Astronomy First Nine Weeks Project (2015)

Rubric (in progress)

Each student shall complete a project to demonstrate research and technology skills. The products of this project will be created using iPad technology and will be stored online for access by the student, Mr. Murphy, and interested parties including parents and classmates.

Students will prepare an authentic project based on material gathered during two class days devoted to the project. A topic will be selected and submitted for approval by Thursday, October 8. A URL for the project product will be submitted by October 14. Sources of information may include our textbook or other reference books, approved web sites, videos and relevant interviews.

Products may include a Thinglink, a Bulb, or an approved product proposed by the student. Students will check with Mr. Murphy prior to beginning work on product for approval if other than a Thinglink.

This project will count as a Major grade. For those taking the Fall Semester Final, this project will serve as their basis for a presentation during the Final. The following grading rubric will be used by the student to prepare the project and by Mr. Murphy for assessing the work:

Project Topic selected by 10-8 and URL submitted by 10-14 (10%)

 10 pts – Topic and URL submitted by deadlines

 5 pts – Topic submitted by deadline but URL not submitted on time

 0 pts – Topic submitted by deadline but URL not submitted by 10-16

 NOTE - project will receive a grade of ZERO if URL is not submitted by 10-16

Style and Organization (10%)

 10 pts – Organized project with appropriate design and layout

 5 pts -

Content (40%)

 40 pts – Complete treatment of topic

 30 pts – Adequate treatment of topic

 20 pts – Poor treatment of topic

 10 pts – Minimal information on topic

Appropriate and competent use of technology (30%)

 30 pts –

Selection, Use and Citation of sources (10%)

 One point for each source properly cited

The project will include a Title, Student Name and Period, an Index or Navigation buttons/links, a summary of the information gathered, links or citations of references to at least ten sources of information gathered during the research.