# YEARBOOK SALES WORKSHEET

Selling the yearbook should be one of your tip priorities. Consider partnering with someone else to handle the business aspect so you can focus on the creative design aspect of your yearbook.

## **STEP 1**

Determine how much you will charge for your book.

What is the amount of your contract: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Total number of copies of the book are you ordering: \_\_\_\_\_

Contract amount divided by number of copies = \_\_\_\_\_. This is your per book cost.

\$\_\_\_\_\_ Per book cost

plus \$\_\_\_\_\_ Sales tax (if applicable)

plus \$\_\_\_\_\_ Profit you'd like to gain for upgrades/supplies/misc.

equals \$ \_\_\_\_\_ This is your basic book sales price.

HINT: If you are selling a mix of hard- and soft-covered books, you'll want to adjust your per book sales price to charge more for the hard-covered books.

## **STEP 2**

Figure out the cost of any additional items you wish to sell. Options include the following: (check the ones you will offer)

$\square$ Personalization (choose which kind)	@ \$/book
Digital name imprint	@ \$/book
$\Box$ Name plate (best on hard cover only)	@ \$/book
$\Box$ Our World or World Yearbook supplement	@ \$/book
□ Activity pages	@ \$/book



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### **STEP 3**

Decide how you want to sell additional items — a la carte or in packages. Bronze package = yearbook only \$15 ex: Silver package = yearbook + name plate \$20 Gold package = yearbook + name plate + activity pages + Our World \$25 yearbook only \$15 or Add options: personalization - digital name imprint \$5 current events supplement - Our World \$2 interactive supplement - Activity pages \$2

We will offer the following:

ITEM/PACKAGE NAME	DESCRIPTION	COST

# **STEP 4**

Set your yearbook sales dates.

HINT: Remember, you don't have to submit a final quantity of books until your final deadline, so you'll want to get as many as possible sold before then.

			OUR SALES DATES
ex:	1st sale	Aug 25 back to school night	
	2nd sale	Sept 19-23	
	3rd sale	Nov 14-18	
	4th sale	Feb 13-17	
	Distribution	Jun 2	



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#### **STEP 5**

Decide how you will sell your yearbooks. (Circle one)

In-school

Online

Combination of both

HINT: Using the Yearbook Order Center to sell your books online gives you access to several book and ad sales programs and your parents the opportunity to pay with a credit card which may result in more sales. Talk to your HJ rep for details about these programs and to help determine which one works best for your school.

#### **STEP 6**

Consider using tiered pricing.

This tried and true sales tactic involves selling your book at its lowest price earliest in the year, a bit higher later on and even higher just prior to or at distribution. Each price should last for a set period of time. This technique creates a sense of urgency and offers your buyers what appears as a discount if they reserve a copy early.

TIER 1 PRICE	SALES DATES
TIER 2 PRICE	SALES DATES
TIER 3 PRICE	SALES DATES
DISTRIBUTION DAY PRICE	

HINT: If you sell packages and decide to use tiered pricing, you'll want to scale their prices accordingly.

