

Yearbook Application

Dear Prospective Yearbook Student,

Yearbook class is an amazing opportunity to become an integral part of the school community and practice real-world skills because the Chintimini yearbook is a business. In addition to creating a product (the yearbook), we literally sell our “homework” for money, and we have a responsibility to the entire student body to capture the memories of the year and create a high-quality product that includes the entire student body. Therefore, staffers must consider their involvement in the yearbook program as if it were a part-time job. If a staffer doesn’t do their work, or is not a productive member of our organization, it affects our product, everyone else on the team, and our budget.

You will be expected to spend time working on the yearbook outside of school. This may include attending school events, taking photos, contacting and interviewing students, and/or occasionally staying after school to layout pages and finish spreads before a big deadline. You may have responsibilities that require you to do work that can’t be done during the school day. If you play sports, that’s great. You could be the key to ensuring that your sport has spectacular coverage.

The spreads we design, stories we write, themes we develop, and photos we capture on a day-to-day basis are strictly confidential. Are you going to be able to keep yearbook information to yourself? Please know spreading information about what we are working on is grounds for dismissal. It is crucial that the yearbook be fresh and special when it is delivered in the spring — not yesterday’s news.

Talking to people is a huge part of your job. That includes students of all grade levels, teachers, parents, coaches, and anyone else you may need to interview. If this is something outside your comfort zone or something that you are unwilling to try, this is the skill that stops most students from enjoying or being successful in yearbook. But if you are open to working with other people, and willing to step outside your comfort zone and talk to people you don’t know, you’ll do great!

Just like athletes, yearbook staffers do some work over the summer so we are prepared to start the school year. There is a three-day Yearbook Camp the first week of August. All staffers are encouraged to attend and yearbook will sponsor the bulk of the cost; however, students interested in a leadership or editor position must attend to be considered.

Please sign below to indicate you have read and understand the above information.

Student name: _____ **Date:** _____

Student signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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List your first-semester schedule and final grades. List class, teacher, and grade

Period	Class	Teacher	Grade
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			

List all the extracurricular activities (school and non-school related) that you plan to be involved in next year.

Circle all the skills you are interested in

Photography

Definitely YES!

Willing to Learn

No Thanks

Attending school events and taking pictures in classes and around school

Writing/journalism

Definitely YES!

Willing to Learn

No Thanks

Writing short captions based on interviews given by students

Design

Definitely YES!

Willing to Learn

No Thanks

Formatting Yearbook pages and thinking about color, placement, balance, etc.

Interviewing

Definitely YES!

Willing to Learn

No Thanks

Talking to students, one you know and do not yet know, and asking questions and getting stories about past photos and events

Getting Stories

Definitely YES!

Willing to Learn

No Thanks

Be alert throughout the day. Share events that are happening around school and in classrooms