



## Making a High School Portfolio

High Tech High School highly recommends a portfolio for the admissions process. A portfolio should showcase the student's strengths, interests, individuality and hobbies. It should show how well-rounded a student is and how the student is someone beyond academic grades.

\*Only acceptable format: URL\*

YouTube, Google Drive & any other online platforms

Portfolio URL will be embedded into the online application by student

### **Sample things to include in a portfolio:**

- Accomplishments, such as CIRCLE awards or certificates of participation in special programs. (If you don't have the actual awards or if you have too many, you can make a list of the awards and include a copy of one award.)
- Participation in sports activities. (All pictures must be accompanied by a detailed and thoughtful caption.)
- Participation in arts activities (e.g. pictures of modeling or theater productions).
- Participation in after-school activities.
- Exemplary academic work done at LCCS or beyond.
- Participation in volunteer activities and community service.
- Products of work (e.g. artwork, sketches, writing samples, poetry, etc.).

### **Some key points to remember:**

- Portfolios must be submitted as a URL (no hard copies accepted at HTH)
- Participation in activities (sports, arts, after-school, etc.) can be showcased through pictures (must include captions) or a brief one-page summary of the activities. It can also include a short paragraph about what the student enjoyed or what the student learned from participating in the activity.
- Scan pictures, documents, certificates, etc. to be included.
- The portfolio should center around the program you are most interested in by highlighting work and activities they have done in one of the programs offered.

Be creative – Be unique – Be humbly braggadocious – URL only -

Ms. Muse has examples of portfolios in her office. Feel free to stop by and review, although they are not permitted to leave the office.