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Editorial Policy for Auburn High School Auburn, Washington

The Troy In'Voice will strive toward excellence in every issue. It will aim to be a vital part of Auburn High School. In order to meet these goals, the Troy In'Voice will strive to:

1. Report news accurately, objectively, fully and in depth.
2. Provide leadership. Editorial comment will be frequent.
3. Meet professional journalism standards.
4. Provide a forum in the school for the free interchange of ideas. Letters to the Editor and reader contributions will be accepted (class assignment contributions will be used as space allows). If several letters are received on a subject, as many representative letters as possible will be printed. In accordance with the school policy for student expression, free speech may not be used to disrupt the educational process or interfere with the rights of others. The written views of students must be responsible, in good taste, and must not attack anyone in a personal manner.
5. The major editorial each issue will represent the majority opinion of the In'Voice staff and be unsigned. All other editorials will be signed. Letters to the editor must be signed unless the editor and associate editor agree that extreme circumstances warrant withholding a name.
6. Cooperate with the faculty and student body in supporting school projects and give honest evaluation of such projects.
7. Give full credit for any material that is not original.
8. Acknowledge mistakes and frankly correct any major errors which are brought to the attention of the staff.
9. Use the most effective style of expression. The Association Press style will be used as a guide.
10. Endeavor to create a valid impression of the concerns of the students and faculty of Auburn High School.

The Troy In'Voice will not endorse political candidates or accept political advertising. It will reserve the right to refuse any advertising illegal or inappropriate for high school students. The editors shall interpret and enforce the editorial policy. They will seek first the advice of the editorial board chairman and then the editorial board if the adviser or staff disagree with their decision.

The editorial board will consist of Don Jones, Managing Editor for the Valley Daily News, as chairman, the class presidents, the chairman of the English department, and a representative the high school administration. A majority decision of the staff overrules the editor.



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