

The Principal's Challenge 2018-2019

COMPLETING the CHALLENGE will exempt you from the ELA Final Exam

Dear KCS Students,

Welcome to the President's Challenge! I bet you're wondering~ what exactly the President's Challenge is and how does it involve you? The Challenge is an opportunity for you to study a selected topic in depth. You may choose *any topic* of interest and will spend time learning about that topic throughout the school year. It is a chance for you to direct part of your education by not only selecting the topic you will study, but also in designing the methods you will use to learn about your topic...you are the student and the teacher!

The requirements for this project are simple, but the opportunity for learning is great! You will need some type of portfolio to organize your work. How you wish to accomplish this is entirely up to you, but please be aware that neatness and organization count! Once you have selected a topic, you are to complete a six inquiries related to your topic (**two topics must relate math to your chosen topic**). A suggested list of inquires is attached for your convenience, but remember it is just a suggested list. (In this project, you are limited only by your energy and imagination!) Your project must contain a minimum of 6 inquiries. The faculty and I, along with your families will view your projects at the Principal's Challenge Celebration on **April 4th**. (Your project is due on this day.) Each student completing the Principal's Challenge will be invited to the celebration in the spring. At this event you will share your outstanding projects, receive awards, certificates, and maybe even a few prizes.

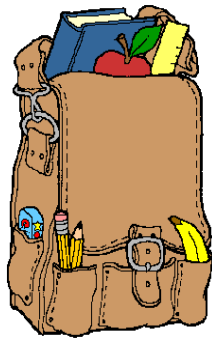
A few important notes:

- Your inquiries should reflect a **variety** of activities and explorations
- Write ups should be typed or very neatly written
- Your family is welcome to participate in the challenge with you
- Please try to select a topic not covered in your classes or be prepared to cover it in new ways (your teachers can help you with this step)
- Please use the internet safely, wisely, and selectively (**please do not hand in a bunch of pages printed off the web**)
- **Each inquiry must be unique** (one may be reading a book, the next conducting an interview...but reading 6 books, does not count as 6 inquiries)
- **Two inquiries MUST relate math to your topic**
- You may speak with me or your principal at any time if you have a question or need some direction

There is so much to be discovered, enjoy the journey!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Albert



The Principal's Challenge 2018-2019 How do I get started?

Topic~

Your challenge topic is entirely up to you! Choose wisely, you and your topic will be spending a great deal of time together.

Inquiry Ideas~

- Read a book
- Visit a related location
- Conduct an interview
- Visit the World Wide Web
- Create a scrap book, Power Point, poster, or another project
- Write a song, story, play, poem
- Take a lesson
- Shadow a person working in a related field
- Go to a museum
- Build, grow, or invent something
- Create a classroom lesson on your topic
- Use your imagination and do anything that interests you...

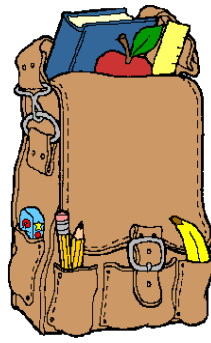
Inquiry Notes~

In your portfolio you will need the following for each inquiry:

- Your Name & Grade
- Project Topic (Native Americans)
- Summary of the Inquiry that includes~ the event title (Growing Maze), date, location, a well written paragraph (minimum of 5 sentences) describing what you did, and a second paragraph addressing what you learned and what you might do differently next time, anything else you wish to report
- If you build, grow, create, or make something large, or if you go on a visit please enclose photos
- Anything else you wish to include

Due Date~ Your project is due on April 4, 2018.

Only students with completed portfolios/projects on time will attend the celebration.



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Registration Form Due October 31, 2018

Name: _____

Grade: _____

Topic: _____

Project Due Date: _____

I have read and understand the challenge directions.

yes no

My completed portfolio is due on _____

I told my parent's about the challenge and we have discussed my topic.

yes no

Student's Signature: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Now you are ready to take the challenge!!!