

# Photo 1 Overview

*Students will use digital cameras or phones 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 an online portfolio and website where students will post assignments plus analyze a different photo of the week weekly. A portion of each photography class is dedicated to exploring photography careers and skills.*

**Requirements:** Create and maintain a website for sharing & submitting work.

**Units of Study:** 1. Intro to Elements & Principles of Design.  
2. Use of Equipment.  
3. Photographic Techniques.  
4. Image Manipulation.  
5. Safety, legal and ethical considerations.  
6. Career Awareness.

**Grading:** We use a 70/30 split between assessments and daily work. Weekly students post their reflection on a Picture of the Week and a journal entry in the form of a blog. The blog is where student feedback will show up on the assessments.

**Assessment Schedule:** We will have approximately 10 assessment projects. The final one will involve career research and a presentation of your portfolio which is a culmination of your best work located on your website.

**Employability Soft Skills:** This is a career technical education class so we will also work on improving employability soft skills including: attendance, punctuality, organization, time management, safety, responsibility, self-management, integrity, teamwork, civility, diversity, leadership and understanding performance criteria.