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Spartan News

Course Syllabus 2021-22

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"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly." Martin Luther King Jr.

Class Section

Period 0 Room 102

Course Information

Description

Length/Credit: 1 semester/0.5 credit (each) or 1 year/1.0 credit

Overview: Lights, Camera, Action!!! Do you like being creative & telling stories? Then Spartan News is the class for you! Learn to prepare a segment, film on professional cameras, use quality lighting, & sound recording, and editing with Adobe Premiere Pro. You will fill roles like Executive Producer, Director, Editor, News Anchor, along with all the other roles that make up professional live and recorded broadcasts.

Detailed description: This class is mostly student run, so your voice will be heard. If you have ideas about how to make the school a happier, brighter, and more informed place, we would love to have you. We look forward to seeing you next year!

Course Site

Google Classroom Code: jmykcng

Learning Objectives

- Telling a Story
- Production
- Performance
- Camera Work
- Sound
- Lighting
- Editing

Learning Resources

We will use a variety of online resources which will be posted in Google Classroom.

Course Overview

This course is spartan news where we report, through the use of video, what is happening in our community. We can be fun with it but the bottom line is that we are charged with finding out what is going on in our community, creating a report through the use of video, and informing our community by broadcasting. We focus on the technical aspects of video production and also how to tell a story.

Student Expectations

Attendance and Engagement

For this school year I will be flexible. I will create a classroom that works for us no matter what comes our way. We don't know exactly what will happen, but the way I am setting up our class means I am ready to teach in person or online. Attendance is important but if you are sick, I want you to stay home. You won't fall behind and because of the way I am setting up our course, you won't have a hard time to get caught up.

Academic Honesty

Mr. Sovick makes the assumption that students want to learn and students signed up this course on their own free will. He also believes that, as high school students, you should be preparing yourself for life. That means you will be treated like an adult. Cheating, copying, looking up solutions online all hurt yourself in the end. Mr. Sovick will assume the

best in you because he trusts that you have your own self interest at heart. Work hard and think about your future and you will be better off in the end.

Communications and Self-Advocacy

The preferred method of communication is through remind.com. Please use that tool as the main communication piece between Mr. Sovick and yourself.

Policies & Procedures

Attendance

Attendance will be taken as directed by the BHS student handbook.

Grading

Grades will be calculated using total points.

Bainbridge High School reports grades at the end of each semester; progress reports are available for at the end of Term 1 and 3. Letter grades are calculated using the following grading scale:

Grade	High	Low
A	100.00%	93.00%
A-	92.99%	90.00%
B+	89.99%	87.00%
B	86.99%	83.00%
B-	82.99%	80.00%
C+	79.99%	77.00%
C	76.99%	73.00%
C-	72.99%	70.00%
D+	69.99%	67.00%
D	66.99%	60.00%
F	59.99%	0.00%

Submitting Assignments

Assignments will be turned in via Google Classroom.

Late work can be turned in and will be accepted for full credit. If this becomes a problem with individuals then Mr. Sovick will discuss this with you personally.

Students are expected to master a majority of the class objectives which means there will be times when retesting is appropriate.

Technology

Students are expected to have a computer that is connected to the internet. We can use Chromebooks and also we have access to a computer lab. We also have access to premiere pro and other Adobe creative commons applications.

Cell phones are part of life today. Part of being in high school is preparing yourself for life after high school. Mr. Sovick expects you to be responsible with your use of your cell phone. He will hold you to that expectation until you prove you cannot handle it. If that is the case then Mr. Sovick will work with you individually to find a solution.

This document can and will be updated as needed