**“Egg Baby” Parenting**

**Objective:** The purpose of this project is to allow you to experience some of the responsibilities that are involved in the care of human “babies”. The following guidelines are laid out to help you succeed in this project.

**Congratulations**! You are the new parent of a newborn baby egg. Starting today, you will care for this egg baby as if it were a newborn child. ***For each day you have your egg, you will record all daily activities in your journal such as feeding times, diaper changes, places you and your baby go, and any other events that happen throughout the day. Be sure to include your feelings and thoughts on your responsibilities as a new parent.*** ***You will write one journal entry per day that must be at least 1/2 page.***

Other materials that you will need to successfully complete this project are a birth certificate, and a final reflection that will be written in class on Wednesday.

**ABOUT THE EGG**

Eggs will be marked and you must carry your assigned egg with you where ever you may go. If your egg is broken, but you still carry the egg shells, there will be a 10-point deduction from your final project grade. If your egg is stolen or lost, 20-points will be subtracted from the final grade. Each day, there will be an egg-check. If you do not bring your egg to class with you, 10-points will be subtracted from your final project grade.

**Guidelines:**

***YOU MAY NOT LEAVE YOUR BABY UNATTENDED!*** Leaving babies unattended is called neglect and is a form of **child abuse**. If you do not have your baby with you, you may be asked to explain where it is and why you don’t have it. Putting your baby in your locker, leaving it at home, or leaving it alone are examples of child abuse.

Remember, infants can roll off tables and piled books. Certain animals might also find your baby a special treat. Be careful of whom you trust to watch your egg baby…you are still responsible if someone neglects, hurts, or abuses your baby.

**RUBRIC**:

5 points: Egg Baby Carrier

5 points: Birth Certificate

10 points: Egg Check Complete- Day One

10 points: Egg Check Complete- Day Two

25 points: Journal Entry-1

25 points: Journal Entry-2

20 points: Final Reflection

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**Period/Track\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Egg Baby Journal- Day One**

**Reflect on today’s experiences. What did you do with your baby? Record all feeding times, diaper changes, etc. How are you feeling? Give as many details as possible about your day. MUST BE ½ PAGE at least. Use back if necessary.**

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**Egg Baby Journal- Day Two**

**Reflect on today’s experiences. What did you do with your baby? Record all feeding times, diaper changes, etc. How are you feeling? Give as many details as possible about your day. MUST BE ½ PAGE at least. Use back if necessary.**

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**Final Reflection Questions-min 1 pg. (written in class the last day of the project):**

1. After this experience do you think you are responsible enough to take care of a real human baby? Why or why not?
2. How would your life change if you became a parent today?
3. Would your current family be supportive? Would they help you? Financially? Emotionally (support)?
4. What kind of parent do you think you will be? Describe how you will act as a parent. What kind of discipline will you use? (if any) What do you feel makes a "good parent"?