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The Bumper Sticker Assignment

Since this is your sophomore year, many of you will turn sixteen and learn to drive (dun, dun, dun!) so let’s decorate our classroom with an activity that reflects this upcoming milestone! Please read the directions below on how to create a bumper sticker personalized for you.

Sometimes the materials we have, the “things” we surround ourselves with, are symbols of who we are or values we hold. For example, if in your backpacks you have a bottle of cologne, a cell phone with specific music downloads, or a favorite picture, what do they represent? What do they “say” about you?

In addition, think about your academic experiences from last year; what went well and what didn’t? Is there something (ie: improved time management skills, asking more questions, turning in every assignment) that could have made the year more successful for you? What will you do differently this year?

# THE MINI-PAPER ---

* + Tell us about your dream car. You will write three paragraphs about your dream car and include the following:
  + **Paragraph 1: Your Dream Car**
    - Identify your dream car. Describe its appearance and personality. Then explain how this choice is a reflection of you or your values. For example, if a person were to choose a Smart Car perhaps he/she is interested in the environment, or is small in stature (and proud of it!), or thinks of themselves as an intellectual.
  + **Paragraph 2: Explanation of Your Interests**
    - Describe your interests and where you’d like to travel in your dream car and/or how your life would improve if you had it. Who would travel with you? What types of activities would you attend in your car?
  + **Paragraph 3: One (or Two) Special Items**
    - In your paragraph identify one item you WANT/ NEED to have in your car in order to make this a successful year. Describe the item—it may be tangible or intangible. Then discuss how it will help you to be successful in school this year.

# THE BUMPER STICKER —

* Once you’ve written your mini-paper, design a bumper sticker to go on the back of your dream car.
* Stipulations:
  + The words must be short, direct, and a reflection of Y-O-U
    - You may use a quote, find an interest, state a hobby, make a goal, or just be goofy.
  + IT MUST BE SCHOOL APPROPRIATE—consult handbook \* teacher’s note
  + It must be printed, and readable (we want people to be able to read it from afar)
  + It must have decoration and color
  + Attach it to your paper