

# East Valley High School Culminating Senior Project Guide

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## Mentor Guidelines

A mentor is experienced in the field in which the student is exploring through the learning experience or project. S/he will provide the student with the advice and feedback necessary to complete the project successfully.

You will need to choose a mentor as soon as possible. This includes having all forms signed by her/him.

Your mentor may not be your parent, step parent, another student, any East Valley School District employee, or any other instructor (which includes YV-Tech and Running Start). You need to find your mentor from the community.

### What is the role of the mentor?

- Provides expertise in the learning experience or project area
- Guides the student on the design of the project
- Approves the project by signing the verification forms
- Communicates regularly with the student and gives feedback (a minimum of three communications)
- Teaches the student new skills and information as appropriate
- Advises only--This project is the student's responsibility and should not be done by the mentor
- Complete the Mentor Information Form and Final Verification Form.
- You are invited to celebrate with your student by attending her/his oral presentation.

### Before choosing a mentor the student should:

- Clearly define the project or learning experience
- Be clear and specific about what is expected of your mentor and make sure s/he understands the time commitment
- Be able to show how entering into this mentorship will benefit the mentor