

## Exemplary Work FAQs

**Ex-em-pla-ry** (ĭg-zĕm'plĕ-rĕ) *adj.*: Worthy of imitation; commendable: *exemplary behavior*. Serving as a model. Serving as an illustration; typical.

### 1. What is Exemplary Work?

Exemplary work can be one of a variety of items that represent evidence of learning - a project, a test, a paper, a lab write up, a sculpture, etc. The collection of these works will be an important part of the portfolio.

### 2. Who determines what work is exemplary?

Exemplary work entries in the portfolio will reflect student choice of their best efforts. Teachers may also encourage students to include assignments/projects/etc that they feel are commendable.

### 3. How many exemplary works will be included in the portfolio?

Each year, students will be required to include at least six (6) exemplary work samples per year. Students should try to collect work from a variety of classes.

### 4. How often should exemplary works be placed in the portfolio?

Students are encouraged to bring at least one piece of exemplary work to each advisory session to place in their portfolio. Before Student-Led Conferences, students may review their work and choose the six pieces that they would like to include for the current year.

### 5. Once exemplary work is included in the portfolio, what needs to be done?

The student will be required to write a reflection of why they chose this particular piece and what learning took place. The advisor may give time during advisory to do this reflection but it is the student's responsibility to get this done in a thoughtful and insightful way. The exemplary work and reflection will be presented during Student-Led Conferences.

### 6. What are some examples of exemplary work?

Refer to the "Exemplary Work Idea Chart" for suggestions of what could be called exemplary work.