



# **Dubuque COMMUNITY SCHOOLS**

## **Course Syllabus: Newspaper**

### **Course Description**

Students in this class will be responsible for planning, organizing, designing, and publishing a school newspaper.

Students are responsible for journalistic writing, editing, and photography. Desktop publishing and photo editing programs will be used to produce professional-looking publications. Students are expected to approach the business community for advertising opportunities. Students must apply for staff positions including completing an application, teacher recommendation, and portfolio. Students and parents must agree to a staff contract.

Because interviews must be conducted and photos taken outside of class time, Newspaper staff members must be willing to devote time after school to these responsibilities.

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

### **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](#)