**Senior English Argumentative Final Exam**

**Essay 2023**

**Directions:** You are going to be writing an argumentative research essay. You will be required to write a 500–700-word essay taking a stance on a topic. Remember, you will need to take one side (your claim) and give specific researched evidence and commentary for your evidence. You will also want to address the other side (the counterclaim.) Additionally, you will need fluent integrated quotes and paraphrases throughout. You will need at least 2 credible sources that will be used in your essay. This essay will need to be in MLA format and will be turned in to turnitin.com with a complete works cited. The essay itself will be worth 50 points (Rubric Attached)

**Question:** Consider things about our society that you would like to **reform** (child labor laws, women’s rights, workmen’s comp, etc.), **improve** (generosity - charities, participation – giving blood, etc.), or **change** (environmentalism, bullying, public education, etc.). You will choose **one topic** that you would like to reform, improve, or change to base your essay on. This topic should not coincide with your Basha Gives Back project! Please see me if you need help getting started!

RESEARCH FINAL ESSAY: **50% of your Final Exam Score (Rubric Attached)**

**Essay Requirements**

Your essay should be typed, double-spaced, with one-inch margins, and in 12-point font (Times New Roman only). MLA format. 500-700 words.