

# Junior Future Plans Portfolio Entries

## Due Date:

CCRS: (W.11-12.4) Produce clear and coherent writing in which the development, organization, and style are appropriate to task, purpose, and audience.

(W. 11-12.7) conduct short as well as more sustained research projects to answer a question or solve a problem.

(SL.11-12.4) Present information, findings, and supporting evidence, conveying a clear and distinct perspective

(L. 11-12.1) Demonstrate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking.

1. **My Future:** In 2-3 years, you will have three choices for your future: 1) continue my college education or 2) join the work force or 3) join the military. Write an explanation for each of these choices and justify why one is a better choice for you than the other one. (1-1.5 pages)

2. **My College:** Write a comparison paper on the two colleges or universities that have a strong academic program for the career you want to pursue and you want to apply to for acceptance. Include things like academic requirements, test data, GPA, SAT/ACT, etc. If you do not have all the requirements for enrollment, identify the missing data and explain how you can accomplish the requirements before you apply to the school of your choice. (1-1.5 pages)

3. **Scholarship:** Investigate scholarship opportunities and write a description of what is needed to be eligible for three (3) scholarships that you would like to receive. Include things like expectations for GPA, SAT/ACT, community service, financial need, etc. Any college web site will have links to scholarship opportunities.

5. **Resumé:** Prepare your resumé based on your current experience and accomplishments. Research and develop a list of things you will need to add to your resumé to get the job you want or to be accepted to the college or university of your choice.

6. **Leadership:** People are divided into three groups: 1) Those who make things happen, 2) Those who watch things happen, and 3) Those who wonder what's happening. Select one group and explain why you want to be in that group and make a connection to your future plans. (1-1.5 pages)

7. **The Real World:** Write a one page summary about how television's image of college, work force, or the military influence the decisions you make for continuing your education or entering the work force.

8. **Interviews:** Conduct **two** interviews with people who have the career that you are interested in. Only one interview may be from a parent. Interviews must contain at least 10 questions per interview.

9. **Letter of Thanks:** write a letter of thanks to a teacher, community member, or parent thanking them for any help and guidance they have provided.

10. **Letter of Recommendation:** Include a letter of recommendation from a teacher or community leader. Do not use relatives.

11. **DO THESE THREE THINGS LAST** (Put all entries in a notebook or binder of your choice.)

A **COVER**-- Your cover should include your selected title, your name, and an illustration appropriate to your portfolio. For illustrations, consider a word pattern, graphic design, collage, original drawings, photographs, magazine pictures, quotations, etc. Make it creative, colorful and attention getting!

A **TITLE PAGE**-- Select a word or phrase particularly meaningful for you and your career choice as your title. Browse through a thesaurus, listen to music you love, think of special people and places and interests, and then submit several possible titles. Be **CREATIVE!**. Illustrate the title page and include your name.

A **TABLE OF CONTENTS**-- List the entry number and title of all entries in your portfolio on the Table of Contents page.