Senior Presentations - "Reflecting, Not Reporting"

Overview - You have heard about and prepared for your Senior Presentation throughout your years at LMS. Now, as seniors, you will need to begin **gathering** items, planning, writing and practicing for your oral presentation. You have a rubric (on the back side) which details the information and requirements for your senior presentation. You may choose to arrange your information in any order you like; however, you should cover all of the required areas.

As you go through your senior year, you will want to gather ideas, information, visual aids, and portfolio pieces. Spend time **reflecting (Reporting is the "What" and Reflecting is the "So What")** on those items on your high school experience and take every possible opportunity to write down those reflections. Once you have taken the time to gather and review your information and memories, try to create an overall **thesis** which will guide your speech. Example: *My years at LMS have helped me discover both my passion and God's call in my life.*

Decide exactly what portfolio items, examples of your work, and how you can share your experiences which **support** your thesis. Gather those and plan an organization and outline for your presentation. According to your outline, write what you are going to say and time yourself. Remember, you are limited to 15-20 minutes. Above all, keep practicing!

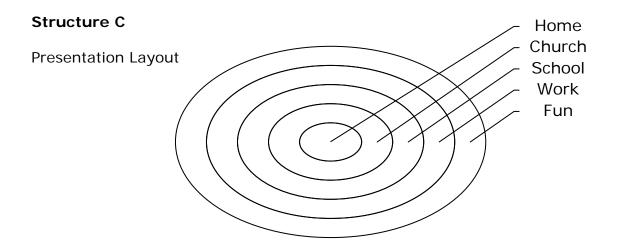
Sample Structures & Presentation Outlines

Structure A

- **1.** Personal (home) 5 minutes
- 2. Spiritual (church) 5 minutes
- **3.** Intellectual (school) 5 minutes
- 4. Vocational (work) 5 minutes

Structure B

Your Past Your Present Your Future



Ideas for Presenting

Play a short piece of music in the music room Show a video clip that you made Perform a fashion show with clothes you have made Conduct a welding project in the ag building Put together a PowerPoint presentation with pictures Sew a piece in the family & consumer science room Do a cooking presentation Act out a small dramatic piece Explain your athletic workout Construct an art project