

Sports Coverage: JUDGING CRITERIA

Overall

- Sports coverage highlights how students of all grade levels and involvement shape the student body's sports experience.

Scope

- Coverage is wide-ranging, including not only school-sponsored activities but also students' participation in athletics outside of school.

Perspective

- Coverage is specific to the year and features perspectives of fans, coaches and managers as well as athletes.

Breadth

- Coverage is broad, taking the reader from preseason practices through regular season games and into the playoffs.

Storytelling

- Coverage tells stories in addition to providing season recaps. Remember: recaps = outcomes, stories = how those outcomes came to be!

Candid Photos

- Candid photos emphasize action and emotion, including pregame, in-game and postgame reactions shots.
- Captions help tell the stories of teams' and athletes' seasons.

Team Photos

- Team photos are large enough for faces to be identifiable.
- Team and student names are identified in a consistent way across sports.

Scores & Records

- Coverage includes complete scoreboard and overall records.