

Yearbook Class Application

Name: _____ Current Grade (2023-2024): _____

Current School: _____ Student Number (9 number): _____

Parent Name: _____ Parent Phone: _____

Parent E-Mail: _____

Please read all the directions carefully and be sure to do all parts of this application.

Requirements for applicants: (Please read before completing application)

- Works well with others
- Reliable and trustworthy
- Stays on task
- Be willing to help others
- Will ask for help if needed
- Must be passing all classes and have no discipline issues

Realize, yearbook is not just a way to get out of class to take pictures. Yearbook is a lot of hard work and has strict deadlines. Yearbook will be, first and foremost, a writing class. But yes, you will also learn photography.

Tell Us About You – *Please circle one answer per question. Be honest! (Not all are required of each person, and some of these are more important than others!)*

Absolutely	Maybe	No	Are you able to get transportation if you stay after school to cover an event?
Absolutely	Maybe	No	Do you feel comfortable meeting new people and interviewing them?
Absolutely	Maybe	No	Can you use proper grammar and punctuation?
Absolutely	Maybe	No	Do you feel comfortable working with students who may not be your close friends?
Absolutely	Maybe	No	Are you comfortable using expensive equipment and being responsible for it?
Absolutely	Maybe	No	Do you ask for help if you aren't sure about what to do?
Absolutely	Maybe	No	Can I commit to attending four events per quarter for the whole year?

What We Do – **Check** the areas in which you are comfortable. Put a **star** next to those that you enjoy doing.

- Writing eye-catching captions for photos
- Taking great action and candid shots by using the basic principles of photography
- Writing interesting interview questions
- Thinking of creative ways to show a yearbook theme with words and with design elements
- Using the rules of good design to make a yearbook page
- Applying effects to a photo by digitally cutting out the background, cropping, or using a drop shadow
- Attending school events for yearbook purposes
- Social/Networking (promoting yearbook to friends, getting opinions)
- Tagging photos with names and category
- Interviewing students and faculty
- Keeping up with how many times a student is in the yearbook

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Tell Us Why – Please tell us why you want to be a member of the yearbook staff. Use 5 complete sentences.

*****In addition to the above statement, you need to submit a candid photo taken by you with your own phone or camera with a caption written by you about that photo. You should research what a proper caption should have (yearbook style) before you submit it with this application. Submissions can be printed out, handwritten, or submitted to me through email at mclater@graniteschools.org.**

*****Also submit a copy of your grades for your current year of school**

Teacher Recommendations – You need two teacher recommendations. These two teachers will be emailed a form to fill out. Please write their name and have them sign that they will fill out the form. (First and Last Names Please).

Teacher 1: _____ Signature 1: _____

Teacher 2: _____ Signature 2: _____

COMMITMENT TO YEARBOOK

Please read, fill in, and sign the following statement.

I, _____, understand that by completing this application, I am committing to learn academic skills and apply them to the yearbook. I also understand that I am required to be a positive and productive member of yearbook staff. I know I will be required to spend time outside of school hours to meet my deadlines. I understand that being a part of the yearbook staff is a **major commitment**. I understand that this class is a **year-long commitment**. I understand that being a member of the yearbook staff means that I will be held to a higher standard of behavior, school attendance and dress code appearance.

It is NOT just a way to get out of class to take pictures.

Yearbook is a serious responsibility, and I must be on task without redirection from Mrs. Slater. I am fully aware that I must complete assignments on time, otherwise the yearbook and other staff members may suffer. I am aware that if an assignment is not completed by the deadline, there **will not be** another opportunity to turn it in. I also understand that there are a limited number of staff positions, and the selection of the staff will be based on the content and completion of this application and teacher recommendation forms.

I understand that completion of the application does not guarantee selection onto the yearbook staff.

If accepted for the yearbook staff, I understand that most of my grade in the class will be based on my writing assignments. The class uses Proficiency-Based Learning, and as such I will be expected to meet proficiency on writing and language standards appropriate to my grade. I need to work hard and improve my skills to not only get a good grade in the class, but to make the yearbook great as well.

I HAVE READ THROUGH THIS DOCUMENT AND COMPLETED ALL PARTS OF THE ABOVE APPLICATION.

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

***Please direct any questions about this application to the yearbook advisor, Mrs. Marnie Slater:
mclater@graniteschools.org***