**Current Event Scrapbook for APES…..ScrAPES!**

**Purpose:** One of the important goals of science education at the high school level is to help students learn how to make good decisions about public issues. Scientific information is disseminated to the public through a variety of media, including newspaper, magazines, broadcasting, and the Internet. Topics in science are constantly changing and therefore, students of science must keep up with the current research. **For this project you will collect, read, and evaluate newspaper and or news magazine articles**.

**Instructions:** Each student will create a website of articles having to do with current research in the field of environmental science. These research articles can involve any aspect of Ecology or Environmental Science. You will be collecting 10 articles.

**This will be due Friday October 7 at midnight!!**

1. **Collection:**

* Articles must come from a **reliable source.**
* Articles must be at least **200 words** long.
* Articles must have been published from **January 2016 to now**.
* The articles **MUST** have to relate to environmental science. NO opinion articles or articles about economics!
* The **articles must posted** and organized in a personal website.
* All summaries, reflections, and a **Table of Contents** should be posted on that same website.

1. **Article Write-Up:**

* The **summary** should tell me, **IN YOUR OWN WORDS** all about the research or study. After reading it, I should not have to go back to the article to “fill in” any content. Do NOT copy text from the article!
* The **reflection** should give me an insight to how the article affected you. Was there anything in the article that troubled you or surprised you? Will this information change you in any way? Why or why not? What was your reaction to it?
* Organize your articles on different pages on your website.

1. **Final Presentation:**

* Every article should be posted.
* A typed summary and reflection should follow each article.
* Articles should be well organized and easy to find.
* You must email me your website on the due date ([amclark@schscougars.org](mailto:amclark@schscougars.org)).

Current Event Project Website Set Up Instructions

Introduction to Weebly Sites

1. Go to [www.weebly.com](http://www.weebly.com)
2. Create a website name (must be appropriate) – preferably includes your name. Example (JeffsCurrentEvents.weebly.com).
3. **EMAIL ME** your website address ([amclark@schscougars.org](mailto:amclark@schscougars.org)).
4. Create a **HOME** page:

Include:

* A picture of you (appropriate).
* Information about you (name, your interests, future school/career interests, why are you taking this course?)

1. Create a **Current Events** page:

* Upload your #1 article and review (see handout for details).
* Do not make your review a link or file to open. The article may be a link but the analysis must be uploaded directly to your website.
* Add each article and review as a **separate page**.
* Number each of the articles.