

Yearbook Syllabus Outline

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to Yearbook at Lake Dallas High School! This syllabus outlines the course plan for your child's class this semester, including key topics, expectations, and how you can support their success. As required by Texas law (Senate Bill 12), this document serves as the instructional plan and is available for your review. I look forward to working with you and your child!

Please understand that Yearbook is a dynamic class in that once the staff starts to work on the book, the plan will shift from day to day instead of week to week. Each student will be working on different items for their spreads depending on the days schedule.

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Course Overview (Instructional Plan)

This semester, your child will study the following topics in Yearbook, based on Texas state standards (TEKS):

1. Unit 1: Themework

- Learning objectives: Students will develop a theme for the yearbook and how to incorporate it throughout the book. (TEKS 2.G, 4.A, 4.B, 4.E, 5.C)
- Activities: Classroom discussions, Daily Work

2. Unit 2: Ladderwork

- Learning objectives: Students will decide how the yearbook will look by determining if it will be a traditional or chronological yearbook. Students will then divide the spreads among themselves. (TEKS 1.B, 4.E, 5.A, 5.B,)
- Activities: Class Discussions, Daily work

3. Unit 3: Designwork

- Learning objectives: Students will design the layouts for the different yearbook sections and the cover. This will include the fonts, color scheme AND INFOGRAPHICS. (TEKS 1.E, 3.A, 3.C, 4.D, 4.F, 5.E, 5.G)
- Activities: Cover design major grade, spread design major grade, class discussion

4. Unit 4: Create the Book

- Learning objectives: Students will create their yearbook pages based on which pages are current. For example, football is fall only while baseball is spring only.. (TEKS 3.D, 3.E, 3.G, 3.H, 3.I, 3.J, 3.K)
- Activities: Google form check-ins, yearbook pages checklists

5. Additional Skills

- Time management, working in a yearlong group project
- Example: Students will have to learn how to manage multiple spreads and spread items at a time.

Thank you for supporting your child's education! Feel free to contact me with questions.

Sincerely,
Abby White