

Wisconsin Journalist of the Year Contest 2019-2020 School Year

SENIOR high school journalism students with at least **2 YEARS OF STUDENT MEDIA EXPERIENCE** may apply. The winner will receive a scholarship and be forwarded to the **NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL JOURNALIST OF THE YEAR COMPETITION**, which awards a scholarship of **\$3,000** for the winner and **\$850** for runners-up.

(Hosted by the Wisconsin Journalism Education Association, with scholarship award made possible by the Wisconsin Newspaper Association.)

Basic Requirements:

- To apply, students must create an **ONLINE PORTFOLIO** explaining examples of their work relating to the 11 following categories:
 - **Design, Editing, Entrepreneurship, Law and Ethics, Leadership and Team Building, Multimedia Broadcast, News Gathering, News Literacy, Photojournalism, Web and Writing**

[NOTE: Go for quality over quantity in your work samples. Be creative in explaining how some of your powerful work shows evidence of each category, but shy away from submitting weak work just to fill a category. Leaving a category blank will reduce your top possible score, but including weak work could hurt your overall score even more.]

- There is also an online **APPLICATION FORM** to fill out that will require the following in order to complete:
 - A PDF of an official high school **TRANSCRIPT** or counselor's statement *(including journalism classes taken and current GPA)*
 - An **ACTION PHOTO** of the applicant involved in some aspect of student media, including an extended caption
 - Three **LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION** *(from those who know the applicant well and understand the impact of the journalistic experience on the student's life)*
 - A personal **RESUME**
 - A **SELF-ANALYTICAL ESSAY** displaying the applicant's passion and expertise
 - A **LINK** to the **ONLINE PORTFOLIO**

See the **FULL RULES** for more: <https://tinyurl.com/joyfullrules>

Deadline:

Online applications *(including all elements and a link to the complete online portfolio)* must be submitted by
FEBRUARY 15

Resources:

Candidate Toolbox & Information:

<https://tinyurl.com/joytoolbox>

Setting up an Online Portfolio:

<https://tinyurl.com/joyportfolio>

Organizing your Work Samples:

<https://tinyurl.com/joyorganizing>

Previous National Winners to use as Examples:

<https://tinyurl.com/joyexamples>

Scoring Rubric:

<https://tinyurl.com/joyscoring>

To APPLY, Submit Materials to the Online Form:

<https://tinyurl.com/wijoyapplication>