Judges will be looking for newspapers that have shown significant improvement over the last three academic years. Awards may be given in all three divisions: Enrollment over 500 students, enrollment under 500 students and teen sections.

Newspapers must submit two sample editions from each of the last three years and a letter from the adviser (to be attached to this form) including a 500-word essay explaining the newspaper’s efforts to improve. If the last three years are not available, please send what you have along with an explanation.

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY

School or Teen Section Name: __________________________________________________________

Nominated newspaper’s Name: __________________________________________________________

Division (check one): □ Enrollment over 500 students □ Enrollment under 500 students □ Teen section

Circulation of newspaper: _______

1. Number of students on your staff: _______

2. How is your newspaper funded? _____________________________________________________

3. Below, give three main reasons why this newspaper deserves the Most Improved Newspaper Award.

Improvement 1: _________________________________________________________________________

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Improvement 2: _________________________________________________________________________

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Improvement 3: _________________________________________________________________________

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4. Attach a 500-word, typed essay to the form explaining why you as an adviser feel that this newspaper deserves the Most Improved Newspaper Award. You may use the above reasons as your main points, adding any other information that you feel is relevant and should be considered important by the judges.

Entries must be postmarked by March 1 to be considered for awards.