Main Four Staff Application – Advanced Journalism

Student Name: _____

Grade NEXT YEARr (circle one): 09 10 11 12
E-Mail Address: _____

*You are required to submit recommendation forms to 2 of your current teachers (one must be your English teacher).

Have you done this?
Please list their names here:

Complete the questions below. Please know that if a question asks about your experience and you have none in the area, it does not automatically mean you cannot join the class. We have students with all experience levels.

1. List any experience you have in school publications or journalism:

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_____.

2. List any experience you have in photography:

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3. List any extracurricular activities in which you plan to participate during the summer and the '23-'24 school year:

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4. List any friends you have who are currently on the Main Four staff:

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5. Why should you be selected as a member of the '23-'24 Main Four staff? What specific qualities do you possess that make you an ideal staff member?

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6. Describe a stressful situation you experienced. How did you deal with the stress? What was the outcome?

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7. What is the key to success when working with other people? How do you ensure success when you are assigned group projects?

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8. What is your strongest asset? Give an example of how that has helped you in a specific situation.

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9. What is your weakest quality? How have you improved your performance in this area? What do you plan to do to keep improving?

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FINAL STEP: PLEASE ATTACH A WRITING OR PHOTOGRAPHY SAMPLE TO THIS APPLICATION. THE WRITING DOES NOT NEED TO BE JOURNALISTIC STYLE WRITING. IT CAN BE A CREATIVE WRITING PIECE, ESSAY FOR A CLASS, ETC.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE STOP BY ROOM L-2 OR EMAIL MS. CARPANI AT CARPANIV@HOWELLSCHOOLS.COM.

Teacher's Recommendation – Main Four Staff

(student fills out this top part and gives the form to the teacher)

Student Name _____
Teacher _____ Subject _____ Period _____

Please check the space that best describes this student.
1. Ability to meet assigned deadlines
_____ Almost Always ____ Often ___ Sometimes _____ Rarely
(turns in homework, assignments, projects on time)

2. Stays on task when given an assignment
_____ Almost Always ____ Often ___ Sometimes _____ Rarely
(doesn't waste personal or others' time)

3. Polite and kind to other students
_____ Almost Always ____ Often ___ Sometimes _____ Rarely
(no foul language, rude behavior, demeaning comments)

4. Polite to teachers and other adults
_____ Almost Always ____ Often ___ Sometimes _____ Rarely
(respectful to teachers and other adults, including parents)

5. Follows classroom and school rules _
____ Almost Always ____ Often ___ Sometimes _____ Rarely
(doesn't behave as if rules apply only to others)

6. Internally motivated to perform well
_____ Almost Always ____ Often ___ Sometimes _____ Rarely
(doesn't require constant attention and praise to do a good job)

10. Has good grammar/syntax in written work
_____ Almost Always ____ Often ___ Sometimes _____ Rarely
(essays and other work are easy to read and understand)

Please take the time to write one sentence about how this student performs in your class.
_____
_____.

Teacher Signature _____ Date _____

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