Central High School

English/Language Arts

Senior Project Packet

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Class Period: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Topic/Career: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Project Section 01 – Career Research Paper**

**Project Section 02 – Job Shadowing/Career-Related Project**

The second portion of Senior Project is designed to continue the work begun during the fall semester and to extend your knowledge of and familiarity with the career or field which you researched for your Senior Project paper. This is designed to be a more hands-on, experience-based component which will, hopefully, allow you to get a better idea of the day-to-day reality of your career-interest. You will either:

* Complete **4 hours** of job-shadowing with a professional working in the career or field which is of interest to you.

**Note:** This must be arranged by you. Your teacher will not be responsible for setting up job-shadowing for students.

**\*\*\*\*\*OR\*\*\*\*\***

* Complete a hands-on, self-directed project which evidences your attempt to replicate the tasks/duties associated with a particular career. This should occupy a **4 hour** time span.

**Note:** This option will not work with every career. For instance, you cannot replicate the duties of a police officer by donning a mask and becoming a vigilante.

Your project will be documented in a professionally presented, well-organized portfolio. Regardless of the option chosen, each portfolio will contain the following elements:

* A job-shadowing verification form completed by the person who served as your “mentor,” for students who complete a job shadow or a time log completed by you and “witnessed” by a parent or guardian confirming its accuracy for students who complete the career-related project.
* Ten photos documenting the career-exploration experience which present what you consider to be the most pertinent and interesting details of the project.

**Note:** You must appear in at least one of the photos.

* Captions for each photo describing the information presented in the image and its relevance to your learning experience. These should be written in complete sentences, typed, and proofread.
* Three journal entries documenting your interest in, experience with, and perspective on the career which forms the basis of your project. Each entry must be typed, must be proofread for errors, and must be a minimum of 250 words. The prompts for these three journals are:

1. Describe your particular interest in this career? Why is this career important to you? What purpose does this career serve, and why is it important to society?
2. Describe your experience job-shadowing or completing the hands-on project. What did you learn that you didn’t already know? What understanding or perspective did you gain by seeing and experiencing this career or field rather than simply researching and writing about it?
3. Now that you have completed both fall and spring semester components, describe your perspective on the career/field which formed the basis of your project. Have you become more passionate about pursuing this career? If so, what particular aspects of your project helped to build that enthusiasm? Have you become less enthusiastic about or completely disinterested in pursuing this career? If so, what particular aspects of your project helped to build that enthusiasm?

All portfolios must be printed and submitted in a folder or binder. Since this is designed as a career-related project, you should treat this portfolio as a career-related artifact. It should be professional in appearance, and should not contain any unprofessional cuteness (i.e. glitter-sparkles, unicorn stickers, colored pencil/crayon/marker doodles) or unprofessional sloppiness (i.e. visible glue/tape, errors in spelling/grammar/usage, dark or obscured photos, hand-written text).

**All portfolios will be due between Monday April 10 and Thursday April 13.**

**You may submit your portfolio at any point during that period of time without incurring a late penalty. Any portfolio submitted after April 13 will incur a 25% late penalty.**

**DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE TO BEGIN WORK ON THIS PROJECT.**

**THE PORTFOLIO GRADE WILL BE RECORDED IN THE ASSESSMENT CATEGORY AND WILL REPRESENT A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF YOUR QUARTER 4 GRADE.**

**A note on attendance: Students may consider their job-shadowing experience a field-trip and have been cleared to miss part of one school day. Any student wishing to be excused for a job shadowing “field trip” must fill out the necessary EVSC field trip form. Students have not been cleared to miss an entire day of school in order to complete 4 hours of job-shadowing, nor have students been cleared to miss school in order to stay at home and complete a hands-on project. These stipulations are subject to change and any amendment to individual requirements is at the discretion of the instructor/school administration.**

**Senior Project Job Shadow Verification Form**

\**This form is to be filled out by the cooperating professional, not the student doing the job shadowing.* *It should be witnessed and signed by a parent or guardian.*

This is to verify that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ completed his/her Senior Project Job Shadow. By signing this form, you are confirming that the above named student spent time with you at your place of business and was successful in completing the hours necessary to complete his/her job shadow.

Your Name (Printed): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Company/Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date of Job Shadow: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Hours Completed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/Guardian Confirmation: I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, confirm that my student has independently completed the necessary portions of the job-shadowing process and that the information presented in the form above is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_

**Career-Related Project Time Log**

\**This form is to be completed/filled out by the student and witnessed and signed by a parent or guardian.*

**Directions:** This form is intended to help you keep track of the work that you completed during your project. To ensure that you have thoroughly satisfied all requirements of the project, track the work that you complete in the right hand column. In the left-hand column, be sure to note the time (in 30 minute increments) to reflect the progress of your work. *Note: It may also be a good idea to take a photograph during the time that you will be pausing to mark progress in this chart.*

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Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, confirm that my student has independently completed the necessary portions of the career-related project and that the information presented in the time log is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_