

# WOODSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

## Extended Learning Opportunities Program

See More @ [WoodsvilleHighSchool.org](http://WoodsvilleHighSchool.org)



Where students, with the help of Woodsville High School faculty and the community, help decide what they are going to learn, how they are going to learn it and how they are going to demonstrate their learning! The Woodsville High School Extended Learning Opportunities Program focuses on Four Main categories.

### **Mentoring**

- Woodsville Elementary School Mentoring Program
- Haverhill Middle School and Woodsville High School Class Assistants

### **The Partners in Education Program**

- Site Visits w/ P.I.E. Partners - In School Speakers from the Community, WHS Alumni Group, New Hampshire and Beyond (utilizing tools such as Skype, Google Hangouts)

### **The Silver Cord Program**

- Volunteering and Community Service - Extracurricular Activities?

### **Advanced Studies**

- Project Based Learning - Senior Project - Independent Studies - Career Exploration/ Internships - Dual Enrollment

Coordinator: Mr. Scott Nichols  
603-747-2781, x 104  
[snichols@sau23.org](mailto:snichols@sau23.org)

## **What is an Extended Learning Opportunity (ELO)?**

ELO is an opportunity to acquire knowledge, skills and experience outside the traditional classroom while still meeting core competencies. You design how to plan to learn and prove you have mastered the material within certain guidelines. Your teacher is a resource for you, but not a direct instructor.

Your goal is to demonstrate you have mastered the competencies that you, your Highly Qualified Teacher(HQT), and the ELO Coordinator have agreed upon. By doing so, you can then earn academic credit.

The Haverhill Area School District (SAU 23) recognizes ELOs as experiences that may earn a full or half credit. ELOs can be used to earn core subject credits, but this must be approved before the ELO begins.

### **ELOS have four general components. These are:**

1. Research
2. Reflection
3. Product
4. Presentation

You will establish these four components with your coordinator in an individualized learning plan at the beginning of your ELO. This will help you focus, eliminating the “what do I do now?” issues that can arise.

### **Group ELOs**

You may complete an ELO with other students. Each person in a group ELO is personally responsible for his or her learning. The competencies may be the same or different for each team member of a group depending on what knowledge they already have. You still need a HQT to serve on the team.

### **Highly Qualified Teachers(HQT)**

After you have chosen your topic, your first task will be to get a FORMAL agreement from a teacher who is qualified in the subject of your ELO to serve as your HQT. For example, you cannot ask your favorite teacher to be your HQT if they are not certified in the subject. Your ELO coordinator can guide you to teachers who are qualified in the area you plan to explore.

Only your HQT can determine if you are proficient or have mastered the competencies in your plan. You will meet with your HQT at agreed upon times.



