## Research Paper Guidelines

## 10<sup>th</sup> Grade English

Write a 1,600-word (approximately 7-8 pages) research paper on a career interest of your choice. The paper is worth 200 points. The guidelines are as follows:

- The paper must be typed in MLA format. Please refer to the instructions previously provided to you in the research paper handbook. If you are unable to locate the handbook, please print another copy from Renweb. The handbook can be located under the documents tab.
- ➤ You must have a **minimum** of four (4) sources. **Three** (3) print sources and **one** (1) source must be an interview with someone who works in the career field. **No Wiki sources!**
- > Two adults must proof the research paper.
- ➤ The paper must be submitted online to Turn-It-In to be checked for plagiarism.
- A paper copy of the paper must be submitted to your instructor for grading purposes. Failure to submit the paper on time will result in a grade of **zero** (0).
- ➤ Please do not contact me the night before the paper is due requesting that I print your paper for you.
- The paper is due the day students return from Christmas break.
- From (10) bonus points will be awarded for early submission of papers. To receive bonus points, the paper must be submitted to your instructor before Christmas break begins. The paper must also be submitted to Turn-it-in prior to commencement if Christmas break. If the hard copy is submitted to the instructor, but the paper has not been submitted to Turn-it-in, the student will not be awarded bonus points.
- Instances of plagiarism will be turned over to the administration. Plagiarism will result in a grade of zero (0) and possible suspension. Students will not be allowed to "fix" the issues and resubmit the paper for grading.