

publications department

C.M. RUSSELL HIGH SCHOOL
GREAT FALLS, MONT.

Welcome to the Publications Department at C.M. Russell High School. Adviser Beth Britton leads two strong teams of journalists, who produce the monthly *Stampede* newspaper, the annual *Russellog* yearbook, and the web site www.rustlernews.com.

The publications department is housed in room 326.

CLASSES

Introduction to Journalism: This full-year course prepares students to join the yearbook and/or the newspaper staff. No pre-requisite or application is required. The class is open to all grade levels. Topics covered include: The First Amendment, journalism ethics, journalistic writing, opinion writing, advertising, publications design and digital photography.

Yearbook Workshop: This full-year course is comprised of students who spend the year designing and assembling the full-color, 288-page *Russellog*. The class is open to grades 10-12. (freshmen with special permission) Students are admitted to the class by an application and interview process. Students are graded on deadline performance and portfolios consisting of the year's work.

Newspaper Workshop: This full-year course is comprised of students responsible for the publication of the monthly *Stampede* newspaper and the graduation magazine – as well as the maintenance of the web site, www.rustlernews.com. The class is open to grades 10-12. (freshmen with special permission) Students are admitted to the class by an application and interview process. Students are graded on deadline performance and portfolios consisting of the year's work.

Students in all classes learn writing skills, design techniques, organization and time management, advertising sales and design, editing skills, teamwork and communication.



The CMR journalism students work on newspaper and yearbook in the colorful, busy atmosphere in room 326. Photo by Beth Britton.

Adviser Beth Britton: After growing up in Great Falls, where I attended Roosevelt Elementary and East Junior High, I graduated from Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass. I earned my bachelor's degree in English from Barnard College in New York City and my master's degree from the University of Montana's School of Journalism.

I have worked at newspapers in Oregon and Montana, and I previously taught English in Japan, Whitefish and Wyoming.

I joined the CMR staff in the fall of 2003. I advise both the newspaper and yearbook staffs.

In my free time I enjoy riding my bike on the River's Edge Trail, hiking and snowshoeing in Glacier Park and working on projects around my house and garden. I spend much of my free time playing the string bass in the Great Falls Symphony.



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