

Craven County Schools Graduation Project Proposal

This form must be submitted and approved by the parent/guardian and the school Graduation Project Committee/Coordinator **before research** begins. It must be completed during the junior year. Type or use blue or black ink. Answer each question in complete sentences and use correct grammar.

1. What is the subject of your research?

The subject of my research is the causes and effects of self-hatred and prejudice within the African-American community.

2. List what topics you hope to learn about in your research of this subject.

In my research, I'd like to learn what historical factors have contributed to the hatred within the black community, how the hatred is affecting America's African-American youth, and how we can stop it.

3. Have you had any previous experience(s) related to this topic? If so, please describe.

Personally, I've dealt with the effects of prejudice within the African-American community from a very young age. Other than my personal experiences, I haven't had any previous experience with this topic.

4. You will be required to do a product that takes a minimum of 15 hours to complete. The product needs to relate to the research paper. List **possible ideas** to meet this requirement. Remember all forms must be completed, submitted, and approved before beginning work on the product.

For a final product, I could sell merchandise from well-known black empowerment groups to raise money for the selected foundations. Another possible idea is for me to start a group at my school or church that encourages love and equality in the African-American community. The group would also raise money for the foundations/charities that match our ideals and goals. One last possible project idea is for me to find local African-Americans that have dealt with hatred within the black community and create a documentary telling their stories. Along with the video, I'd include a pamphlet that gives a summary of the information that's on the video.

4. What resources will you need to complete your product ideas? (Ex: transportation, supplies, computer access, etc.)

To complete my product ideas, I would need merchandise to sell, a video camera, a camera, video editing software, transportation, people willing to be videotaped, a meeting spot for my black empowerment group, a mentor, and connections to foundations and charities.

6. Do you know of someone other than a household family member who can be your mentor? ____ Yes ____ No

I am aware that this is my proposed CCSGP topic. I understand that before beginning any part of my product I will submit the necessary forms to the CCSGP coordinator. I have discussed with my parent/guardian the responsibilities associated with the CCSGP. My parents/guardians are aware that this will require work outside the school setting. Also, they are aware that I will be working on a research paper, product, portfolio, and presentation over the course of my high school years.

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CCSGP Coordinator Signature and Date Teacher Signature and Date