



# LANCASTER COUNTY CAREER & TECHNOLOGY CENTER



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Dear Student, Parent/Guardian:

<https://tinyurl.com/3n4tewt9>

I would like to welcome you to the Photography & Multimedia Communications program at the Lancaster County Career and Technology Center, Brownstown Campus. This letter is to give you an overview of the Photography program.

Students are encouraged to provide their own digital single-lens reflex camera to take the class. **The school will provide a camera to students who do not have their own camera.** If you choose to purchase your own camera you will need these five features for your class camera.

1. It should be a digital single-lens reflex (DSLR).
2. You should be able to focus automatic or manually.
3. You should be able to set the exposure (aperture size and shutter speed) manually. If it has automatic exposure control be sure it can also be set manually.
4. You should be able to set the ISO manually.
5. The camera should have at least a normal (about 50 mm) lens. If you want more than one lens you might consider a wide-angle (24, 28, or 35mm) or a telephoto (85, 135, 180, or 200 mm). An 18-55mm zoom lens would work best. An additional lens might be a 55mm to 200mm zoom lens. Zoom lenses give you more lens for about the same amount of money.

Students should also purchase an off-camera flash for their camera. It need not be from the manufacturer of your camera but should have the same features such as TTL mode, Manual Mode, and the ability to sync with your camera. Examples might be, Yongnuo YN560-III Speedlite or Godox TT350N Mini Thinklite TTL Flash for Nikon Cameras. These would be available from the same sources as the cameras listed below.

A camera with these features would cost approximately \$500.00 to \$750.00. If you would like to buy locally, you might want to check out Perfect Image Camera Repair & Service Center at 717-397-3019. They offer new and used equipment. Mention that you're a student at LCCTC, to the owner and hear about any discounts that may be available on select items. If however, you would rather shop on the Internet, you may try B & H Photo Video of New York - <http://www.bhphotovideo.com/> or Roberts Camera of Indiana - <http://robertscamera.com/>. These Internet stores also offer new, used, and refurbished equipment. When purchasing equipment, you may also want to think about an extended warranty purchase. Whatever you get, use it with care and guard it against theft. It will be a good investment that can help you produce countless fine photographs for many years. You can always trade it in for something with more features, as your career progresses.

Students will be required to complete the following certification. This item will be paid for by the school.

OSHA 10 Hour General Certification

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Students need to comply with the LCCTC uniform requirements. Visual Communications Center students are required to purchase black colored twill pants and indigo blue LCCTC polo shirts and crew sweatshirts. Students must order uniform shirts from Fully Promoted through the LCCTC website store ([www.lancasterctc.edu](http://www.lancasterctc.edu)). Please place orders promptly to ensure you will be in uniform on the first day of school. Students must purchase pants on their own over the summer. Jeans, shorts, and capris are not permitted. We strongly encourage students to purchase at least two pairs of pants and five shirts including one sweatshirt to last the year. Along with their uniform, students should bring with them on their first day of school a notebook, paper, pen, #2 pencils, their camera equipment, and camera manual.

Students are encouraged to participate in the student organization SkillsUSA. "SkillsUSA empowers its members to become world-class workers, leaders, and responsible American citizens. SkillsUSA improves the quality of our nation's future skilled workforce through the development of Framework skills that include personal, workplace and technical skills grounded in academics." If students choose to participate, there will be a membership fee to join.

I am looking forward to working with you in the fall. Best wishes. **See you in class.**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Eleanor Farley". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Sincerely,

**Eleanor Farley**

Instructor, Photography & Multimedia Communications