

The Orestimba High School



CLASS OF 2021
SENIOR PROJECT
AND
JOB PREPAREDNESS
PROGRAM

Orestimba High School: Class of 2021 Senior Project

All Orestimba High School senior students, as part of their graduation requirements, are required to complete this project to demonstrate Career and College Readiness. It consists of an **Online Personal Portfolio** and a **Senior Presentation/Interview**. For the 2020-21 Senior Project, all seniors will apply online to entry-level jobs created by the nine departments on campus. Students will review all job descriptions and select the one they are most qualified for; then students will tailor their letter of introduction, resume and letters of recommendation to show they are the best candidate for the job. The interviews will consist of a short PowerPoint presentation, followed by questions from a panel of community members.

A Portfolio Evaluation Committee consisting of school district personnel will evaluate portfolios based on the completion and content of all project requirements. Please note that **both components of this project must be passed with a 70% or higher**, in order to fulfill the High School graduation requirement.

All the entry-level skills required by the Senior Project and Job Preparedness Program are integrated into the various academic areas at Orestimba High School and taught as part of the curriculum. The staff at OHS strives to ensure that their graduates are career and college ready. Whether as a high school graduate entering the workforce, a college student seeking part-time employment or valuable work experience in their chosen career, or as an applicant seeking to compete for various scholarships or grant programs, an OHS graduate will be ready to face the world with confidence.

Scholarship

OHS departments will be holding a second interview to select a candidate to receive a \$100 scholarship, 10 scholarships will be awarded. The selection of candidates will be based on the online employment application pool (seniors who applied to the department's job description), as well as senior interview scores, each department will select 3-5 candidates to participate in a scholarship interview. Scholarship recipients will be announced in May 2021.

Online Personal Portfolio

You must complete an online employment application on Google Forms. The following documents must be uploaded to your online application and submitted no later than **March 5th, 2021 by 3:30 p.m.**

1. Letter of Introduction
2. Resume
3. Verification of 40 hours of community service
4. Three letters of recommendation
5. Verification of FAFSA/Dream Act Submission or Opt Out Form

Senior Presentation/Interview

Senior interviews dates to be announced.

Presentation Guidelines:

Presentation should be 5-7 minutes, 10-12 slides and must include the following:

1. About Me
 - a. Info about yourself, family, hobbies/interests
2. Orestimba High School Experience
 - a. How did it prepare/shape/impact you?
 - b. Work example
 - c. Community Service
 - i. Discuss your most memorable community service
 - ii. How do you plan to give back to your community in the future?
3. Goals for the future
 - a. Career
 - b. Life
 - c. Family

An interview by a panel of community members will follow your presentation, it will last 7-9 minutes. A list of possible interview questions will be provided and posted on the OHS Counseling website. Be prepared to answer any questions on this list, along with other questions specific to your presentation.