

Journalist of the Year -- Information Sheet

- Every MJEA and JEA high school adviser may nominate a graduating senior for Montana Journalist of the Year (JOY). The adviser will submit only one student entry to the JOY competition. This means only one student from any one or combination of media fields. The Montana JOY will be one scholastic journalist who will represent MJEA at the state level and JEA at the national level. The student's school is required to be a member of both MJEA and JEA. Non-member schools: MJEA membership forms are available online at: mjeajournalism.com and also will be included in the contest mailing from UM.

TO APPLY: The components of the Montana JOY portfolio process align with the national process. Montana students must:

- Meet all state and national requirements and follow guidelines for online portfolio submission.
- Have an adviser who is a current member of both MJEA and JEA
- Be a senior who has participated in student media for a minimum of two years.

VISIT the JEA site for detailed information about how to assemble and organize a portfolio of your student's work:

<http://jea.org/home/awards-honors/journalist-of-the-year/submission-deadlines/>

Late submissions will not be accepted. The deadline is tentatively Feb. 20. (waiting to hear back from UM on this)

The national JEA deadline is March 15.

More detailed information about when and where to send the online portfolio will be coming soon -- this information is meant to give you and your senior the opportunity to get started on the portfolio now.

As soon as UM finalizes some dates, more detailed information will be available at:

mjeajournalism.com