

LETTER OF INTENT

Formally declare your project in a letter addressed to your advocacy teacher. We realize that you have had many conversations about your exhibition process in class, but this letter announces to parents, mentors, judges and your advocacy teacher exactly what your intentions are.

Paragraph 1: Describe the general area of interest and your background, if any, in this area.

Paragraph 2: Describe your research paper and where you will look for information.

Paragraph 3: Explain the connection between the paper and the project.

Paragraph 4: Declare your understanding of plagiarism and its consequences.

(Sample)

(Your Name)

(Your Address)

(Your Town), ME (Zip
Code)

Date

Mr. or Ms. (your advocacy teacher)

Lisbon High School

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Lisbon Falls, ME 04252

Dear Mr. or Ms. (your advocacy teacher)

I have decided to do my Senior Exhibition on photography, a hobby followed by my father and his father, but one I have not had time to study myself. I have watched my dad develop black and white pictures for years, but I do not know how the process actually works. I have also spent many hours reading about famous photographers.

In my research paper I will discuss the value of public funding for the arts. I will discuss whether tax dollars should support displays of art in public places and talk about the origins of the CCC during the Depression.

Artists often have to overcome great odds in order to pursue their dreams and their work, and I feel that I too will have to overcome some unusual odds to learn to develop my own black and white pictures. I have the necessary equipment at home, but will have to buy my own paper and chemicals. My mentor will be the photography teacher at Lewiston Vocational School, even though my father knows the process. The course at Lewiston is a special seminar for beginners and will last approximately ten hours, with another ten hours assigned for independent work. In my oral presentation I plan to exhibit my photographs and explain the problems I had.

I am aware of the definition and consequences of plagiarism as stated in the Lisbon High School policy on plagiarism and I pledge that no part of my research or project will be plagiarized.

Sincerely,

Your Name