THE GAME OF LIFE PROJECT

Students will create a digital portfolio describing the expenses and changes in their life. As part of their portfolio, students will provide detailed information for the categories listed below, as well as a creative visual depiction their lives. To achieve the maximum score their life and expenses must match up completely.

LIFESTYLE

- Choose the following for your life
  - Type of home (must have monthly mortgage or rent and picture of home)
  - Location of Home (must provide taxes for home location)
  - Type of car (picture and monthly payments)
  - Marital status (single, married)
  - Children (how many, age, school/day care, etc.)

CAREER

- Your career must be able to pay for all your expenses per month. You must provide a job description of what you must do for your career. **I will take a certain percentage of taxes from your monthly paycheck.**
  - Name of the company you (and your spouse if applicable) work for
  - Yearly salary (There is a salary cap at $75,000/year and a spousal cap at no greater than $50,000/year)
    - You must provide evidence for the salary of the job that you select.
    - An online pay scale for your company, a job posting with salary, or you may contact the human resources department at a business in your industry to inquire for this school project, etc.
  - Your position in the company (if you are a manager you must have a master degree, and you have to pay for it)
- You can own your own business; however, you will have to provide the monthly charges for your business.
- You may also have a part-time job as well. (Must add hourly rate, plus how many hours you are working)

***Following careers are off limits (professional athlete, professional singer/rapper, etc)***
COLLEGE

• If your job requires a college degree you must be able to pay for college. If you can’t pay for college you don’t get the degree, thus you don’t get the job. You must find a college with the degree that matches your career. The following must be provided within your report
  o Yearly tuition
  o Public or Private?
  o Degree earned
  o Advanced Degrees?
  o Why you choose that college

• Ways you can pay for college:
  o Parents (only can pay a maximum of $2,000 per year, excludes master’s program)
  o Student loans
  o Receive scholarships (actual applications)
  o Part-time job
  o Work study
  o Hope scholarship (must have the requirements to receive this scholarship and the maximum amount for public college $6,000 and for private college $3,000)

OTHER ASPECTS

• Unexpected Income/Expenses will be drawn randomly each Friday and must be added to student spreadsheets throughout the semester.

CHECKPOINT DUE DATES

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