Hi Ms. Bouse,

For my Capstone project this year, in the Project Lead the Way engineering program, my group members and I have decided to tackle the problem of pastel dust. As you may already know, when pressed on a canvas, paper, or other surface, pastels create dust and smaller pieces that can have harmful long term effects on those who use them, and cause a mess in any space.

We are currently in the process of researching and developing a solution to this issue and are looking for a mentor to help guide and inform our exploration of ideas and provide feedback on our experimentation. If you or anyone you know is interested, we would be grateful for any input or advice you have on this topic.

Below I have attached our project brochure for your reference.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best, Dalia Wadsworth Sarah Michlin Abby Anagnos

Hello Ms. Bouse,

My name is Abby Anagnos and I am reaching out to you on behalf of my PLTW engineering group. You probably already know my teammate Dalia, who is also the PLTW program, who asked you to mentor us in the process of creating a solution for our pastel dust project. I just wanted to email you today you introduce myself and give you more information on the topic as well as when the Capstone Presentation event is, which is when we show off our idea and prototype we will make.

We are asking that if possible you give our group weekly feedback on any progress that we have made. This includes any issues you may see in the product design or way we approach our problems. Since you are an artist, we may ask you to test the product for us. The presentation event is on May 20th at 5pm and will go until about 7pm in the Innovation quad. While we understand you are busy and we appreciate your support, as our mentor it is necessary for you to attend this event. If you are unable to attend, please let us know as soon as you can and we will work something out. We are grateful for your assistance and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best, Abby Anagnos Sarah Michlin Dalia Wadsworth Hi Ms. Gutierrez,

My name is Abby Anagnos, and I am a senior at SAMOHI in the PLTW engineering program taught by Mrs. Snyder. My group members, Sarah Michlin, Dalia Wadsworth, and I have decided to tackle the issue of pastel dust and its toxic pigments for our capstone project this year. When pressed on a canvas, paper, or other surface, pastels create dust and smaller pieces that can have harmful long term effects on those who use them, and cause a mess in any space.

We need a chemist in order to better understand the effects of toxins in the pastels and how to prevent exposure to those who use them. Also, it would be useful if we had a chemist's feedback and opinion our solution and product design.

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Best, Dalia Wadsworth Sarah Michlin Abby Anagnos Hi Ms Bouse,

My name is Sarah Michlin and I am a part of the engineering group that has been contacting you about the pastel dust project. We would like to thank you for agreeing to mentor us throughout this process. We look forward to working with you!

Best, Sarah Michlin Abby Anagnos Dalia Wadsworth

Hello Ms. Forster,

My name is Abby Anagnos and I am reaching out to you on behalf of my PLTW engineering group. Dalia and I talked to you on Friday. I just wanted to email you today you introduce myself and give you more information on the topic as well as when the Capstone Presentation event is, which is when we show off our idea and prototype we will make.

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We also would like to thank you for agreeing to take time out of your busy schedule to help mentor us in this project. We are grateful for your assistance and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best, Abby Anagnos Sarah Michlin Dalia Wadsworth