APPLICATION FOR OAK CREST MIDDLE SCHOOL **JOURNALISM STAFF**
YEARBOOK & STUDENT NEWSPAPER PRODUCTIONS

STUDENT NAME: _____ GRADE:_____ (for upcoming school year)

OC JOURNALISM IS MY: ____ 1ST ____ 2ND ____ 3RD CHOICE FOR ELECTIVE

What is journalism? As an Oak Crest Journalism staff member, you will be working together as a team to: **1)** Create a **yearbook** that will capture the emotions and events of the entire school year, as well as document your schools' place in history. **2)** Create a student **newspaper** that will be informative, real, and exciting. This is a newspaper for the students, made by the students. This is a **year long class**, and you will be introduced to design, copyrighting, publishing, digital photography, writing and computer skills. As a result, you will be expected to work diligently and responsibly in order to create the best journalism class possible.

Please answer the following questions and return with your registration packet.

1. Are you willing to make this class one of your priorities next school year? ___ Yes ___ No

2. Are you willing to assist others with their journalism projects? ___ Yes ___ No

3. Are you willing to cover and report on **lunch time and after school activities**?
___ Yes ___ No

4. Are you good with computers and digital camera equipment? ___ Yes ___ No
If not, are you willing to learn? ___ Yes ___ No

5. Do you enjoy writing? ___ Yes ___ No

6. Are you comfortable approaching students you may not know for photos and/or interviews?
___ Yes ___ No

7. Writing sample: Please tell me a little about yourself and why you would enjoy being a journalism staff member. For example: What type of writing do you enjoy? Do you see yourself as creative? How so? Do you love working with computers? Do you play well with others?

You may use the back of this page or write on a separate sheet of paper and attach to this application. **Remember, you are demonstrating your writing skills, so take the time to edit your work by checking for punctuation and spelling errors.**

Good Luck! Students will be notified of the acceptance into the class on the first day of the semester when you receive your class schedule.