

Journalism Assessment

Your grade will be determined by both your degree of initiative, responsibility, and growth (1) and your production (2).

1. INITIATIVE, RESPONSIBILITY, GROWTH

Initiative

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5. Actively seeks to improve *The informer* by seeking news stories and fresh and relevant feature ideas.
 4. Volunteers for assignments and/or uses own resources to fulfill duties and complete assignments.
 3. Accepts assignments when they are made and follows instructions adequately in carrying them out.
 2. Consistently needs directions and is casual about carrying them out.
 1. Shows no interest and/or ability to contribute to the quality of our publication.

Responsibility/Dependability

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5. Actively takes responsibility for the quality of our publication.
 Carries out individual responsibilities.
 Volunteers to help others.
 Performs extra duties.
 Frequently works after school.
 4. Consistently dependable in carrying out his/her duties . Helps others when asked.
 3. Usually carries out duties. May need to be reminded.
 2. Careless about completing duties. Seems uninterested in cooperating with others to create a quality publication.
 1. Thoroughly untrustworthy and/or uncooperative most or all of the time.

Growth/Learning

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5. Exhibits eagerness to learn and applies new learning to improve in all aspects of publication process.
 4. Learns new skills and concepts and uses these to improve quality of work in all aspects of journalism.
 3. Learning is limited to specific skill areas (writing, layout,etc.) or has little impact on work.
 2. Learning is very limited and does not have an apparent effect on work.
 1. Work shows no growth.

TOTAL

Scale

15	=	100	12	=	88	9	=	76	6	=	64
14	=	96	11	=	84	8	=	72	5	=	60
13	=	92	10	=	80	7	=	68			

2. PRODUCTION

Your production grade will be determined by the quantity of your work, its quality, and punctuality. When two issues are produced during a grading period, your final grade will be determined by averaging the two production grades.

To compute your grade, apply the following formula:

Begin with Quantity: *Determined by assignments completed for each issue*

100 Points (Choose one)

- 1 Large article (1/2 to 1 page, 1/2 of a double-truck spread)
- 2 Medium articles
- 3 Small articles (briefs)

85 Points (Choose one)

- 1 Medium Article
- 2 Small articles

Basic Score

Add or Subtract Quality Points: *Determined by number of revisions required before publication*

Outstanding First Draft		+5
Revisions required	1	0
	2	-5
	3	-10
	4	-15

Subtract or Add

Add or Subtract Punctuality Points:

Ahead of deadline	+5
On deadline	0
1 day late	- 5
2 days late	-10
3 days late	-15
4 days late	-20
5 days late	-25

Subtract or Add

GRADE
