# Walsworth yearbooks

# 2025 Online Sales Program: Frequently Asked Questions

# **Account and Online Sales Setup**

- Q: If I do not have my Yearbook 360 username and password, whom should I contact?
- A: The username and password login information is the same as last year.
  - If you are a new customer or new adviser, you should have received an email with your login information. If you did not receive the email, please check your junk mail or spam folder in case it was delivered there.
  - If you do not remember your information or cannot find the original email, please contact your customer service representative.

#### Q: How do I set up my Online Sales?

A: You can set up your Online Sales information when you log in to your Yearbook 360 account. Select the Sales Tab, then Pricing. After setting up your school's pricing information (only necessary if you are a new customer or have never sold online), click the **School Store** tab to activate your Online Sales. Now you can set price increases for Ads.

#### Q: Can I choose what items I sell online?

- A: Yes. When you click the **School Store** tab, you will designate which yearbook and ad options you want to sell online. The options for yearbook (Namestamp, iTag, Plastic Cover, Autograph Supplement and Current Events Supplement) are selected on the Pricing tab. Only priced items will display online. You can now define Custom Packages.
- Q: Will Walsworth collect sales tax for yearbooks, personal ad sales or business ad sales?

#### A: Tax policy

*Note:* The tax policy listed below does not apply to schools in mandated states. If your school is in a mandated state, Walsworth automatically charges tax for yearbooks but not for ads.

- When a yearbook or ad is sold online, we are collecting deposits on behalf of your school.
- Yearbook and/or ad purchases may be taxable, and your school has the option of having Walsworth collect taxes on your behalf.
- Prior to setting up Online Sales, you must review the Tax Liability Form.
- The default tax collection setting states Walsworth will not collect taxes on your school's behalf. Your school can go back and change this selection at any time. You will see a message on this page if your school is in a mandated state.

If you choose to have Walsworth collect taxes on your school's behalf:

• Check any (or all) of the *Collect Taxes for Yearbook Sales for my school, Collect Taxes for Yearbook Recognition Ad Sales for my school* or *Collect Taxes for Yearbook Business Ad Sales* fields for your school on the Tax Liability Page.

- Walsworth will collect taxes on your school's behalf for all online yearbook sales and online ad sales transactions.
- Any taxes collected will be remitted to your school quarterly.
- Your school, not Walsworth, is responsible for remitting taxes directly to the appropriate taxing agencies.
- The tax collected will be based on applicable state and local tax rates.

If you choose not to have Walsworth collect taxes on your school's behalf:

- Leave the Collect Taxes boxes unchecked and click the Save button at the bottom of the page.
- Walsworth will not collect any sales tax for online yearbook sales and online ad sales transactions.
- Your school must deal directly with the appropriate taxing agencies if your school is required to pay tax on online yearbook or ad sales.

#### Q: How do you set up the donation program?

A: In the school store tab under sales, check the box next to "Accept Yearbook Donations." This will automatically enable the option for buyers to donate a full or partial amount of a yearbook to a student.

# **Online Book Sales**

#### Entire School Receives Yearbook

- Q: If my school provides the yearbook to the entire school, can we offer the options for sale online?
- A: Yes, the yearbook can be offered for \$0.00, and options can be sold online. *Note:* The purchaser will still have to pay a service fee.

#### Options

#### Q: What yearbook options can I sell online?

A: You can sell Namestamps, iTags, Clear Book Protectors, Autograph Supplements and Current Events Supplements. We also have deluxe and basic options packages you can sell. Custom Packages are now available.

#### Q: What options are included in the two packages?

- A: Packages:
  - The Deluxe Package includes a namestamp with one line of text, three icons and one clear plastic yearbook protector.
  - The Basic Package includes a namestamp with one line of text, one icon and one clear plastic yearbook protector.

#### Q: Can I customize the options packages to offer different items in each package?

**A:** You may set up Custom Packages in addition to Deluxe and Basic, then offer the Walsworth Option(s) you want.

#### Namestamps

- **Q:** What are the Namestamp deadlines for spring and fall schools?
- A: Spring Delivery Schools:

- Namestamps and icons will be automatically turned off online and no longer available for purchase at 11:59 p.m. on Jan 25. 2024.
- All online orders are automatically added to your namestamp orders list, and you will need to enter your in-school Namestamp orders to this list. Your Namestamp list is due to Walsworth by 11:59 p.m. on Jan 25. 2024., and you must submit your list through the Manage Namestamps area of Yearbook 360.

Fall Delivery Schools:

- Namestamps and icons will be automatically turned off online and no longer available for purchase at 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2025.
- All online orders are automatically added to your namestamp orders list, and you need to enter your in-school namestamp orders to this list. Your namestamp list is due to Walsworth by 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2025, and you must submit your list through the Manage Namestamps area of Yearbook 360.

# **Q:** Is there a minimum namestamp purchase quantity required for schools participating in the Online Sales Program?

A: There is no minimum purchase quantity for Online Sales schools.

#### iTags

# **Q:** What are the iTag deadlines for spring and fall schools?

- A: Spring Delivery Schools:
  - iTags and icons will be automatically turned off online and no longer available for purchase at 11:59 p.m. on March 15, 2025.
  - iTag lists are due to Walsworth by March 15 if you want your iTags to be delivered with your book and packaged by student name with the other options purchased. Regardless of when you submit your list, all Online Sales will be added automatically and submitted in time to be packaged by student name.

Fall Delivery Schools:

- iTags and icons will be automatically turned off online and no longer available for purchase at 11:59 p.m. on June 15, 2025.
- iTag lists are due to Walsworth by June 15 if you want your iTags to be delivered with your book and packaged by student name with the other options purchased. Regardless of when you submit your list, all Online Sales will be added automatically and submitted in time to be packaged by student name.

Please note that in-school (offline) iTag orders are available year-round and you can submit your list at any time. Please contact your customer service representative with any questions.

# Q: Is there a minimum iTag purchase quantity required for schools participating in the Online Sales Program?

A: There is no minimum purchase quantity for Online Sales schools.

#### Year in Review/ceBuzz

Q: If my school purchases *Year in Review/ceBuzz* or Autograph Supplements for the entire school, do I still need to select to sell those options on the Yearbook Sales page?

A: No. You do not need to select any option that the school is buying for all yearbooks. These option(s) will show on the Yearbook Sales set-up form and will already be selected. There will also be a message on the Yearbook Sales setup form stating that option will be sewn into the book.

#### Clear Plastic Covers, Autograph Supplements and Year in Review/ceBuzz

- Q: When will Online Sales turn off for Clear Plastic Covers, Autograph Supplements and Year in Review/ceBuzz?
- A: Spring Delivery Schools: These options will be automatically turned off online and no longer available for purchase at midnight EDT on March 15, 2024.

Fall Delivery Schools: These options will be automatically turned off online and no longer available for purchase at midnight. EDT on June 15, 2024.

Please note that in-school (offline) option orders are available year-round, and you can submit your list at any time. Please contact your customer service representative with any questions.

#### Ship to Home

- Q: Can a buyer have their book shipped directly to them and pay for shipping online?
- A: All yearbooks sold through Online Sales will be shipped to the school.

If you would like to discuss possible yearbook home delivery options, contact your yearbook sales rep.

#### Packaging

#### Q: How will my yearbook options be packaged and shipped to the school?

**A:** All yearbook options (except Namestamps) will be sorted and packaged alphabetically into individual envelopes for each online purchaser. These envelopes will be sent to the school approximately two weeks prior to the requested yearbook ship date.

Options purchased in-school that are entered into the Sales tab will be sorted and packaged alphabetically into individual envelopes for each purchaser. Deadline for entry: March 15, 2025 (spring-delivery schools), or June 15, 2025 (fall delivery schools).

If you want your options sorted and packaged by student name, you must sell the options online or enter them into Yearbook 360 by the due date listed above.

#### Q: How will my Namestamped books be packaged and shipped to the school?

**A:** Namestamped books will be boxed together in alphabetical order and the listing of names included in each box will be labeled on the outside of the box.

On the Namestamp list tab, you can choose to have your books sorted alphabetically or alphabetically by grade. Note grade and information must be included on your Namestamp list for us to sort accurately.

#### Deadlines

#### Q: When are final copy and page counts due?

- A: Spring Delivery Schools:
  - Counts for non-Online Sales schools are due Dec. 15, 2024.
  - Counts for Online Sales schools are due Jan. 28, 2025.

Fall Delivery Schools: The final copy count is April 30, 2025, for all fall delivery customers.

#### Q: How late in the year can I sell books through the online program?

A: Enter the date you would like your Online Sales to end. This can be no later than 60 days after your yearbook requested ship date, allowing you to continue using our Online Sales Program to sell any unsold books!

#### Purchases

- Q: How will refunds be handled if a student leaves the school and doesn't want the yearbook anymore?
- **A:** There is an established refund policy. Please refer to the Walsworth Customer Policy on yearbookforever.com for specifics on refunds.
- Q: Will the system keep track of the person receiving the book and not just the person ordering?
- A: Yes. Student name and grade and purchaser name are required on the order page. Purchasers can also enter the students' homeroom information. Schools can now enter Homeroom information on the school store tab. It will then be required for school store orders.

#### Miscellaneous

- Q: What yearbook options are available for Soft Cover books?
- A: Schools with Soft Cover books have the same namestamp layouts as hard cover books.
- Q: Can I sell books for both the 2024 and 2025 school years?
- A: Yes, as long as you are less than 60 days past your yearbook requested ship date. Once you are more than 60 days past your yearbook requested ship date, online yearbook sales for that year will no longer be available.
- Q: Is my school name visible on all pages of yearbookforever.com?
- A: Yes. Your school name is visible to your purchasers on all pages of yearbookforever.com.

# **Online Ad Sales**

All Ads

#### Q: When can ad sales start online?

A: Set up July 17 and then sales begin July 24. This is the same for yearbook sales.

#### Q: Can my school offer more than one design option for ad sales?

- A: Yes, there are three ad design options:
  - "Have the School Design My Ad" allows the user to upload text and photos and the ad is designed by the school or Walsworth.

- "Design My Ad Online" allows the user to create ads by using our design templates.
- "Upload My Finished Ad" allows users who already have a finished ad to upload and submit their ad directly to their school.

# Q: What are the image requirements for uploaded photos?

A: Accepted file types are JPGs, PNGs and TIFFs. Images must be at least 300px x 300px at 150 DPI and cannot exceed 25MB. Do not use images pulled from the web.

# Q: Can Personal Ads be set up and sold separately from Business Ads?

A: Yes, Personal Ads are separate from Business Ads online. Schools can set different pricing, start and end dates, sizes and design options. Also name of ads.

# Q: Can purchasers save their ad to finish later?

A: Yes. Purchasers may save for later by hitting the Save-for-later button. However, they must complete the purchase before the sales end date.

# Have the School Design my Ad (Either school or Walsworth builds ad)

- Q: How do purchasers submit their text for an ad?
- A: The purchaser enters their headline and body text during the design process.

# Q: Can I determine the number of photos permitted in an ad?

A: Yes. You set the number of photos you will allow per ad by ad size in the Settings Pricing area of Yearbook 360.

Ad Size	Image Limit
Full	24
Half	12
Third	10
Quarter	6
Sixth	5
Eighth	3
Ninth	3
Twelfth	2
Fifteenth	1
Sixteenth	1
Eighteenth	1
Thirty-second	1
Thirty-sixth	1

Walsworth's default photo limits and maximums are:

# Q: Can I determine the number of words permitted in an ad?

A: Walsworth sets the limit for the number of characters allowed per ad size. The character limits by ad size are as follows. Character limits may vary by template within each size.

Ad Size	Body Character Limit	Header Character Limit
Full Page	1200	100
Half Page	600	100
Third Page	450	100
Quarter Page	600	50
Sixth Page	450	50
Eighth Page	300	50
Ninth Page	450	30
Twelfth Page	200	50
Fifteenth Page	300	30
Sixteenth Page	150	50
Eighteenth Page	200	30
Thirty-Second Page	100	50

#### Have the School Design My Ad (School builds ad)

- Q: How much does this cost?
- A: The purchaser is charged 3.5% service fee per ad purchased. *Note:* The 3.5% service fee does not show as part of the total in Sales Summary or Orders in Yearbook 360.
- Q: Can a parent pay for the ad online, but hand deliver the images directly to the school?
- A: Yes, if you designate you will accept images at a later date. Check the Yes button on the Allow Hard Copy Submission line in the Ad Sales Settings page. This is for Design it For Me ads only.
- Q: What will I receive when materials have been uploaded for an ad to be created?
- A: You will receive an email with a link. To download the images and text, complete these steps:
  - Log into Yearbook 360
  - InDesign schools click the **Online Ads** tab then download the ad assets. Other schools open **Page Editor or Online Ads to view**
  - Select Online Ads
  - Place the ad onto the page

#### Have the School Design My Ad (Walsworth builds ad)

#### Q: How much does this cost?

A: The purchaser is charged a 3.5% service fee per ad purchased online. Walsworth will keep the 3.5% service fee.

The school is charged a \$50 service fee per ad purchased. Talk with your yearbook sales representative to get the fee for ad pages designed by Walsworth. *Note:* The \$50 service fee is charged on the school's invoice.

#### Q: When Walsworth builds the ad, how will it be delivered to the school?

A: Ads will be delivered to the school in one of these ways:

- For Online Design schools, we will place a transparent PNG file in your Private Ads folder in Yearbook 360 Photos. You can then place the ad on a page in Online Design Page Editor.
- For InDesign schools, we will deliver an INX file along with all other necessary resources in a zipped file.

You will receive an email with a link. To download the images and text, complete these steps:

- Log into Yearbook 360
- InDesign schools click the **Online Ads** tab then download the ad assets
- Other schools open Page Editor
- Select Online Ads
- Place the ad onto the page

#### Design My Own Ad Online

#### Q: How much does this cost?

- A: The purchaser is charged a 3.5% service fee per ad purchased online. Walsworth will keep the 3.5% service fee.
- Q: Can my school design and provide our own templates for our school users?
- A: No; not for the 2025 school year.
- Q: Will I be able to select which template styles are displayed for each size?
- A: No; not for the 2025 school year.

#### Q: What will I receive when an ad is designed and purchased?

A: You will receive an email with a link to download the images and text.

#### Upload My Finished Ad

#### Q: How much does this cost?

A: The purchaser is charged a 3.5% service fee per ad purchased. Walsworth will keep the 3.5% service fee.

Note: The 3.5% service fee does not show as part of the total in your Sales Details.

- Q: In what format do purchasers need to upload their finished ads?
- **A:** The completed ad needs to be uploaded as a JPG, TIFF or PNG.

#### Q: When a parent uploads a finished ad, how will it be delivered to the school?

- A: You will receive an email with a link. To download the images and text, complete these steps:
  - Log into Yearbook 360
  - InDesign schools click the Online Ads tab then download the ad assets
  - Other schools open Page Editor
  - Select Online Ads
  - Place the ad onto the page

# Marketing

# Q: How can I promote my Online Sales?

A: Selling your books and ads online is a great start, but don't forget that marketing is just as important! Let parents and students know how awesome your book is, why they should buy and how to buy.

Check out ways like Customized Marketing to successfully promote your yearbook by visiting <u>walsworthyearbooks.com/marketing</u>. Make sure the pricing on your marketing items matches your online and in-school sales pricing.

#### **Q:** What are school website banners?

**A:** A school website banner is a clickable ad you place on your school website that takes parents directly to your school store at yearbookforever.com.

# Q: What school website banners are available?

A: You can choose from four different banner sizes to advertise: Yearbooks, Yearbooks and Ads, Yearbook Ads, Yearbook Snap or Email Registration. The different banner sizes available are 125x125, 728x90, 300x250 or 160x600.

# Q: Where can I get my school website banner code?

A: In Yearbook 360, click on the Website Banners button. Can also be found on Yearbook Snap, Page Editor or Buyers Tabs.

# Q: What is the Parent Email Program (PEP)?

A: PEP lets schools send emails to parents automatically every three weeks. Set it up once, and emails will be sent based on your sales information. PEP emails are customized with your school name and link directly to your online school store. Parents can unsubscribe from emails at any time.

#### Q: Why should I use the Parent Email Program?

- A: Tired of order forms not making it home to parents? PEP emails reach parents easily and efficiently and take students out of the delivery equation. You send us your parent email list, and we take care of the rest.
  - PEP is easy, effective and free, saving you time and money. These emails are a proven way to get parents to buy their student's yearbook.
  - PEP is a time-saver: Once you set up this program, mark emails off your todo list. Emails will automatically be sent to parents throughout the school year.
  - Fun and visually appealing emails. We use student photography from the Photo Contest and promote the value of the yearbook.
  - Parents can easily let us know they have already purchased a yearbook so we can remove them from our list. When an email address matches that of an online purchaser, our marketing team automatically removes the contact from the list.
  - Last Chance emails are sent one to two weeks prior to your sales end date. Get those procrastinators with the Last Chance email.

• PEP is not a fully customized email program. However, each email that is sent is automatically customized with your school name and links directly to <u>yearbookforever.com</u>.

To sign up, go to <u>walsworthyearbooks.com/pep</u> and complete the sign-up form. Let us help you sell more yearbooks and ads all year long.

#### Q: How do I set up the Parent Email Program?

A: To sign up:

- Go to <u>walsworthyearbooks.com/pep</u> and fill out the Sign Up Form.
- Send your student list with parent email addresses to marketingyearbooks@walsworth.com.
- If selling online, set up your Online Sales in Yearbook 360.
- Start planning your in-school sales and order Customized Marketing items.

#### Q: Can I change the wording in the Parent Email Program emails?

A: No. PEP is not a fully customized email program. However, each email that is sent is automatically customized with your school name in the subject line and in the email, and links to the purchase site at <u>yearbookforever.com</u>.

#### **Sales Reporting**

#### Q: What is the Sales tab?

A: The Sales tab of Yearbook 360 serves as your financial hub. You will find your sales reporting, enter in-school sales, add students manually to your sales list and set financial goals there.

#### Q: Why should I set sales goals?

**A:** Setting sales goals will help you track your progress throughout the year. To set your goals, click on Set Goals in the Sales tab on Yearbook 360. Click on Goal beside Yearbooks, Options, Personal Ads and Business Ads. Fill in your actual information from 2024 sales and then your 2025 goals. On the Summary page, you can see a snapshot of the weeks remaining for sales, your goal, your actual sales and the remaining amount left to sell to meet your goals.

#### Q: How do I access my sales report?

A: Select the Sales tab then view the Summary page.

#### Q: Where do my Online Sales get reported?

A: Online Sales are automatically added to your sales report. Details are in the Orders tab.

#### Q: How can I tell which purchases were made online?

**A:** Purchases made on yearbookforever.com will have an order number in the Order column. You can also use the filter at the top of the Orders tab to filter by Sales Source – Online or In-School.

#### Q: Why should I enter my in-school sales in Sales tab?

A: Let us count the ways!

- Helps you get a complete picture of your total sales, helping you track to your goals and your budget.
- If you enter all in-school sales by the due date (March 15, 2025, for springdelivery schools and June 15, 2025, for fall delivery schools), you will receive all option orders packaged by student name and delivered to the school two weeks prior to your yearbook ship date.
- Makes submitting Namestamp and iTag lists at deadline easier.
- Easy to export and print one distribution list when it's time to hand out books.

#### Q: How can I enter my in-school sales?

A: Select an Enter Sales button (on the Summary, Orders or Buyers tab) to begin.

- Select Yearbook only, All sales options or Business ads (you can switch between these without losing any work).
- If you have already uploaded a student list, select a student from the list by clicking on the student's name. You can select multiple students by clicking on additional student names.
- If you have not uploaded a student list, type the student's name and grade (homeroom optional).
- Click Add Sale.
- Once you finish entering the orders, click the X in the top right corner of Enter Sale to save.

#### Q: Can I add Namestamps and iTags to orders I am entering?

**A:** Yes, when entering an order for a student, select Namestamp or iTag as an option ordered. You can add personalization right then or mark the namestamp as incomplete to finish later. To add, select All sales options. Select the Layout. Enter the text. To select icons, enter the four-digit number from the order form, or click on the plus sign to open images. If you are entering for multiple students, click Add Sale and repeat. When finished, select the X in the top right corner of Enter Sale to save.

If you chose to leave some personalization incomplete, you will see a number in the incomplete namestamps and iTags column on the Namestamp and iTag tabs. Simply click to see and update those items.

#### Deposits

#### Q: How will money collected from my Online Sales be handled?

**A:** Online Sales for books and ads will be credited to the school's account minus applicable service fees and taxes.

#### **Payments**

#### Q: What payment types do you offer for online purchasers?

A: Payment can be made by credit/debit card or with a PayPal account.

#### Q: Are checks an acceptable form of payment online?

A: No. Credit cards and a PayPal account are the only accepted payment option online.

However, if a purchaser has their PayPal account set up to use their checking account, they can use this method to pay via their checking account.

#### **Coupon Codes**

#### Q: How do I set up Coupon Codes?

A: Coupon Codes can be set up by clicking the Coupon tab within the Sales menu.

#### Q: Can I edit my Coupon Codes?

**A:** You can edit a code before it is activated. Once the code has been activated, no edits can be made. You can deactivate a code at any time.

#### Q: Can I set up more than one Coupon Code at a time?

**A:** Yes. You can have as many active coupon codes as you would like as long as the codes are different. Codes are case sensitive.

#### **School Store Colors**

#### Q: How do I set up my School Store colors?

**A:** School Store Colors can be set up by clicking the Store colors link within the School Store tab.

#### Q: Once I set up my colors, can I change them?

A: They can be edited at any time, including returning to the default colors.

#### Q: How do I upload an image of our mascot?

A: On the colors page, click the upload image box and follow the steps.