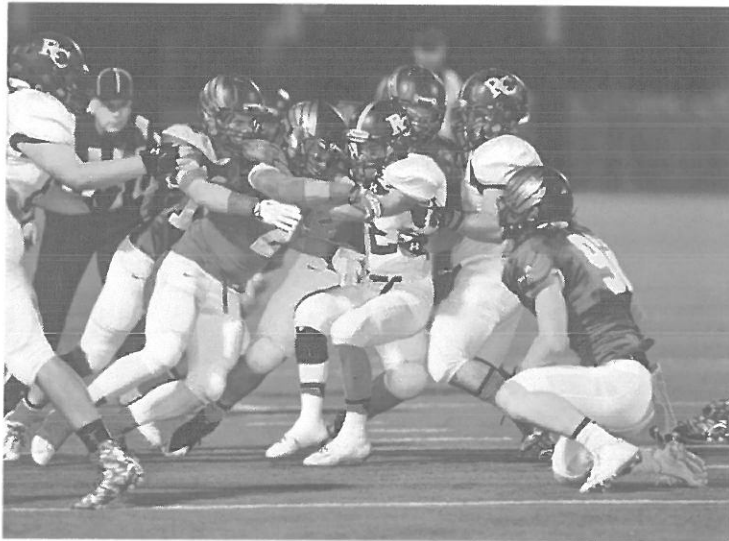


STORIES

Stories must include a minimum of three sources and thorough, accurate reporting. An editor will work one-on-one with you to provide constructive feedback and may ask you to revise or report further. Deadlines will be decided on an individual story basis.



PHOTOS

ALL PHOTOS must have extended cutlines that include:

- Names of people — spelled correctly. Ask everyone to spell his or her name. It could be Jon Smith or John Smyth.
- Other relevant identifying information — ages, grades, name of school and/or city, member of a board or organization, etc.
- Location
- Date
- Description of activity — what's happening?
- A quote or quotes from people in the photograph or involved in the event

ALSO:

- First sentence is written in present tense
- Subsequent sentences are written in past tense

DEADLINE: 8 a.m. Monday, unless another date/time has been agreed upon.

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