

SCHOOL COUNCIL POLICY

Pikeville Independent Schools

Pikeville High School

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POLICY TOPIC DESCRIPTION

YEARBOOK SELECTION CRITERIA POLICY

POLICY STATEMENT

The Yearbook class is responsible for the creation, organization, collection and production of the annual yearbook. Producing a yearbook is a very demanding job. As with any publication, deadlines for yearbook pages must be met and staff members must be able and willing to work together. The composition of the class, in order to have a successful year and to produce a quality product requires:

- a team atmosphere
- a willingness to attend school related activities that represent all of the aspects of our school society, outside of the class schedule
- a familiarity with the technology used to create the master product for the class and to train/mentor new members of the class

For this reason, only Juniors are allowed to join the class to ensure that the experience needed for the tasks is always available to all new students.

Due to the above listed criteria for the class, this class will be capped at twelve (12) students each year.

Before students can be accepted into the Yearbook class, students must meet a specific set of requirements. These requirements include:

- Student must be entering their Junior year*
- Student must have a minimum 3.0 GPA at the end of their Sophomore year
- Student must have an "A" average in all previous High School English classes
- Student must achieve a sufficient score on a set of four anonymous rating forms completed by core content (English, Math, Science, & Social Studies) teachers** from the student's most current year of study. (One per core content area)
- The required score for possible acceptance will be set by instructor in the class syllabus
- Scores from the anonymous rating form will be sent to the Guidance Counselor/Registrar & the class instructor ONLY. They will work together to identify students for placement in the class.
- If offered, potential new students must commit to a 2-day summer training with Josten's technology dept. This training will take place at PHS.
- Once a student is accepted to the class, documented disciplinary referrals MAY impact grades OR removal from the class

**FOR THE 24/25 school year only. Seniors will have the opportunity to apply for the yearbook staff on the condition that they, along with all other applicants, meet the criteria set forth in this policy.*

**Topics of teacher recommendation/rating form may include but are not limited to:

- Stays on task when given assignments
- Ability to meet deadlines
- Polite & kind to other students
- Polite to teachers & other adults
- Works well in group assignments; considered a “team player”
- Follows classroom AND school rules
- Is motivated to perform well
- Is trustworthy
- Creative in approaches to projects/assignments
- Student has solid work ethic (is hardworking, dependable, meets deadlines, is creative, is organized)
- History of positive student interactions and works well with others (i.e. Cooperates well in a team, shares ideas with others, accepts/gives constructive criticism well, friendly, outgoing personality)
- Student focus - makes an attempt to consistently remain focused and refrains from any inappropriate behavior during instructional time
- A place for additional comments on each rating will be available.

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