

# Selina Wang - Editorial Leadership

1. List your contributions to your high school student media program, including positions held and job descriptions if needed.

## Positions Held

- a. Layout Editor 2022-2023
  - i. Reviewed/revised pages for accuracy, consistency, and adherence to publication standards
  - ii. Collaborated with co-editor to design templates for cohesive book layout
  - iii. Designed opening, closing, divider, and endsheet pages to establish book theme and visual identity
  - iv. Collaborated with leadership team and graphic designer for book cover
  - v. Trained new staff members in rules of design and software navigation
- b. Editor in Chief 2023-2025
  - i. Led 20+ students in a 300+ page publication
  - ii. Reviewed/revised pages for accuracy, consistency, and adherence to publication standards
  - iii. Collaborated with yearbook staff to cover 50+ school events in the book
  - iv. Designed opening, closing, divider, and endsheet pages to establish book theme and visual identity
  - v. Trained new staff members in yearbook policies, SOPs, and software navigation

## Recognitions (School)

- c. Most Promising Staff Member 2021-2022
- a. Most Valuable Staff Member 2022-2023
- b. Service to the School TOP DOG 2022-2023
  - i. This award is given to 1 student out of all the service courses offered at Portola High School
- c. Most Valuable Staff Member 2023-2024

## Recognitions (Regional & State)

- d. OCJEA Layout & Copy - 3rd place (pair) 2022-2023
- e. OCJEA Yearbook Sweepstakes - 1st place (team) 2022-2023
- f. SCJEA Layout - 1st place (pair) 2022-2023
- g. SCJEA Yearbook Sweepstakes - 1st place (team) 2022-2023
- h. SCJEA Layout & Copy - 1st place (pair) 2023-2024
- i. SCJEA Yearbook Sweepstakes - 1st place (team) 2023-2024
- j. OCJEA Layout & Copy - 1st place (pair) 2024-2025
- k. OCJEA Yearbook Sweepstakes - 1st place (team) 2024-2025

**2. Describe your leadership philosophy (200 words or fewer).**

My leadership philosophy is: every person and idea has a place. Whether it's checking an inspiration layout design or making minor edits to elevate a page, I believe it is essential to have personalized feedback for personal growth. When a staff member was too afraid to share their idea of the addition of a parting page, I encouraged them to develop their vision. By including the parting page with design elements that complemented the theme, the spread became compelling and became one of the book's standout pages, reinforcing that every contribution holds value. As Editor-in-Chief, my prior experiences lead as an example, not only as an editor but also as a teammate—someone whom learners can turn to in a supportive and collaborative environment. As both a leader and learner, I aim to be a constant in the program, ensuring others feel empowered to come together and share their ideas.

**3. Describe your most proud leadership moment (100 words or fewer).**

While our adviser was on maternity leave, I independently led our annual summer theme development/retreat with our upcoming leadership team. Since we did not have access to our usual classroom and equipment, I reserved an office space for our team to use and collaborate in. In previous years, we've had a lower attendance due to unorganized planning. However, this year we had 100% attendance from our leadership team in addition to having all our summer assignments completed on time due to the support and my extended invitation to non-leadership staff members to attend.

**4. A statement of support from your adviser (100 words or fewer).**

Selina Wang is an exceptionally talented and empathetic student. As Editor-in-Chief of the Yearbook for three years, she has led with positivity, dedication, and a strong commitment to service. Balancing a demanding academic load, she's shaped her team through reflection, training, and continuous feedback, helping them grow in vision, design, photography, and storytelling. Under her leadership, the Yearbook won multiple awards at regional and state competitions. Many students have shared that they applied for leadership positions in yearbook because of Selina's mentorship and encouragement. Her leadership, kindness, and dedication are truly deserving of recognition.