

**Santa Susana High School**  
**Senior Project Integrity Commitment Form**

I understand that in order to present my Senior Project to the Sr. Project Review Panel, I must have completed (by the stipulated deadlines), the research paper, at least 20 hours of fieldwork as verified by my log, and the portfolio.

Honesty and Integrity are two very important character traits that Santa Susana strives to reinforce throughout the Senior Project process. While the Senior Project Review Board fervently hopes they will not have to administer any negative consequences, they want to be very clear about the result of cheating/plagiarizing on any part of the Project.

Santa Susana High School defines cheating as:

- Plagiarism is defined in Webster’s New Collegiate Dictionary as “to steal and pass off (the ideas or words of another) as one’s own without crediting the source.” “Literary theft.”
- Lying about or exaggerating the quality and/or quantity of the time spent working on the production phase.
- Inventing or exaggerating a mentor relationship. Family members are not allowed to be mentors. The age of the mentor must be 25 years or older.

I agree to maintain Santa Susana High School standards of behavior as it pertains to honesty and integrity. Unethical behavior damages my reputation and the reputation of my school. If I violate this commitment, I understand that I will be removing myself from eligibility to give my Senior Project presentation and will receive a failing grade on my Project.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, and my parent/guardian,

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\_\_\_\_\_, commit to honesty and integrity

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regarding all aspects of the Senior Project. We understand the consequences of violating this commitment.

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Student Signature

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Parent/Guardian Signature

Return this form to the Senior Project “Turn-in Box” in the Main Office, along with your Senior Project Approval Contract and Mentor Commitment form.