

External Learning Experience

External Learning Experiences (ELEs) are opportunities for students to reflect on major events in their lives outside of school that helped shape who they are. Students are required to complete 60 hours as part of their graduation proficiencies.

Requirements:

- 2 Typed Pages, Double Spaced, 1" margins
- Font Size no larger than 12
- Proper Grammar and complete sentences
- Shared with your family teacher using Google Docs or sent as attachment in an email.

Choose a Topic for your paper.

- It can be a positive experience, an obstacle you overcame, or a mixture of both.
 - addiction, probation, achieving a goal you worked hard for, pregnancy, injury, moving, homelessness, losing a job, finding a job, difficulties with family members or friends, a positive connection with family or friends, etc.
- Describe the event in detail and specifically explain your role or actions.
- Describe how the event impacted your life.

How are Hours calculated?

- An ELE can earn between 5 and 20 hours, depending on the event and your description and detail.
 - Example: A paper about a day in traffic court might receive 5 hours.
 - Example: A paper about a 3 month stay in recovery and details the way it impacted your life might receive 20 hours.

Who determines how many hours an ELE receives?

- Your family teacher will read your paper and award hours.

When can I write an ELE?

- You can write an ELE at any time. They must be complete before you graduate.

Remember, all school employees are Mandatory Reporters. Reports must be made if there is an indication of harm to self or others or suspected abuse or neglect of a minor.

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Content Describes an extended experience/situation that happened recently in your life. Experience is written about in detail that paints a picture in the reader's mind.	Points Possible	Points Total
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What happened? When did it happen? (approximately 1 paragraph) 	5	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What have you learned from the experience - how did it affect your life then and now? (approximately 2 paragraphs) 	5	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How will you take what you learned and apply it to the future? (approximately 1 paragraph) 	5	
<p><i>EXAMPLE 1: My paper is exactly 2 pages. It is about my day in traffic court. I did a good job explaining the experience, but this didn't really change my life -- and it doesn't answer all the questions for 'content' - you are likely to earn 5 hours of ELE.</i></p> <p><i>EXAMPLE 2: My paper is 5 pages. It is about my 3-month stay at Montview. It describes in detail the choices I made at my previous school. It talks about the difficulties I experienced there and the changes I'm making in my life today and plans for the future - you are likely to earn 20 hours of ELE.</i></p>		
Requirements:		
<p>MLA Format</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Typed: 12pt font • 2 pages double spaced (minimum) • 1-inch margins 	2	
Comments:		
<p>Conventions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited Spelling/Grammar Errors • Complete and varied sentence types 	3	
Comments:		
TOTAL	20	