**Planning Your News Broadcast**

You are assigned to a group, and you cannot switch groups.

Each member of your news team will be responsible for a different type of news. Categories that you **must** include are: international news, national (U.S.) news, and local news. Your three other categories will be up to your group to decide. Your group will also decide who covers which type of news. You do not have to cover weather, traffic, or sports. You should choose current or recent news with the understanding that by the time you present your broadcast, your segment will not be truly current.

Here are someguidelineswe discussed*:*

*Language*: openings (intros)/endings (transitions & sign-offs); written notes only; more formal than informal; tone appropriate to topic; good use of intonation (not flat)

*Props*: graphics (to post or project), such as photos plus captions

*Behavior*, including body language: professional; eyes on camera. Decide ahead of time if you will be sitting or standing (and dress appropriately!)

*Dress*: Fitting for newscast, but don’t purchase anything new.

*Before*: Go over your segment with your teacher for any pronunciation challenges.

*After*: Review the feedback sheet provided.

**Schedule**

10/20 First planning meeting. Review and approve topics. Determine lineup (order) for broadcast.

10/25 Second planning meeting. Write introductions and sign-offs. Fine-tune

lineup. Iron out any problems.

10/27 Last planning meeting. Rehearsals, including timing. Students go over script pronunciation challenges with teacher.

**11/1 Showtime!**

11/8 View videos in computer lab