**2015-2016 CavsConnect Staff Application**

## If you are interested in joining CavsConnect please fill out the following form. Once completed please turn in to Ms. Suarez in the Student Activities room (9219) by 2:20 p.m. on February 27. CavsConnect is currently looking for staff members who are willing to dedicate themselves, expand their knowledge of journalism, become comfortable with approaching people they may not know, and be eager to learn.

### General Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What academy are you in? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Current Schedule:**

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**\*\* Please attach a wallet-size photo of yourself to this application prior to turning it in\*\***

**Personal Assessment:**

Why do you want to be part of the CavsConnect staff?

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What do you consider your biggest weaknesses? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Besides CavsConnect, what clubs or organizations (inside and outside of school) do you plan to be involved in next school year?

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**Required Writing Sample:**

If applying for a Staff Writer position, please attach a typed writing sample (No longer than 200 words, in either English or Spanish) based on one of the following scenarios:

* News: Write an introductory paragraph for a story about Graduation. Include the 5 W’s (Who, what, when, where, & why) in your paragraph; Information does not have to be accurate).
* Sports: Write an introduction to a story about a sporting event. Include the 5 W’s (Who, what, when, where, & why) in your paragraph; Information does not have to be accurate).
* Reviews: Review a book, movie, or video game of your choice. Include your overall rating of the chosen topic on an A-F scale.
* Lifestyle: Describe the Do’s & Don’ts of a particular Fashion Trend.
* Opinion: Briefly argue your opinion on a topic of your choice. Be sure to address the opposition.

**Your Staff Interests:**

As a member of the CavsConnect staff, you will take on the role of your specific position. Please read the job descriptions carefully before checking any positions you plan to apply for.

***Staff Writer:*** Writes story, captions, and headlines; holds interviews; takes/collects pictures and incorporates additional media such as video and audio quotes, according to their article. ***Photographer:*** Covers sports and/or school events, manages photo of the day, assists the staff writers with their featured photo.

***Videographer:*** Covers sports and/or school events and edits video, updates the video gallery, creates commercials for the site, etc.

***Cartoon Artist:*** Draws political or humorous cartoons to display on the site on a weekly basis; topics open to interpretation.

***Freehand Artist:*** Create realistic pictures pertaining to an article that is being written; artwork used in place of photography.

***Digital Artist:*** Creatively designs images to be used as featured photos for certain articles; designed preferably using PhotoShop or Paint.

**NOTE**: CavsConnect is a student run publication. It is an expectation that when you apply to be part of the staff, you are 100% committed and will complete all responsibilities. If you fail to meet deadlines or fulfill your responsibilities, your grades, and the quality of the site (due to frequent update), are negatively impacted by your decision. Please keep in mind that it is possible to be placed on probation.

**MANDATORY SUMMER TRAINING:** On the last week of school and August 10-12, CavsConnect will be hosting mandatory training sessions, where formatting, media, and class structure will be introduced. Failure to participate with no prior notice will result in removal from the staff.

***Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***

***Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_***