## 2018 La Costa Canyon High School Advanced Placement Psychology Film Festival James Etheridge

Period 1

AP Psychology 2018

A Beautiful Mind, The Amazing John Nash Fantastic Lies, The Duke of Truth Each of your papers, 2 total, will be a minimum of 2 pages each. You will have 1 title page for the two papers. Minimum of 5 pages total. That would be one title page and 2, two page papers for each film chosen.

Some students have had difficulties with the APA style. This document is an example on how to write a professional paper using loose APA style. When you are finished it should look quite a bit like this.

Typing your paper. Use a typeface that is serif preferred as it improves the readability and reduces eye fatigue. Preferred typefaces are Times New Roman 12-pt font or Courier 12-pt font. All papers should be double-spaced. If you are using a computer, always spell check before printing. Margins should be 1 inch all around.

The title page consists of the title, not longer than 12 words; author's name; institutional affiliation. In APA style, date is not included. However, for this class please add class period.

First Page of Text Type the title of the paper at the top of the page and center it on the top of the page. The first paragraph should be an introduction that presents the specific problem or issue of the paper. Because the introduction is clearly defined by its position in the paper, it is not labeled.

## Additional Information

Writing style. Whether using a single word, thought, sentence or paragraph, writing must be orderly. Presenting ideas in an orderly manner will allow the readers to understand what you, as an author, are presenting, from the opening introduction of your paper, to concepts developed, to the conclusion. When writing the paper, make sure there is a smoothness of expression. As a writer avoid falling into the creative writing trap (e.g., using ambiguity, omitting the expected, shifting topic, tense, or person, and omitting the unexpected) and use a more professional writing

style. Common problems in writing include, jargon used, wordiness, redundancy, word choice, colloquial expressions, overuse of pronouns (beginning or ending a sentence with a pronoun), and use of an editorial "we".

Enjoy the process of writing these papers. You have the opportunity to be creative, profound, and imaginative. Enjoy the opportunity to revisit these films.