

## Science–Fiction Group Short Story Project – Mrs. Donner’s 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> hours

### OR Super–Fun Way to End the Year Project

#### Overview:

- ▣ Your group of 3–4 students will write a **science fiction** story using one or more of the popular science fiction themes.
- ▣ A team of marketing students from Mr. Davis’ class will create an advertising campaign for your short story to market it to a target group.
- ▣ You may end up sending your end product to Hollywood producers. Don’t forget, I get 10%, maybe even 15%!

#### Schedule:

- ▣ Fri., May 9      Begin group brainstorming and outlining.
  - Use *google* documents to write complete your work
  - Create *gmail* accounts for all group members
- ▣ Mon., May 12    Continue writing your story on *google* documents.
- ▣ Tues., May 13    Meet with Mr. Davis’ students.
  - See examples of project (story and ad items)
  - Meet with advertising team
  - Brainstorm/interview each other
  - Discuss use of *google* documents and how you will all access the story and information
  - Choose facilitators
  - Make plans and stick to them
- ▣ Wed., May 14    Continue writing your story on *google* documents.
- ▣ Thurs., May 15    Continue writing your story.
- ▣ Fri., May 16      Finish stories! Turn over to ad teams!
  - Advertising teams need completed stories to create their ad campaigns

- ▣ Thurs., May 22 Team with marketing groups to present story and ad campaign.

### **Story Requirements (What you MUST do and have):**

- ▣ Choose a science fiction theme – **Alien Contact, Space Travel, Time Travel, Artificial Intelligence, Cloning or Genetic Engineering, Man v. Technology, Man in the Atomic Age or Utopia/Dystopia**
- ▣ Develop detailed **characters** and **point of view**
- ▣ Develop a solid, cohesive **plot** that fits together and makes sense
- ▣ While you write, think about advertising and marketing this story (could it be a movie?)
- ▣ Follow the **6 traits** of writing (yes, all six!)
- ▣ Write a **3–5 page** story with **conflict** in an appropriate **setting**
- ▣ **Stories must have all short story elements: plot, characters, point of view, setting, conflict, theme**