

Sparkman High School

PHOTOGRAPHY APPLICATION

Fall 2018 – Spring 2019

Students must fill out an application to be enrolled in any photography class (I-IV). Answer all questions completely and honestly. Two teacher references and a parent signature are necessary. **The cost for each class is \$70.** The AP course is an additional \$92 (approx.) to cover the cost of AP Test

Photography I covers traditional 35 mm black and white film processing and printing. (Digital processing occurs in Photo 2-4) All Photo I students **must have a manual 35mm film SLR camera.** This type of film camera can easily be found on Ebay, Keh.com as well as at Unclaimed Baggage in Scottsboro and Southerland's Photo in Huntsville. Reliable used camera models are the Canon AE-1, Canon A-1, Nikon FM, Pentax K1000 and Olympus X-370. Programmable auto focus film cameras such as Canon's Rebel series and Nikon's N Series are also acceptable. If you find a camera but have a question about its quality, reliability, etc. then send a link to the instructor at emittman@mcssk12.org.

The Photography 2-4 courses cover digital photography using digital SLR cameras as well as studio lighting, portraiture, alternative processing, and advanced black and white processing with medium and large format film. The Photo 3-4 courses require students to submit work the Scholastic Art Competition – the oldest and largest competition in the United States. Photo 4 is an Advanced Placement Course for college credit. Students may also sit for the professional photographer licensing exam (CPP) and/or Adobe Certified Associate Exam (ACA) for Photoshop in their Senior year.

Please consider the next two notes:

1. Will you have time to attend field trips? Trips last all day (typically 530 am – 10 pm) and provide ample opportunities to complete the photography assignments. However, field trip participation is **not** required.
2. Are you willing to work very hard to make a picture perfect? It may take many tries before it comes out right. This class amazingly fun! AND is very rigorous. Ask any past or present photo student.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Student Email address: _____ Current grade level: _____

Parent Name: _____ **Parent Signature (Req'd):** _____

Parent Email Address: _____ Parent Contact Ph# _____

Put a check next to the course(s) you are applying for: See Course Bulletin Description

Into to Comm. Photo (Photo 1) _____ **Medium Format Photo (Photo 2)** _____

Highly Recommended: Photo I and II may be taken consecutively, ie. Photo I in the Fall, Photo II in the Spring.

Advanced Large Format (Photo 3) _____ **AP ART 2D (Photo 4)** _____

Highly Recommended: Photo 3 and 4 may be taken consecutively, ie. Photo 3 in the Fall, Photo 4 in the Spring.

Why are you interested in taking Creative Photography I?

Do you own a 35mm manual SLR camera? **If not, you will need to purchase one for Photo I.**

If yes, please describe:

List two Sparkman High School teachers from whom I could get a recommendation.

1. _____ 2. _____

You must have Mr. Mittman's signature on this form to register for any class beyond Photo 1.

INSTRUCTOR SIGNATURE: _____