

Public Schools of Edison Township

AP Research Summer Assignment 2022

Dear AP Research Students for the 2022-23 school year,

AP Research is unlike any other course you have taken before. Your teachers are here to help you as you embark on your research journeys. It is essential that you begin the school year with a plan of action. Of course, as you learn more about the research process, some of the work you do this summer will need to be revised- but that is what research is: constant learning through experience and adjusting your course as a result of your new knowledge.

There are three main tasks that you MUST complete this summer: reading and taking notes on two chapters from a research textbook, completing three separate documents that prepare you for your personal research inquiry, and writing the college essay and resume. (Reminder: this last task of writing the college essay and resume is required of all seniors.)

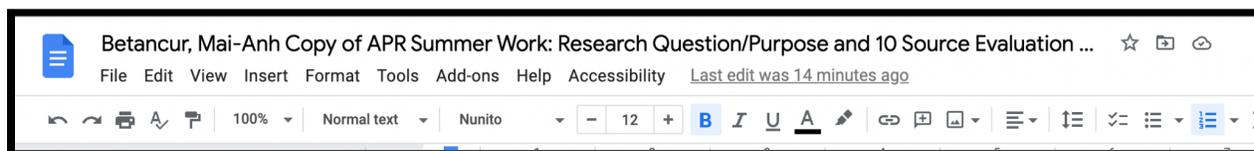
The details for each of these tasks are listed below. Task 2b will take the most time to complete and will be the starting point of your research. When deciding your topic, please make sure it is something you are interested in, or even passionate about. You will be working with this topic for most of the year, and we want you to enjoy the process, so do take your time when making your decisions.

While finding sources on your topic, it is easy to fall into the habit of reading the abstract or opening paragraphs of a source and then quickly moving on to another source. While this is tempting, it will simply make your task of proving that you are experts in your fields of study (a key component of your final research paper) much more difficult. It is better to go slow- quality over quantity. You will hear us saying this to you over and over during the year: doing due diligence in the early stages of your research will pay out incredibly as you get further and further into your studies. Use this time to set yourselves up for success.

Please read the directions carefully for each of the tasks and be sure to submit the proper docs in September (listed below in red). Good luck to you! We are looking forward to meeting you in the fall and supporting you in your research process!

Directions

Make a **Copy** of **each** of the hyperlinked documents and complete them thoroughly and thoughtfully with precise and concise language. Please **label** the title of your Copies with your Last Name, First Name. **Refer** to the sample below:



Post your annotations of Chapters 1 and 2 AND your Copies of the documents for tasks 2a, 2b, 2c, 3a, and 3b to the “APR Summer Assignment 2022” assignment tab on Google Classroom. Be prepared to submit this work during the FIRST WEEK of school.

Tasks

1. **Read and annotate** Chapters 1 and 2 of the *Practical Research Planning and Design* textbook.
 - a. [Chapter 1](#)
 - b. [Chapter 2](#)
2. **Complete** the following tasks related to the *Practical Research Planning and Design* textbook and your own research goals:
 - a. [Potential Expert Adviser Chart](#)
 - b. [Research Question/Purpose and 10 Source Evaluation](#)
 - c. [Evaluating Your Proposed Research Project](#)
3. **Complete** the **required** 12th grade Summer Reading Assignment (aka The College Essay and Resume)
 - a. **Complete** this [Resume Builder](#) and then **create** a resume based on the Resume Builder
 - b. **Complete** your College Essay - [Common App Essay Prompts](#)
 - c. Review the [College Essay Rubric](#)
 - d. **Optional** College Essay Materials
 1. [In or Out](#)
 2. ["I'm A Dynamic Figure"](#)
 3. [Sample Essay Evaluation](#) for the following Sample Essays
 4. [Sample Essay #1](#)
 5. [Sample Essay #2](#)