Time to Show

Independent Study Mentorship
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With all of my research complete and as I am finishing setting up the last bit of my final product, I have had to tackle the challenge of presentations. Presenting has been a fear of mine after the intensity of presenting in AP Seminar last year. The difficulty I have with presenting is not that I am shy, but that I get overwhelmed with how much I want to say and therefore begin to stumble over myself while trying to say what I need to.

With this fear and tendency of mine in mind, I spent ample time thinking about the best way to present my journey this year. In order to make my presentation flow in a way that felt natural to me and also made logical sense, I grabbed a piece of paper and a pen and began writing the way I would when talking to someone about ISM casually. From here I was able to refine my thoughts and make them more fitting for a presentation. This proved to be of great help when I was building my presentation because it felt very natural to me and created a safety net of comfortability when I present.

Aside from working on presentation this week, I also started the process of uploading information to my search engine. This has been a challenge for me considering my main focus this year has been on veterinary medicine rather than computer science. My Dad has been a great help of teaching me how to set everything up effectively, however I still have a long way to go and need to clean up the formatting of the website; for the most part everything is cosmetics related rather than content.

Going forward, I will be preparing myself for final presentation night while also finalizing my search engine so that it can be tested by my mentor very soon that way he can provide me any suggestions he may want.