PRINTING PROTOCOL

write your name, your class and the date on the back of each print *before* you process it in the photo chemicals

write the exposure; f / stop, time and filter number on the back of the print as well

write small, along the edge, to avoid compromising the archival quality of the print using either pencil or a Sharpie (never an ink pen that will contaminate the chemistry)

develop, stop and fix

as prescribed by the paper manufacturer (read the data sheet that comes with the paper for exact times, every paper is slightly different)

do a **short wash** at the end of the processing in the Darkroom

transport all prints to the Finishing Sinks using a print viewing tray

rinse all prints from the printing session for 3 minutes in the **print viewing tray** with running water

put all prints through the fixer-remover bath for another 3 minutes

rinse all prints in water again for 3 minutes to remove all **fixer-remover** do not place prints directly into the print washer if they still have fixer-remover on them

do a **final was**h in the vertical archival washer for at least 30 minutes never add prints to a washing session already in progress the wash time will have to start all over again

do not save your test strips do not save your test prints

only place **fully archival prints** on the screens to dry or take damp prints home in a blotter book dry them on a clothes line, pinned back to back at all 4 corners,

flatten prints under a stack of books or in a dry mount press, at low temperature between 2 sheets of archival drawing paper