

ePORTFOLIOS:

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As Besant Hill School enters into the fourth year of our signature ePortfolios program, the relevance of this process is more profound than ever, and students are formally being celebrated for their amazing achievements in this area.

Our ePortfolio program is unique and innovative in that it allows our students the opportunity to tangibly reflect on their classes and assignments, displaying their work in a creative and masterful way. Since traditional assessments have been difficult to administer during distance learning these past few months, schools have been turning to ePortfolios as an alternate way to assess student learning, and Besant Hill has experienced a great advantage. Because ePortfolios are already embedded in our program, students are accustomed to the process and possess the tools for creating this work.

Another important aspect of ePortfolios has also emerged recently as a result of the pandemic and the cancellation of the spring semester SAT administrations. Many colleges have chosen to be testoptional in considering admissions decisions for the 2020-21 application cycle. As a result, having a robust and well-developed ePortfolio will be a strong asset for our students. Their portfolios will essentially act as a resume for their work in high school by outlining



Art has influenced my perception of the world. The world stay ready to share its beauty. Language is intricate, as is my heart as the most powerful form of communication th subjective to the viewers' interpretations. Art is not alive, Often used by influencers, art is a platform of leadership the world. Art teaches me to be patient and persistent and opportunity to inspire others through the demonstration My mind has opened and become more accepting, and as to lead has drastically matured. Creative ideas can change now know I am someone who lends an eye and an ear to p power.

Studio Art II

Art is my happy place. In a world that is monotonous



not only what they have learned, but how they have learned it, demonstrating who they are as a result of their growth. This provides colleges with an in-depth understanding of students as learners and individuals while they make their admissions decisions without the traditional factoring of standardized test scores.



During our online Commendations Ceremony this spring, we had the joy of celebrating student ePortfolio work by introducing four new portfolio awards. The first award is for the student who has embraced their creativity to the fullest by utilizing visual elements, making the diverse presentation of their work for the year a fun experience for the viewer. The second award is deemed the Aún Aprendo award. It honors the student who has created connections between their learning in academic classes and their extracurricular activities. The third award is for the individual who has demonstrated depth in their reflective process by articulating their own growth, identifying skills they have developed, and setting goals for areas of growth. The final award is called the Coyote Portfolio Award. This recognition is presented to the student who combines the skills of the first three awards by presenting their work in a connected, reflective, and creative way. In addition to the award winners, Honorable Mentions were made for ePortfolios that received nominations by multiple teachers. •

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Besant Hill School offers a rigorous college preparatory curriculum, including more than 20 art electives, AP-level courses, competitive athletics, engaging fitness program, outdoor education, experiential education programs, small class sizes, and a 4:1 student-teacher ratio.



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