

# **English IV Final Exam**

## **Student Sample**

Part One:  
Annotated Bibliography

**(Topic: Texting)**

Part I:  
Annotated Bibliography  
Student Sample

Works Cited

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31 Aug 2009: n.p. *SIRS Discoverer*. Web. 14 Nov 2012.

This article is about schools cracking down on sexting. Sexting is the exchange of graphic photos over a text message. For the last few decades, sexting has become more and more popular in high schools and schools aren't doing much about the situation. This article made me realize that sexting someone is quite humiliating and I have no idea why somebody would partake in this unacceptable action. This article is sad because teenagers don't understand what a simple picture of themselves can do for their future. I enjoyed this article because it gave me a real life example of a young girl sexting her boyfriend, who ended up showing his friends and got shown around school. The police had gotten involved and now in some states, sexting is in the policy books. In my research paper I need to discuss that a speaker would most likely help educate students all around the world. Overall, I found this article to be informative and very really

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"Honest! Txtng makes U more truthful ;)." *Muse* Sept. 2012: 4. *Student Edition*. Web. 4 Dec. 2012.

This article is about that texting makes a person more truthful. I agree with this statement completely and I know for a fact that it's true; regardless of the information in this article. This article made me realize that if I have to ask someone a question, I'm going to ask it over a text because it takes people more time to think about their answer when they're texting. How ironic. People worry less about making themselves look good to the person who is asking the questions. Also, texting about certain illegal actions, people seem to be more honest by answering questions more precisely and use exact numbers rather than rounding. This article is surprisingly shocking because I've never put too much thought into the "secrets behind texting." In my research paper I need to discuss the truth behind texting and how much more honest the person is. Overall, I found this article to be informative and extremely interesting.

Interesting I didn't think about that.

"Texting may lead to poor grammar skills." *The Science Teacher* 79.7 (2012): 24. *Academic OneFile*. Web 14 Nov. 2012

This article is about texting declining languages and grammar skills among young adolescents. "Tweens" are starting to write in techspeak which often uses shortcuts and acronyms. A lot of people I know use "laugh out loud" as "LOL" and "Oh my god" as "OMG." This article made me realize that texting affects a teenager's ability to use normal rules of grammar in the class room. Teenagers are unable to switch from techspeak to normal grammar. This article makes me sort of laugh because people I know text in techspeak and I find that unprofessional and pretty annoying. In my research paper I need to discuss that a school in Pennsylvania made their school district take a grammar assessment to see if students have really learned the normal grammar rules. The results came back as right: A decline in grammar skills based on sent text messages. Overall, I found this article informative and helpful.

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Weston, Carol. "Text text text." *Girl's Life* Oct.-Nov. 2012: 15+. *Student Edition*. Web. 3 Dec. 2012.

This article is about the compulsive behavior that some people have with texting. No matter where a person might be, they are always texting. This article made me realize that I used to be obsessed with texting, and now it's just boring to me. I think people hit a certain age (13-15) — yes! — and become incredibly attached to their phones. This article is somewhat annoying because I still have friends that never get off their phones, and don't even enjoy the time when we are together. This article is completely accurate because texting excessively makes your basic social skills decline because that person texting isn't even conversing with the people he/she is with. In my research paper I need to discuss how addicting electronics can be, how much they affect everyday lives and of course- social skills. Overall, I found this article to be informative, true, and thought-provoking.

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"While Teens Take An Active Role Discouraging Texting and Driving, Many Still Text Themselves." *Obesity, Fitness & Wellness Week* 15 Sept. 2010: 2311. *Academic OneFile*. Web. 14 Nov. 2012.

This article is about State Farms attempt to make teenagers more aware of texting and driving- except State Farm doesn't do so in this article. State Farm researched some situations where teenagers took the initiative and said, "Hey, I'll text for you" or "Don't do that." Other than a few short stories, this article only gave me stats that I did not really understand. Don't get me wrong, the stats are informative, but they don't give me enough information to talk about. This article made me realize the unthinkable. I would have never guessed that my first year of driving I would have gotten in a car accident and many teenagers think the way I thought. I commend Navea Frazier for standing up and protecting not only herself, but the other passengers by telling her friend not to text and drive. This article is very shocking and tragically sad for all people, not just teenagers. I find it interesting that texting and driving can be just as dangerous as drinking and driving. In my research paper I need to discuss the importance of putting your phone down while driving because it's not worth risking your life. Overall, I found this article uninformative, but stat worthy.

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# **English IV Final Exam Student Sample**

Part Two:  
6 Things You Should Know  
Research Paper

**(Topic: Human Trafficking)**

Part II:  
"6 Things You should  
Know" Research  
Paper Student Sample

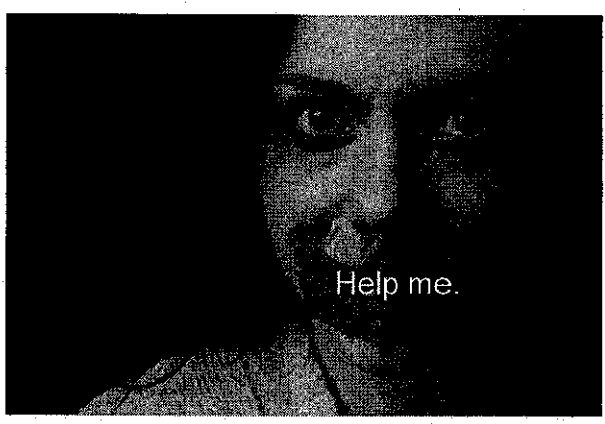
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7 May 2014

Six Things You Should Know About Human Trafficking

Imagine someone forcing you to perform sex jobs to five or six people a night. If you refuse, you get death threats and are beaten to within an inch of your life. So you decide to go along with it, but it's traumatizing. Afterwards, someone comes along and takes the money that you earned. All of it. This keeps happening every night, for months, for years, and you try to escape this vicious cycle. *But how?* You have no money, no family, no friends. If you go to the police, someone will hunt you down and they **will** hurt you. Your life is CONTROLLED. This is the life of someone stuck in human trafficking. It was also the life of Jasmine, who started out as a normal teenage girl just struggling to fit in. Fortunately, she was successful in getting out and starting on a new track to a new life. On the flip side, there are so many girls that are still stuck in human trafficking, and it needs to be stopped.

Great  
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Just girls?  
or boys too?



1. What is Human Trafficking???

A lot of people have difficulty pinpointing what human trafficking exactly is. Human trafficking cannot be pinpointed to one thing because the term encompasses many different things. For instance, many people believe that human trafficking is just another term for sex trafficking. While sex trafficking *is* included in human trafficking, it's not the *only* aspect of it. The formal definition of human trafficking – as thought of by the United Nations – is “the recruitment, transportation, transfer, harboring or receipt of persons, by means of the threat or use of force or other forms of coercion, of abduction, of fraud, of deception, of the abuse of power or of a position off vulnerability or of the giving or receiving of payments or benefits for the purpose of exploitation.” (“What is it?”, 1). This sounds like a really complicated and wordy definition, but it's basically saying that human trafficking is the use

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of abduction, deception, or fraud to capture and hold people against their will, and to make them fulfill a certain duty, which could include labor or sexual servitude. So when you think about it, human trafficking can include the sex trade, forced labor, and slavery or other similar practices. Traffickers have even been known to use victims for their organs ("Types of", 1)! So human trafficking is not just a single thing, but really covers a wide aspect of things - it's a subject that involves a lot more than many people know about.

that is horrific!

2. Human Trafficking is **BIGGER** than you think.

I love your play of words here.

Human trafficking is an international crime; it happens *everywhere*. Although it doesn't seem like that big of a problem, especially in the United States, trafficking is one of the fastest growing criminal enterprises ("Human Trafficking", 1). Surprisingly, human trafficking comes in right behind drug trafficking globally, and it averages an annual income of around 32 billion dollars ("Human Trafficking", 1). That is an enormous amount of money being spent on this awful practice every year. Another horrific and monstrous value would be the number of people in the world trapped by human trafficking. Researchers estimate that about 27 million people are enslaved because of trafficking - and that number keeps rising (Hu, 1). So when you think that human trafficking isn't a common practice, or someone tries to convince you that it's "not a big deal," you know better - it is a big deal.

Great pts 3 discussion W.L.

3. Child Trafficking

Yes, you read that correctly. CHILD TRAFFICKING. Of all the awful and horrific things in this world, children being bought and sold into slavery is probably one of the worst. *Agree*. Domestic minor sex trafficking - also known as DMST - is "the commercial sexual abuse of children through buying, selling, or trading their sexual services" (Kotrla, 2). This means that anyone under the age of eighteen that was forced to perform sex acts is a victim of DMST. Shockingly, most victims of DMST are a lot younger than eighteen. In fact, the average age at which children are being brought into the commercial sex business is "between 11 and 14, although some are as young as five" (Kotrla, 2). *Five years old?* This is your little sister, your baby daughter, a niece or nephew, your grandchildren. Never in a million years would you want anything like this to happen to them, but this kind of thing happens everyday for other children around the world. In reality, it's estimated that about one million children are exploited by the global commercial sex trade each year ("Child Trafficking", 1). And just when you think it couldn't get worse, it does. Not only are children forced into performing these sex acts, but also it's often recorded or documented with images and videos and then circulated for others' personal consumption. This is child pornography, and it's a global issue that's becoming bigger every year. The most terrifying part of this is that "the United States remains the largest producer and consumer of child abuse content in the world" ("Child Trafficking", 2). Who would've ever thought that the United States played such a large role in this international industry? It just goes to show that the truth is well hidden by lies and myths. The important thing is that we look past these obstacles to see that this is happening all around us all the time.

this is awful.

great job really explaining the research.



#### 4. Why does human trafficking happen?

This is always a question that is asked constantly. *Why does it happen?* To really understand the causes of human trafficking, it's easier to look at it like at the problem like a global market, where the victims make up the supply, and the sexual exploiters – also known as sex buyers – make up the demand of the market. For the victims, there are a number of different factors that can make them more vulnerable. These include poverty, lack of employment opportunities, and the attraction of a better life (“The many causes”, 1). Other factors – from the exploiters’ perspective – include organized crime, armed conflict, government corruption, and political instability. Discrimination against women and violence against women and children can also make them much more susceptible to being victims (“The many causes”, 1). Factors that are driving the demand for trafficking consist of the sex industry and the growing pressure for cheap, exploitable labor (“The many causes”, 1). And in the sex industry, there is a high demand for sex tourism and pornography. These are growing, worldwide industries that are becoming more available to consumers by things like the Internet (“The many causes”, 1). Overall, it isn’t difficult to understand how the causes of human trafficking can become very complex, and how it’s a very complicated problem to solve. ✓

#### 5. The world of the victims

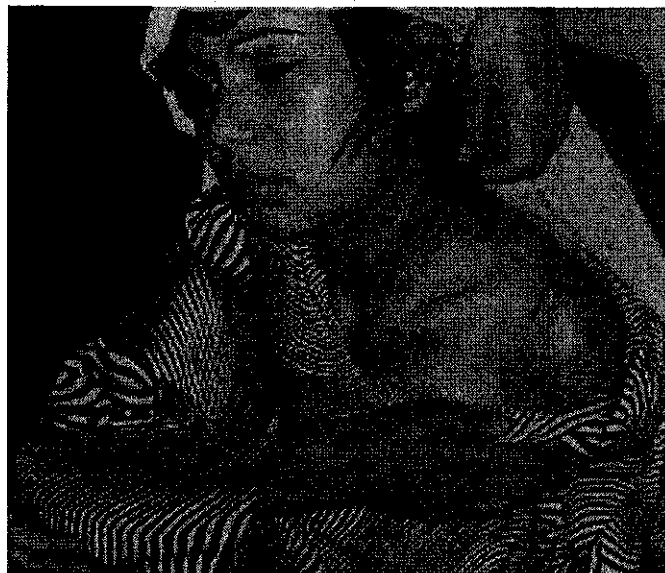
The victims of human trafficking go through some of the worst things imaginable, things that no human being should have to endure. They are tortured, beaten, threatened, manipulated, and sometimes even killed. Take it from Trish, a survivor. Already coming from a troubled past with previous sexual assaults, her trafficker took advantage of her weaknesses – he made her feel safe and good and wanted. Just before her thirteenth birthday, she lost her virginity to him. Then, just two days later, he sent her out on the streets to work (Mulhern, 3). She was expected to bring in a minimum of \$1,000 *per night*, and was only allowed to keep \$20. She rebelled against this, not realizing that the consequences would be much worse. The same curling iron that was used to curl her hair was used to burn

Trish is a great real life example



her. She would receive regular beatings for her disobedience. One time, she was even choked to the point of unconsciousness. After almost ten years of being in this business, Trish managed to escape (Mulhern, 4). She was one of the lucky ones, because it is very hard – if not impossible – for girls to escape their employers. Life for those that are exploited for labor is awful as well. Divia, a 28-year old woman from India, traveled to England with a family from Saudi to find work. When she got there, she was told that she was expected to sleep on the floor in a utility room that had no heat. While telling her story, she states, “I became sick. I think it was from hunger as they wouldn't let me eat their food. I could cook it - but not eat it” (“Sign-up for”, 2). After six months of living like this – and getting beaten on top of that– she escaped into the middle of the night and went to the police (“Sign-up for”, 2). No one should have to live through what these two did, but there are so many that do. Both of these stories are horrific and appalling, but they tell the absolute truth of what life is like for victims of human trafficking.

so tragic.



## 6. Punishment for PIMPS

The word “pimp” is an actual term that describes a sexual exploiter, but our society has made the word out to mean something cool. It is anything BUT cool. These people are sneaky, manipulative people that prey on the young and innocent. There is nothing good about being a pimp. Unfortunately, so many of these pimps go uncaught and unpunished for their crimes. When they are caught, they usually don't get punished harshly enough. One pimp in Canada only served 19 months for “assault, living off the avails of prostitution, causing bodily harm, and uttering death threats” (Mulhern, 3). *WHAT?? ONLY 19 MONTHS??* That is ridiculous and absolutely unacceptable. This guy manipulated girls into working for him, forced them to perform sex acts to multiple men, took their money, and beat them. He ruined the lives of these girls, and all he got was a sentence of 19 months. This kind of thing happens too much, where the pimp gets off with an easy sentence and the

-this is such a great point.

victims are left with nothing. In reality, the law would be applied to these cases, because the law actually punishes these criminals. In Michigan, "violations of the human trafficking statute are punishable by 10 years to life imprisonment and \$10,000 to \$50,000 in fines" ("AG - Human Trafficking", 1). Penalties can even be increased if the case of human trafficking "involves kidnapping, criminal sexual conduct, forced labor or a commercial sex act of a minor, an attempt to kill, or death" ("AG - Human Trafficking", 1). This law was also just recently strengthened to include restitution to the victims. All of this sounds great. *But why aren't we using it?* Cases have gone by where the pimps get to walk away basically free. We have the law in place - we just need to **enforce** it. ✓



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# **English IV Final Exam Student Samples**

Part Three:

Proposal Presentation

*\*please note, these are just the visual aids students  
created to go along with their presentations...*

- 1. Nuclear Proliferation**
- 2. Gun Rights**
- 3. PETA and Animal Rights**
- 4. Immigration Reform**

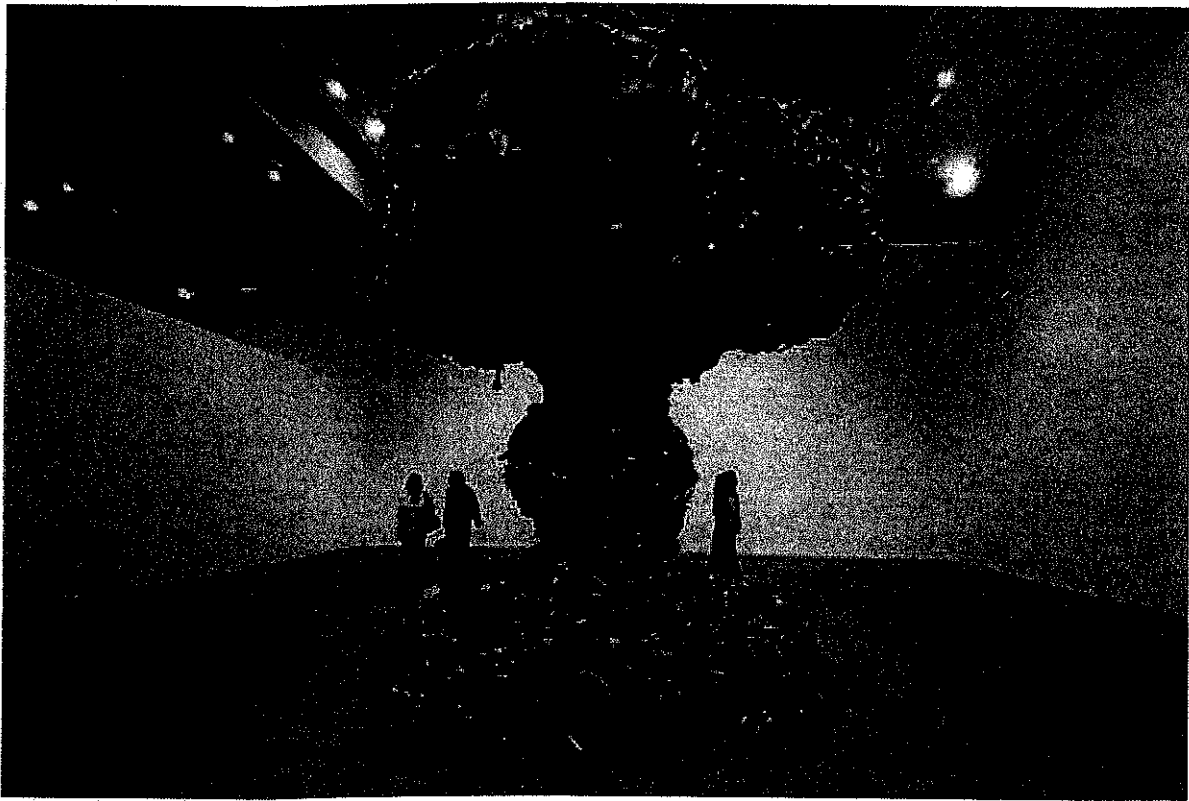
# Nuclear Proliferation Art Show

Time: Sat - Sun 10:00 - 3:00

\$5.00 ticket \$2.00 off with flyer at the door

Food and Drinks each \$1.00

Location: KCC Auditorium



Purchase Art to help the Community  
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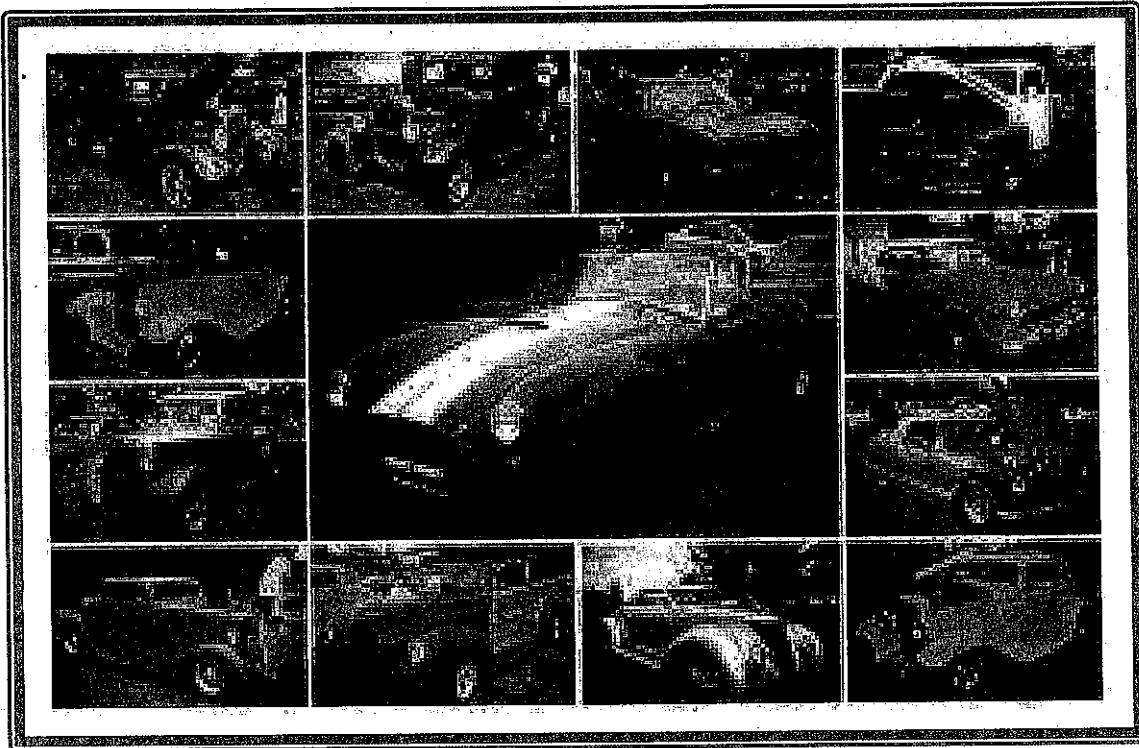
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# Harper Creek's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual



## Teacher Gun Rights Car Show



This car show is going to be at 7454 B Drive North, Battle Creek, MI 49014 at the Harper Creek High School. This Car show is going to be an awareness show for the teachers of America to be able to legal carry guns in schools during the day to protect our students. To support these efforts come on out on Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 5pm, to receive a door prize and register your car for the competition there will be a \$10 fee per car. All classic cars are welcome and anything 15 years or older. All the proceeds would go to support the committee trying to write a bill on allowing teachers to carry in school. This event will bring awareness to gun rights.



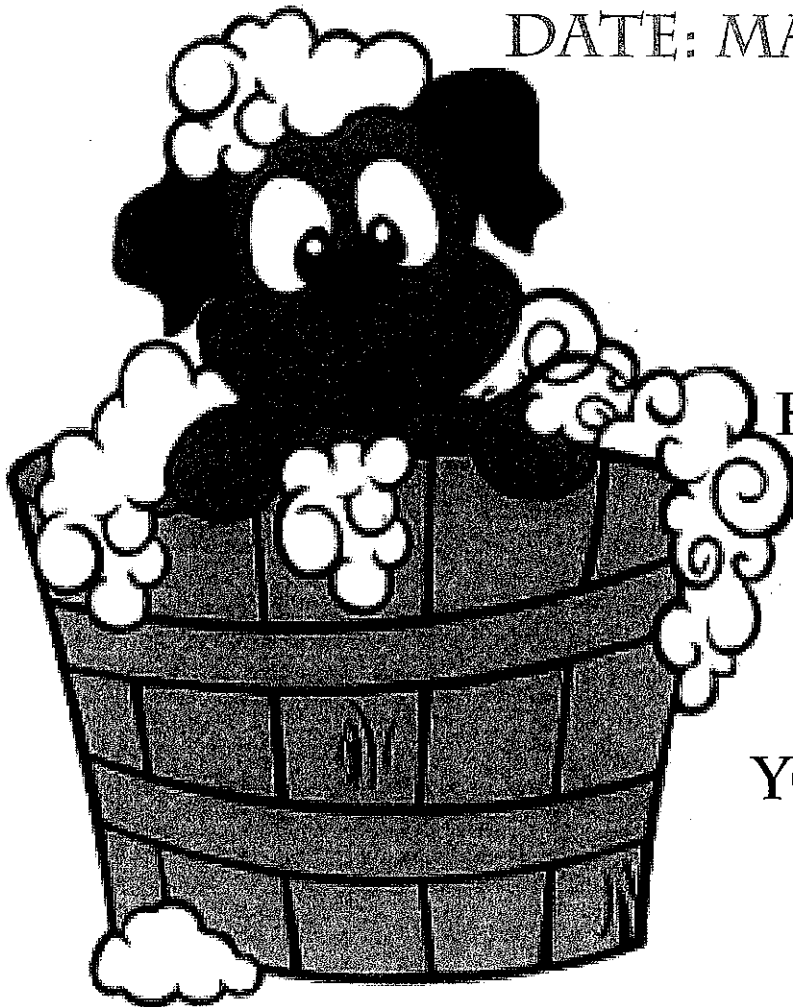
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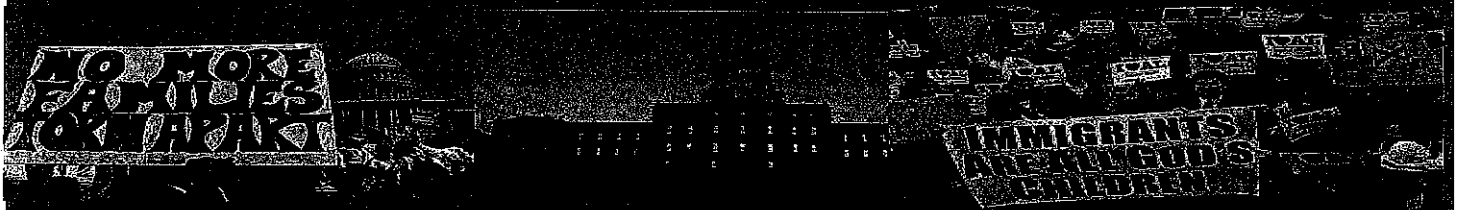
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# Immigration Reform March



Saturday  
April 5th 2014 at 12:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Capital Avenue at Michigan Avenue Lansing MI, 48933

This march will put pressure on our state Representatives and Senators to help support Immigration Reform. Together as a school and community, we can help un-heard immigrant voices in America. Please feel free to bring banners and wear a white shirt!

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