



Princess Anne High School
Middle Years Program

Dear Parents:

We would like to provide information on the upcoming Personal Project, which is one of the requirements to earn the MYP certificate and to advance into the IB Diploma Program. As a tenth grader in the Middle Years Program, your son/daughter is required to complete a Personal Project. It is intended to be a preliminary step to the Extended Essay, which is a required component for obtaining the IB diploma and is completed in the student's twelfth grade year.

The personal project should be a personal investigation of a topic/area in which the student has a passion or interest. It should focus on at least one Area of Interaction and show mastery of that area. The project can be a piece of writing, a research project, a piece of art, or any creative work. If there is a question about topic selection, the student should ask his/her mentor **before** the topic is due.

Your son/daughter will complete a survey that will facilitate the process of pairing students with mentors. Over the summer, **students need to finalize topics and begin a preliminary investigation of their topics.** If possible students and mentors should try to meet before the end of the school year or during the first week of the next school year. **In September**, during the second day of their English class, students will turn in the final topic to their English teacher. The rough draft of the personal project is due, Tuesday, October 10, 2006 to their English teacher. **Projects are due January 15th 2007, but early projects are encouraged and will be accepted.**

Thank you for your support in this endeavor and your willingness to encourage your child's academic success. If you have questions/concerns, please call Barbara Winn.

Thanks,

MYP Personal Project Committee

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