

SAMPLE LETTER TO THE JUDGES

123 Lisbon St.
Lisbon, ME 04250
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Senior Exhibition Judges
Lisbon High School
591 Lisbon Rd.
Lisbon Falls, ME 04252

Dear Judges:

I am looking forward to graduation day with a positive attitude and with joy in my heart. In my junior year I moved to Lisbon High School from Lewis County High School in Hohenwald, Tennessee. Moving here wasn't easy and in fact created many difficulties for me to overcome. Meeting new people and starting a new school were quite challenging and scary.

High school has been a time of many different changes in my life, some small and some more difficult than others. My family has moved around a lot. We lived in Tennessee for eight years, so I had made many wonderful friends there. It was hard to leave them behind and move to Maine to be closer to my sister. After moving here, I wondered if it was all a mistake. When I started school here, my grades dropped drastically, and I wondered if I would be ready for graduation through all the confusion.

My Senior Exhibition research was based on the modeling industry. I chose this subject to broaden my horizons on the modeling business and how and why it came into being. I was able to satisfactorily complete my research paper, but I experienced many different and difficult situations in putting my project together. One thing I definitely learned was that if I procrastinate and don't apply myself, then I'm not going to get very far in life.

As my project came together, I was able to work two to three days a week with my mentor who taught me what it is like to be in charge of something as demanding as organizing and putting on a fashion show. During this time I was able to keep up with my other schoolwork, do the project, actually work for pay, and still find time for a social life.

I look at my project as a personal success in my life. I used many things I had learned in the classroom to help me with putting things together for my project. I learned a lot about myself and working with others throughout the Senior Exhibition process. I wanted to learn about my topic because I was so eager to learn more about what I like.

At this time, I would like to thank you for the time and effort you have taken out of your schedule in order to assist me. I am truly grateful for your reading my portfolio and observing my presentation. I hope that you find it interesting as well as educational.

Sincerely,

(Student)