



Rancho Pico Junior High

Application for Yearbook Staff

Important: Read all directions and requirements before signing this application.
 Submit this application only if you understand all rules and expectations.
 An incomplete application will not be considered. **Due by March 31th.**

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First Name	Last Name	E-mail Address
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Current School	Phone	

In applying for a position with the Rancho Pico Yearbook, please consider the following:

- All positions are for a full year. However, if any Yearbook student demonstrates the inability to work well in a team, that student will be transferred to an alternative class.
- Selections for Rancho Pico Yearbook staff will be based on a variety of factors, including but not limited to observations of artistic and communication skills demonstrated during the interviews, along with the content of short essays submitted with this application.
- If your application indicates that you might be a good fit for next year's Yearbook staff, you will be invited to the interview sessions. Invitations will be made by telephone to new students and delivered in person to current Rancho Pico students. Be certain that your telephone number is clearly written above. Current Rancho Pico students should write the name of their advisory teacher here: _____.
- Interview sessions are a group activity. If you cannot attend, please do not apply. There are only 13 openings for new staff members. Rancho Pico has many other wonderful opportunities for you if a position with Yearbook is unavailable.
- As a member of the Yearbook staff, you will be part of a team dedicated to recording the history of a year at Rancho Pico Junior High School. In order to create this important document, you will learn and apply the basic elements of photojournalism while building marketable skills with the use of photographic and design software. In order to make a truly great yearbook, the entire school will depend upon you and the rest of our staff. While the Yearbook experience can be one of the most wonderful and memorable in your school career, it is also very demanding. You will have to dedicate yourself to your work. Be certain that you can commit to the responsibility of making a great product.

Please read each of the following statements and sign your initials if you understand and agree:

- All staff members must uphold the high standards of Rancho Pico Yearbook and represent the school with dignity, pride, and integrity. Staff members are seen as leaders and role models. I understand that any student not maintaining high personal, academic, and behavioral standards both on and off campus might be required to leave the Yearbook staff. _____
- I understand that my job description includes working to cover on-campus or off-campus activities, including lunch activities, registration week activities, evening performances and events, or other events that occur out of the regular class schedule. _____
- I understand that coverage of a few activities might require me to miss part of another class session. I am responsible to make up any work I miss in those classes. _____
- I understand that there might be 2 or 3 after-school staff meetings when final details are examined before submitting pages to our publisher. I will try to attend these sessions. _____
- I understand that I currently should have above average grades, and that I must maintain above average grades through the upcoming year. I understand that low grades could disqualify me from staying on the Yearbook staff. _____
- My Yearbook grade is largely determined by the quality of my work and meeting deadlines required for publishing our book without delays. I understand that failing to meet deadlines due to poor work quality or incomplete assignments will cause my grade to drop. _____

I hereby agree to all of the above statements.

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Record these important dates:

March 9	Applications available: Room 612, Office, or ranhopicojuniorhigh.com
March 31	Applications due to Mr. Gately in room 612 or the main office by 3:30 p.m.
April 2	Invitations go out for those earning interviews based upon applications.
April 13 & 20	Interviews on assigned dates, only. Room 612. (3:30 to 5:30)
April 23	Decision letters mailed home to all applicants who interviewed.
Aug 5 and 6	We will be working at the Rancho Pico registration.



Name

Read all three questions first, then respond.
(There are no "correct" answers. Write with sincerity.)

Describe any abilities you have that might help us create *the next great yearbook*.

Describe a project that you completed in the past year that you makes you feel proud.

Why do you want to be a part of the Rancho Pico Yearbook staff?