

We have read the guidelines for the State Research Project. We understand the total number of points for this project is 385 and that if any portion is not completed, points will not be given. We understand that each portion counts as a writing grade as well as a reading grade. We understand that **no late work** will be accepted on this project.

State Selection – Due January 11, 2019 – 10 points

Completed Notes – Due January 25, 2019 – 20 points

Completed Rough Draft – Due February 8, 2019 – 20 points

SAVE edits – Due February 15, 2019 – 20 points

Final Project (everything) – Due March 1, 2019 – 350 points total

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Student Signature

Date

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Class period

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Parent Signature

Date

## Project Timeline

<b>Project Steps</b>	<b>Due Dates</b>
State Selection (worth 10 points)	January 11
Completed Notes (worth 20 points)	January 25
Completed Rough Draft (worth 20 points)	February 8
SAVE Edits (worth 20 points)	February 15
Final Project	March 1

## Project Evaluation (rubric)

<b>Project Element</b>	<b>Points Possible</b>	<b>Points Earned</b>
State Selection	10	
Completed Notes	20	
Rough Draft	20	
SAVE Edits	20	
Organization	20	
Neatness / Creativity	20	
Final Written Report	75	
State Symbols (10 points each)	60	
Maps (10 points each)	40	
Photographs (5 points each)	50	
Timeline	50	
<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>	<b>385</b>	

## Project Checklist

### Written Report

#### Introduction – 10 points

Introductory paragraph for your paper. This serves as an introduction to your state.

#### Famous People – 10 points

Who are some famous people from your state? What are they famous for? Why are they important?

#### Economy and Natural Resources – 10 points

How do people in your state earn a living? What types of products are made in your state? What are the natural resources in your state?

#### Important Events – 10 points

Tell about 5 – 8 important events in your state’s history, including when it became a state. These events will form part of your timeline.

#### Things to See and Do – 10 points

Why should people travel to your state? What is there to do for fun in your state (parks, major attractions, recreation, etc...)? Are there sports teams?

#### Interesting Information – 10 points

What are some interesting facts about your state? Largest cities? What are some odd facts about your state?

#### Conclusion – 10 points

This is your concluding paragraph.

#### Bibliography – 5 points

List of your resources using MLA format (at least 3).

### Visual Elements

#### State Symbols – 60 points

You must include the following state symbols: bird, tree, flower, animal, flag, and state seal. You can draw or include a printed picture of each symbol, and write a short caption for each.

#### Maps – 40 points

You must include the following maps: physical and political. You must also choose 2 of the following map types: climate, economy, natural resources, vegetation, or population. Your maps may be hand drawn and colored, or printed on the computer.

#### Historical Timeline – 50 points

Choose at least 10 events in your state’s history. Include a brief caption for each date and event. You may include photographs here as well.

#### Photographs – 50 points

You must include at least 10 photographs about your state (historical or current). The photographs can be either cut from magazines or printed from the computer, and must include a short caption for each photo. If you use photos for the timeline or the state symbols, those can count as part of your 10 required photographs.

## Notes

You will turn this section in on January 25, 2019. This is your research page. You will write your paper based on these notes. These notes are worth 20 points.

Introduction

Famous People

Economy and Natural Resources

Important Events

Things to See and Do

Interesting Information

Conclusion

Bibliography – These are the sources you used. You are required to use **at least** three different sources (you can use more). These may include encyclopedias, books, and websites. Use MLA formatting for your bibliography (example attached).

### Example of MLA bibliography

All sources go in alphabetical order. A good website to use for help with your bibliography is: <http://www.easybib.com/guides/citation-guides/mla-format/> This website will help ensure your bibliography has all the required elements. Each entry has a hanging indent. This can be set up in your paragraph settings.

Dean, Cornelia. "Executive on a Mission: Saving the Planet." *New York Times*. New York Times, 22 May 2007. Web. 25 May 2009.

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