One thing I wanna celebrate over the year is working as a group. I think I have done a pretty good job with working with a group, and I think that this project really helped me with working together. In this project I learned that not only one person has a voice and that everyone's voice matters. Before I used to not share the air and always used to do most of the work because I used to always have to do most of the work.

Now I listen to everyone's idea and go off others if I have an idea to contribute. Even though I grew immensely in this, I still wanna keep pushing myself with this.

Another thing I want to celebrate is my writing. I think I have greatly improved my writing over the year, and I have to say I'm pretty darn impressed with my writing now. Before in 7 grade and below, I used to hate writing. I used to always hold it on to the last minute. I can't emphasize enough, I really hated writing. When it came to 8th grade I started to write a fictional story, and I was just fascinated with writing. I loved it so much, I wanted to keep writing and writing. This year I think I've written the best pieces, I am very proud of all the pieces I wrote this year (well... except for my vignettes and my 5 paragraph essay.) I still wanna push myself to get better at writing. I'm not really sure how I can progress in my ability to write, but I'll find a way. I'm sure I can.

The last thing I want to celebrate is my public speaking. I think I've definitely improved on this. Before I used to not like speaking in from a crowd and if I ever were to have a chance to speak I would automatically say no. That's how much I hated public speaking. Ever since our first POL I started to be more comfortable with public speaking. I feel like public speaking is one of my favorite things to do now. I still want to try and push myself to be better at public speaking. I think to be better at this I could try to try and speak up.

An area I want to grow in for next year is procrastination. Wow, looking back I have been turning in several homework sheets late and that's not good. At one point in the semester for a solid 2-3 weeks I have been doing the homework either the morning of or lunch just so I could get full credit. Now I have to say I'm a little disappointed in myself for doing that so something that can get me off the procrastination habit is just to do it at school or finish it exactly when I get home. I'm going to try and stick with this goal until I graduate. This will be rough sometimes, but I think I can do that.

The last area I need to grow in is asking for help. This last semester has been a little challenging because of all the concepts we've been learning and I don't understand some or most of the things the teacher is teaching us. Instead of asking the teacher I just ask my table mates if they get it. If they don't... well I just pretend like I get it when I really don't. Especially with the recent physics concept, I really do not get this. Am I supposed to multiply or divide, I'm not so sure. So a goal for next school year is to try and ask as many questions as I can until I fully understand how and why this problem should be done.

A question I have for the teachers would be, What can I do to take my academic

performance to the next level to be successful in college?