

GLENDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Senior High School

July 16, 1991

Department: English

Course Title: Journalism 1-2

Course Number: 1322, 1323

Grade Level: 9, 10, 11, 12

Semester Hours: 10

Prerequisite: C or better in previous English class

Course Description: The function of Journalism 1-2 is to teach students to write, edit, and publish a high school newspaper. Students will learn and practice writing and editing skills, computer skills, organizational procedures and exercise editorial judgment. They must also learn business management and interpersonal skills to work as a team to ensure that the newspaper is published in a timely manner adhering to a predetermined publication schedule.

I. Goals

The student will:

- A. Learn to write in a journalistic style.
- B. Learn the types of journalistic stories and the particular type of writing for each.
- C. Learn to look for stories.
- D. Learn to work under pressure.
- E. Develop a responsibility for what he/she writes.
- F. Prepare acceptable copy.

II. Outline of content stated in performance objectives

- A. Journalistic style of writing.

The student will:

1. Read, examine, and practice all sections of a newspaper to learn journalistic style.

B. Types of journalistic stories.

The student will:

1. Study and practice the techniques of each type of newspaper story.

C. Search for stories.

The student will:

1. Develop an awareness to discover stories at all times.

D. Responsibility in writing.

The student will:

1. Examine the need for fairness and accuracy in all work.

E. Preparation of copy.

The student will:

1. Review and practice correct usage and grammar in preparation of copy.

III. Accountability Determinants

- A. Teacher-made tests.
- B. Daily work.
- C. Classroom observation and judgment.
- D. Classroom participation.

IV. Suggested Time Distribution

These time distributions are norms and may be modified to meet the individual student's needs.

Major Areas of Study (from Section II)

Suggested Time Distribution

A. Journalistic style 20%

B. Types of journalistic stories 40%

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C. Search for stories 15%

D. Responsibility in writing 15%

E. Preparation of copy 10%