

CSPAN Assignment

For this assignment, you will need to catch up on current events and decide what you think are the most pressing events related to the CSPAN prompt this year.

The project will have several components—everyone will write her/his own warm ups and mini-essay.

The components:

- You will follow the news
- You will research issues that interest you
- You will write a persuasive essay that addresses the CSPAN topic for this year:
- Our class website has a Links Page, which should help us do this.

Once you write your essay, you can decide if you want to do this for your final project.

The homepage for the CSPAN contest: <http://www.studentcam.org>

CSPAN Question:

“What’s Your Vision in 2020?”

Explore the issue you most want presidential candidates to address during the campaign.

Your video should analyze the current or historical significance of your chosen issue and include differing points of view.

CSPAN Topics we were interested in so far

- Climate Change
- Cyber Bullying
- Fracking
- Water Rights
- Immigration policy and amnesty, Deferred Action, DREAM Act
- Privacy, Surveillance
- Minimum Wage, Poverty
- Guns, Violence, Colorado Shooting, Victims
- Common Core, State vs. Federal, Standards, Curriculum, Tests
- Arts Funding,
- Educational Priorities
- Renewable Energy
- Energy Independence,
- Labeling, Genetically Modified Foods, FDA,
- School Lunch Program, Nutritional Standards,
- Personhood Law
- Farming, agriculture issues
- Women's Health Issues
- Freedom of Religion
- Syria and Chemical Weapons
- Pledge of Allegiance--Congress prays?
- Lawsuits over Energy
- Prison Reform
- Supreme Court's ruling on Gay Marriage