

Your job is to research a particular ferris wheel and write an equation that would represent a rider's height on the ferris wheel at any given time.

You will present your findings on a Google Slides/PowerPoint. Your presentation should include:

- History, background information, and/or features of the particular ferris wheel
- A picture/drawing of the ferris wheel
- An equation that represents the rider's height
- A neatly labeled graph representing the function
- An explanation for how you obtained the equation for the rider's height at time t in laymen's terms (Do not assume that your audience knows anything about trigonometric functions! e.g. You might want to explain WHY you would use a sinusoidal function to model the function)

Be colorful and creative!

Project: Ferris Wheel Rubric

Mathematics: Correct Equation	Done?
• Does the equation I wrote consider the	
 Height of the Ferris Wheel 	
 Base Starting Point of a Passenger 	
 Period 	
 Base Function (sin/cos) 	
 Reflection (if applicable) 	
o Units	
 Does the equation I wrote match the description of the Ferris wheel? 	
• Have I checked my equation using a graphing utility (e.g. graphing	
calculator, Desmos)?	
Mathematics: Justification	
 Have I explained why a sinusoidal function would be used to model this situation? 	
• Have I explained why the equation I wrote satisfies the description given?	
• Have I considered all parts of the equation in offering an explanation?	
• Have I defined any terms that may be unfamiliar to my audience?	
Mathematics: Graph	
 Does my graph match the equation I offered? 	
 Are the axes on my graph labeled with appropriate units? 	
• Is my scale consistent?	
• Have I used technology or graph paper to neatly sketch my graph?	
 Have I "curved" my sinusoidal functions? 	
Research	
• Have I offered a stimulating introduction of the Ferris wheel's history and	
background?	
 Have I offered a detailed description of the Ferris wheel's features, etc.? 	
 Have I included a picture of the Ferris wheel? 	
 Have I cited any sources using proper MLA format? 	
(This can be typed on a citation slide)	
Format	
 Is my presentation neat, colorful, and creative? 	
 Is my presentation engaging? 	
 Have I typed my explanations/descriptions, where appropriate? 	
Is my presentation free of grammar and spelling errors?	
Personal Engagement/Audience	
• Have I assumed that my audience knows something about trigonometric functions?	
• Have I used laymen's terms to describe why this is the correct equation?	