**Research Fall 2016**

Biology I Honors 8/5/16

Students must identify a Biological topic approved by the instructor (suggested list is provided), and conduct research, compose an original outline, a rough draft and a formal research paper.

**Standards**: The **body** of the paper must be **4-5 full pages** in length, double spaced, and typed in Times New Roman using a 12-point font. Use your best formal writing with proper grammar, spelling, etc. The research must include an **additional cover page, an abstract, and a reference page**.

**Resources**: You must have at least 4 resources for your paper. You must use valid, authentic sources for reference. Do NOT use Wikipedia, it is not a validated source of information.

**Presentation**: If time allows, you may be asked to give a 2-3 minute oral presentation to the class. You will share only the highlights of your paper, but do NOT read the paper to the class.

**Citations**: Use parenthetical citations according to **APA** style.You will cite your references in parentheses at the **end of each paragraph** in your paper, and you must cite quotes immediately following the “ ”. No more than two quotes should be cited. For guidelines use the SGCHS website and look under Resources in the Media Center tab. The Owl Purdue website may also be of assistance.

Your resource page will be called the “**Reference**” page. You must, first, identify the author, the title of the article or book will come next, followed by the publisher, the date, and page numbers referenced. – Internet references must include the date that you **retrieved** the information, as cites may be altered daily, and the full web address for the article.

-References should be placed in **alphabetical order**.

**Plagiarism**: You cannot copy someone else’s words. Part of writing a research paper is learning to condense, generalize, and summarize the information that you read and put it into your own words. You must cite the information that comes from your resources. However, if you decide to **quote** your source, you **MUST use “quotations marks”**-single space the quote, and cite the source in parentheses immediately following the quoted passage.

**Due Date**: Outline: Tuesday August 23, 2016

Rough draft: Thursday September 8, 2016

Final draft: Friday September 23, 2016