

3 STEPS TO MAKE THE GROWTH PORTFOLIO PROCESS SUCCESSFUL

STEP 1: Select a Format for the Growth Portfolio and Identify the Expectations:

When choosing a portfolio format for your students, think about feasibility and ease of two-way communication.

- Physical Portfolio
- Digital Portfolio
 - Slides presentation
 - Social media platform
 - Website or blog
 - Digital document
 - Digital folder

Set clear expectations for the body of work.

- How many artifacts will be included?
- What timeframe will be covered?
- What are the due dates?

STEP 2: Create a Template for Essential Content:

Documentation of New Learning

- Notes and diagrams
- Artist research
- Examples identified in other artworks

Documentation of Process

- Media exploration
- Process photographs
- Videos documenting progress
- Feedback from peers
- Revisions

Evidence of Planning and Ideation

- Mind maps
- Word webs
- Lists
- Visual journaling
- Sketchbooks

Finished Artwork

- Quality images
- Title and label

Step 3: Structure Opportunities for Thoughtful Reflection

Finally, encourage your students to formally reflect on their growth using some of the following strategies:

- Artist statements
- Guided questions
- Personal and peer critique forms