Podcast Assignment

AI Ethics Podcast

Overview:

Students will produce an **8–10 minute podcast episode** discussing a major ethical concern related to AI and education. The podcast should be **engaging, well-researched, and designed for educators, students, or parents.**

Steps to Complete:

1. Choose a Topic:

- AI Bias in Schools
- Data Privacy & Student Rights
- Misinformation & AI
- Ethical AI Use for Educators
- AI's Role in Student Discipline & Grading

2. Podcast Format:

- **Solo Podcast:** A structured, narrative-style episode explaining the issue and potential solutions.
- **Interview:** Feature an expert, teacher, librarian, or administrator discussing AI ethics.
- **Roundtable Discussion:** A conversation with classmates (optional) analyzing an ethical dilemma. [If 2-3 of you from class wish to get together and do this as a pair of small group, that is acceptable! Email me for more information.]

3. Content Requirements:

- Explain the chosen issue with **real-world examples.**
- Reference at least **two credible sources** (ISTE, Dept. of Education, case studies, etc.).
- Provide **practical recommendations** for ethical AI use in schools.

4. Production & Submission:

- Record using tools like **Audacity, GarageBand, Anchor, or Zoom.**
- Export as **MP3 or WAV** file. You may also do a video podcast and submit the exported MP4 video file.
- Upload to Blackboard or share a link to the hosted file (Google Drive, YouTube, etc.).
    - With your file or link upload, also submit a document that contains your APA references from your research.

Rubric for AI Ethics Podcast (100 Points)

Criteria	Exemplary (100-90%)	Proficient (89-80%)	Developing (79-70%)	Needs Improvement (<70%)
Content Depth (30 pts)	Well-researched, insightful, and covers ethical issues thoroughly. Uses at least two credible sources.	Good research, covers key points but lacks depth in areas. Uses one or two sources.	Covers topic but lacks critical depth or has minimal sources.	Minimal research, lacks key ethical considerations.
Clarity & Communication (20 pts)	Clearly explains AI ethics, engaging for target audience.	Good explanation but could be clearer or more engaging.	Somewhat clear but lacks depth or engagement.	Unclear or lacks effective communication.
Production Quality (20 pts)	Professional-sounding audio with clear narration and good pacing.	Good quality, minor background noise or pacing issues.	Some audio issues, inconsistent pacing.	Poorly recorded, difficult to understand.
Practicality & Relevance (20 pts)	Provides actionable insights for educators, students, or parents.	Some practical insights, but could be more specific.	Basic relevance but lacks direct application.	Minimal connection to real-world education settings.
Creativity & Engagement (10 pts)	Highly engaging, well-structured, and thought-provoking.	Good engagement, but lacks strong creativity.	Basic structure, minimal engagement.	Lacks engagement, minimal effort in structure.