

AP/IB Ideation Academy

Summer Project

“Inspiration exists, but it has to find us working.” – Pablo Picasso

You will need to complete the following by the second Friday upon your return to school.

Part 1: Your Images

Turn in at least 50 photos that pursue a Sustained Investigation (AP)/Theme (IB). You may have more than one idea, but please do not include more than three at this point.

The number of photos can be reduced if you are using a lot of post-production work in a program like Photoshop. This will have to be negotiated with Mr. Lindroth.

Part 2: Your Thoughts and Inspiration

On a Google Doc or Word Doc:

1. Write an explanation of the idea that you are thinking about pursuing (if you have more than one that is great – explain them all).
2. Choose a photographer that inspires you.
 - Include 5 images by the artist
 - Include a written summary of the photographer (half to full page, 11 or 12 point font double-spaced).
 - Include a works cited page with at least two sources. Must use MLA format for your citations (use easybib to help make the Works Cited page easier to create).
 - Include 5 images you have shot that are inspired by this photographer (these images **cannot** be included in what you turn in for the Sustained Investigation/Theme images described above).

For all these photo assignments:

- It is best to shoot these images with a DSLR. However, a point and shoot camera or cell phone is acceptable if that is all you have.
- All photos must have basic editing done on them. All computers and smart phones come with basic editing programs to adjust contrast, etc.
- All these photos must be original new pieces that you have taken. If it is discovered you have used photos for which you received a score for in another class (like digital photo, photo one/two, etc.) or have used another photographer's work, you will be written up for academic dishonesty and your ability to continue in AP/IB photo will be in jeopardy.

How these assignments will be turned in will be explained when you start the course in the fall. Just have them saved some place on a computer or cloud storage like your learn account.

Why we are doing these assignments is so that you start the class with a body of work and experience and a knowledge of what is expected of you in the final portfolio. Since we have started doing this summer project, students have produced far better portfolios than before its implementation.

Backing up your files from summer

We will be using Google Photos as the basic photo storage location for this class. I would suggest you back up all written assignments on Google Drive and photos you should backup on Google Photos.

Please watch the Google Photo tutorials before you ever start to upload images to this application.

You could really cause some storage issues if you set things up incorrectly. I would highly recommend that you back up your photos on another cloud service or on a hard drive at home. Images on your learn account get wiped off the server once you graduate and may be wiped off the server each summer.

I will explain how to turn in all summer assignments in once you return to school in August. All assignments are due the second Friday of the school year.