Quarter 1 Project: Natural Disasters

Reading/Language Arts (ELA)

**Due Date: Wednesday, October 2, 2013** to Mrs. DiMeo (Last Names A-M) Ms. Blackard (Last Names N-Z)

Presentations: Thursday, October 3, 2013 and Friday, October 4, 2013 in Ms. Blackard’s class

Task: Inform and prepare citizens for natural disasters and severe weather events. You are to create an informational piece from research to share in a presentation. You must complete a final product and present your project in class.

Topics (choose one):

* Tornados
* Tsunamis
* Hurricanes
* Wild Fires
* Blizzards
* Volcanoes
* Earthquakes

Final Projects (choose one):

* Poster
* Brochure
* Booklet

Presentation:

* 2-4 Minutes

You must use a minimum of three sources in your project:

* At least one book from our library
* Other sources can include: video, magazines, or internet

Essential Questions that MUST be answered in your project:

1. What is it? (Explanation of your natural disaster)
2. What do they look like? (Description using details)
3. How do they happen? (Include a multi-flow map)
4. Why are they dangerous?
5. Where do they occur? (Include a map)
6. What are the affects or damage that your disaster causes? (Illustrate or include pictures)
7. Are there any “famous” or well-known disasters of this type?
8. Are there any “damage statistics”/information on your disaster?
9. Preventions, or what can be done for people to prepare for this disaster?
10. How do people recover after your disaster has occurred?

The rubric for your project choice is on the back of this sheet and on Ms. Blackard’s website for MS. BLACKARD’S grade ONLY. This project will be its own classwork grade in Skyward. Your grade focuses on three sections:

* Final Product
* Bibliography
* Presentation

All information is available on my website:

http://sharkslovelanguage.weebly.com