

Health 7

Current Event Assignment

The world is a constantly changing place, especially in the field of health. To be a wise health consumer, one must keep abreast of the current trends in health. One such way is to examine current health related articles such as those found in newspapers, journals and magazines. We must keep in mind that these articles need to be from reliable and reputable sources.

Each week for the remainder of the _____ marking period, you will be responsible for submitting a “current event assignment”. Your current event assignment will be due every **FRIDAY**. The assignment will be worth **10 points**. 2 points will be deducted each day the assignment is late. If you are absent the day the assignment is due, you are expected to turn it in the next day you return to school.

How to complete the assignment:

1. Find a **current** health article. Health articles can be found in the newspaper (check the health section), in “health related” magazines and the internet. Health articles should be fact/research based. Articles base solely on opinion are not acceptable. Once you find your article, you need to cut it out, copy it, or print it. You are required to turn the article in as part of your assignment. The school library has many journals, magazines and newspapers.
2. Read your article carefully and complete the written assignment using the criteria below. Work should be **hand written**. Make sure your name is on the assignment!
 - A. The first paragraph of your assignment should list the article’s title and tell where you found the article, include the date the article was published and explain why you selected the article.
 - B. The second paragraph should be a summary of the article (write a description about what is being discussed in the article). Define any new words learned from reading the article.

***You must be careful not to plagiarize. Plagiarism occurs when you copy someone else’s writing, thoughts, or ideas and call it your own creation. You should always try to rewrite thoughts and ideas into your own words. If you plagiarize, according to our handbook, you will receive a grade of zero.

- C. The third paragraph should answer the questions; What did you learn from the article? How can you apply the information as you make your own health choices?
3. The article (or copy of the article) must be stapled to your assignment.

Student's Name: _____

Current Event Grading Rubric

	The first paragraph cites the article and explains why you selected the article
	Student clearly summarizes the article and defines any newly learned words
	Student demonstrates his/her understanding of the article and applies the information learned in the article
	The article is health related and is attached to the assignment
	Student's work is written neatly and reflects appropriate attention to grammar, spelling, capitalization and punctuation.
	Total Points Earned

- 0 points** **Does not meet criteria**
- 1 point** **Meets criteria**
- 2 points** **Exceeds criteria**