Current Events Project

DUE: TUESDAY, JANUARY 31

25 POINTS

There are a lot of controversial issues being debated in the United States today. It is good to be able to understand what the current laws about these issues are as well as what people on both sides of the issue think about it.

**CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING ISSUES**

1) Gun control

2) Free speech for hate groups- should groups like the KKK/Nazi Party be allowed to exist and hold rallies?

3) Vaccination of children

4) Marijuana legalization

5) Immigration laws

6) Death penalty

7) Private School/Charter School Vouchers/Education Funding

8) Universal healthcare vs. private healthcare

For the FIVE topics that you chose, you must do the following things:

Part I (2 pts. per issue) List 2 current laws about the issue (either US or NC law)

Part II(6 pts. per issue) State your opinion. What side are you on? Why?

Part III (6 pts. per issue) Find three pieces of evidence to support your side. Evidence does not mean list three things that are your opinion, evidence requires actual facts from actual research

Part IV (6 pts. per issue) List three counterpoints to arguments that your opposition would name as well as how you would refute that fact.

General (5 pts total) All writing is done in complete sentences, general English conventions are followed, all directions are followed.

This project must be done in complete sentences but does not need to be in paragraph form. This can be either typed or hand written (in print, not cursive). The purpose is for you to be able to understand both sides of these major issues and try to clarify your own opinions on them.

If you do not finish this in class on Monday, this needs to be done as homework.