

## SENIOR MEMORY BOOK

During this quarter (and at times throughout the year) you will create a book, a **Senior Memory Book**. You must begin now and work on it for the remainder of this term in order to complete it on time. We will spend one class per week working on this project.

The final product will be presented to me in a loose leaf, snap-ring binder. Whether you need a ½ or a 2 inch binder will depend on how much you put into this memory book. You should have drawings or pictures on the outside cover, inside cover or back cover.

- Your **Senior Memory Book** must include **FIVE** creative pieces, which must be from the list below. All pieces must be in final draft form. Pieces may be written in any genre. Typing, while preferred, is not required for this project, but neatness does count toward your final grade. This project should truly reflect who you are at this moment in your life. You should be proud of the pieces you include in this project. Care, thought and effort is expected and the final project should have a pleasing and creative appearance. **Please include a table of contents for you book**. This will count as a major grade for this quarter and as such, 5 points will be deducted for each day it is late. The due date for this assignment (without penalty) is \_\_\_\_\_.
- Memory “snapshots” (5 or 6)
- Letter to your ten year old self
- Conversation at your dinner table with FIVE famous people (living or deceased)
- News article about you 20 years in the future
- Fable (all animal with you as one)
- Fairy Tale (with you as a character)
- Compilation of 5 or 6 famous pieces of artwork that reflects who you are
- Letter advising a freshmen about high school

Your Senior Memory Book must also include 7 of the following 15 chapters.

**Chapter 1:** “*Who AM I*” (Who are you? Where do you live? What are your life goals? How do you expect to reach these goals?)

**Chapter 2:** “*Before I was There...*” (Your parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, older cousins and siblings and anybody who may not be a relative but who has helped pave the way for you and your family)

**Chapter 3:** *“Suddenly I Became Me”* (Earliest memories: people, places, events, all those cute things that you did when you were tiny, that your mother tells about you.)

**Chapter 4:** *“School Bells”* (Your earliest years in school – k, through 4 – learning to read, special school programs, special teachers and special friends)

**Chapter 5:** *“More School Bells”* (Grades 4 and 5 – schoolwork gets harder – school projects, multiplication tables, science experiments, others)

**Chapter 6:** *“I Grew Up Here”* (Describe your town, neighborhood, rural community)

**Chapter 7:** *“Hide and Seek”* (Describe in some detail games you played as a child)

**Chapter 8:** *“My First Boyfriend/Girlfriend”* (That first crush in elementary school)

**Chapter 9:** *“I Wish I Could See \_\_\_\_\_ Again”* (Tell about a childhood friend that you have no contact with anymore but would like to see again.)

**Chapter 10:** *“Middle School”* (Getting accustomed to “big kids.” School; teachers, friends, activities, success, heartbreaks.)

**Chapter 11:** *“Let’s Go To The Movies”* (Favorite movies at different times in your life: childhood, early teen years, and now)

**Chapter 12:** *“I’m Really In Love This Time, Mom”* (Your first serious romance)

**Chapter 13:** *“Let’s Take A Vacation”* (A memorable trip you took with your family or friends or a trip you would like to take)

**Chapter 14:** *“High School The Early Years”* (Your freshmen, sophomore, and junior years in high school; highlights, troubles, successes, heartbreaks, friends, teachers, coaches)

**Chapter 15:** *“At Last I’m A Senior”* (What you are looking forward to, concerns, other)

**Epilogue:** *“If I could live my life all over again, I would.....”*

**ALL MEMORY BOOKS MUST CONTAIN AN EPILOGUE!!!**

*You will be given a schedule to follow, I will “check” on your progress from time to time to determine whether you have kept up with your assignments. This “check” will be part of your daily grade.*