

St. Francis Junior High

Exploring Journalism 7

Course Outline

September 10-November 7



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Course Description:

Students will be exposed to the world of journalism and develop the confidence to engage and communicate in different forms. This class will help students learn how to gather, assess, create and present information. Students will gain an understanding of how people communicate and how they use technology to do so. This class will focus on the development of literacy through writing, reading and presenting.

Big Idea!

How can information be shared and communicated effectively in response to events?

CTF OUTCOMES:





- I explore my interests and passions while making personal connections to career possibilities.
- I use occupational area skills, knowledge and technologies. I develop skills that support effective relationships.
- I collaborate to achieve common goals. I create products, performances or services in response to challenges.
- I appraise the skills, knowledge and technologies used to respond to challenges.
- I communicate my learning.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Students will...

- Analyze various media messages e.g. Radio, television, photography, web or print, and describe the impact of various messages from a personal, community and national perspective.
- Produce visual compositions using a variety of media.
- Participate in a critique or an assessment of compositions created by others
- Build personal values
- Present a selection of work completed in class to an audience

Course Content:

-  What is News?
-  Interviewing
-  Photojournalism
-  Communicating Info

Course Evaluation:

<i>Final Project:</i>	50%
<i>Minor Assignments</i>	50%
Total:	100%

Communication:

📖 Office Hours will be posted monthly on the school website and can be also found in the school newsletter. I can also be contacted by calling the school or by email for any questions or concerns.

📖 Students will also have access to **Google Classroom** and content will also be uploaded to my **teacher page** which is located on the **St. Francis School website**.

Classroom Expectations:

- Be Respectful
- Participate to the best of your ability
- Ask questions
- Be accepting of differences

*Please review the *student handbook* which can be found on the St. Francis School Page for school policy and procedures.

Cell Phone Policy:

Discipline surrounding Unacceptable Use of Technology:

➤ Cellphones are not considered acceptable devices for educational learning purposes. Although many students have iPods, iPhones, and Android phones; they do not meet the necessary requirements as an accepted learning device. Unaccepted learning devices which are brought to school are expected to be put away in student lockers during instructional times. Failure to adhere to school protocol surrounding responsible use will result in the following discipline:

1st offence –

➤ cell phone taken away and placed in the office. The device will be returned to student at the

end of the school day.

2nd offence

➤ cell phone taken away and placed in the office. Student will meet with administration

prior to having cell phone returned.

3rd offence

➤ cell phone taken away, placed in the office and returned to parent/ guardian.

Administration will meet and contact parent / guardian to discuss acceptable use and to return the device.