My New Philosophy

Standards Covered:

SWBAT create/identify a set of guiding personal values

Task:

For this culminating project, you're going to take all of the previous soul-searching and use it to create a personal motto or mantra. This is intended to be your guiding principle in how you live your life and a reminder of what's important to you and what drives/motivates you. Then, you're going to present that motto/mantra and explain how you came up with it and how it will help guide your actions/thoughts/choices/etc…while also serving as a reminder of what your principles are.

For example, if my 4 essential values were loyalty, family, love, and knowledge, my personal motto may be something like: When all else fails, never stop striving for knowledge, rely on your family, and remember to stay loyal.

You necessarily don't have to use the exact words/values in your mantra, but it may be a good way to start.

Once you have your motto/mantra, you're going to present this in some way; it could be a presentation, poster, scrapbook, comic book, video, or a written paper. Please, feel free to be creative in how you present it! If you're not sure, please don't hesitate to run ideas by me. Use the following rubric as a guideline while working:

Criteria	Weight	Beginning	Developing	Proficiency	Mastery
Personal motto/mantra	x2	Personal motto/mantra is somewhat original; how it's tied to personal values is not apparent	Personal motto/mantra is mostly original; how it's tied to personal values is somewhat clear	Personal motto/mantra is original; how it's tied to personal values is mostly clearly explained, but one or two areas may not be addressed	Personal motto/mantra is original; how it's tied to personal values is clear
Explanation of how motto will influence you	x3	Explanation of how the motto will influence you is unclear or missing; no specific examples were provided	Explanation of how motto will influence you and your future actions/choices was somewhat clear and thorough; specific examples were provided for at least 2 of the major points	Explanation of how motto will influence you and your future actions/choices was mostly clear and thorough; specific examples were provided for at least 3 of the major points	It is clearly and thoroughly explained how motto will influence you and your future actions/choices; specific examples were provided throughout
Creativity	x1		You tried to think outside the box and there are unique elements to your presentation		You thought outside of the box and had an unique way of presenting your personal motto
Mechanics	x1	There are many errors in your spelling, punctuation, or grammar; things were disorganized and it was hard to follow		There are few errors in your spelling, punctuation, or grammar; mostly follows a logical flow	There are no errors in your spelling, punctuation, or grammar; everything follows a logical flow