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It's About the Story

Santa Barbara Middle School Teen Press APPLICATION

Be one of up to 12 Middle School students chosen to represent SBMS to the world at large – by writing and editing video – and by being there, covering the events! In the past we've talked with movie stars, politicians, entrepreneurs, software developers, bicycle racers, filmmakers, ecologists, artists, cooks, waiters, reporters, scientists, professors, students, teachers and people on the street, to name a few. **Join in this coming trimester to make this list longer!** We will be:



Going to UC Berkeley and UC Davis to interview SBMS alums studying there

Going to Sacramento to try to interview the governor and other lawmakers

Going to Ojai to cover the $10^{
m th}$ Ojai-Ventura International Film Festival

Attending live performances at the Lobero to interview and review

Giving the world a view of what's going on that only a middle-schooler can!

Processes

The chosen reporters will take $6^{\rm th}$ period Teen Press Elective. In those sessions, we will:



research opportunities for stories



contact individuals and organizations to request interviews and/or sponsorship



watch films about some of the subjects and/or people we will be writing about



visit with members of the local press who do film reviews & interviews



practice mock interviews and reviews



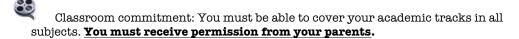
learn to edit videos in Final Cut.

AND THEN...

Travel out into the world to actually cover our stories! This can be for extended periods of time (like when we're out of town) during class periods (often including lunch period), other times of the school day, and some evenings and weekends.

Requirements

A Teen Press reporter represents Santa Barbara Middle School to the world. You must be an independent, responsible and reliable learner, dependable and ready to work without reminder.



Desire to be in front of camera and/or microphone. You will be interviewing people from all walks of life.

Dedication to service through **inform**ation. You will be helping your viewers by giving them your perspective--informing them--through the questions you ask and the stories you write. (And the first step in this is to be informed **yourself**.) Be prepared to do some research!

Submit application materials BY EMAIL to John (john@sbmsteenpress.org) and David (david@sbmsteenpress.org) by Saturday, September 12th by 9 p.m. The application will include:

Review of a favorite movie written by you in the style shown at http://www.sbmsteenpress.org/TP-cool_cats/4stories_sbiff00Reviews.html

- Statement about why you want to be part of the SBMS Teen Press
- Personal Information, including availability
- Approvals from parents
- Applications will be evaluated by a panel of teachers



Name	e-mail
Address	
Phone #	Cell#
	Availability
We plan to be out of town on the Berkeley /	Davis/Sacramento trip (approx. Oct 25-30)
and busy afternoons and the weekend of th	e Ojai-Ventura Film Festival (Nov 5-8).
Please let us know what commitments you	have that would interfere with your
participation during these periods.	
	Parent Permission
have to make up any missed work. I give my per to be apply to be part of the Santa Barbara Midd on Sunday, September 1	lle School Teen Press. You may reach me by phone at 15 th to verify this information.
The best time to call is (Parents, please copy/paste this into an en	nail and send to <u>John</u> and <u>David</u> by 9pm, Sept. 12.)
	Reason(s)
	document, write a short paragraph (approximately e in the Santa Barbara Middle School Teen Press as a
MENTORS: If you want to be a Mentor, use the	
Reporter, and what you see yourself doing as a Email this as an attachment to John (john@sk	
(david@sbmsteenpress.org) by Saturday, Septe	
	Review/Proposal
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, ,	rom video/DVD. Check out some of the reviews at: -cool_cats/4stories_sbiff00Reviews.html
Write your review in a similar format and style Returning REPORTERS and MENTORS: When	. Only word-processed reviews will be accepted. ther or not you are not applying as a Mentor, you
	graph proposing a story you'd like to cover, including
	the story, and why it's a good story for Teen Press.
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