

To: Indiana High School Counselors and Administrators

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Subject: Updates to Media Courses for 2021-2022 School Year

During the spring of 2020, the Standards Review Committee for Mass Media (1084) and Student Media (1086) met to make updates to standards, course descriptions, and requirements.

On November 10, 2020 the Indiana State Board of Education approved the following changes:

Mass Media:

Mass Media is now titled Digital Media. The standards have been aligned with the English/Language Arts Indiana Academic Standards and therefore the course can be counted toward English/Language Arts credits.

Student Media:

There is no longer a limit on how many credits a student can earn while participating in Student Media coursework. This allows for a student to be an active member in multiple areas of school media over multiple years. Each additional year a student is enrolled in the course should lead to advancement in concepts and skills surrounding the content.

Please note these changes as you move forward with scheduling students for the 2021-2022 school year. If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Clarke at mclarke@doe.in.gov.