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Queen of Peace Seniors Present Portfolios

For Queen of Peace seniors, the nearing of the end of high school is signaled by one culminating event - Senior Portfolio Presentations. Throughout the past four years, Peace seniors worked with their teachers to create a multi-disciplinary collection of their best and most meaningful work in each subject. Each senior presented her portfolio April 11 to frosh, sophomores and juniors to showcase her work, chart her progress and reflect on her own learning.

“I’ve learned so many new things,” said Michelle Maturlak, who will attend the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in the fall. “I’m definitely ready to just take on the world; I’m so excited. I’ll always have a piece of Peace in my heart.”

In her presentation, senior Vanessa Almaguer spoke about Veritas, which gave her a better understanding of her beliefs and a chance to see herself in a different perspective, and Student Council, which taught her to take pride in her work, be an independent thinker and display creativity because of planning dances, assemblies, Spirit Week and St. James.

“My portfolio has taught me to be a woman of Peace because of everything that Queen of Peace has offered me,” Almaguer said. “When I came to Peace four years ago I wanted to get the years over with, but now as I’m graduating, I ask myself, ‘Where have these years gone?’ It has been a privilege to be a student here. As I move on to college, I will take the morals that Queen of Peace has taught me.”

If one theme was consistent throughout all of the presentations, it was to love learning, commit to hard work and stretch limits by doing new things.

Photo Captions:



Queen of Peace seniors (left to right) BriElle Munizzi, Catherine Perez, Michelle Maturlak, Bobbi Benegas, Jessi Mainczyk and Vanessa Almaguer presented their four-year portfolios of their best and most meaningful work to underclasswomen on April 11.

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