

SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

Developing the next generation...

PRESS PASSES

Offered by the PNA, the Pennsylvania Press Pass helps professional and student journalists gain access to accident and incident scenes. Applications are available to college and university student members at a special discounted rate.

<https://panewsmedia.org/services/pennsylvania-press-passes/>

STUDENT KEYSTONE MEDIA AWARDS

Each year, hundreds of young journalists are honored through the Student Keystone Media Awards. This contest recognizes high school and college journalism that provides relevance, integrity, and initiative in serving readers.

Any student at any public, private or parochial PA high school, college or university who has had their material published in the school newspaper or digital news site may enter.

<https://panewsmedia.org/awards/keystone-media-awards-students/>

IT CAN WAIT AND STOP CYBER BULLYING WRITING CONTESTS

The PNA Foundation, Pennsylvania's newspapers, and AT&T have teamed up to host the "It Can Wait" and "Stop Cyber Bullying" editorial contests and raise awareness about distracted driving and the dangers of cyberbullying. Through local contests, high school students are encouraged to write essays and editorials or produce videos. With AT&T's support, cash prizes are available at the local and statewide levels. Ninth through twelfth graders are encouraged to enter.

<https://panewsmedia.org/awards/it-can-wait-editorial-contest/>

<https://panewsmedia.org/awards/stop-cyber-bullying-contest/>

CAPITOL CRASH COURSE

An insider's guide to how Pennsylvania's state government works...and doesn't. The PNA Foundation has created this program especially for journalism students at Pennsylvania colleges and universities who want to learn about reporting on state government. Six to ten students will be selected. Must be a junior or senior majoring in journalism or communications. During three intensive days in Harrisburg, students will get hands-on experience, working with and mentored by professional journalists to produce a final project. Participants will also meet with lobbyists, legislators and more. Virtual sessions were held in 2020. Spring 2022 dates tbd.

<https://panewsmedia.org/newspapers-in-education/students-and-teachers/capitol-crash-course/>

INTERNSHIP GUIDE

The PNA Foundation maintains an online Internship Guide for student journalists seeking hands-on experience at PA news media companies. Updated annually, the Internship Guide contains detailed information about opportunities in all areas of news media, such as editorial, IT, advertising, circulation and photography.

<https://panewsmedia.org/newspapers-in-education/pennsylvania-news-media-association-internship-guide/>

TRAINING

Students are invited to participate in all PNA Foundation training sessions and webinars, including our special series "Leading Local: The Media's Impact on Diversity, Inclusion and Equity." Other timely topics include self editing, photography, data and digital tools, dealing with trauma, advertising sales and legal topics such as libel/defamation, copyright, Right to Know and open meetings. Archived webinars are also available at no charge. <https://panewsmedia.org/events-and-trainings/>