**1st Hour: Press Conference with Napoleon**

**Date: Friday, December 16th**

WORKING AS A GROUP, students will simulate a press conference in which Napoleon Bonaparte answers questions of the press as of 1814 (after his defeat in Russia but before his abdication).

Directions:

Napoleon will type a 2-page "brief" explaining and analyzing his domestic and foreign policies, along with their justifications; he will be assisted by 4 advisors (two specializing in foreign, two in domestic policy).

The advisors will type up 2-page “briefs” explaining and analyzing Napoleon’s reign focusing on their specialty (foreign advisors on foreign affairs, domestic advisors on domestic affairs). They will assist Napoleon in answering questions. Advisors are encouraged to split up major policies among themselves to focus their papers.

Reporters (from various nations) will ask Napoleon (and his advisors) probing questions on his domestic and foreign policies, as well as type up a 2-page evaluation of Napoleon's reign. Reporters should make sure to focus some of their questions on Napoleon’s interaction with their country.

**NOTE FOR ALL: All papers must include a bibliography and appropriate citations (as per BFHS’ MLA Style Guide). You are encouraged to "script" some of the conference.**

Students observing will be responsible for taking notes and writing a focused paragraph assessing Napoleon’s importance in European history.

**Cast**

**Napoleon: Ashlynn Eltiste**

**Foreign Advisors: Braxton Goode**

**Nick Cooper**

**Domestic Advisors: Nicole Andrews,**

 **Laina Banks**

**Austrian Reporter: Rebecca Bigler**

**English Reporters: Nina Chaudoin**

 **Ellis Collins**

**French Reporters: Fernando Luna**

 **Afton Fuller**

**Spanish Reporter Ciara Curley**