

Portfolio Samples:

At the end of each trimester, both the parent educator and the classroom educator/s will gather samples of each child's work for inclusion in that child's portfolio, which the school maintains. It is this portfolio, along with regular progress reports, that serve to demonstrate and assess growth across time in all the subject areas required at SLO Classical Academy: History, Language Arts, Math, Science, Logic (MS), Latin (MS) Handwriting, Spelling, Fine Arts, and Physical Education. Elective samples are welcome, but not necessary.

We Maintain these records for two reasons:

1. To fulfill our legal requirements as educators to document attendance and learning records
2. To provide opportunities for both classroom and home teachers to reflect on and evaluate growth and progress.

Please make sure each sample is dated and has your child's name and subject and trimester in upper right hand corner. Samples, stapled to checklist, E & E form, attendance record, and progress report must be handed in to teacher by the due date.

Goal: We want to show growth over time — to do this, you want to gather a sample from each of your subject areas at home that represent not your child's very finest work, but your child's average daily work. At the end of the year, it would be more appropriate to hand in a student's best work as a comparison to earlier samples.

What to include: ONE sample that adequately shows average work at home in each of the subject areas. The sample may be an assignment that was given from the classroom instructor, but worked on at home.

Where to get the form: you may pick up Portfolio Samples Checklist form in the office or download one from the website at: <http://sloclassicalacademy.com/resources/downloadableforms.html>

Progress Reports:

At the end of each trimester, the parent educator and the classroom educator/s are required to produce a narrative progress report for each student.

Goal: to provide a narrative which serves as a running record of a child's growth over time in each of the subject areas: math, spelling, reading, grammar, handwriting, fine arts, physical education, and electives.

What to include in the narrative for each subject: particular areas of strength or struggle, improvement seen, enjoyment or lack of, specific new skills learned or mastered, goal for next trimester.

Progress reports may be hand written or typed on the computer and printed out.

Where to get the form: Parent Version Progress Report forms may be picked up in the office, but if downloaded from the web site, you may fill them out on your computer!
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