

Term I Senior Project Proposal Letter

3 - 4 Pages

Due Date: First week of academics***
Worth 15% of Language Arts Term I Grade

What is a Proposal Letter?

A senior project proposal letter is a 3-4 page document for both your English instructor and your technical instructor. This proposal letter interweaves your interests in shop, introduces your learning stretch, embeds important research and proposes the physical project that you plan to make to satisfy your shop requirement.

Assignment:

Using correct MLA format (Font is Times New Roman 12, correct heading, page numbers, in-text citation and works cited), write a letter to your technical teacher proposing a product you would like to create for your senior project. This should be in a letter format using embedded research with in-text citations and plagiarism should be avoided at all costs. Please use the examples as a guide. **Your Proposal Letter MUST adhere to the guidelines below:**

Letter Organization

Part I (1 paragraph) – Assessment of Interests

- What interested you most in the last four years of shop and why? Would you like to connect that interest to your senior project? How so?

Part II (1 paragraph) – Learning Stretch

- What is your proposed learning stretch for this project? Why is the topic you're interested in considered a stretch (meaning it is not covered in the regular curriculum)? How did you learn about it? Where did the idea come from?

Part III (1.5-2 pages) – Embedded Research

- This is main portion of your paper, showing your English instructors that you can embed research, and showing your shop teachers that you know your technical content. Using at least 2 valid sources, explain background knowledge about your proposed topic, the history of your proposed topic, techniques used to achieve your proposed topic, **OR** materials needed for your proposed topic. You must choose the right path of research for your paper. The integration of research should be seamless, use the examples as your guide.

Part IV (1-2 paragraphs) – Product Proposal

- Explain in detail what you'd like to make or design for the project portion of your senior project. Sell your shop teachers on exactly the product you would like to make and why. Explain in detail the potential cost of your product, and if there is one, how you intend to cover the cost. The more detail you provide, the more your shop teacher has to work with to decide if your idea is acceptable. Use imagery to explain the vision you have for your project.

Part V – Works Cited

- List your sources (at least 2) as citations in MLA format and be sure they are in alphabetical order