

# Medical Ethics: Persuasive Essay



## Instructions:

For this essay, pick one of the medical ethics topics we discussed in class and write an essay persuading your audience to either support or oppose the issue. If you would like to use another topic that we did not talk about in class, speak to me and I will approve it. This essay will be worth 30 points.

## Elements:

Your essay should contain the following:

1. A thesis statement/claim about the medical ethics issue that states your opinion.
2. Two-three reasons to support your claim. Evidence to support your reasons. Use at least two credible secondary sources (i.e. news articles, government websites, medical websites). You may use the articles we read in class as one or your sources.
3. A paragraph addressing the other side of your issue.
4. An organization with an interesting introduction, clear topic sentences and a good conclusion.
5. Awareness of your audience and the topic (clear understanding of the rhetorical triangle).
6. Proper grammar and punctuation use.

## Format:

Your paper should be 1 1/2-2 pages, double spaced. Your paper **MUST** have a works cited page and you **MUST** use in text citations. Plagiarizing will result in getting a zero on the paper and an automatic parent-teacher conference.

## Due Dates:

Friday-Assignment introduction and pre-writing.

Monday-Rough draft due. Peer review.

Wednesday-2nd draft due. Peer editing.

Friday-Final draft due