Genius Hour

**What is it?**

A chance for students to explore their passions and creativity by doing projects that interests them.

It is based on a program set up by Google, in which developers get to spend 1/5 of their work time working on WHAT THEY WANT (*as long as it has the potential to advance the company*).

**3 RULES for *Genius Hour*:**

1 - There must be a driving question. (*Can’t be something that is easily “Googled.”*)

2 – Your project must require research. (*exploring new information.*)

3 – Your project needs to be shared. (*Can be done through a presentation, slide show, video or any other approved medium.)*

**What do I do?**

The first thing is to think of things that you are passionate about, things that interest you. Something that you won’t mind spending hours researching, or looking for answers about.

**Who can I work with?**

For our first project, you may work by yourself or with ONE other person.

**Why not a group of more than two people?**

We want as many projects as possible, as many great new ideas shared into the world. Because *Genius Hour* is based on passions and interests, it is much easier to work by yourself or with one other like-minded person.

**Can I do ANYTHING I want?**

Within reason. Your topic needs to be based in research, and will need to be approved by your teacher.

**Will it be marked?**

Everything we do at school is always evaluated, but most of the evaluation for *Genius Hour* is done by YOU. It is YOUR learning, YOUR passion, YOUR time, YOUR project.