Course Title: **Video Production** (8th grade)

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**Course Description**:

This course is designed to provide students with the opportunity to learn valuable skills, such as interviewing, photography/videoing and anchoring productions. The students will study various types of media and learn to operate video equipment in order to produce broadcast programs for AMS.

**Materials:**

Students will need a **small notebook or steno pad** in which to keep interview notes, program plans and information about production skills.

**Classroom Activities**:

Students will plan and produce the broadcast productions. They will learn how to organize and format the program. The students will handle all the jobs of the broadcasting program on a rotating basis so that all students have a chance to experience all aspects of broadcasting.

Students will begin the week with a brainstorming session and then jobs will be assigned. The week and week before will be spent compiling the segments for the production, with Thursday focusing on actual filming and editing.

Students will have weekly journal writing assignments. They will design their own blog in which to keep the assignments which will be checked weekly.

**Grading:**

Grades are based on percentages.

50% - Major Assessments: Group Productions and Weekly Journal Blogs

30% - Mid-level Assignments: Group Planning and Individual Jobs

20% -Practices: Class participation, teamwork, writing assignments, production development

*The Broadcast Staff is a very important part of the school. They have a large responsibility to keep the school informed and to challenge the thinking of the student body. We need to take this seriously – but we will have fun!*