

SENIOR PROJECT

A **Senior Project** is a self-directed, independent research project on a topic of your choosing. The Senior Project is closest in form to previous years' Capstone (although there are differences). Those students opting for a Senior Project must complete the following for successful completion:

- · Project Proposal: delineates the essential question or research you will explore, the learning you will engage in throughout the project, how you will apply a variety of skills and knowledge from several disciplines to complete the project, and the social significance of your work. Where your field work will be done and how the field work supports your objectives.
- · Collaboration Plan: the name of your project mentor and/or any other expert you will consult and how their role in the project. Group projects (multiple OHS seniors attempting to satisfy Capstone obligations together) are not allowed.
- · Presentation Plan: a detailed explanation and rationale for what you will present at the year-end Capstone Fair in terms of both content and format (poster, video presentation, etc.).
- · Field Work: minimum 15 hours of work focused on Senior Capstone Project objectives performed outside of school with a community/project mentor of the student's choosing (not family member or relative).
- · All field work and project work must be completed by May 14.

*The Senior Capstone Committee will approve each project.

*You must be in contact with your faculty mentor at least once a week during the course of your project.

*During the fieldwork portion, students are required to submit a timesheet signed by their project mentor.

*All project students must complete online reflection writing, a written response to a prompt asking about various aspects of their experience.

*All students must present their experience at the end of year Capstone Fair.

In order to meet Capstone requirements (and graduate on time), it is your responsibility to meet all project requirements and you *must* submit your project proposal by December 1.