

St. Anthony High School
Summer Literacy Autobiography Project
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Overview:

Students are required to read an **autobiography** book on a person of their choice for their summer reading assignment. An **autobiography** is a nonfiction account of someone's life written or co-written by the person themselves (for example: *Failing Up: How to Take Risks, Aim Higher, and Never Stop Learning by Leslie Odom Jr.*) An **autobiography** is more than a list of impersonal facts (like birth, education, work, relationships and death); it also explores the subject's personal point of view on the experience of those events throughout their life. A work is autobiographical if it covers **all** of a person's life. The book you read should be based on the life of someone you are interested in; be sure you look closely at the author(s); the person you want to read about should be listed as an author. There is no limit to the amount of pages your book should be. Along with reading this autobiography, you will complete a poster board display, pertaining to your autobiography and **YOURSELF**. Read about the poster below:

Directions: *what you produce for this poster should be original, should **NOT** be a simple summary of what you read; limit each section of writing to 150 words. Photos and any information used from the Internet but students should keep a list of the websites used in order to create a works cited page with the instructors help in the first weeks of school.*

1. Please put your biography report on a three fold poster board.

The main areas of your poster board report should cover:

- Information about the childhood and/or family of the person
- Important events/hardships or triumphs that shaped the person's life
- Interesting facts/stories about the person
- Contributions the person has made to society; small or significant.
- An image of your person.

2. Along with your Autobiography information, you must include a section of the board for personal info. Info about YOURSELF! Please leave a section open for facts on YOUR life. Things to include are:

- Information about your childhood and/or family of the person
- Important events/hardships or triumphs that shaped your life
- Interesting facts/stories about you.
- Contributions you have made to society/community/family; small or significant.
- An image of you.

3. This poster board will be presented to the class in an oral presentation. Be prepared within the first week of school to present.

4. When you get to class in the fall, your teacher will expect you to have your poster board complete. Do not come to class empty handed. If at any point you need help, you should contact Ms. Ball at marciea.ball@longbeachsaints.org. She will be on campus in July teaching summer school and will be available to assist you. Do not wait until the last minute to ask for help.

Have a great Summer vacation and we will see you in the fall SAINTS!!!

