

Welcome to the Publications Center!

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 Walk-in Hours:

 M/W/F
 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

 T/TH
 9:30 am - 11:00 am

## Publications Center RESLIFE Publicity Request Checklist:

Discuss your event idea(s) and timeline with your RD and fill out publicity request accordingly. Include 5 W's -- the **Who, What, When, Where** and **Why** of your event.

Obtain RD approval and account number BEFORE you submit your publicity request. Work will not begin on your project until this step is completed. Account number is mandatory for use by the MCC Association Business Office for billing purposes and must be included on form.

**If YOU are designing your flyer** -- remember to include any special logos or photos in your design. Once it has been proofed and APPROVED by your Advisor/Director, you can send it for printing by selecting the "COPIES ONLY" box near the bottom of the publicity request form, and emailing it to

hrlprints@monroecc.edu - this is a ResLife specific mailbox.

- Save your original design (so changes can easily be made -- if necessary).
- Save as a pdf for emailing to Publications Center for printing NO PUBLISHER FILES please!

If you are submitting a request for design services -- be SURE to include logos, photos and any other special requests and/or information in a separate email to phutton@monroecc.edu.

#### PROOFREAD YOUR COPY

Proof BEFORE you submit your copy to Publications and AGAIN when you receive a proof back from Publications for your approval. Your Advisor/Director MUST approve publicity BEFORE you submit it to the Publications Center. *The Publications Center is not responsible for the cost of reprints due to proofreading errors.* 

Use college logos appropriately. DO NOT "STRETCH" or otherwise distort logos. If in doubt...ASK! (There are strict guidelines for using the MCC logo - please seek advice when you want to use it.)

Allow 10-15 working days (2-3 weeks)\* to complete your publicity request. Plan your time accordingly. Remember you'll need time for any changes, printing, and for fliers to be posted on campus. \*Time required for larger projects will be determined by job requirements.

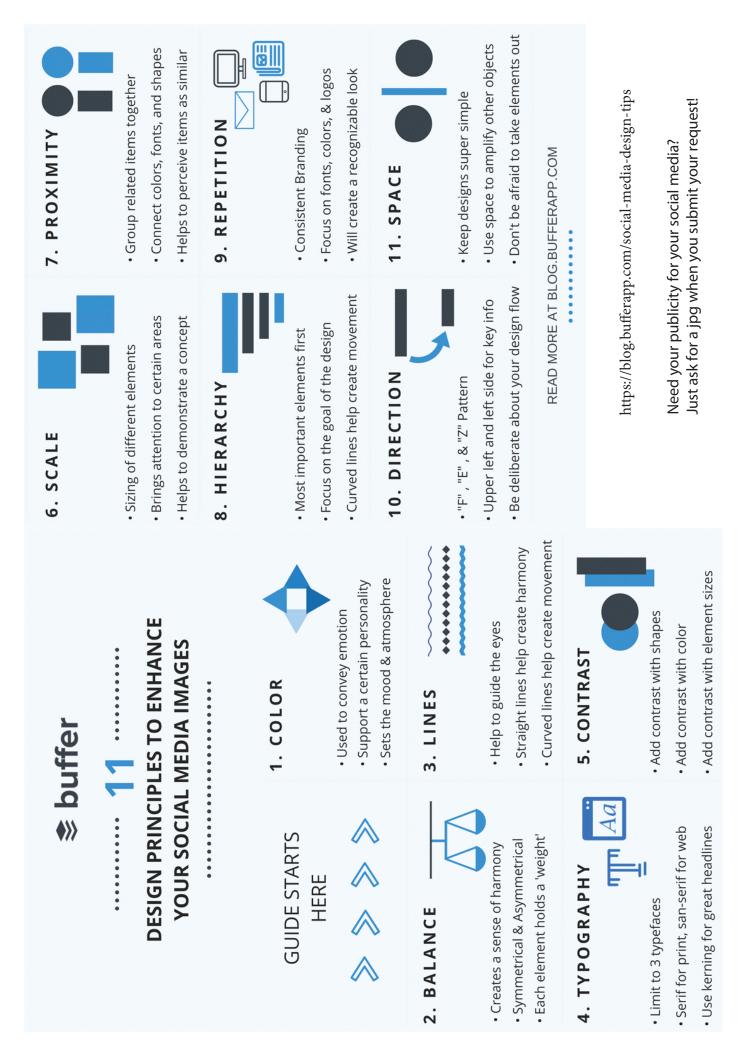
- You need 55 copies to cover all publicity boards on all campuses.
- If ordering handbills (4 per page) or half-sheets (2 per page) be sure to "do the math" and order accordingly.
- Order only the amount of copies you truly need. Be sustainable -- save a tree! :-)

Keep an eye on your email. Once your item(s) are completed you will receive an email telling you your publicity is ready for pick-up in the Publications Center 3-129.

Use your social media and websites. Ask for your publicity in a jpg format so you can easily post it online!

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Please write any special instructions on the back of this form, or email them to me directly.



### 5 Tips for Choosing Fonts:

Using fonts for any print materials might seem like a pretty easy job, but think again. Unless you know a thing or two about typography, it is really common for someone to choose a font that doesn't work. Basically, there's more to using fonts than meets the eye. So the next time you need to make a font decision, here are five simple rules that anyone can follow.

#### 1. Don't MIX Too Many Fonts

Using too many different fonts is confusing and hard to read. A good rule is to just stick to two different fonts. Preferably a **serif** and a **sans serif** font.

#### 2. Go easy on the ALL CAPS

There's no need to yell! People will still read your ad if it's not in all capital letters, and it will most likely be easier to read.

#### 3. Don't Distort Fonts

This doesn't look very professional. Plus, it's a good way to make a designer sad. :-(

#### 4. Avoid using decorative fonts unless it's a headline -- choose readable fonts!

You want people to be able to read your information. Use a clean, legible font for the body of your publicity piece and leave the fancy stuff for the headlines!

#### 5. 💦 🛍 🛱 🛈 🏊 🕐 🗊 🖞 🚔 🕂 🖬 📲 (Keep it Simple)

There are times and places for all those fancy free fonts you've accumulated, but keep in mind that if someone else doesn't have that particular font on their computer - a substitution will be made -- and it's not always pretty! This can be avoided by saving your document as a pdf before you send it to Publications. Keep it simple!

# Proofreading Tips:

Proofreading means examining your text carefully to find and correct typographical errors and mistakes in grammar, style, and spelling and/or information BEFORE you submit for design. Here are some tips.

#### **Before You Proofread:**

- Be sure you've revised the larger aspects of your text. Don't get bogged down at the text level if you still need to work on the focus, organization, and development of the project.
- Set your text aside for a while (even for just 15 minutes) between writing and proofing.
   Some distance from the text will help you see mistakes a little easier when you come back to it.
   Enlist the help of a friend fresh eyes may see mistakes you miss!
- Eliminate unnecessary words before looking for mistakes. Write in clear, concise, direct sentences.

#### When You Proofread:

- Read out loud. This is especially helpful for spotting run-on sentences, but you'll also hear other problems that you may not see when reading silently.
- For larger projects, try using a blank sheet of paper to cover up the lines below the one you're reading. This technique keeps you from skipping ahead of possible mistakes.
- Use a spelling check, but remember that a spelling checker won't catch mistakes with homonyms (e.g., "they're," "their," "there") or certain typos (like "he" for "the").