

Topic Selection

Only one senior at each high school will be allowed to write on a particular topic.

Topic approval must be obtained from the student's parent/guardian, mentor, Employability Skills teacher, and the School Advanced Seminar Committee.

Topic must be adaptable for school/community service, a product, and an oral presentation of eight to ten minutes.

Topic should be of interest to you, challenge your abilities, connect with your goals, be worth your time, and teach you something new.

Topic should stimulate questions that guide your research.

Student must be able to use at least five credible sources for the research. Required types of sources include:

1. Book or pamphlet
2. Periodical (newspaper or magazine)
3. Electronic (Internet source)
4. Interview (mentor and others if appropriate)

Student should choose a topic that is manageable as to:

- Time
- Money
- Sources

Student should be able to locate a mentor (not a relative) who

- is interested in your topic.
- has expertise related to your topic as explained on the topic approval form.
- can advise you about how to research, develop, and present your topic.
- can advise you about others who might help with this process.
- can motivate or inspire you.

Topic must be beneficial to the school and/or community.