

English 1-3:

Weeks 2-3 (Writing a Research Paper)

Please type your essay (using a smartphone or laptop) and email it to your English teacher by **Wed. April 13:**
If you cannot type it, handwrite it and turn it in to the school.

English Teachers Email Addresses:

Mrs. Odegard AMcLeod@chesterfieldschools.org

Mrs. Davis MSDavis@chesterfieldschools.org

Ms. Gainey KGainey@chesterfieldschools.org

To get FREE Word, go to the school website, Students tab, click el-earning Resources, and there is a link to Office365 which includes free access to Microsoft Word. You can also reach it here:

<http://outlook.com/chesterfieldschools.org>

To use GOOGLE VOICE TO TEXT, go to docs.google.com and open a blank document. Select Tools, Voice Typing. (make sure your microphone is on)

Essential Question: How do pandemics shape our society?

This assignment meets the English Standards of: Inquiry, Reading Informational Text, Writing

Steps to Complete Assignment:

1. **Research** the list of topics and choose one (can also choose one from paper packet)
2. **Email** your teacher with your topic choice. What did you choose and why?
3. **Paragraph 1 Intro** (~50 words) Define pandemic. What makes them so dangerous? Explain the overall concept of your disease and why it is considered a pandemic.
4. **Thesis-** The thesis is the last sentence of your introductory paragraph. It tells what your main points of your essay are.
5. **Paragraph 2.** (100-200 words) Describe your disease. Time period, location, how it began, how it is transmitted, and symptoms.
6. **Paragraph 3.** (100-200 words) Effects your disease had on the population. Death tolls, vaccines, testing, economy, lifestyle changes, etc.
7. **Paragraph 4.** (100-200 words) What are your thoughts on the current coronavirus pandemic? This is a place for you to share your opinions and make connections to the real world and what you're experiencing. Schools closing, restaurants, sporting events, concerns about the spread, etc.
8. **Paragraph 5 Conclusion:** (100-200 words) Why do pandemics occur? How can we work to prevent them? What is the lesson to be learned from experiencing one? Anything else you would like to add?
9. **Proofread** for spelling and grammar. If you can, send through Grammarly.com. Have a family member look over your work and provide feedback.
10. Read over your completed essay one last time. **Submit** via email or turn in to the front office.

Look on our McBee page and Google Classrooms for grading rubrics and other necessary and helpful materials as you write your essay. You are not alone! We are here to help. Just reach out. We're happy to assist in any way we can and we miss you. ☺

OUTBREAK

Research Essay

Choose one of the pandemics from the list below OR from our packet readings, and write a 5-paragraph essay examining your disease and how it connects to the current pandemic.

Essays should be between 550-1000 words.

When you write your essay, consider these questions:

Where did the pandemic begin?

What made this disease so scary?

How and why did it spread?

How long did it last?

What measures were taken to stop it?

How did the public respond?

How did the government respond?

What would life be like today if this occurred?

What can we learn about the spread and reaction to the pandemic?

Pandemics

Antonine Plague (165-180)

Plague of Justinian (541-542)

Japanese Smallpox Epidemic (735-737)

Black Death (1347-1351) Small Pox (1520)

17th Century Great Plagues (1600's)

18th Century Great Plagues (1700's)

Cholera 6 outbreak (1817-1923)

The Third Plague (1855)

Yellow Fever (late 1800's)

Russian Flu (1889-1890)

Spanish Flu (1918-1919)

Asian Flu (1957-1958)

Hong Kong Flu (1968-1970)

HIV/AIDS (1981-Present) SARS (2002-2003)

Swine Flu (2009-2010) also known as Flu A H1N1

Ebola (2014-2016)

MERS 2015-Present)

COVID-19 (2019-present)