

PERSONAL COAT OF ARMS

Standards covered:

SWBAT create/identify a set of guiding personal values

Task:

Now that you've identified several vital values that are integral to you personally, it's time to take it a step further. Your job is to dig deep and narrow your list down to your 4 most essential/driving values. Think about what values/beliefs on your list you couldn't live without or what makes you "you." Then, you're going to make a personal coat of arms to showcase this. Your coat of arms may take the traditional form, like we reviewed in class, or could be a flag, poster divided into 4 sections, a PowerPoint presentation, a collage, etc... Just make sure there are 4 distinct sections (1 for each of your chosen values, obviously) and that it is visually appealing. Additionally, you will have the option to present your coat of arms and verbally explain what each section means to you OR, if it's too personal, you can complete a written explanation of what the 4 sections mean to you. In terms of the explanation, I am looking for more than, "It's important to me because I really like it" or, "It drives me because I've always played baseball, even though I don't really like it." Your explanations from the "What's Important to Me?" activity may help.

You will be assessed using the following rubric:

Criteria	Weight	Beginning	Developing	Proficiency	Mastery
4 Values Chosen	X 1	0-1 distinct values were chosen; 4 values were given but the rest were too similar	2 distinct values were chosen; the other 2 were too closely related	3 distinct values were chosen; one may have been related to the others	4 distinct values were chosen and all represented separately
Explanation	x2	A thorough, well thought out explanation was provided for 0-1 of the values; the explanations were generic or vague. It's hard to tell why you chose these values.	A thorough, well thought out explanation was provided for 2 of the 4 values; we can tell why you like something, but not why it's important to you	A thorough, well thought out explanation was provided for 3 of the 4 values; it's clear what the 3 mean to you	A thorough, well thought out explanation was provided for EACH of the 4 values; it's clear what each means to you
Visually Appealing	x1	Coat of arms was not visually appealing; 0 or 1 sections included color, images, was clearly organized, and was not distracting to the eye. The other 3 or 4 sections were lacking in all of the above components	Coat of arms was somewhat visually appealing; 2 sections included color images, were clearly organized, and were not distracting to the eye. The other 2 sections were lacking in one or more of the above components	Coat of arms was mostly visually appealing; 3 sections included color and images, were clearly organized, and were not distracting to the eye. One section was a little "messy" or missing the above components	Coat of arms was visually appealing, all 4 sections included color, and images, were clearly organized, and were not distracting to the eye