About the Washington Journalism Education Association: Several organizations are devoted to scholastic journalism, but our particular emphasis is the support of journalism and media teachers and advisers in the state of Washington. Consistent with the mission of our parent national organization, JEA, “we support free and responsible scholastic journalism by providing resources and educational opportunities, by promoting professionalism, by encouraging and rewarding student excellence and teacher achievement, and by fostering an atmosphere which encompasses diversity yet builds unity.”

The members of WJEA are involved in the teaching or advising of various forms of journalism, including the publishing of newspapers, yearbooks, and magazines, as well as television and radio broadcasting and publishing on the Internet. Whether you are a new adviser or an experienced one, we hope you find our organization helpful, and we urge you to get involved in our programs and events.

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OTHER IMPORTANT LINKS:

Journalism Education Association................................................................. jea.org
JEA Student Press Rights Committee (SPRC) .............................................. jeasprrc.org
Student Press Law Center (SPLC)................................................................. splc.org
National Scholastic Press Association ..................................................... studentpress.org/nspea/
Dow Jones Newspaper Fund .................................................................... newsfund.org
American Society of News Editors (ASNE) ................................................ asne.org
Columbia Scholastic Press Association ..................................................... columbia.edu/cc/cspa/
Quill & Scroll Society ................................................................................ quillandscroll.org
Poynter Institute .......................................................................................... poynter.org/
New Voices U.S. ....................................................................................... https://newvoicesus.com

VISIT THE WJEA WEBSITE FOR UP-TO-DATE NEWS, FORMS, LINKS AND CONTACTS: www.wjea.org
2023 WJEA CALENDAR

2023
February 15......................................................... WJEA award nominations and scholarship applications due
February 20-24.......................................................... Scholastic Journalism Week (info at JEA.org)
February 23.............................................................. Scholaristic Press Freedom Day (info at SPLC.org)
March 4 ................................................................. WJEA Spring State Conference and Write-offs; award and scholarship recipients announced
April 20-22 .............................................................. JEA/NSPA Spring National Student Journalism Convention, San Francisco
May 2-3 ................................................................. Annual “Give Big” fundraising effort
May 6 ................................................................. WJEA board meeting
June 15 ................................................................. Earlybird registration deadline: WJEA Summer “J-Camp” at WSU
June 23 ................................................................. Submission deadline for WJEA media critiques and Emerald Award honors
June 26 ................................................................. WJEA Board retreat and meeting
July 25-28 .............................................................. WJEA Summer Journalism Camp at Washington State University in Pullman
August 26 .............................................................. WJEA board meeting
Late Sept./early Oct. .................................................. WJEA Journalism Day West: Location TBA
October 7 .............................................................. WJEA board meeting
October 30 ............................................................. WJEA Journalism Day East at Whitworth University (Spokane)

AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS, CRITIQUES

Adviser Scholarships (2): Members may apply for a $750 grant for professional development or national JEA/NSPA convention. One grant is given to an experienced adviser and one to a new adviser with three or fewer years of service.

Adviser of the Year: From nominations made by student editors and/or principals, a committee chooses the outstanding adviser, who is announced at the spring conference in March. Only members are eligible.

Outstanding Service Dorothy McPhillips Award: Presented to an adviser for outstanding service to WJEA. This is the organization’s highest honor. (Not awarded every year.)

Fern Valentine Freedom of Expression Award: One WJEA member/adviser receives a $500 cash award for fighting censorship issues and maintaining student free speech. (Not awarded every year.)

Lu Flannery Outstanding Journalist Award: One journalism senior (newspaper, yearbook or broadcast) is honored, plus $2,000 is applied to tuition at the college of his/her choice. Advisers of all applicants must be WJEA members.

State Journalist of the Year; Robin Morris Scholarship: One journalism senior (newspaper, online, yearbook or broadcast) is awarded this honor, plus $2,000 applied to tuition at the college of his/her choice. The winner is Washington’s entry into the national JEA competition which will announced at the national JEA/NSPA Spring Convention.

Student Study Grants: Two or more WJEA Summer Workshop study grants are awarded to students in grades 8-11.

Administrator of the Year: An administrator is selected for recognition from nominations sent in by members. Criteria includes a strong support for student press rights.

Year-end WJEA Award Plaques: Special Recognition Plaques for student journalists may be purchased, or are free to the first 50 members who apply (one free plaque per member). Application available in March at www.wjea.org.

Media Critiques and Emerald Awards: WJEA members may submit samples of the current year’s student newspapers, yearbook, broadcast and online media for feedback from qualified evaluators from around the country. WJEA Emerald Awards will be chosen from submitted media and top honors will be announced at Journalism Day WEST in the fall.

WORSHOPS & COMPETITIONS

Summer Workshops: The late July or early August workshops provide four days of training for advisers and students. Ad- visers may earn OSPI clock-hours. The 2023 workshop will be at Washington State University in Pullman WA.

WJEA Journalism Days West and East: Professional journalists present sessions on a range of topics, including year- book and broadcast sessions. Keynote speaker: Western Washington: Early October; Eastern Washington: late October.

State Conference & Write-offs: Newspaper, yearbook and broadcast learning sessions presented by professionals, and student contests in a range of journalistic skills are offered at this one-day statewide conference in early March.

AFFILIATES

Journalism Education Association (JEA): WJEA recognizes that through cooperative efforts, the field of scholastic journalism can be improved; therefore, WJEA is affiliated with the National Journalism Education Association. National membership in JEA is $65 annually.

Student Press Law Center (SPLC): WJEA annually donates $500 to the Student Press Law Center, a non-profit organization that advocates for advisers and students in all legal matters pertaining to student media.

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