

## **Timeline**

**May 10** - Depart for Chicago. During the duration of this research, I will be living at home to cut costs.

**May 11-May 31** - Preliminary reading and collecting data regarding metal detectors in public schools. I will be utilising the resources available the the Harold Washington Library in Chicago and the Chicago Tribune archives, as it has extensive collections of Chicago Newspapers and history. My primary launching point will be the “Journal of Proceedings of the City Council of the City of Chicago” for November 24, 1992. On this day a resolution was introduced and passed by the mayor and voted on by the aldermans that implemented metal detectors in Chicago Public High Schools. This will provide me many names to look into and also the ability to examine how aldermans from various parts of the city voted.

**Month of June** - I will do further reading regarding politicians and leaders following what comes up in the month of May. This month will involve more on the ground research. I will look through school board minutes and city clerk meetings to locate documentation for when and why metal detectors were implemented in specific schools. This will also show me the main actors and I can examine the role of these people in politics and the security industry. This is really reflective of the genealogical method as it will show the real reasons that metal detectors were implemented. Lastly, I will create a table of which schools have metal detectors and which do not, and compare these results to demographic factors of the schools.

**Month of July** - Write the paper. This paper will include a background on the presence of metal detectors in schools, the lack of research regarding the role of political and corporate interests, and will conclude with my findings about the problem in the Chicago Public School System. It

will be a genealogical method and through the data I collect, I presume that I will have a solid ground to argue that there are ulterior motives behind the implementation of metal detectors.

**August 15** - Return to Los Angeles

\* I will work on this project two days a week in increments of 5 hours.

**Budget**

Round Trip Flight from LAX to Chicago	Approximately \$200 each way	\$400
Monthly Ventra Card Bus/ "L" pass	\$2.25 per ride * 2x per day \$4.50 * 3x per week \$13.50 * 13 weeks	\$175.50
10 ride Metra train pass	1 10 ride pass = \$52.25 4 passes = \$209	\$209
Chicago Tribune Archive Subscription	\$7.95 * 4 months	\$31.80
Cost for work time (LMU	\$13.25 * 10 hour/week	\$1,722.50

Minimum Wage)	$\$132.50 * 13 \text{ weeks}$	
General Supplies (Notebooks, folders, etc)		\$20
Food	$\$30 * 13 \text{ weeks}$	\$390
Total Cost		\$2,948.80