

Senior Project Requirements

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Requirements

All students will be required to complete a senior project to qualify for a diploma from Bonneville High School and the Bonneville School District. To successfully complete the project and receive approval for graduation the student must complete the following components:

Research Paper (30% of final grade)

The research paper will be assigned as part of the senior English class. The paper will be no less than 7 and no more than 10 pages in length. Students will follow the MLA format for documentation and references. Source material should not focus too heavily on one resource (such as the internet) and can include personal interviews. The scoring rubric for the paper will be under the direction of the English Department based on the Six Traits of Writing.

Student Project and Portfolio (35% of final grade)

Student projects can be tied to a class at Bonneville High School, to post secondary training, or to an innovative idea related to education or vocation. Classes that qualify for use include all required senior classes, any upper level math or science class, all advanced music and fine arts classes, all advanced vocational classes or computer classes, Upper level foreign language classes and elective social studies courses. Students will work with the teacher of the class they select and their advisory teacher to formalize the idea for the project. In addition students will select a community mentor to help them prepare the project. Projects may include a product of the student's efforts in a class, the performance of a skill, or a demonstration of research. In each case the student should provide a log of the time spent and a visual representation that documents the process and steps followed to achieve the goal of the project. The following areas will be graded as part of the Portfolio:

- Project Choice
- Log and Timeline
- Quality of the Portfolio

Oral Presentation (20% of final grade)

Each student will verbally present their project to a group of students and two or three adults. A key component of the presentation will be a visual aid designed to enhance the presentation. The presentation will be timed and students should prepare for 7-10 minutes with a short question and answer session to conclude. The presentation will be graded on a rubric that will include the following categories:

- Appearance
- Quality of Visual Aids
- Articulation
- Use of Time
- Content

Senior Project Open House (15% of final grade)

Each participant will develop a visual of their project to present at an evening open house for the parents and community. Students will set up their presentation, visit with parents and patrons and answer questions during the duration of the open house. Students will earn 100% if they attend the open house with their project of portfolio.

The Project will be graded on a Pass/Fail basis with 70% or better as passing.