

2010 Lancaster Sunday News Student Press Awards

Contest Rules and Regulations

Eligibility

The contest is open to all high school students in Lancaster County attending public, private, faith-based, home or charter schools. **Entries must have been published in a school or community newspaper.**

Publication Dates

All entries must have been published during the school year (*April through June 2009, or September 2009 through March 2010*). No summer entries from 2009 will be accepted.

Deadline

Deadline for entries is ***Friday, April 9, 2010.***

Please mail entries to: Lancaster Sunday News Student Press Awards

Attn: NIE

P.O. Box 1328

Lancaster, PA 17608-1328

Entry preparation

1. All entries must be accompanied by an entry form. Please attach (do not paste) forms to completed entries.
2. Entries, except for those in the Overall Student Newspaper category, **must be submitted mounted on 8-1/2" x 11" card stock.** Entries larger than the space provided may be cut to fit on two pages.
3. Entries must be original newspaper clippings.
4. **All occurrences of the writer's or photographer's name must be covered with white-out.**
5. For overall newspaper entries, please submit the entire newspaper.
6. For photography entries, the published photo may be accompanied by an original print.

Division

The division in which each student or newspaper will compete is determined by the frequency of publication of the newspaper. ***There are two divisions: 1-5 issues per year and 6+ issues per year.***

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Category Rules and Regulations

Overall Newspaper category guidelines

For the overall student newspaper category, newspapers will be judged on the following: overall layout appearance and page design, overall quality of writing, headline writing, and overall quality of photos. This category will include a Best Front Page Design award. Entrants must submit three issues of the entire newspaper (if published less than three times per year, please submit one copy of all issues). **Only school newspapers may enter this category.**

Writing (up to three entries per category)

1. Best Editorial/Column: Entrants may submit one editorial or column per entry form.
 2. Best Review: Entrants may submit one piece per entry form.
 3. Best Sports Story: Entrants may submit one piece per entry form.
 4. Best News Story: Entrants may submit one news story per entry form. Any deadline story will be accepted.
 5. Best Feature: Entrants may submit one feature per entry form.
- All non-deadline, pre-planned stories will be accepted, including personality profiles.

Photo (up to three entries per category)

1. Best Feature Photo: A feature photo shows imagination and may be posed. Entrants may submit one photo per entry form. Please submit story headline along with photo, if applicable.
2. Best Sports Photo: Entrants may submit one photo per entry form. Please submit story headline along with photo, if applicable.
3. Best News Photo: Any unposed photo, except a sports photo, may be entered in this category.

Entrants may submit one photo per entry form. Please submit story headline along with photo, if applicable.

(Note: All photos must also be submitted in .jpg or .tif format via email, to lditmore@lnpnews.com.)

Miscellaneous (up to three entries per category)

1. Best Cartoon: Entrants may submit one cartoon per entry form. Comic strips are eligible.
2. Best Headline Writing: Entrants may submit one headline per entry form.

The story and applicable photos must accompany headline entries.

Questions?

Contact Lauren Stack Ditmore, 291-4959 or email lditmore@lnpnews.com.

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Best Overall Student Newspaper Entry Form

School Name _____

School Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

School Phone _____

Newspaper Name _____

Advisor Name *(Please print)* _____

Advisor Email _____

Frequency of Publication *(Please check one):*

1-5 issues/year

6+ issues/year

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Individual Student Entry Form (Each student must complete one form per category entry)

Name _____ Age _____ Grade _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Phone _____

School _____

Newspaper Name _____

Advisor Name (Please print) _____

Advisor Email _____

Frequency of Publication *(Please check one):*

- 1-5issues/year 6+ issues/year

Type of entry *(Please check one):*

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Editorial/Column | <input type="checkbox"/> Headline Writing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Cartoon |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sports Story | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports Photo |
| <input type="checkbox"/> News Story | <input type="checkbox"/> News Photo |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Feature Story | <input type="checkbox"/> Feature Photo |

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5 Steps to Success

To Participate:

1. Choose an article **already** published in your school's newspaper to be entered into the Sunday News Student Press Awards.
2. **Cut out the article** (original newspaper clipping) and **mount on 8 1/2 X 11 card stock**.
3. **White-out** all occurrences of writer's (or photographer's) **name** from entry.
4. **Complete an entry form and attach** (do not paste) **to entry**.
5. **Send entries to :**

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