

Lighting Things Up
Weekly Report 05/01/18 to 05/04/18

This week has been a great milestone in the development of my final product. Even though I believed I was finished with my model last week, this week marked its actual completion. Both literally and metaphorically, the addition of the string lights to my Sensory Room lit up the entire model. The added illumination from the miniature bulbs provides excellent lighting for aesthetic photography and adds a *wow factor* to the model. It takes the room from a subpar wooden structure to something that I can actually see children enjoying and parents being inspired by.

In addition to adding the final touches on the Sensory Room, I have used this week as an opportunity to showcase all of the work I have done on my final product so far through the Final Presentation Night dress rehearsal speech. It was a great hurdle for my public speaking skills and I am proud of how it turned out because I demonstrated the ability to speak fluently and keep the audience's attention for over twenty-three minutes. I also managed to organize my speech in a meaningful way that conveyed all of the information and experience I have gained throughout the year so far. I feel well prepared for the actual Final Presentation Night at the end of May and look forward to displaying my portfolio of work for my peers, family, and mentor to see.

The next step in the completion of my entire final product is to plan a date and time to display my Sensory Room in Frisco Commons. I will likely need to confirm with city officials that it is alright for me to do so, but I am not selling anything so there should not be any issues with it. After confirming the date of my public display, I will need to create the informational brochure. In the brochure I plan to include the inspirations for and purposes of each component in my model and lay out to parents how they can incorporate similar ideas into their homes in order to benefit their children. I look forward enthusiastically to presenting the culmination of this year's work to the public in a meaningful way.