**Leadership Speech Project**

**OBJECTIVE**

The U.S. Constitution gives the president certain powers, but the real question is what will they do with it? Our class will analyze how individual presidents use their leadership position to exercise power.  Students will create an informative 3-5 minute speech showing different aspects of how an individual American President ([**list here**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1LQqBmFTWvAEpDRxIeIDMG_mL6R3_4OsuWCp84wu7pGc/edit)) used leadership to exercise American power.

**ESSENTIAL QUESTION:**

**How should a president exercise leadership and use the power of the executive branch?**

**DUE DATES**

You will have ***two block periods*** to put this together. Completed products are due: Monday, November 2nd.

**DELIVERABLES**

* Prepare a 3-5 minute speech/oral argument from the standpoint of an American president you choose.
* Self-video of speech
* Evidence and explanation of your research.

**GUIDELINES**

Make sure to include the following:

* What are the major issues covered in this Presidential speech?
* How could their leadership style impact delivery?
* Leave the audience with a relevant, open-ended answer to how should a president exercise leadership and use the power of the executive branch.
* Make it engaging!

**SEQUENCE**

1. Choose one of the [U.S. Presidents](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1LQqBmFTWvAEpDRxIeIDMG_mL6R3_4OsuWCp84wu7pGc/edit?usp=sharing) you researched last week whose leadership and use of executive power you find intriguing.
2. Listen to the corresponding podcast on their presidency (optional)
3. Select a Current Issue that connects to the issue outlined in the Presidential speech.
4. Research that issue, to give more context in the current situation.
5. Write an oral argument to persuade one of the 2020 presidential candidates (Biden or Trump) to adopt a modern version of that policy and to include it in their Inaugural Speech in January 2021.
6. Read/Listen to the Speech resources below to help with the writing and delivery of your President’s speech.
7. **Record and deliver a 3-5 minute speech (as it would be used in that Inaugural Speech)** and upload it to Schoology.

**RESOURCES**

[Writing Presidential Speeches](https://www.c-span.org/video/?459077-1/presidential-speechwriters-discuss-scene-stories) (Source: CSPAN)

[Presidential Podcast](https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/business/podcasts/presidential/) (Source: Washington Post) [Presidential Podcast on Apple podcasts](https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/presidential/id1072170823)

[Great Speeches](https://www.learnoutloud.com/content/blog/archives/2018/01/greatest_speeches_audio_video.php) (Source: LearnOutLoud) & [American Rhetoric](https://www.americanrhetoric.com/)