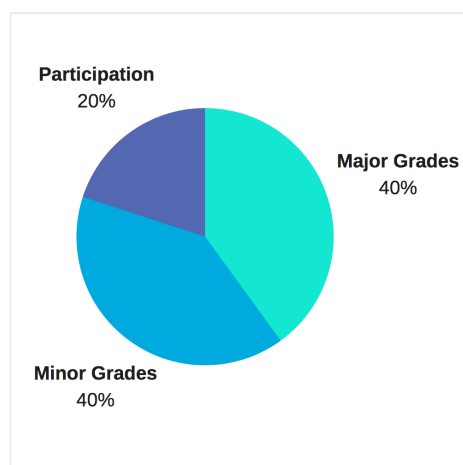


Journalism

Course Description:

Journalism covers many aspects of the industry: background, ethics, bias, writing styles, interviewing techniques, etc. We will go through the history and techniques of journalism, all while producing articles and posts for the school's newspaper. A majority of the grades will be based on writing assignments. Students will be required to produce a minimum of 3 articles for the newspaper per quarter, as well as additional writing assignments for the class.



Class rules and expectations:

Be kind and respectful. • Come prepared. • Do your best.

Phones will not be tolerated unless I specifically say that you may listen to music (with headphones) or use them for an assignment. Refer to the sign at the front of the room.

Eating and drinking in class will be allowed until it becomes an issue. You should never get out of your seat to share your food or drink for any reason. This includes passing something across the room.

The restroom should be used before you come into the classroom. I will not issue passes to the bathroom within the first 10 minutes or the last 10 minutes of class.

Late policy: For every day that an assignment is late, 10 points will be subtracted from the assignment's grade. Exceptions will be made only in case of absences.

If you know you will be absent beforehand, get any work from me that you will miss.

I have read and understand what is expected of me in order to succeed in Journalism. I will comply with all classroom rules and procedures.

Student Print Name: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Is there anything that you want us to know about you?

I have read and understand what is expected of my student in journalism.

Parent Print Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent Phone #: _____

Parent Email: _____

Any notes? _____

Important Additions:

As a journalism student, you will be working as an individual, but also with groups/team members. The expectation is for you to always be a team player and to put forth equal amounts of effort and participation.

Each quarter, you will be expected to complete articles for the newspaper as well as participate in its completion.

You will have to get outside of your comfort zone--certain activities will include you interviewing people you don't personally know or asking for sponsorship.