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E-Portfolio Letter

My audience is my friends, family, and close acquaintances. It is intended for people who know me and are interested in the work that I have done this past year. Usually, when I have conversations with my family and friends, it is about how I am enjoying my science course or what I have completed in the lab. This e-portfolio showcases projects completed over the last year that utilize skills to communicate messages not often associated with my science brain.

I regard myself as a simple person who is very organized, which I wanted to reflect on my website. My family, especially extended family, are not very technologically savvy, so I also wanted to create a website that they could use for them to use. The tabs are across the top of the page, which makes it easy to navigate. Also, my favorite color is blue, so there is a splash of blue on the “written works” and “multi-media masterpieces.” The blue boxes on these pages also help separate each project so that the page is not cluttered. At the top of those pages, I added buttons that allow the user to be taken to that specific project and not get lost in scrolling.

On the home page, there is a button labeled “to unfiltered Hannah” that takes you to a gallery of images and fun facts. These are facts intended for extended family members or acquaintances that have not spoken to me in a while and do not know how my interests have changed. I added a gallery of photos to supplement the facts, some of which go with the statements. I appreciate the authenticity of the images, as people post to keep up the looks of their profile. Often photos are edited or staged for the “best” image. I value being myself, as that is the mental attitude that I grew up with, so this page reflects that.

As for the other pages, I have a tab labeled “resume, “multimedia masterpieces,” “written works,” “contact,” and “best blogs.” I intentionally strived for alliteration, as it is my favorite simple rhetorical device. The image banners at the top of “multimedia masterpieces” and “written works” are stock photos that are from Wix.com and reflect the works to be found below. For my written works, I included my Paradigm Shift Essay, Rhetorical Analysis Essay, and Issue Brief. I embedded the files on the page and added the posters for the rhetorical analysis essay. Under “multi-media masterpieces,” I chose to add the This I Believe and Evolving Ideas Ted Talk.

Under “multi-media masterpieces,” I chose to add the This I Believe and Evolving Ideas Ted Talk. I enjoyed This I Believe, as it showcased my ability to tell a story filled with emotion based on my tone. The Ted Talk complemented the Paradigm Shift Essay, which I thought was important to have both. The Ted Talk and Paradigm Shift Essay paired projects allowed me to combine science into English and ended up being my favorite projects of the year, so I wanted to showcase them. I added all of my favorite blog posts to the blog page. My professor during my first semester was a strickler on grammar, and I received grammar feedback on each project. With this knowledge, all of the written works and blogs included in the portfolio have been proofread.

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