

Senior Advisory
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Senior Project Brainstorm

The meeting last week introduced you to the expectations, guidelines and deadlines for the senior project. Today I'd like you to focus on your ideas, interests and aspirations.

The senior project provides an opportunity to learn and accomplish something important to you and the Academy community, and to do so in a thoughtful and intentional way. Ideally, you will develop not just one good idea, but a few, so that you can think through the possibilities and challenges of each, and make the choice that's right for you.

Questions for reflection and discussion

The senior project is the last thing that you'll do at Columbus Academy, and the next big step you'll take toward the rest of your life. With this in mind, what do you think is the purpose of the senior project, for you and for the Academy community?

What have you never had enough time to do that you've always wanted to do? Is there a talent or interest you'd like to focus on intensely, or a new challenge you'd like to explore?

Think about your years as a student. What have you studied that you wish you could learn more about?

What have you always wanted to be "when you grow up"?

Are there adults in your life who do something that intrigues you, or who you'd like to get to know better or learn from?

Next steps

Did the answers to these questions get you thinking about project possibilities? What do you need to do to develop your ideas? Who should you talk to? What should you read or research?

Think about your project ideas over the break and plan to come back to school with clear ideas in mind. You will meet in advisory on Wednesday, January 4 to discuss your progress. Remember that your advisor must be secured by January 13, and the proposal is due on February 3.

Please come talk to me if you have any questions, or would like to discuss your ideas.

Dr. Martin