

**Directions:**

Every student must present 1 current event each month. Current events can be presented on any day, with a limit of 2 students per day. Schedule your presentation using the calendar on the Current Events bulletin board.

In order to get credit, students must present their current event to the class, and also turn in a written reflection. The reflection must include three things:

1. **SOURCE:** Include the author, title, date of publication, and source (name of newspaper or website). Sometimes the author is not a person, but an organization such as the AP (Associated Press) or Reuters. If your news story is from the newspaper, cut out the entire article and staple it to your reflection.

2. **SUMMARY:** Demonstrate understanding by summarizing the main ideas of the news story in 3-5 sentences. **DO NOT COPY** any phrases from the article. Give only a short description of what you read, as if you were explaining the story to a friend.

3. **REFLECTION:** Explain the importance of this news story. Why is it interesting to you? How does it affect AIJMS students or residents of Guam and the United States? Why should we care about this event? Would you do anything about it if you could?

**Example:**

**SOURCE:**

**Title:** North Korea crisis latest chapter of Guam's history in America's military conflicts  
**Author:** Shawn Raymundo **Date:** August 20, 2017 **Publication:** Pacific Daily News  
**URL:** <http://www.guampdn.com/story/news/2017/08/20/north-korea-crisis-latest-chapter-guams-history-americas-military-conflicts/558480001/>

**SUMMARY:**

This story explains Guam's role in the world after WWII and why the US needs Guam as a military base. It talks about the military build up on Guam, and also explains the history of Chamorro enlistment in the military. It explains that many people on Guam feel like they are caught in the middle of fights between the US and other countries.

**REFLECTION:**

I think this article is important because it shows that events like the threat to Guam by North Korea's leader Kim Jong-un are not new. Guam has been controlled by several different countries over the last 200 years, and its location near Asia makes it especially important to the US as a military base. Even though the military provides jobs and money for Guam, it puts the island at risk and creates conflicts with Guam's neighbors. Guam would be very different if it were not a US military base. It is important for the residents of Guam, especially the youth who will be making decisions in the future, to think about how Guam's status as a US territory and a military base will impact its development.