

# Publications

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## Description

This is a hands-on class, one in which learning happens primarily through doing. It is a chance to get credit for applying skills in technology, design, and (for some) writing/editing to the production of school publications (mainly the yearbook).

## Procedures

The class meets in the Publications room (next to my classroom) 8th period Monday-Thursday. It sometimes begins with announcements, brainstorming, or brief instruction, but most of the time is devoted to working on publications. If you don't have anything to work on, you will be allowed to leave early, but I do expect everyone to check in regularly.

## Expectations and Grading

Early in the year, we will work out individual roles. You may, for example, be the editor of a publication, or you may focus on photography or layouts. Most people in the class will need to contribute in various ways. Even though you concentrate on layouts, you may sometimes be asked to take pictures or organize files on the server.

Based on the role(s) you agree to, you will receive assignments every couple of weeks, either from me or from publication editors. You could be assigned to design a layout, take pictures of an event, write an article, conduct a survey, or something else related to one of our publications. I will record these assignments on Classroom and set deadlines for them.

Your grade is based 30% on participation (being here unless you have checked in and have received permission to leave early) and 70% on contribution (the timeliness and quality of your assigned work).

Please let me know if you have questions about Publications at any time. I'm looking forward to a good year together!