

January 30, 2017

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Welcome to the first week of **Photography** at Henderson Bay High School! I am pleased to see your son/daughter enrolled in this class this semester and am looking forward to teaching them to explore the world of photography.

My instruction is backed up by a website: [www.johnriebli.com](http://www.johnriebli.com) where you can check on daily work and projects. You can also contact me directly from my website.

My background in digital photography is based on 13 years experience building the Peninsula High School Yearbook from 2000 to 2013. I did teach photo and yearbook both here at Henderson last year, but am especially excited about teaching photography with the advent of cell phone photography and the inclusion of computer technology assisting in the creative process.

Students will create a website to complete assignments and as a portfolio of their work. They can use their phone, own camera or borrow cameras from the school.

Attendance is important in that much of what we study is only available in class. This is a lab setting, working hands-on in an environment where help is always available. Missing major class segments can be very debilitating and there really are no workbooks or texts that can substitute for being present.

Grading is based on the successful completion of projects. Progress can be monitored through parent portal. If at any time during the semester you have questions about grades or assignments you may contact me at Henderson Bay High School Ph. 253.530.1769 or email: [rieblij@psd401.net](mailto:rieblij@psd401.net) or go to [johnriebli.com](http://johnriebli.com) and contact me there

Sincerely,

John Riebli  
Technical Design Instructor plus other assignments  
Henderson Bay High School

*Photography-Student Name* \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_

# Photography

2016-2017

Instructor: John Riebli

Room 209

Henderson Bay High School

## Course Overview

This course is an introduction to beginning digital photography. Students will use their own digital cameras to complete approximately one photographic project per week. The photography portion of the assignment will be done outside of regular class hours. Instruction, critique, image manipulation and printing will be done during class time. The class will cover basic camera operation, elements and principles of design, photo manipulation using Adobe Photoshop, and the creation of a paper and online portfolio. A portion of each photography class is dedicated to exploring photography careers and skills.

Projects will follow the standards based grading practices at Henderson Bay High School.

Grades will be assigned based on the following scale:

Exceptional	100%
Proficient	87%
Competent	75%
Beginning	63%
Insufficient Evidence	50%