**Box Assignment and Speech**

As a way to get to know you better, you will create a box representing you, and you will share your creation with the class. This will also pay back dividends during cold and flu season! Here’s how this works. You need to get a full box of tissues (any brand will do), paper to cover the box, images that represent you (photographs, Google images, etc), glue or tape, scissors, and any other decorative item you wish. You then have 6 sides of the box to cover and make a “you” box (top, bottom, and four sides).

You are free to design your box in any way you like; however, the top, bottom, and side 4 must follow the bolded directions below. Sides 1,2,3 may contain your choice of topics. Here is an example of what you might do:

**Top: Name and block**

**Bottom: A song lyric, quotation, or movie line that is meaningful to you (intro)**

Side 1: Tell about your family or ancestry

Side 2: Tell about important objects or possessions

Side 3: Tell about your favorite activities/ hobbies/ or obsessions

**Side 4: Tell about your goals or dreams for the year or future (conclusion)**

Your box should be COLORFUL and reveal your personality. The box will help guide you in your speech where you will expand on the items.

* Introduction: Read the quotation or lyric (etc) and then tell us **why** it is meaningful to you.
* Body: Think of each side of your box as one paragraph in your body. Now, you will expand on each side. For example, if I list *Game of Thrones* as an obsession, I would want to explain what it is and why I am obsessed with it. What about the books and show do I love?
* Conclusion: Use side #4 as your conclusion.

Practice giving your speech to your family, your hamster, a friend, a mirror, or a stuffed animal. It should sound practiced and flow. Use eye contact, speak clearly and loudly, and use appropriate body language.

You will present your box in class beginning on **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.** This is your first speech grade and it will count as a summative grade. You will be graded on your box and the speech you present.

**Box: 20 points + Speech: 20 points = 40 point summative assignment**