

Photojournalism

Course Description and Syllabus

Class Facts:

Yearbook Room F113

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Conference: A & B days 9:00-10:30

Tutorials are available everyday before school.

Camera Check-In by 8:50 every morning

Camera Check-Out by 4:20 every afternoon

Course Description:

In this course we will address various aspects of photojournalism. Students will specifically address history of media and technology, laws and ethics of photojournalism, technology and tools used to create, critique, and produce effective photographs. Students enrolled in this course will refine and enhance their journalistic skills, plan, prepare, and produce photographs for journalistic publications.

Students will:

- Recognize the major events in the development of modern day photography
- Recognize composition principles and their impact on photography
- Recognize and apply ethical and legal standards to all aspects of photojournalism
- Recognize the impact of technology and future trends in digital imaging on the traditional field of photojournalism
- Identify the basic parts of a camera and their functions
- Use lighting and be aware of its qualities such as direction, intensity, color, and the use of artificial light
- Stop action by determining appropriate shutter speed or use panning or hand holding with slower shutter speeds
- Evaluate technical qualities of photos
- Create digitized images using technology to complete the process
- Improve print quality by using appropriate equipment of technology
- Plan photo layouts
- Illustrate events with appropriate photos or captions
- Plan photographs in relation to assignments from an editor
- Set up or follow a system for keeping track of negative, photo images, contact sheets and meeting deadlines

Additional information:

-The \$40 lab fee covers all printing supplies, portfolio costs and contest entry fees

The lab fee is listed in the course description in the district course catalog. There is an additional hand out with more information regarding lab fee

-The class does require students to put in time outside of regular school hours covering activities surrounding Lone Star High School

-An equipment release form must be on file in order for a student to use the school's equipment. If the form is not returned, the student will receive alternative written assignments.