**Research Rubric**

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|  | **Ideas** |
| The writing . . .* includes a thesis statement that focuses on an interesting aspect of the topic.
* effectively supports the thesis.
* thoroughly informs readers.
* gives credit, when necessary, for ideas from other sources.
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|  | **Organization** |
| * includes a clearly developed beginning, middle, and ending.
* presents supporting information in an organized manner (perhaps one main idea per paragraph).
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|  | **Voice** |
| * speaks in a sincere and knowledgeable way.
* shows that the writer is truly interested in the subject.
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|  | **Word Choice** |
| * explains or defines any unfamiliar terms.
* employs an appropriate level of language.
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|  | **Sentence Fluency** |
| * flows smoothly from one idea to the next.
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|  | **Conventions** |
| * adheres to the rules of grammar, spelling, and punctuation.
* follows the appropriate format for research papers (including correct documentation).
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**Comments:**

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