

PHOTOJOURNALISM

Division: Intermediate (6-8) and Senior (9-12)

This event is a wonderful opportunity for the entrant to explore photography and to sharpen writing skills.

FORMAT:

- Mount 5-10 photographs and up to 300 typed words on the front of a 24 x 36 inch sturdy poster board. A foam core board is a good choice. (Use rubber cement glue to survive shipping.)
- For further information contact Raymond Walker at (734) 285-4226.

PHOTOS:

Select entrant's own 4x6 inch color or black and white photos printed on photographic paper. The most economical solution is a 35mm single use flash camera. Use no over-exposed, under-exposed or out of focus shots. Describe photos in captions or in the body of writing accurately (e.g., "1902 Wizbang", or "depicting, recreating or symbolizing the discovery of fire." Not "a photo of the discovery."). Narrow the subject and focus on photo opportunities that support the theme. Arrange the photos in a logical way and copy/decorate as desired. Keep in mind that nothing should distract from the photos.

WRITTEN MATTER:

- Be aware of the difference between reporting fact and opinion and how to support each. Resist the impulse to inject personal feeling unless fully supported with data. Use research other than the computer to retain richer, deeper detail. Personal resources such as clubs, activities and family are good options as supplemental research. Correctly identify personal resources when quoting another source. Consider what your entry might look like if your title and copy were arranged as if printed in a publication such as a news article, magazine article, brochure, pamphlet or newsletter. Captions should be brief, the same size type as the copy; and should not repeat the data in the copy. Revise and edit out ideas that do not accurately reflect theme. Proofread copy for spelling, grammar, and sentence structure.
- Entrant's name, school, division and theme should be typed under the Title/Headline on the poster front as well as on the entry form.
- Each school may submit three entries per division.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Each entry must have the completed typed form found on the following page affixed to the back of the poster. Please follow the directions on the form. Do not laminate over the form.
2. Entries must be postmarked on or before March 28, 2015.
3. Entries will be judged on the basis of:
 - A. Appropriate use of theme
 - B. Quality of photographs
 - C. Content of writing
 - D. Creativity
4. Entries created by more than one individual will not be judged.

Submit entry to:

Raymond Walker
15349 Drake St.
Southgate, MI 48105-3249
(734) 285-4226
zorro0321@hotmail.com

Entry form on next page →

PHOTOJOURNALISM- ENTRY FORM

Teacher or Contact person only complete ALL PARTS of this form. PRINT OR TYPE ONLY. Fill out BOTH halves of this label for each student. **Special Instructions:** Glue or tape THIS HALF of the label to the BACK OF THE MAT. (The OTHER half will remain attached to this top half, but will not be glued or taped down.)

INFORMATION CARD:

Division: Intermediate Senior

Student Name: _____ Age: _____ Grade Level: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ State: MI Zip Code: _____

Name of School: _____ School District: _____

School Address: _____ City: _____ State: MI Zip Code: _____

Coach Name: _____ Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

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