



Dubuque COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

Course Syllabus: Journalism

Course Description

Journalism is designed for strong writers who are interested in writing for publications. Student journalists will be expected to enterprise original story ideas and write news, feature, editorial, and sports stories. The journalistic techniques of editing, interviewing, layout, design, and research will also be covered. Students will learn about press law and ethics and are expected to adhere to these standards. Because of the interviewing requirements, it is necessary that students are outgoing and confident in their interpersonal skills.

[View the Iowa Core Standards related to this course](#)

Resources

Core text:

- *Inside Reporting* by Tim Harrower

Supporting/supplemental film:

- *Shattered Glass*

Grading Scale

A 100 – 93
A- 92 – 90
B+ 89 – 87
B 86 – 83
B- 82 – 80
C+ 79 – 77
C 76 – 73
C- 72 – 70
D+ 69 – 67
D 66 – 63
D- 62 – 60
F Below 60%

Parent/Guardian Access to Canvas

Parents/guardians may access their student's courses as an observer on the district's Canvas Learning Management System.

[Instructions: How to Observe Your Child's Canvas Classes](#)