

### **List of Successful Project Topics**

The following is a partial list of successful Project Topics and the formats they were presented in. A more complete list of topics follows this list, without formats, on page .

<b>Project Topic</b>	<b>Format(s)</b>
<b>Careers</b>	
Criminology	Not Provided
Video Game Development	PowerPoint
Chemical Engineering	PowerPoint
The Army	Film, PowerPoint, Internet Website Reviews and Questionnaires
HVAC	PowerPoint
Social Work Career	PowerPoint
Child Care Worker	PowerPoint, Research Paper
Animal Control Officer	Videos of job Situations
Machine Tools	PowerPoint
Becoming a Paralegal	Research Paper, Application to College, Job Profiling
Bartending	Background Research, Poster Board
Japansis Animation and Mango	Not Provided
Music Video Production	Video following a rock band, Research Paper, Brochure
Beekeeping	Video Illustrating Points in the research
Graphic Design	Online Demonstration, Research Paper, PowerPoint
Landscaping	Photos Illustrating the Process of Building a Pond in the Backyard
Becoming a Medical Examiner	Research paper, interview with a medical examiner, the law and the medical examiner
<b>Sports</b>	
History of the Yankee/Red Sox Rivalry	PowerPoint
History of Football	PowerPoint, Props
Greco-Roman Wrestling	PowerPoint, Demonstration, Poster Board
Tai Kwon Do	Research Paper, Film, Live Demonstration with Sparring Partner
Michael Jordon	Poster Board, Film, Research Paper
Marlin/Tarpin Fishing	Maps
The History of Basketball	
The History of Blacks in Baseball	PowerPoint, Research Paper, Video
The History of Baseball and the Changes it has Gone Through	Film, Poster Board, Statistics
Competitive Fishing	Not Provided
ATV Safety	Equipment
<b>Music</b>	
Performance Arts: Original Poetry and Rap Performance	In-class Lyrics Writing, Research Paper, Singing
Performance Arts: Gospel Music - History, Meaning, and Musical Performance	Research Paper, Guitar playing, Singing
Performance Arts: Hip-Hop Artist and Me	Research Mary J. Blige, Performance of Student's Original Songs
History of Rap	PowerPoint
History of Drumming	
Hip-Hop Music: the Influence of Tupac Shakur	Demo CD
History of Modern Rock	
The Beatles	PowerPoint, video, music CDs
The Rolling Stones	Poster Board, History and Research Paper, music, lyrics

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<b>Religion</b>	
Christianity and Islam: Similarities and Differences	PowerPoint, Research Paper
Judaism	Research Paper, PowerPoint
Religion and War	Research Paper, Poster
<b>Health Issues</b>	
Medical Marijuana	Research Paper, Poster Board
Methadone	Book
Abortion	Poster
Infant Massage	Demo on Baby
Eating Disorders	Live Interviews
Plastic Surgery	Research Paper, Before and After Poster Board, BAD Surgery Pictures
<b>Cooking</b>	
Bread Making	Demonstration, Samples, Research through Interviews and Job Shadowing
Becoming a French Chef	Education, Food (French Onion Soup)
Baking Cakes	Tips and Tricks, Interviews, Demonstration, Cake Tasting
Cajun Cooking	Recipes, Sample Dishes
Portuguese Cooking	Demonstration, Poster
<b>Social and Relationship Issues</b>	
Abusive Relationships	Book, Video
School Shootings	Wrote Fictional Journal, Poster
Child Labor	Not Provided
Foster Care	Research Paper, Poster Board
<b>Financial/Business</b>	
Ebay	Online Demonstration, Process Procedures, Bank Statements, Student made \$800 profit during the trimester
The Stock Market	Research Paper, Small Investment Tracking, Poster Board w/ Charts: Student made 15% profit during project
Starting a Business	Research Paper
Bookkeeping	How To Keep Financial Records: Demonstration
<b>History</b>	
King Henry the Eighth and His Wives	PowerPoint, Research Paper, Interview of an English History Professor
The German Autobahn	PowerPoint, Poster Board, Research Paper
The Holocaust	Poster Board, Research Paper, Interview of Holocaust Survivor
Henry Ford	Not Provided
Howard Hughes	Poster Board, Scrapbook, Research Paper
The History of the Automobile	PowerPoint
<b>Psychology</b>	
Rape	Research Paper
The Minds of Serial Killers	Research Paper, Poster Board, Brochure
OCD	Video of Self and OCD's effects upon daily life, Research Paper
The Emotional Effects of Abortion Upon the Baby's Father	Video of Live Interview, PowerPoint
Bi-Polar Disorder in Children	Poster Board, Live Interview
<b>Alternative Lifestyles &amp; Belief Systems</b>	
The History of Homosexuality	Research Paper, Poster Board
Traditional Witchcraft Compared to Wicca: Healing Traditions	Research Paper, Pictures, Homemade Documentary on Salem, MA
Ghosts in Connecticut	TV Show clips, Research Paper, Oral History,

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	PowerPoint
Body Piercing	Not Provided
The Game of Poker	PowerPoint, Demonstration
Body Suspension	Poster
<b>Engines and Cars</b>	
Turbo Chargers	PowerPoint, Props
Car Sound Systems	PowerPoint, Demonstration
The Four-Stroke Engine	Research Paper, Poster Board, Diagrams
History of the Camero	PowerPoint, Video
Auto Maintenance	PowerPoint
Aftermarket Parts and Street Racing	Research, Videos, Statistics, Demo on an Engine brought into class
Engine Oil Changes: Comparison of 5 area Oil-Changing Specialty Shops	Poster Board, 5 interviews, comparison chart of services, costs, quality, customer service
<b>Science</b>	
Alternative Fuel Sources	PowerPoint
The Science of DNA	Research Paper, Poster Board
Stem Cell Research	Not Provided
<b>Political Issues</b>	
Censorship	PowerPoint, Pictures
9-11	PowerPoint, Video, Research Paper
George W. Bush and His Election for a Second Term	PowerPoint, Research Paper, Animation
<b>Animals</b>	
The German Shepherd vs. The Doberman as Guard Dogs	Research Paper, Poster Board
Animal Cruelty in the Food Business	Video, Research Paper, Brochures
Horse Riding	Video, Research Paper, Props
Pythons	Not Provided
<b>Countries and Travel</b>	
France	Poster Board, Native Food
Ireland	PowerPoint, video, Irish Dancing
British West Indies	Video, Songs, and Travel Costs
Italy	PowerPoint, Poster Board, Food
Puerto Rico: the Land, the People, the Traditions	PowerPoint, Music, Food, Discussion

### Other Successful Project Topics

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Research Focus</b>	<b>Product</b>
Chemical Engineering		PowerPoint
Smoking, the Dangers		Survey/Interview/Statistics
Eating Disorders		Live interviews
A+ Certification	Career Opportunities with A+ Certification	Recorded results on series of practice tests
Bookkeeping/Accounting	Bookkeeping procedures in the local A&P	Complete exercises in accounting text
Hispanic Women	Family roles of Hispanic women	Journal based on work at a women's shelter
Drunk Driving	Legal consequences and their effectiveness	Poster and brochure highlighting stats on DWI
Snowmobiles	Accident stats and benefit of safety equipment	Flyer and demonstration of safety equipment
Sleep disorders	Explanation of various sleep disorders	Poster featuring printouts of brain activity in sleep studies
Coaching Children	Do's and Don'ts of Coaching Children 7 – 9 Years Old	Video clips of self helping coach a team for one season

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Streetball	Differences between Streetball and NBA	Video of Streetball games student played in
Car Audio	How to Select and Install a Killer Auto Sound System	The system installed and photos of the process
Graffiti	Types and meanings of graffiti	Photos of area graffiti
Photography	Bio information of CDF students and staff	Created a CDP Yearbook
Drug Abuse	Effects of addiction on teens	Handouts featuring stats on abuse and addiction
Choreography	The career of _____(famous choreographer)	Video of dance routine student taught to classmate
Digital Music	Taxonomy of digital music	CD illustrating types
Underground hip-hop	Direction of underground vs. mainstream hip-hop	Poster/timeline
Op Art	Influence of Bridget Riley	Two student-made pieces
Hydroponics	Commercial hydroponics	Grew an onion and photographed the process
Cosmetology	Types of Makeovers	Job shadowed and photographed
Rock Music	Guitar Greats	Poster
Urban Exploration	Accounts of Urban Exploration	Video of exploration
Horse Riding	Types of Horses	Video clips of learning to ride and groom
Video Making	Do's and Don'ts of Video Making	Created a biker video
Video Production	History, Lighting, Camera Angles, Newscasting	Research paper, Videos created by the student as a newscaster
Perceptions of Music	Defense of music considered a bad influence	Survey and study results
Gardening	Making a garden plan	Plotted, planted, and grew a garden
Paintball	Equipment, games, strategies	PowerPoint illustrating highlights of research
Body suspension	Why would someone want to hang by hooks?	Poster
Music	Deriving guitar tablature from sheet music	PowerPoint showing how to derive tablature
Body Modifications	Survey of types	Poster illustrating types
Hip-Hop	Origins: How Hip-Hop came to the white middle class	Illustrated timeline
NASCAR	Effects of improved safety equipment	PowerPoint illustrating highlights of research
Tofu	How to make your own tofu	Illustrated guide to making tofu
Goths	History and influence of the Visigoths	Poster
Glassblowing	Techniques of blowing glass	PowerPoint illustrating highlights of research
Reality TV	Types of reality TV shows	Video of clips showing the different types
Computer Animation	Career options, training, education	Panel discussion with 3 graphic artists/college students in computer graphics
Writing a novel	Student wrote a gothic novel during the semester	200 page book with 14 chapters
Breast Cancer	Causes, Effects, and Treatments	PowerPoint, Poster, Interview
Skin Cancer and Tanning Salons	The effects of tanning in tanning salons upon skin	PowerPoint, interviews, statistics on charts. Student STOPPED tanning at salons as a result.
Juvenile Diabetes	The care of a child with diabetes: causes, effects, and care	Video, research paper, brochure
Manufacturing Skateboards	What it takes to create the best	Demonstration, video, poster

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	skateboard	board
Hairdressing	History of hairstyles through the ages and what your hair says about you	Research paper, live demonstration of a hair cut in class on a volunteer student

**More Topics, Less Detail**

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| Child Abuse          | Credit Cards                        |
| Classic Muscle Cars  | Steroids in Sports: Effects on Body |
| Iraq War             | Prohibition                         |
| Rap Music Effect     | Bowling                             |
| Soul Food            | Rotary Engine                       |
| Evolution of Man     | Soccer                              |
| Bob Marley           | Salvador Dali                       |
| Encephalitis         | Formula One                         |
| Unprotected Sex STDs | Fife and Drum                       |
| Paganism             | Alcatraz                            |
| Death Penalty        | Vampires                            |
| Ecstasy              | Pre-natal Care                      |
| Jim Morrison         | H.R. Giger                          |
| Stem Cell Research   | Effects of Christianity             |
| Teen Pregnancy       | Audio Recording                     |
| Heavy Metal Music    | Rome                                |
| Videogame violence   | Hybrid Cars/Fuel Alternatives       |
| Nursing              | Motocross                           |
| Music Theory         | Disc Jockey                         |
| Photography          | Interior Design                     |