

# BEST OF COLORADO YEARBOOK

21 categories available.  
Each yearbook may enter **once** per category. Enter as many or as few categories as you wish. The Best of Colorado competition is strictly an individual competition judged within three enrollment classifications.

Class I is up to 849 students in grades 9-12. Class II is 850 to 1,800 students. Class III is over 1,800 students. These were designed to split our member schools roughly into thirds, with past contest participation also factored in. These classifications may be adjusted each year.

## BEST OF COLORADO - INDIVIDUAL YEARBOOK CATEGORIES

1. **Student Life Spread** [event or lifestyle – verbal and visual presentation – judges consider the entire spread holistically]
2. **Clubs/Organizations Spread** [verbal and visual presentation]
3. **Sports Spread** [verbal and visual presentation]
4. **Academics Spread** [verbal and visual presentation]
5. **People Spread** [verbal and visual presentation – must include portraits somewhere on spread]
6. **Chronological Spread** [verbal + visual presentation that includes a chronological combination of coverage areas on **THREE CONSECUTIVE** spreads – single spread entries will be disqualified]
7. **Theme Package Presentation** [design + photography + typography – includes cover, endsheets, opening, dividers and closing]
8. **Theme Package Writing** [writing throughout the theme package, including captions]
9. **Personality Profile Writing** [writing that covers personalities in the school community]
10. **Student Life Writing** [writing that emphasizes the “why” and “how” of popular culture, societal trends, student life, etc., on-campus or off]
11. **Clubs / Organizations Writing** [writing that emphasizes the “why” and “how” of clubs and/or organizations]
12. **Sports Writing** [writing that emphasizes the “why” and “how” of athletics]
13. **Academics Writing** [writing that emphasizes the “why” and “how” of academics]
14. **Alternative Presentation** [any alternative to traditional photo/caption/text coverage in any section of the book, possibly combining verbal and visual elements, either complementing other coverage or standing alone]
15. **Photo/Graphic Illustration** [any computer-enhanced or hand-drawn art that either complements other coverage or stands alone]
16. **Student Life individual photo and caption** [usually from events or special feature coverage]
17. **Sports action individual photo and caption**
18. **Sports reaction individual photo and caption** [what happens AWAY from the action of a contest, from sidelines to celebrations, etc.]
19. **Clubs / Organizations individual photo and caption** [usually action shots showing club members or organizations in action]
20. **Academics individual photo and caption** [including in-class work as well as field trips, special projects, contests, etc.]
21. **Environmental Portrait** [must complement profile coverage – putting a person in his workplace, interest area, etc., – with captions and possible text]. *Please note:* this contest is *not* designed to honor great photos of the mountains, nature, etc.

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