How to White Balance on a Vixia Camera

The Canon Vixia cameras are available in the basement of Raynor Library. Each have the ability to do something called “white balance.”

White balancing is the act of regulating the colors the camera picks up until it matches what your eye can see. Without white balancing, your footage can be more blue or orange tinted.

Here are the steps you should take to White Balance on a Vixia camera:

1. Go into the Vixia’s menu by tapping the “HOME” button.
2. Once in the menu, tap on the “CAMERA MODE” button.
3. Once in Camera Mode, click the “MANUAL” button. This will give you full control over the camera.
4. Click “OK” and you will return back to the main camera screen.
5. In the upper right corner, tap the “FUNC” button. Now you should see the "WB" or "WHITE BALANCE" button on the upper right side.
6. Click the "WB" button. There will now be a number of presets on the bottom of your screen.
7. Click the "CUSTOM WHITE BALANCE" button on the bottom right corner and you’ll notice the camera screen will show “SET WB ” in the center.
8. For an accurate White Balance, click the “SET WB” button after focusing the camera on something white. The symbol in the middle will flash.
9. When the symbol is done flashing, the white balance is complete!

Depending on the model, some Vixia cameras will slightly vary in how they White Balance. For guidance please visit a tutor at the Digital Media Helpdesk in the basement of Raynor Library.