

2015-2016 DCS Yearbook Application

Name _____ Grade: _____

Area Preference(s):

- Student life Sports Classes/Portraits Academics Clubs Senior Ads

Yearbook-related experience – Please note that lack of familiarity with one or more topics will not keep a qualified candidate from entry into the class; these questions will assist us in placing staffers into well-rounded department teams:

	Have no experience, but willing to learn this skill	Had some exposure, could use more instruction	Experienced and feel comfortable with this skill	Have done this many times and can teach others
Can you take pictures with an automatic point-and-shoot camera?				
Can you take pictures with a semi-automatic SLR camera such as a Cannon Rebel?				
Are you familiar with advanced features of a full-function camera (zoom lens, burst mode, etc.)?				
Can you upload digital images from a camera, website, etc?				
Can you alter digital images using photograph software such as Adobe Photoshop?				
Do you have experience taking fast-action sports photographs (football, basketball, etc.)?				
Do you have experience interviewing people you don't know or don't know well?				

What other skills and talents can you bring to the yearbook staff?

How do you generally approach deadlines?

Do you prefer to work alone or in groups? Why?

Check the statement that best describes you (Note: the yearbook uses both types of pages – this question is for placement purposes):

- When beginning a new page layout, I would prefer to start with a blank slate so I can be creative and use my own ideas to make my pages one-of-a-kind.
- When beginning a new page layout, I would prefer to start with a template that specifies placement of pictures, captions, and stories. My creative qualities would come through in the photography and the writing, but I like consistency in page design.

How many days of school did you miss last year? ___ please include notes about any unusual circumstances that may have affected your attendance on a temporary basis.

Please list two teachers I should speak about your dependability, skill in working as part of a team, and general ability to do well in yearbook?

Aside from yearbook, what clubs, sports, or other organizations do you expect to be part of next school year?

Why do you want to be a part of the yearbook staff?

What else should I know about you before making decisions for next year's staff?

Please initial each of the following indicating that you understand the class requirements:

___ I understand that the yearbook cannot be completed during yearbook class alone. I will need to take pictures during non-school hours or work on page layouts at home.

___ I understand that missing deadlines will result in horribly bad grades, budget problems and general low morale amongst my fellow staff.

___ I understand that every member of the yearbook team is a photographer, a writer, and a salesperson. I will express my preferences, but I will work where the team needs me.

___ I understand that I must be willing and able to adjust my schedule to complete Yearbook assignments outside of class. You are also required to spend extra hours a week (not including class time and particularly nearing deadlines) in the yearbook room working on yearbook assignments.

___ I understand that each page must be edited, proofed, edited, proofed, etc. until it is right.

Student signature

Date

Parent /guardian signature

Date