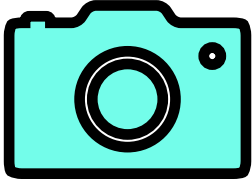


Introduction to Photography and Yearbook



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Ages: 6th-12th Grade **Time:** 9:55-11:15am

Course Description

In this class we will explore the basics of photography, including camera operations, three point lighting, motion and composition. We will also create and manage the Reach yearbook for the 2026-2027 school year. Class will consist of a short teaching period, followed by many hands on exercises and in class practice of concepts. Students will also take photographs for the yearbook throughout the school year and create the final product, with opportunities to learn about layout and design.

Tutor Introduction

Jessica Berkimer came to love photography at an early age while helping her dad develop photographs in their basement. As a senior in high school, she began working as an apprentice to a wedding photographer, and went on to start her own business. She has over 20 years of experience in photography and video production. She is a graduate of Western Michigan University and Compass Film Academy. She loves to encourage and help others see God's love for people, His beauty and His creativity through the art of photography.

Tuition and Fees

Self Pay Families: \$325 due on September 9, 2026

Supply Fee \$50 due at first class

Lamp Families: \$325

Families are responsible for any payments not covered by Lamp. Lamp payments are due by Class tuition is non-refundable after the first three weeks of class.

Tuition can be split into two semester payments of \$162.50

Equipment Recommendations

Students are welcome in class regardless of whether or not they have a camera. A DSL or mirrorless camera is helpful and will greatly enhance students experience and ability to take a more active role in class. Cell phone cameras are permissible if put in Do Not Disturb mode during class. Students will have an opportunity to shoot with a class camera as well.

