



Carteret County Schools Graduation Project **POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

1. The Graduation Project Steering Committee looks very closely at whether a physical product exhibits a learning stretch for the student. Students are encouraged to be creative when choosing physical products. Also, remember that all products will be presented to a panel of judges.
2. Once the Graduation Project Steering Committee has approved your topic and product, any changes you wish to make to topic or product must be submitted for the Committee's approval in a formal letter before the calendar deadline. Changes after that will be considered only in extreme situations.
3. The student must pass all phases of the Graduation Project by the due dates in order to fulfill the requirements and be eligible to earn the maximum points.
4. Each of the four components are 5x weighted test grades in English IV 3rd six weeks as follows:
 - Presentation Final Grade = 64 possible points
 - Research Paper Final Grade = 64 possible points
 - Portfolio Final Grade = 28 possible points
 - Product Final Grade = 44 possible pointsEnglish IV teachers may assign additional grades throughout the process pertaining to smaller activities, deadlines, etc, as the semester process develops.
5. A student's Graduation Project research paper and physical product must be a "learning stretch" and the research paper and the physical product must be related.
6. The product component selection is an important decision; the student should choose something in which he/she is interested. However, all consequences of the product choice, production, and experience, unless otherwise stated, rest solely upon the student and parent(s)/guardian(s).
7. Work may be turned in prior to the due date.
8. Computer, printer, technology, etc, problems are not excuses for late work.
9. Shadowing/observing a person may be a component of the physical product, but is not sufficient to complete the product requirement.
10. The physical product can include time spent prior to the student's senior year, but with official & professional documentation and Committee approval.
11. Each student must do his/her own work. No group work is allowed.
12. Students will only be eligible to present at Graduation Boards if they have completed all 3 prior components: Research Paper, Product, & Portfolio and practice their presentations in English IV.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____