

The Friar's Lantern Social Media Policy



MISSION STATEMENT: *The Friar's Lantern* is the student-run news publication of Malvern Prep. The principal goals of the website and print are to provide accurate and relevant information to the Malvern community and to offer a forum for intelligent dialogue on all things Malvern. The reporting for these student publications is conducted thoroughly and edited by student leaders to ensure this accuracy to the best of our ability. In order to fairly provide all points of view, contributions from all members of the Malvern community are welcomed and encouraged through letters of opinion, student reporting, and respectful commentary.

Social Media allows us to inform and engage our community in the timeliest way possible, culminating in a more interactive venue to fulfill our scholastic journalism mission. **We hold using these platforms respectfully and responsibly in adherence with the school handbook policies.**

All students using *The Friar's Lantern* social media accounts will:

- Report with both journalistic integrity and respect for all parties involved in the event covered
- Make full effort to use correct grammar, spelling, and references, including titles and names of persons referenced
- Decline to use inside jokes, slander, libel or any references that could be interpreted as hurtful, dishonest, or ridiculous
- In the interest of transparency, tag parties involved with reporting whenever possible
- Follow specific guidelines and recommendations set by the editors-in-chief, social media editors, and/or adviser.

Please sign and date below which acknowledges the student has read and understands this policy, as well as the responsibilities of using Social Media and consequences for misuse of Social Media outlined in the student handbook.

Print Student Name

Sign Student Name

Date

For single account/event use:

Account to be used: _____

Event to be reported / Date _____

Username + Password for Login: _____

I will sign off the account after this event and not use the account for any other purposes other than journalistic coverage of this event.

Signature: _____