

EDITOR: _____
TITLE OF PIECE: _____
AUTHOR OF PIECE: _____

EDITOR CRITIQUE SHEET

Directions: Fill out this form for each of the pieces submitted to your section. Then use the form to edit all of the pieces. Answer the questions. Then you will make changes to the pieces for your section. Keep in mind that newspaper editors, once they receive a piece of writing have the right to make any changes they wish. You are now fulfilling that role. Think about how you will maintain the integrity of the piece, while still helping it to conform to the standards of your newspaper, the overall message, the target audience, the bias, and the look your group has already agreed upon.

What ideas is this author trying to convey?

Who is this piece written for? What audience?

How does the author target the piece for their particular audience? Write down at least one idea for a way to target the piece to the audience.

What biases does the writer have? Which parts of the piece show his/her biases?

Are the biases appropriate to the piece and the target audience? If not, how would you change the piece?

Which areas need elaboration, if any? Write down at least one idea to extend the piece.

Which areas need elimination? Which areas are irrelevant or distracting digressions? Write down at least one idea for omission.

