## Social Justice Research Project

**Project Overview:** Over the next few weeks, you will embark on a research project under the umbrella of social justice. You will begin by selecting a general area of study and, using the inquiry process, will pose a compelling question about that topic. You will then engage in research to determine your stance on the question, and will write a paper presenting and discussing your findings. This paper will be turned into a presentation that you will deliver to your classmates.

**Grading:** This project will be the majority of your grade for this 9 weeks. Most of the work will be done in class; however, there will be a few assignments that you are required to complete at home. It is important that you regularly attend class, stay up-to-date on all of your work, and follow the calendar provided for you. There will be graded assignments throughout the process. Do not fall behind. It will be very difficult to get caught up.

Research: All sources must be credible, reliable, and relevant. Research should be completed using the databases provided to you through the library. Link: mnps.libguides.com/social. Click on databases in order to begin research.

## Social Justice Research Calendar

| Monday                             | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday                                       |
|------------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| No school                          |   | Jan 8 Introduction to Social Justice project Homework: Brainstorm possible topics |  | Jan 10 Importance of studying social justice |
|                                    | Jan 14 In the library garage for database instruction  Due: Topic selection Homework: Create focus question |   | Jan 16 Source evaluation lesson//Narrowing search terms  Due: Focus Question draft |  |
|                                    | Jan 21 Research Day//Examine outline  |   | Jan 23<br>Research Day   |  |
| Jan 27<br>Research Day             |   | Jan 29<br>Outlining day   |  | Jan 31<br>Writing                            |
| Due: Completed research packet     |   | Homework: Finish outline  |  | Due: Completed outline at beginning of class |
|                                    | Feb 4 Writing  Due: Rough draft by midnight   |   | Feb 6 Peer Editing   |  |
| Feb 10 Revising paper//Works Cited |   | Feb 12 Finalize paper  Due: Paper due at midnight                                 |  | Feb 14 Building presentation//rubric         |
|                                    |   | Feb 19  |  |  |
|                                    |   | Building presentation   |  |  |

<sup>\*\*</sup>This calendar is a draft. It is subject to change\*\*\*

Feb 21-March 8 will be student presentations. You will be given a specific date closer to time.