**Asian Studies Project Rubric**

**Objective**

You will become familiar with the geographic, cultural, and economic environment of a specific country in Asia.

**Directions**You have chosen a specific Asian country to complete this project. The information you gather will be used to create an electronic presentation of your choice, along with the presentation of a physical object relating to your country. These will be presented to your classmates on the day you have been assigned. **Pictures must be included on all presentation slides**. If you make food, please make enough for the class (25 students + Miss Caspers = 26 people).

**Information to Include:**

1. Title – include name and grade level
2. Physical, political, and thematic (economic, natural resources, climate, etc.) maps of your country – 3 maps total.
3. Vital statistics – Population size, life expectancy, literacy rate, infant mortality rate, population pyramid
4. Government – current type of government, any governing bodies, current political leaders
5. Religion – major religions (include %s) (there will be several religions in your country)
6. Economics – include GDP, per capita income, currency type + symbol, major economic activities of your country, major exports, major imports
7. Capital city – include longitude and latitude, size of the city, current population size, major tourist attractions
8. Games – include a list of games that are played in your country (there may be several “national sports”)
9. Native flora/fauna – list at least 5 native animals and at least 5 native plants to your country
10. National flag and anthem – include the meanings behind the colors and symbols of the flag, along with the national anthem title
11. Traditional/popular foods and drinks – do NOT select American foods like McDonalds or Coca-Cola! Include a full recipe of a single traditional dish.
12. Traditional music and popular/current music – include cultural instruments, important songs, and famous singers (past and/or present)
13. General history – list 8 major historical events of your country (including potential colonization!)
14. Physical geography – list the significant physical landforms of your country (mountains, rivers, plains, volcanoes, beaches, etc.) (minimum 5). Include any major issues related to geography (earthquakes, tsunamis, hurricanes, volcanic eruptions, flooding, etc.).
15. Climograph – include 1 climograph that demonstrates precipitation levels and temperatures for your country per year
16. Environmental issues – include a description of least 1 major environmental issue that your country is facing (could be man-made).
17. Works Cited – include a works cited as your last slide.

Useful websites:
Wikipedia CIA Factbook BBC CNN Al-Jazeera