## PHOTO RUBRIC

**Comments:** 

Assign five points for outstanding work and one point for poor work.

Name
Photo or spread
The basics (35 points)
The center of interest is in sharp focus.
Tones range from blacks to midtones to whites.
All necessary elements of the action are in the photo. People are not cut off at joints.
Light enhances the photo instead of taking away from it. Does not appear muddy or grainy.
Action is not posed, but a true candid.
Several options are included with various cropping, angles and orientations.
Only the best photos are saved in the appropriate folder.
The composition (35 points)
Consideration has been given to the rule of thirds.
At least one technique is apparent (center of interest, varying angle, depth of field, leading lines, simplicity, pattern and repetition, peak of emotion, balance and framing).
Photos on the same spread have varied techniques.
Cropping focuses the photo on the action and does not blow up small areas to grainy proportions
No faces are cropped out and no backs are present.
No element takes away from the center of interest
Dead space is eliminated unless vital to visual impact.
The storytelling (30 points)
Tells the story well enough that the caption needs only lend support.
Photographer obviously made an effort to establish a relationship with the subject.
Story is told in a creative way
Emotion and action are compelling.
Action or reaction draws the reader in.
Photos on the spread reflect diversity in age, grade level, gender and ethnicity.
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