**Environmental Research Directed Study**

**2023-2024 Summer Assignment**

You will create a PowerPoint presentation. Include one or two slides to introduce yourself (see part 1). See part 2 for the remainder of your presentation. Your presentation should be roughly 5 minutes. You will present an article and introduce yourself on the first day of elective. Please turn in the assignment to the Canvas drobox prior to the first day that elective meets or email your presentation to [jvillers@rvgs.k12.va.us](mailto:jvillers@rvgs.k12.va.us)

**Part 1: You and your interests.**   
Include one or two slides in your PowerPoint presentation to introduce yourself. Use the prompts below to introduce yourself to your classmates.   
  
What are some of your favorite things to do?  
What do you know about science?  
How does your favorite activity relate to science?  
What do you think you may learn in this course this year?  
What is one thing you really like about yourself?  
What kinds of jobs are there for scientists in the real world?

Where have you seen science in books, graphic novels, television, or movies?

**Part 2: Research idea**

Find a primary research article to help you with your background research and/or methods for your project. Become the expert on the article and present a summary. The last slide in your presentation should be the APA citation of the article and any other resources you used.