

St. Anthony High School  
Summer Literacy Biography Project  
\* \* \* 10th Grade \* \* \*

**Overview**

Students are required to read a **biographical** book on a person of his or her choice for this summer reading assignment. A **biography** is a nonfiction account of someone's life written by someone else. A **biography** is more than a list of impersonal facts (like birth, education, work, relationships and death); it also portrays the subject's experiences throughout those events. The book students choose to read should be based on someone they are interested in and there is no limit to the amount of pages this book needs to be. Along with reading this biography, students will complete a poster board display, pertaining to the person studied/read about **and the student**. Students should aim to find connections with the subject of their reading in order to share those on the poster along with their own life events. This project is an opportunity to share with your new teacher and classmates who you are and who you read about visually rather than in essay form.

**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**. This is **NOT** an essay; report your information graphically using minimal words, showcase the person's life and experiences along with your own.

**The main areas of your poster board report should cover:**

- Information about the childhood and/or family of the person
- Important events that shaped the person's life
- Hardships or obstacles faced by the person
- Interesting facts/stories about the person
- Contributions the person has made to society
- A picture of your person.

2. Along with the biography info for the person you read about, you must include a section for **YOUR personal info**. Things to include should be the same information as listed above.

3. This poster board will be presented orally to the class. 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 and ready to present. **Do not come to class empty handed**. If at any point you need help, you should contact Ms. Ball at [marciea.ball@longbeachsaints.org](mailto:marciea.ball@longbeachsaints.org). Or Ms. Ornelas at [Emily.ornelas@longbeachsaints.org](mailto:Emily.ornelas@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!!!

