## Work, Work, Work

## Weekly Report 16 ~ 1/7/2018 - 1/13/2018

This week was filled with work conducted on the original work, digital portfolio, and binder portfolio in order to prepare for the research showcase being held at the Star in Frisco on Wednesday, January 16th. Any time not spent on preparing for research showcase was spent going over the mentor handbook and scheduling a mentor visit.

Putting together and updating the binder portfolio was a reminder of how much has been accomplished this year. Looking back on assessments over veterinary topics was a reminder of why the topic was changed and provided a reminder of why the current topic was the best fit. Additionally, the binder portfolio provided an outline of things to include on the digital portfolio.

Updating the digital portfolio was a very important step in the process to get ready for research showcase. Looking over everything to make sure everything was correctly placed and formatted was time-consuming but will end up being very beneficial when showing the finished product to professionals.

The majority of time this week, in and out of the classroom, was spent on the original work. Creating lesson plans for a month of classes proved to be quite a bit of work which was expected when working on a project as important as the original work. However, it was interesting to realize how much thought has to go into different aspects of teaching besides just lesson plans. Taking into account things that were discussed during informational interviews such as including behavioral and social aspects into lessons to make well-rounded children was very complex.

Overall, this week's focus was research showcase. Working on all of the different aspects that will be included in research showcase resulted in additional preparation for talking with professionals on showcase night and also, a nice review of everything that has been done this year when going into the first mentor visit this week.