



# PAW PRINTS STAFF APPLICATION

## Personal Information

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Position (check all that you are interested in):  Newspaper Staff  Advice Columnist  Cartoonist

## Attachments

### Newspaper Staff

All applicants will be required to submit a writing portfolio, an informational writing assignment, and a proofreading assignment:

- ◆ Writing Portfolio - Attach up to three samples of your best writing. These may be pieces you have written in class or at home.
- ◆ Informational Writing Assignment - Write a one-page informational article about one of the following events that take place this week. This article should describe the reason for the event and details about the event. Be sure to include reactions from students.
  - ◇ Peters Carnival - April 25
  - ◇ Kindergarten Field Trip to the Tulsa Zoo - April 23
  - ◇ TV Crew Applications
- ◆ Proofreading Assignment - Edit the attached paragraph for grammar, punctuation, and capitalization errors.

### Advice Columnist

Students interested in writing for the Dear Panther advice column should see Mrs. Harding for an additional writing assignment.

### Cartoonist

Students interested in the position of cartoonist must submit an original cartoon based on the theme of summer/end of the school year. Cartoons should be limited to six panels (squares).

## Contract

*I understand that I will be responsible for learning academic skills and applying them to this publication. I know that I must sometimes devote time outside of class to accomplish these tasks and be able to spend extra time to meet deadlines. By signing this application, I agree to dedicate myself to the publication and the other staff members to produce a newspaper of the highest quality possible.*

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*As a parent or guardian, I have read this application and understand that my child must meet all classroom obligations in order to remain on the newspaper staff.*

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Return application and attachments to Mr. Bowen or Mrs. Harding by Friday, May 1**