Digital Photography

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Class Description

The photography program at Oakleaf High School is designed to provide training in the basics of photography, visual communication, digital photo editing techniques, and to prepare students for college and/or photography related careers. The class covers communication, leadership, human relation and employability skills, safe and efficient work practices, digital art practices, the use of inkjet printers, and photographic equipment usage.

By the end of this course, students will achieve broad and transferable skills, photographically, digitally, and artistically. Upon successful completion of this course students will walk out with a polished photography portfolio necessary for the beginning of their photographic career. Even if the student does not plan on being a photographer after completion of the classes, the skills learned in all levels will transfer into whatever career choice the student will choose.

Career and Technical Education (CTE)
The photography program is part of the Career and Technical Education (CTE) department at Oakleaf High School. CTE courses are designed to prepare students for college and to leave students with transferable skills within today's workplace.

At the end of each course, photography students are given the opportunity to take Industry Certification tests. Photography students have the opportunity to become certified with the following software programs: Photoshop, Illustrator, Premiere Pro, and InDesign. These are great resume builders as well as a must have skill for the industry. Students who pass industry certification exams have a much more likely chance of landing internships or jobs within their career choice. Certifications are active for three years. Students who pass tests their freshmen year and recertify their senior year if needed.

(Example) Photo Student Schedule : *(This can differ per student/situation).*
9th Grade: Digital Photography 1
10th Grade: Digital Photography 2
11th Grade: Digital Photography 3
12th Grade: Digital Photography 4

By the end of each course, expect to learn:
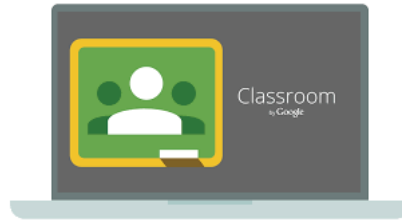

How to use the camera &
photo equipment

Industry Level
Software

Professionalism
and Experience

Google Classroom

The photography class website is our Google Classroom page. All assignment descriptions and project materials will be found on Google Classroom. This is where you turn in most projects and assignments. You can access Google Classroom on the computer, and on your devices, from anywhere with an internet connection. Connect to whatever class period of photography you have.

* Go to www.classroom.google.com
* Log in with your Google Account
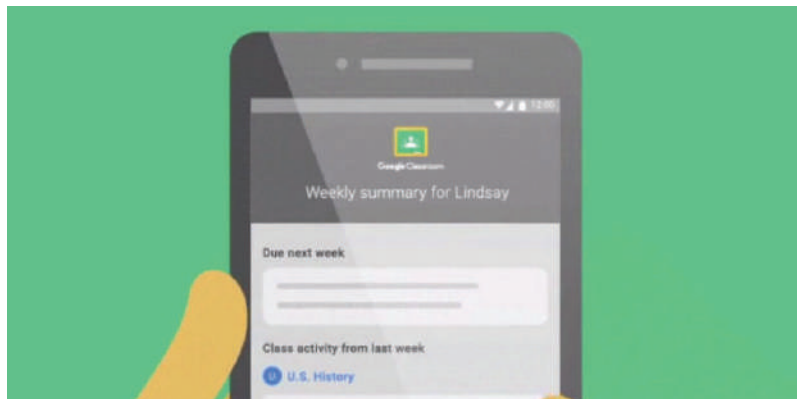* Click "Join Class"

Period 2 - pmo2atj

Period 3 - nrmxw5

Period 4 - 14uxet7

Period 5 - 192fpog

Period 6 - gdu0j1

If you wish, install the app, and login to Google Classroom with your device.

CAMERAS

We have a class set of Canon T6, T5i, and T5 DSLR cameras. These cameras can be used during class, and can be rented/checked out for off-campus use. You do not need to buy a new camera for this class, however, if you are serious about photography, I suggest you eventually buy your own digital camera.


If you have a phone/device with a camera, you can use that camera for projects that are assigned for homework. **To upload your work,** use Airdrop or Google Drive. More directions to follow. **Important:** When shooting with iPhones, go to the camera settings, and change the format to "most compatible" instead of high efficiency (this way, your photos are readable in Photoshop).
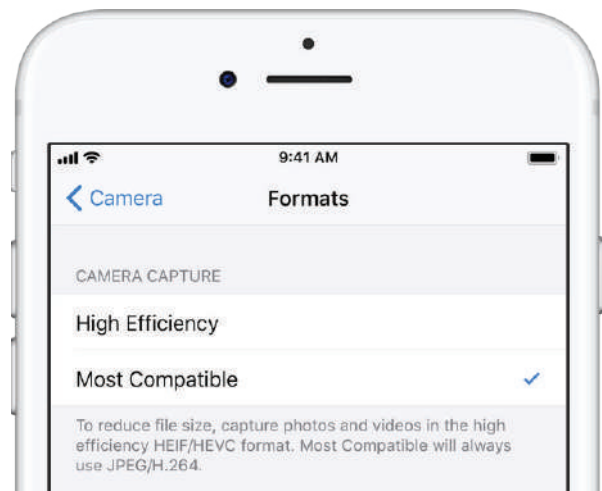
COMPUTER USE

* Desktop backgrounds stay at the default.

* Login: Network account (ID#, password)

* Headphones are only allowed when directed (or during free editing time)

* No food or drink allowed by computers.

* If the screen has fingerprints, monitor wipes are available for use.

* Do not use anyone else's computer without permission.
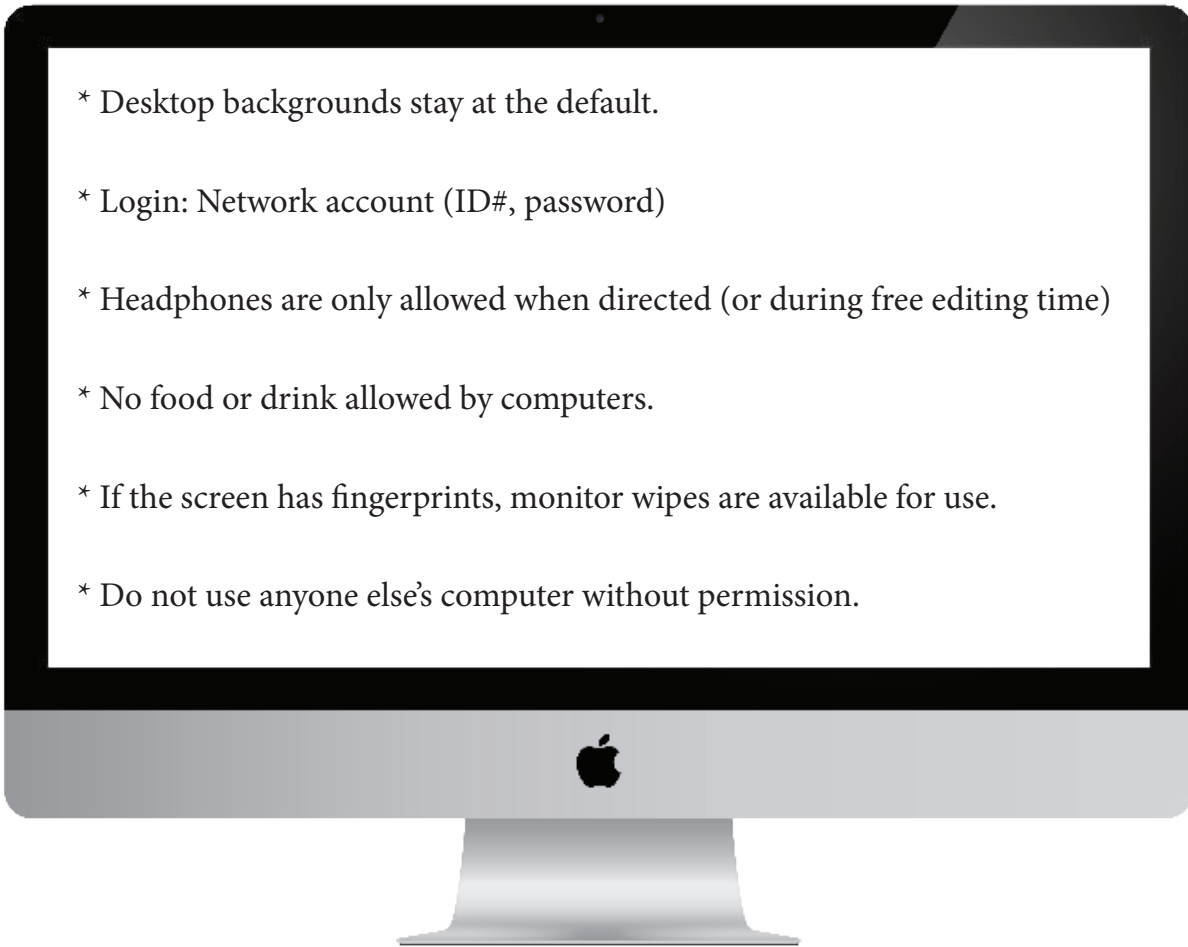
The tablet, keyboard, and mouse should all be put back neatly and in order before you leave class. Chairs need to be pushed in.

BACKPACKS/ITEMS

Backpacks, purses, and other personal items will be stored **underneath the desks**. If you leave the backpack right by your feet (also by the foot of the chairs), the straps will entangle and get caught. This also is a tripping hazard for you, me and classmates.

Purses and <u>any other personal items</u> are not allowed out on the desks, unless it is a medical need. This includes textbooks from other classes, etc. Please obtain a locker if you need a place to store all of your stuff.

If you ever come to class with items that need temporary storage (poster boards, project materials, props, etc) just let me know and I will help you store it in safe place.

Cell Phone Parking Lot

- When entering the classroom, you may keep your phone and earbuds out of sight in your backpack, purse, or pocket. Or, you may store or charge your phone in the cell phone parking lot.

- If you choose to use the cell phone parking lot for storage, place your phone in one of the numbered pockets. Remember the number where your phone is "parked." Please use the same number as your seat.

- If you choose to use the cell phone parking lot for charging, use your own charging cord. Plug your phone in to one of the power strips and then place your phone (still connected) into one of the lower pockets in the cell phone parking lot. I might have a few cords that can be used, but it is first come, first serve.

- If your phone is not in the cell phone parking lot and is causing a distraction from work in class, you will be directed to "park" your phone and you may pick it up after class.

- Students who do not comply or have repeated requests to park their phones will have parents contacted, etc.

Computer Lab Etiquette

- Etiquette: the customary code of polite behavior in society or among members of a particular group.
- The computer chairs are meant for you to be able to turn around easily, and to occasionally move to areas around the room when directed to.

- In regards to the computer chairs, the following actions are strictly **prohibited**: standing on the chair, moving the chair to the studio/hallway, pushing/touching other student's chairs, spinning, and switching chairs.

- It is prohibited to use another student's computer while they are logged into it - unless they give permission at that specific time, request help, and/or want to collaborate.

- Every class period, before leaving, it is expected of everyone to leave their desk neat:

1. Set headphones behind computer/keyboard area (if used)
2. Make sure stylus is attached back onto tablet (if used)
3. Mouse put back onto mousepad (if moved)
4. Place keyboard back neatly (if moved)
5. Quit out of all applications, log out of computer
6. Push in chair

By signing below, you are showing that you have read through and understand the expectations of the cell phone parking lot and computer lab ettiquette. This document will be used as a reminder later on in the year, if needed. This is the first grade of 1st quarter.

First and Last Name: (Printed): _____

(Signed): _____

RESTROOM/HALL PASSES
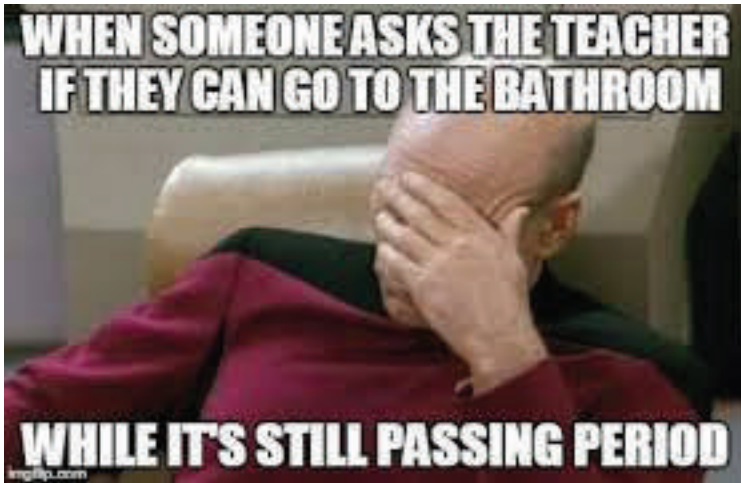
Use the restroom **before** arriving to class. Use one that is on the way here. Please, I beg you - do not ask me if you can go to the bathroom while its still passing period. It is not my decision during passing of classes if you can go. **That's yours!** Just go - you'll make it back in time, especially if you go on the way here. :)

If you need to leave class for any reason, **please wait to ask after bellwork** (after the first 5-10 minutes of class). **Don't ask right when the bell rings,** I will always be busy teaching. You are expected to be **in your seat** when the bell rings and completing bellwork. (Emergencies, of course, let me know).

How to get a hall pass: Open planner to hall pass page, write the date,time, and destination - only then will I sign the pass. Come up to me with a pen or pencil so I can easily sign, I might not always have one.

If you do not have your planner on you at the moment, you have permission to use a sticky note from my desk to write the information yourself, and then I will sign it. During class photo projects, you can use a camera as your hall pass - further instructions will be given later.

DAILY EXPECTATIONS

BE COURTEOUS

BE SAFE

BE YOURSELF :)

FOOD/DRINK

NOPE

The ONLY beverage allowed is water.

I know this looks good but ... eat it during your lunch period. kthnx

Cheetos

Seriously, no cheetos.

Soda and candy is bad for you anyway

YEP

Water is a good thing.

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PLAGIARISM POLICY

All students will be assigned photography projects to complete. Although you may collaborate with other people for projects, each student is still expected to turn in their own, original photography.

In other words, you cannot turn in photographs that you did not take yourself. You must turn in original photographs created by you.

During photo shoots, you will use a memory card for the camera. **This memory card is for only for you during your class period - one is at each computer.** When you're done uploading your pictures, it is <u>also</u> your responsiblilty to <u>delete</u> the files from the card, so that no one else uses your work. If you find that someone <u>forgot</u> to delete their images, it is <u>also</u> your responsibility to <u>tell me</u>, so I can fix it. You will always use a BLANK memory card to begin with for each photo session. **More directions to follow. :)**

Student Resources
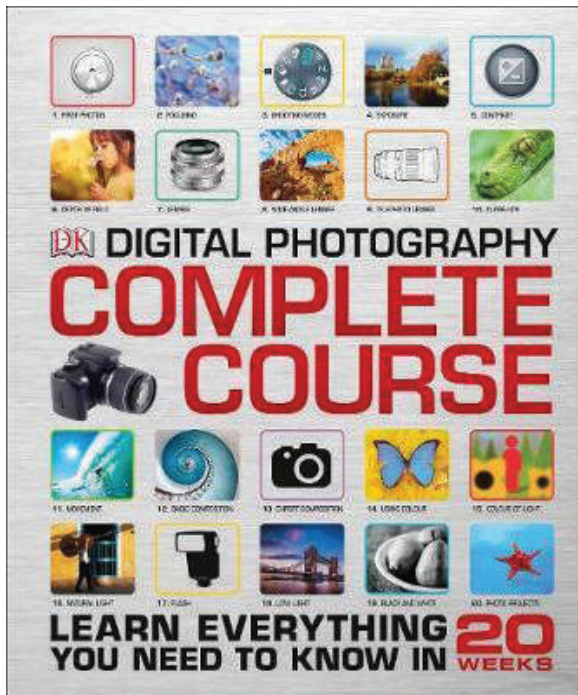
Up to date and relevant textbook for all digital photography classes. Students will use these during class, a few times per quarter.

Top-rated on YouTube, instructor Aaron Nace will become your guide when it comes to everything in Photoshop. You'll be amazed how well he makes his tutorials, as they are easy to follow along with.

www.phlearn.com

(Use Free Tutorials)

Pro account login's are at your desk.

Student Resources

www.adobe.com

Adobe's website comes with many up to date and relevant tutorials to learn any of their software programs with ease. The "learn and support" tab of each program will link you to tutorials.

Most popular question I get asked: How do I get Photoshop at home? (or Illustrator, Premiere, InDesign, etc?)

Answer:
1. Go to Adobe.com
2. Hover over 'creativity and design' and choose 'view all plans and pricing'
3. Click 'students and teachers'
4. You can get ALL all of the adobe apps for a significantly discounted rate.
5. You can get just Photoshop for 9.99/month, and any other single app for 20.99. T

The best deal would be to just get all of the adobe apps, or just Photoshop.