

10TH GRADE INTEGRATED HONORS '08-'09

THE POWER OF ONE

The Power of One project is a year-long project revolving around the study of one individual who had a **positive, significant** impact on the world. You will read a biography or autobiography of the person you choose during Quarter 1, research the life and impact of this person during Quarter 2, write about this person during Quarter 3, and make a presentation to the class during Quarter 4. You will want to start thinking about the person you choose to study so that you can begin looking for books and other research material about your person. **IMPORTANT: YOUR PERSON MUST BE APPROVED BEFORE YOU CAN BEGIN YOUR WORK!** Please do not buy any books or movies about your person until approval has been given.

- Go to the class website and in the Documents section, read the Power of One NO list. Students may not choose someone who has been used for this project during the last three years, so you will need to see who can't be studied in order to know what your options are.
- Your person must fit the time period of our class, from the Renaissance (c. 1324) to the present day. It will help if your person is already dead. (Trust me.) One, I am less-likely to approve someone who is still alive and hasn't proved his or her legacy yet. Two, it is much easier to find books and other research materials on people who are dead.
- Go to the class website and in the Conferencing section, post a description of who you would like to study this year. Include as much information as possible. The nice thing about posting online is that you can see who your classmates are interested in studying. Since each student must choose someone different for this project, first-come, first-served.
- Emphasis is on the POSITIVE. Please, no dictators or serial killers, etc. Emphasis is also on the SIGNIFICANT. A relative or friend might be important to you and your family, but what is their impact on the world, on humanity?
- Post your request as soon as possible so that it can be approved and you can begin looking for an autobiography or biography for your Quarter 1 project.