

Your Street Address
Chicago, Illinois Your Zip Code
Date Due

Ms. or Mr. Teacher, etc. [Insert names of all your senior teachers and your counselor]
North Lawndale College Preparatory Charter High School – Christiana Campus (or Collins Campus)
1615 South Christiana (or 1313 South Sacramento)
Chicago, Illinois 60623

Dear Ms./Mr. Teacher, etc. [Insert names of all your senior teachers and your counselor]:

[At this point, consider this letter the single-most important piece within your Senior Project. For your typed cover letter, respond to the following questions, in any order, using the business letter format.

Topic/Question

- What was the driving question that drove your research?
- Why, do you believe, this question is important to you, your community, or society in general?
- What claim were you trying to prove? How did you arrive at your claim?
- Did your position on your driving question change at any time during the process of completing your Senior Project? If so, explain the transformation that was necessary in your own thinking.
- Who was the target audience for your Senior Project? Why did you aim at this demographic?
- How do you think your Senior Project will impact this group?

The Process

- How helpful did you find the following (explain each in detail):
 - Your research process?
 - Reading your sources?
 - Developing your notecards in Noodletools?
 - Writing your drafts?
 - Feedback from teachers and the Writing Center?
- Choose three ingredients (e.g., notecards, outline, essay, etc.) of your project that you appreciate particularly for the skillfulness needed to complete them. Using specific evidence from your Senior Project, explain how these three elements evolved from the first draft to the final draft.

Reflection

- Overall, what do you think about your Senior Project? How strong is your final essay? How strong was your research process?
- How does your Senior Project, from choosing your driving question through completing your final draft represent the highest point of your experience at North Lawndale? Explain in detail.
- What one letter grade would you give yourself for this entire project? Explain in detail.
- Through this Senior Project, what have you learned about yourself: your “detective’s instinct” with research? Your desire to “discover” knowledge through research/writing/creating/experiencing? Your creative talent? Your writer’s discipline? Your writer’s process? Etc.? Explain in detail.

Projection

- Explain in detail your vision for moving forward in your Senior Project from this point into the Creative Product-based course during second semester.
- How do you envision using the course to plan and creatively present your Senior Project to your panel?

Sincerely,

[Your signature in black ink]

Your typed name