,

Antonio D. Ross

