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| First presbyterian christian academy |  |
| **Yearbook Application** |

Dear Prospective Yearbook Member,

 It is hard to believe that this year is almost over! In order to make our yearbook the best that it can be, it is time to start selecting a yearbook staff for the 2015-2016 academic year. This will help us be ahead of the game. The yearbook staff comes together for a common purpose: *to create the best yearbook ever!* It takes a lot of planning and preparation to produce a fun yearbook that is full of creative ideas. To that end, there are a few rules and regulations that yearbook staff must follow in order to maintain an effective and efficient staff.

Yearbook Staff Members MUST:

1. Be respectful to all members and advisor
2. Be receptive to new ideas
3. Be prepared to work in the classroom and after school
4. Maintain a 3.0 GPA

**Please read all of the directions carefully & do all parts of this application.**

Required Application Materials:

1. Completed application
2. Writing sample from applicant (page 3 of application)
3. Two teacher’s signatures confirming they will complete evaluations (completed electronically by the teacher after application is turned in)

**Completed applications are due to Ms. Larson by Friday, April 17, 2015.**

As a yearbook staff member you will develop skills in:

* Journalism
* Graphics & Design
* Photography
* Advertisement
* Distribution

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**The Basics**

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Grade Next School Year (please circle): 9th 10th 11th 12th

Current English Grade: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Traits**

Rate yourself on a scale of 1-10, 10 being “I’m the best!”

**\_\_\_** Effort \_\_\_ Determination \_\_\_\_ Writing Skills \_\_\_Creativity

\_\_\_ Art \_\_\_ Photography \_\_\_ Meeting Deadlines \_\_\_ Computers

\_\_\_ Leadership \_\_\_ Participation \_\_\_ Team Player \_\_\_Friendly

**The Questions**

1. Are you able to spend time at home working on the yearbook to help meet deadline? Yes No
2. Do you own a digital camera? Yes No
3. Are you able to attend after school events if necessary to take pictures?

Yes No

1. What other extracurricular activities are you involved in?

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1. What are your 3 best characteristics/traits?
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**The Really Hard Questions**

Answer in complete sentences. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.

1. What strengths do you possess that would make you an asset to the yearbook staff?

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1. Why do you want to work on the yearbook staff?

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1. Why do you think you should be selected for the yearbook staff? Answer in detail.

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**Sample Yearbook Article**

1. Choose a section to focus on:
	1. People, academics, student life, sports, clubs
2. Narrow down the subject for your article (ie. Sports, focus on the golf team)
3. Write a short, one paragraph article relating to the topic you selected that could be published in the yearbook.

Follow these guidelines:

* 3rd person (he, she, they)
* Past tense verbs
* Unbiased viewpoint
* Must be typed and have a title/headline and stapled to your application.

**Teacher Recommendations**

You need two teacher recommendations. These forms will be emailed to the teachers to save trees. ☺

Write the names of the teachers you plan on receiving recommendations from:

1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
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Teachers,

 *This student would like to be considered for the yearbook staff for the 2015-2016 academic year. He/she has selected you as one of their evaluation teachers. Teacher recommendations are one of the main factors in the selection of students. The evaluation form will be emailed to you once the application form has been turned in.*

I agree to complete a recommendation form for this student as part of their application for the 2015-2016 yearbook staff.

Teacher Signature 1: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I agree to complete a recommendation form for this student as part of their application for the 2015-2016 yearbook staff.

Teacher Signature 2: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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