

RESC 098 TECHNOLOGY EQUALS PROGRESS? Craft Project Assignment

You will work in a group of four to consider the issue of food waste on campus. Your goal will be to construct an item that will illustrate food waste. Conduct additional research in your group to answer the following:

1. What are the resources used to produce your item?
2. Who are the typical workers in the chain of food production from farm to table, including distribution?
3. What is the impact of wasting this food?
4. What other questions emerge from your study of waste of this food item?

In your group, using the ideas and techniques suggested by Gretchen Heuges, develop an idea for producing a visual display of this information. For example, you could create a giant carrot that includes signage on the food waste. Or you could create a mock-up of a giant scale that tracks waste minute by minute in the Bison. You could create two plates of food: one with a serving of McDonald's food from the US and one with a serving from a different country of your choice (along these lines: <http://mentalfloss.com/article/28290/mcdonalds-menu-items-around-world>)

Write a short proposal about your food item (details below), why you have chosen it, and how you intend to depict it.

Proposal due: Friday, October 10, 2014.

Project due: Friday, November 21, 2014.

State your problem: In approximately 100 words, explain what item your group has chosen. Who wastes it and why?

Understand the problem: In approximately 100 words, explain a way to depict the item and/or the way in which it is wasted. Be sure it uses reasonable materials and that it can be done in the amount of time you can spend on it!

Devise a plan: What is your plan for creating that item? Include relevant statistics on size and materials.

Carry out the plan: You'll do this in the Craft Center in groups of 4 students.

Reflect: What are some other questions that were raised while constructing this object?

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