Course Project (100 points)

This project is due at the beginning of class Thursday, April 29th; projects will NOT be accepted after this time for any reasons. You can always submit your work early. All written assignments will be graded on accuracy, clarity, and neatness. Please edit your work for errors before submitting it. Errors in spelling and grammar detract from the clarity of written work. All sources and references must be properly cited. No exceptions.

Four typewritten assignments involving Current Issues found on pages 80, 204, 350 & 438 of your Human Biology textbook will be worth a total of 100 points towards your final grade. The assignments will include the following:

Page 80  Should Human Stem Cells be used for Research or Transplantation?
Page 204  AIDS: An African Crisis, A World Problem.
Page 350  How Should Scarce Organs be Allocated?
Page 438  Are Genetically Modified Foods Safe?

Each assignment (worth 25 pts each) requires that you read and understand the Current Issue and find one or more current newspaper, magazine or scientific journal articles relating to the Current Issue (no article earlier than 1996). Each written assignment will be a minimum length of 1 page to a maximum length of 2 pages (shorter or longer reports will be penalized), and must include:

1) the reference (title, author, source, page, publication date) [2 pts],
2) a copy of the article(s) stapled to the assignment [2 pts],
3) a short summary of the article [2 pts],
4) a statement on how the article(s) relate to the Current issue and to something you learned in class [4 pts]
5) your personal opinion and assessment of the article(s) [15 pts].

Articles may be found in some of the following sources, although other similar sources are acceptable:

5. Internet: From reliable internet sites only (see me about this if you are unsure about internet sources – you will not receive credit for disreputable internet sources).

Most of these sources can be found in the library.