

# Letter to Me - 2022

For this assignment I want you to write a letter to you. You will date that letter June 1, 2022 - you have been out there in the real world for five years. High School graduation is long gone in the rear view mirror.

This letter will remind you where you want to be in five years. It's your letter so you can take it anyway you want it to go. But remember - five years from now sobbing over the senior video in the auditorium on the last day of your Oakridge High School career will not be a big deal... or if it is - you might have some deeper issues.

How do you write this thing? How do you start it? How do you end it? The easy answer is whatever way you want to do it. But there are some things that you probably will want to consider.



- 1 - Think about the things that matter most five years from now - not today.
- 2 - Your career - it should be headed in some direction - I would hope.
- 3 - The process of your life will not necessarily be a straight line. And it won't all be rosy. There can and will be detours along the way. Don't be afraid of going down those roads.
- 4 - Don't forget family. It will be a big part of your life. Maybe more significant than it is now now...certainly different. Relationships change - this is one dynamic that will be always in flux.
- 5 - Remember you are fresh from college if you went - this is one life lesson that will be fresh.
- 6 - And don't forget to plan out the next five years in this letter. Where do you go from here?
- 7 - Talk about those next five years as intently as you do the previous five.
- 8 - This assignment counts 50% of your FINAL EXAM. If you have a final exam... And it counts 33% of your MP #4 grade so do a good job.

You will turn in two copies. One in Schoology - for a grade - this must be posted to me by 11:59 PM on Tuesday May 30. Hard copy in my hand by class time on Wednesday May 31. If you are worried about me reading about your life - see me - we can figure out a way that you can turn in a copy that is less personal and still allows me to grade it. However, for grading purposes, know that this is a significant assignment, that I will take it seriously, that it must be proofed and edited and well written. You don't want some crummy work landing in your hands in 2022, to remind you of how lazy you may have been five years past...do you?

**Hard copy guidelines** - one inch margins - single spaced - 12 point font - should probably run at least a couple of pages. Place an address (anywhere in the world) inside of a place that you think will be reliable five years from now / and give me a back up address on the envelope in case you move...

And then wait - someday down the road five years from now when you least expect it - a postman (if they still exist) will come knocking at your door with a letter from a very significant person in your life...YOU.

Change the world! Enjoy the ride. Good luck guys.

"Twenty years from now, you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do, than by the ones that you did. So throw off the bowlines, sail away from the safe harbor, catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream."

Mark Twain