

Lake Views

Staff Application for 2019-20

Return Applications to Ms Leben's box by the end of the day Friday, March 8, 2019

No late applications will be accepted.

Note: We realize that students will be asked to turn in next year's schedules before our selection process is complete, however we have been granted an extra time to choose our staff. We will give the counselors a list of all the students who have been accepted to Lake Views, and those schedules will be dealt with individually. You will be notified ASAP if you have been accepted to the staff or not.

Steps in the selection process:

1. The adviser, this year's student editors and next year's editors will read this application.
2. When choosing Lake Views staff, we give first priority to students who have taken Journalism. We have also found that it is sometimes necessary for us to turn down students who will be seniors, as we attempt to achieve a balance between upperclassmen and underclassmen.
3. We speak to the teachers listed below as references and English teachers, and we ask about meeting deadlines and class behavior.
4. Finally, we check absences because attendance is very important in a newspaper class.

Name _____ Grade next year _____

Please circle the position you are applying for (you may circle more than one):

Reporter Photographer Artist Advertising Website

Photographer

Artist

Advertising Team

Do you have any experience in photography? _____ Do you own your own camera? _____

Do you have any cartooning or art experience? _____ Do you have any experience with in-design?

_____ Do you have any experience with Photoshop? _____

Do you have experience with digital art? _____

Do you have any experience with website design or management? _____ Do you have experience with word press? _____

Do you have experience with film editing? _____ Do you have experience being on camera? _____

Please list your English teacher and one other teacher who would be willing to serve as references for you. If Ms Leben is your English teacher please put down a different teacher you know.

1. _____

2. _____

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Lake Views staff application — Part 2

Please read this carefully: If you are chosen to be a staff member, you will be expected to meet deadlines, write clearly and consistently and cooperate fully with the other class members. Student editors will be giving you assignments, editing your work and asking that you stay after school to finish set tasks. Before every deadline, staff members are required to stay at school until all pages are finished.

Lake Views can be hectic, exciting and boring—all in the same day. Even though the class officially meets every other day, Lake Views is an everyday “job.” Reporters need to check in every day to pick up assignments, attend school events, and interview people outside of class. Please consider these factors when you explain why you would like to be a member of the staff.

Step number one: In order to better evaluate your potential as a member of the newspaper staff, we ask that **reporters** submit a piece of writing, **photographers** submit one action shot and one other photograph, and **artists** submit two drawings. All work will be returned if requested.

Step number two: Please answer the following questions on your own paper.
(We ask that you type your answers.)

1. What specific qualifications do you feel you have to offer Lake Views?
2. Why would you like to be on the Lake Views staff, and which section would you like to be a part of?
(Sections include news, opinions, features and sports, and website)
3. Describe other time commitments you may have that will need your attention next year. Include jobs, athletics, and other activities. How will you handle conflicts between these areas and your commitment to Lake Views?
4. The staff structure is set up so that you will be given instructions by a student editor, who might be in a lower grade than you are. Your writing, photography, videos will be read /viewed and edited by student editors. How do you feel about this, and how would you handle a conflict in a situation of this kind?
5. Being on staff requires you to be able to multitask and use a variety of skills. Often you will write multiple articles, film an issue of Lake News, and page design all for one issue. How do you feel you can handle multiple responsibilities under tight deadlines and challenges thrown at you during the process?