

# Capstone Command Center

## Step 1: Create the Capstone Project Folder (now)

On your computer (and later in GitHub), make:

capstone-daily-dashboard  
(or any name we finalize later)

Inside it, create these folders/files even before code:

```
capstone-daily-dashboard/  
|—— planning/  
| |—— capstone-plan.md  
| |—— feature-list.md  
| |—— timeline.md  
| |—— advisor-notes.md  
| |—— ai-usage.md  
|—— design/  
| |—— wireframes/  
| |—— color-palette.png  
| |—— inspiration.md  
|—— src/  
| |—— index.html  
| |—— stats.html  
| |—— css/  
| |—— js/  
|—— README.md  
|—— .gitignore
```

This alone already makes you look like a real developer.

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## **Step 2: Your Game Plan System (we'll build this together)**

We'll maintain three living documents:

### **1) MASTER TASK BOARD (timeline.md)**

Broken into:

#### **PHASE 1 — PLANNING**

- Finalize concept
- Lock MVP vs Stretch
- Pick API
- Draw wireframe
- Meet advisor

#### **PHASE 2 — FOUNDATION**

- HTML skeleton
- Routing / navigation
- Layout grid

#### **PHASE 3 — LOGIC**

- Task CRUD
- LocalStorage
- Validation
- API fetch
- Stats calculation

#### **PHASE 4 — UI**

- Styling
- Responsive
- Animations

## **PHASE 5 — POLISH**

- README
- AI documentation
- Commit cleanup
- Presentation prep

### **2) FEATURE CONTRACT (feature-list.md)**

Each feature gets:

- Purpose
- Requirement it satisfies
- Status (planned / building / working / polished)
- Files involved
- Whether AI-assisted

### **3) DAILY WORK LOG (advisor-notes.md)**

So when Dan asks “what have you worked on?” you have:

- Dates
- What you built
- Blockers
- Questions

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## **Step 3: Git From Day One (important for commits requirement)**

Once the folder exists, we will:

```
git init
git commit -m "Initial project structure
and planning docs"
```

Then every meaningful change = real commit. No fake "bulk upload at the end" nonsense.

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Now, before we proceed, do this small concrete action:

Create the folder on your machine and tell me when it exists.

Then we'll start filling in **capstone-plan.md** together, beginning with:

- Project Name (working)
- One-sentence elevator pitch
- User
- Problem
- Solution
- MVP
- Stretch
- API
- Routes
- Risks (scope creep, time, complexity)

This is how we turn "I'm overwhelmed" into "I have a system."