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## **“Your Life on Earth” Personal Philosophy Statement & Project Proposal** (due Monday, February 25th)

### **Part 1: Personal Philosophy Statement**

Sum up your personal philosophy in 2-3 paragraphs. Use the essential questions of the project to guide your thinking. Include reference to some of the topics/themes that have struck you or influenced your thinking during the course of this project (or at some point in your life).

“The meaning of life is procreation.” -Jack Tescher

I believe life is about living in the now to establish authenticity and soul fulfillment that results in true happiness. We have a limited time on this earth and whether every individual was put on this earth for a reason and to serve a certain purpose is unknown and unbelievable to me. There is no higher power that has planned every action and decision we will have in our life. Your action are your actions. You are responsible for everything you do in life. And with every action there are consequences or effects that we must face. I believe human life and existence is completely what you make of it. I personally do not want to spend my moments on earth working towards a future I don't want to call mine. Working 9-5 behind a desk on a job I never had the desire for, to go home to a marriage that brings nothing but hurt and heartbreak to each other but divorce isn't in the picture because of the kids and needing an obscured amount of wine just to fall asleep. That's just something i hope my actions avoid. See I crave the things that makes me feel alive but not really in the sense of adrenaline and more of feeling the wind on my face and dancing in the rain instead or running away from it. I find pleasure in the simple things in life. I want to spend as many minutes of my time doing the things I love with the people you i love and love me not worrying about fame and fortune but thinking about the ways we can better ourselves and each other. I'm on this Earth for a good time, not a long time.

### **Part 2: Project Proposal**

Answer the following questions individually or in the form of written paragraphs that cover all of the necessary details.

1. What medium do you want to use to clearly express your philosophy to an audience at the all-school exhibition and/or share it digitally?

\*large scale collage

2. How is this medium creative and representative of your authentic or unique self?

\*I am a collage person, they're kinda messy and not fully planned out but contain so much information and meaning if you real open your eyes and look at it all

3. What impression do you want to make on your audience? What do you want them to remember most about your presentation/project?

\*I want them to feel my meaning, I want them to remember that life is completely what you make it and its all in your hands

4. Describe your idea in as much detail as possible. Submit a sketch if you are doing still art. Perhaps a brief storyboard or script for a motion picture.

\*I am making a large scale collage on Jessica's wall with Clara containing the key aspects of our philosophies and the things that give us that soulful happiness.

5. What obstacles do you think you will encounter in creating this project?

\*time to actually create the collage,

6. What materials will you need to create your project?

\*Paper, scissors, tape/glue, printer, moveable panels

7. How much time will this project take you to create?

\*unclear

8. What do you need from Jessica to help you succeed?

\*maybe some time before or after school