

**Course Outline
The Community
2008/2009**

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Course Outline: Students enrolled in The Community will become part of the production of WOWL Channel 7, Madawaska's local access channel. Typically WOWL coverage includes government meetings, local news, special events, sports, and other local entertainment and programming. Students will also become familiar with the equipment utilized to implement WOWL programming including video and audio mixers, video cameras, and other equipment used in support of the station. Students will be exposed to television broadcasting including proper camera techniques, interviewing techniques, news writing and reporting, marketing, and voice projection.

Textbooks/Equipment: Although there is no class textbook, each student is required to maintain a pocket notebook provided by the teacher, which will be kept in the studio for easy retrieval. Other typical student materials are also required. Each student will be issued one (1) mini-dv tape, which must be brought to class.

Students are required to receive approval for and sign out all equipment. Sign out logs are maintained near the tripod closet (Expo Marker Board). Students may use personal cameras but are responsible for their care.

Grading: Student grades will be based upon a variety of assessments accumulated throughout the quarter and will be derived using the following percentages:

Outside Events (Taping Meetings, Interviews, Games, etc.. - non school hours)	25%
Class work and Homework (work assign., PSA's, news: reporting, Stories, interviews, etc...)	25%
Quizzes, Tests (pop, announced, or take home).....	25%
Class participation (effort, attitude, working with others, etc.).....	25%

Student notes: Students should also be aware that information provided to students during class time may be included on evaluations and good note taking will benefit the student and improve his or her performance.

Attendance: Regular attendance is required and will be included in your participation grade.

Assignments: All assignments are to be complete for the beginning of the period for which they are due. Students must maintain work logs in their folders to ensure credit for tasks performed.

Students will be required leave school grounds to complete interviews, videotape events, and complete other responsibilities. Students required to leave school grounds to cover events **beyond walking distance** will be provided school transportation.

Outside Events:

Grades for outside events will be determined by our clerk - Ms. Levesque or Mr. Jandreau using the scale below:

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| a. No significant issues | 100 |
| b. Minor modifications needed | 90 |
| c. More significant problems | 80 |
| d. No show | 0 |

Students will be required to participate in WOWL program coverage outside of school hours on (3) separate occasions during each of the four (4) quarters of school. Students will be granted credit for events in four areas (government, school sports, school other, community) and must have at least one event per quarter from an area not already covered.

Good luck!!! I hope your year is productive and enjoyable.

Parental Permission:

Whereas students are required leave the school building during and after school hours, parental permission is required before students will be able to participate in outside activities.

*I hereby grant permission for _____ to
student name*

leave school grounds for Community Based Media class, as directed by the instructor, to cover events. In the event that my child has his/her own transportation, I agree to allow my child to use his/her vehicle to cover said events at their discretion.

Signed this _____ day of August, 2008.

Parent signature