

# Journalism

The Journalism class will educate students in the fundamentals of news reporting and create a bi-monthly newspaper for students, staff and parents. Students will be involved in every step of production and be responsible for keeping up on all aspects of our school.

Students will also use outside news sources to observe the impact of newspapers and the services they provide to community. And of course, students will learn the rudiments of proper journalistic news reporting, a skill which will benefit students in a number of academic settings.

As subsequent issues are created, published and distributed to students and the TIPS community, the Wolverine staff will be expected to take on a more active role in writing, decision-making and publishing.

## **Class Rules:**

All TIPS rules apply in this class along with the following:

- a) No food in class, except fresh fruit
- b) Drinks only in a sealed container
- c) Listening to music is forbidden

## **Plagiarism**

Students who hand in school work that is not their own are guilty of plagiarism. In any academic setting, it is very important that students take responsibility for their own learning, and dishonesty of this nature makes it impossible for teachers to make an informed decision on subsequent learning. Students who are found guilty of such behavior will be dealt with in the following way:

### **First offence:**

- phone call to parents and the work redone and the grade reported
- preamble with parents consequence for second offence

### **Second offence:**

- phone call to parents and the work redone and assessed, with the grade of “0” recorded
- preamble with parents consequence for third offence

### **Third offence**

- phone call to parents and the work redone and assessed, and a grade of “0” recorded
- Saturday School assigned by school administration

- Preamble with parents the consequence for fourth offence

**Fourth offence**

- phone call to parents and the work redone and assessed, and a grade of “0” recorded
- 2 day Out of School Suspension by school administration
- preamble with parents expulsion on fifth offence

**Fifth offence**

- expulsion

**Weighting:**

6 Ps            100%

**Grading Scale:**

A+	97 - 100
A	92 - 96
B+	88 - 91
B	83 - 87
C+	79 - 82
C	74 - 78
D+	70 - 73
D	65 – 69