

*Notre Dame Preparatory is a Diocesan Catholic High School, dedicated to the promotion of academic excellence and the pursuit of holiness through the shared values of Reverence, Respect, & Responsibility, out of love for Jesus Christ.*

**Instructor:** Mrs. Rebecca Strolc, 707, [rstrolic@ndpsaints.org](mailto:rstrolic@ndpsaints.org), 480-634-8365

**Availability:** before school, at break and at lunch in the in 707

**Office Hours:** 2:00-3:00pm. I'll also get back to you any time you need me via email.

**Course Description:** This class will teach the student photographer more about the digital devices and how to use them to the best advantage. Characteristics of the visual arts will be discussed. Elements of photography will be learned and applied to assignments. A portfolio of photographs will be developed by the end of the semester. The student will learn to use photo editing software. Ethics of photojournalism will be discussed.

**Required materials:**

- **Digital Camera** 8.0 MP or better (any make or model)
- **User Manual** for your camera (you'll locate the PDF online)
- **USB cord or card reader** for downloading photos (check to see if your laptop has a slot, too)

**Grading:** grades will be categorized as either **Formative** or **Summative** and will be posted as needed on our grading portal.

- **Formative** (30% of grade): this includes: signing in to class at the correct time; paying attention to information I give you; staying on task while photographing; staying on task while editing on your computer.
- **Summative** (50% of grade): this is limited to the final product of a daily unit.
- **Final Exam** (20% of grade): this is limited to the final project of summer school.
- A calendar of assignments will be posted on Canvas. This calendar will include what we did in class each day and when photos are due. Please check this portal periodically to stay current.
- If you are absent for an extended period of time, assignments will be modified and will be given a new due date.
- If you are unavailable the day an assignment is due, it is your responsibility to submit the JPEGs in on the day you return.

**Saving and naming photos on school computers:**

All work will be saved on your **computer** and submitted on **Canvas**. You will have time to delete any photos that you do not want to keep during class time once a week. You are required to save all working projects and final JPEGs.

**Final Project:** Your final is completed on the computer. This project is due **on the last day of summer school**.