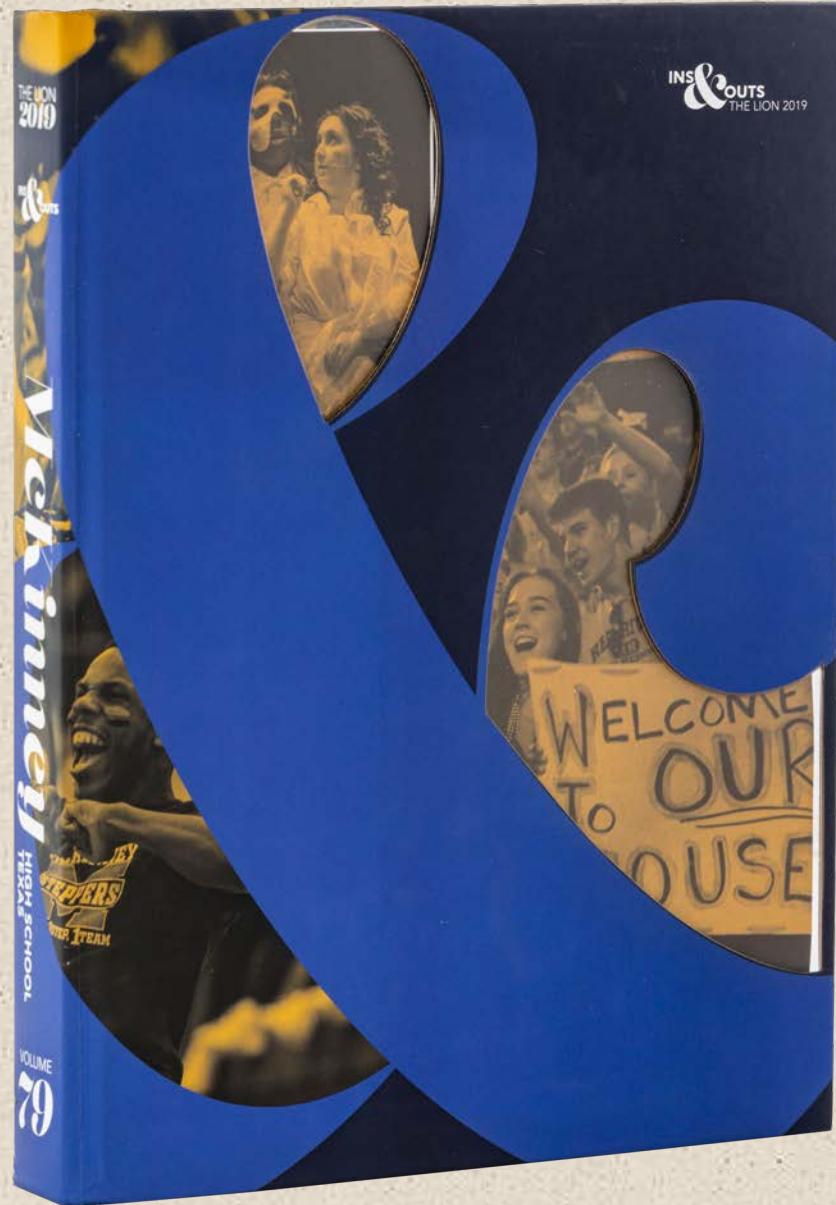




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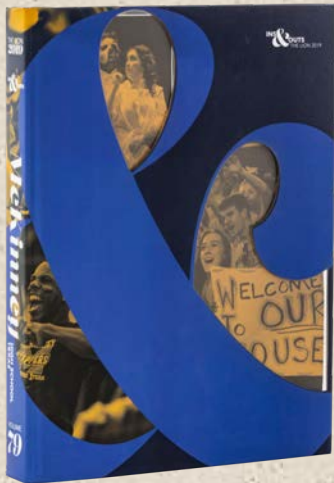
RAVES *from the judges*

// An excellent example of using a plexiglass cover as a relevant design element as opposed to a gimmick.

// Photography provides the best of emotions, reactions and composition. Readers feel like they're in the moments.

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// Graphic design stands out — especially use of white space to highlight and emphasize elements.



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SCREAM YOUR HEAD OFF

Before kickoff, senior Bryce Worley hits the drum. At the first game in the new stadium, students sat on the visitor's side during the game against McKinney North. "Everybody was super present in the moment," he said. "And getting to start chants and get everyone loud and excited for the game was cool."

LOUD

PROUD

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We weren't sure what we were in for when school started.

Freshmen were figuring out their schedule and where the heck H-hall is (and so were some seniors).

We waited in Ms. Woodson's classroom reading "On the Come Up" for the new #ProjectLIT club.

The seniors made a massive group chat to plan the perfect senior prank.

We all rushed into the new Sperry Performance Center when we thought tickets for Phantom were sold out.

And when Mr. Arbabi told us after morning announcements, "You were born inherently good," even though it was kinda cheesy, it let us know that when we were at McKinney High School, we were

in.



EXPERIENCING NEW THINGS

In a small group, freshman Ivan Frenandez meets with other newcomers. The newcomers meeting happens every six months for students new to the United States. "I like that you get help from teachers," Ivan said. "They worry about you an try to help as much as possible."

Landy Raymond



SETTING A GOAL

In mid-air, freshman Marissa Dansby tries to clear the pole vault. Her best height was 5'2" this season. "This was 4'8" and I hit it, knocking it down," Marissa said. "It was frustrating because I'm not exactly where I want to be."

Adrian Wilson



LINE IT UP

On the field at the football game, senior Katherine Davison does victory lines. Katherine is a lieutenant. "I like that it's fun and a challenge, but the rewards is really good," she said. "We have a lot more opportunities as officers."

Galby Rogge

Landy Raymond



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t The construction trucks pulled out of the parking lot for the last time.

Instead of a boring Homecoming dance, we piled out onto the practice field for the Lionpaloosa Carnival.

Rudy and MHS1 called us out for not buying parking passes.

Some of us ventured out of the country to Europe for Spring Break with Mr. Izak Santana.

More than 700 of us came out to the dance for senior Kate Pepper as she battled cancer.

Even when we stayed up until 2 a.m. doing power notes and the tardy bell rang right as we got to first period, if we were overwhelmed with school, jobs and relationships. Even when life got tough, you could never count us

out.

ONE LAST TIME

At the end of the playoff game against Wylie, senior Cordrick Dunn becomes emotional. The game ended in a 28-38 loss. "My thought going into that game was that it could possibly be my last," Cordrick said. "I had to go out there and put it all out on the line." photo by Melnae Russell



BEGINNINGS

ENDS



CONNECTING THE PIECES

In digital electronics, senior Roshell Grant Wesley uses a solder iron to connect pins to a circuit board. Solder is a lead-based metal with a low melting point, which makes it easy to melt. "I burned my hands a couple times but it was pretty fun," Roshell said. "Being in engineering classes and club helped me realize this is definitely what I want to do."



WINGING IT

While filming *Hot Ones*, Mr. Izak Santana and Mr. Alan Arbabi read off a question. The object of the challenge was to see how the hotness of the wings challenges you to keep your composure. "My mouth was burning and I had a problem focusing on the conversation," Mr. Arbabi said. "I was proud that I was able to eat every one of the wings and not have to bow out."

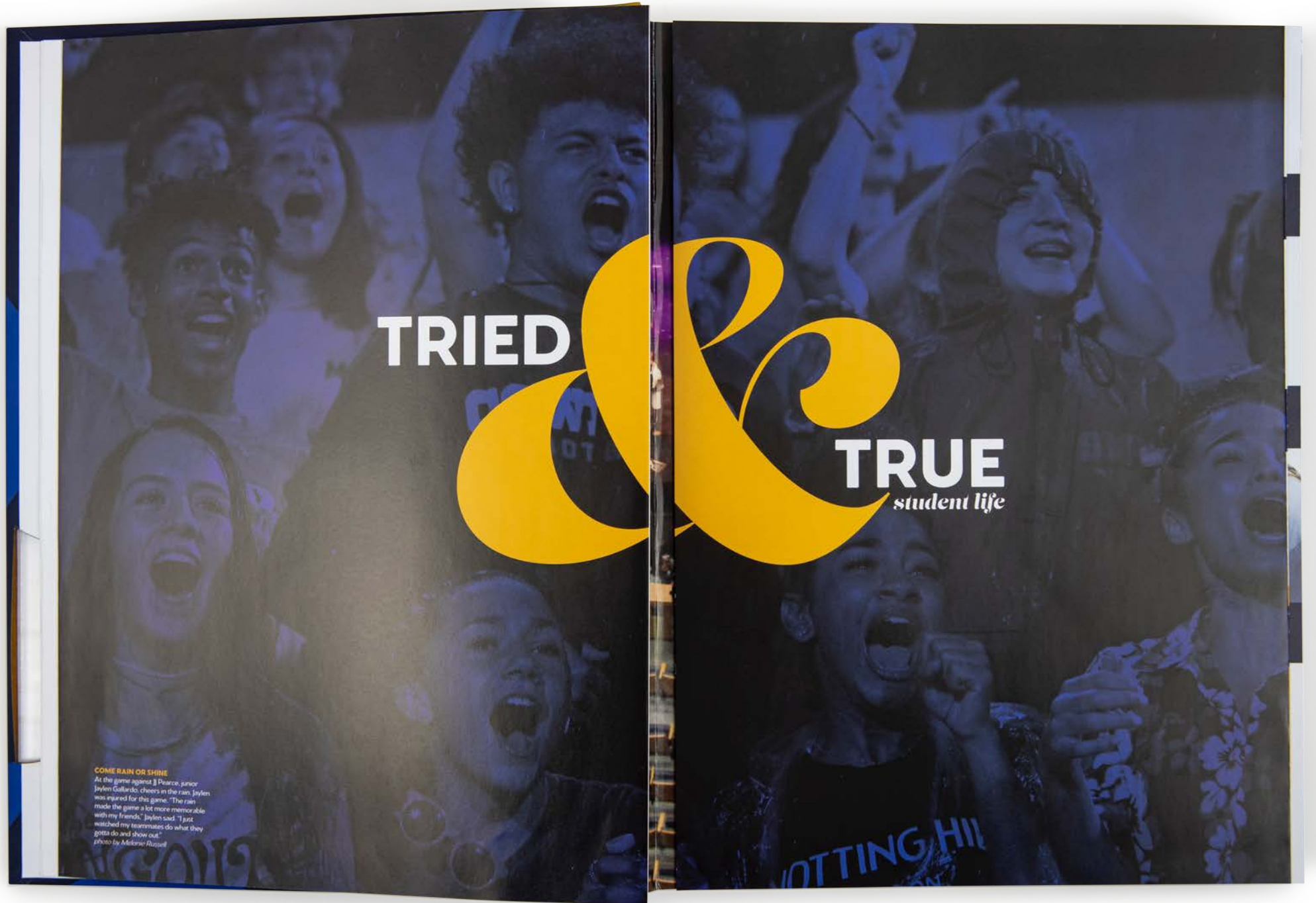


RAP IT UP

During a poetry slam, freshman Ashanti Hill reacts to a performer. The poetry slam allowed students to share their writing talents to their classmates. "Someone was rapping and it was so good," she said. "I was just so happy and excited in this moment."



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THE INS & OUTS OF student life

TRIED & TRUE

Seniors Brady Schroeder and Nick Simpson updated us on the best new music on The Dallas Sound Machine and some of us sported our Laszlo Lantos sweatshirts in the hallways.

Sophomores stayed up late trying to finish their mole projects for Chemistry and ASL Club woke up early to practice signing "Africa" to make sure it was perfect.

We walk down the main hallway, seeing our best friends before we head to class. We enter the classroom ready to ace that Pre-Cal test. We make our mark at the engineering competition and at the powerlifting tournaments.

We give up extra minutes of sleep, free time, and our social lives just to show that we're number one, whether it be in class rank or being the top UIL current events team in the state. Just a day in the life.



STAY YOUR MIND!

When it comes to staying in the zone, senior Brady Schroeder has a few tips. "I usually listen to music and have a playlist of songs that I like to listen to when I'm studying. It helps me stay focused and motivated."

LET'S GET WILD!

While it's not always easy to stay motivated, senior Nick Simpson has a trick. "I usually listen to music and have a playlist of songs that I like to listen to when I'm studying. It helps me stay focused and motivated."



10 STUDENTS RAN FOR STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICE

FOUR AND FIFTEEN

918 MORP TICKETS SOLD



DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY

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ESTIMATED STUDENTS IN WHATABURGER AFTER BOYD FOOTBALL GAME



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SUMMER & FALL

august



AUG. 7

The romantic comedy, "Crazy Rich Asians," starring Constance Wu and Henry Golding as the leads, premiered as Hollywood's first movie with an all-Asian cast. The film grossed over \$234 million in box office. Source: imdb.com

AUG. 12

NASA launched the Parker Space Probe in the agency's first mission to "touch" the Sun. The spacecraft traveled at 430,000 mph directly into the Sun's outermost atmosphere. The shuttle set its sights on the Corona to solve the long-standing mysteries of the Sun.

AUG. 16

American singer-songwriter Aretha Franklin died of pancreatic cancer at the age of 76. Franklin was known as "The Queen of Soul" and was the first female performer inducted into Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1987.



AUG. 25

After a long battle with brain cancer, two-time presidential candidate and U.S. Senator, John McCain passed away at age 81. In July 2017, he announced that he had been diagnosed with a deadly form of brain cancer called glioblastoma.

AUG. 30

To get ready for the first football game against North, students had their first pep rally of the year. "I felt like we've been slacking on the school spirit," junior Lucey Hilley said. "I was just screaming my heart out for our school because I love it here." photo by Aden Lantos



september

SEPT. 4

For Nike's 30th anniversary, Colin Kaepernick, NFL quarterback who knelt during the National Anthem, appeared in Nike's new advertisement. The commercial aired on NBC during the third quarter of season-opening games between the Falcons and Eagles.



SEPT. 7

A month after releasing his album titled "Swimming," rap artist Malcolm "Mac Miller" McCormick died at the age of 26 from a drug overdose.



SEPT. 17

After senior Kate Pepper found out her brain cancer had returned, she had a 'Save Party' to celebrate her shaving her head. Because of the radiation to treat her cancer, Kate's hair started falling out the night before I was really nervous so I downloaded one of those apps that shows you what you look like bald," she said. "And as like 'Hey, I don't look that bad.'" photo Gabby Rogge



october

OCT. 6

Lawyer and jurist Brett Kavanaugh was sworn in as Justice on the Supreme Court after Dr. Christine Blasey Ford testified before the senate committee that he sexually assaulted her when they were teenagers.



senate voted
50-48
in
72%
opposition
between
September
10th & 16th

OCT. 24

Suspicious packages, that included pipe bombs, were sent to various U.S. Democrats including the Obamas, Clintons, John Brennan, and CNN. None of the bombs ever detonated and were later contained.

OCT. 26

At Dodger Stadium, Major League Baseball held the longest baseball World Series game by both innings and time. The LA Dodgers beat the Boston Red Sox, 3-2 in the 18th inning (7 hours, 20 mins). Infielder Max Muncy ended the game with a walk-off homer.

OCT. 27

The Tree of Life synagogue fell victim to a shooting in Pittsburgh, Pa. 11 were left dead and six were injured. After a shootout with the police, the suspect surrendered and faced 29 federal charges.

OCT. 31

For Halloween, science teacher Mrs. Katie Watson set fire to soap that has methane in it. "I love dressing up in anything I can find and doing experiments on Halloween," Mrs. Watson said. "I set a pumpkin on fire, we lit fires in our hands, and made some Boo Bubbles." photo by Melanie Russell



LATE OCTOBER

Junior Sydney Anderson flushed the toilet in the third stall in the downstairs E hall bathroom, and it didn't stop flushing for two weeks straight.





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seoul SEARCHING

SENIOR GOES ON ANNUAL TRIP TO SOUTH KOREA

a A long flight, a few bus rides, and a lot of walking. Senior Hannah Kim spent her summer in Korea exploring the country and learning about her family. "It was really hot and humid," she said. "But you have to walk everywhere so there were a lot of people carrying around umbrellas, which I found kinda weird."

Hannah's mom was born and raised in Korea. "She knew her way around pretty well," she said. "She had like a lot of friends and had plans like every day to go somewhere, so I just followed her around."

School in Korea starts in August and ends in July, and high school students typically have 14-16 hour days.

"They were still in school while I was there, they go from around 9 a.m. to 11 p.m.," she said. "So when people saw me just lingering around in the middle of the day they thought I was skipping."

The K-pop band, BTS, has become known worldwide ever since their music video for their song 'Idol' received more than 45 million views within the first 24 hours of it going public.

"And I also got to see my men, BTS," she said. "I actually went to Korea just to visit and then I found out that they were performing. So I got tickets because like, you know, you kinda have to."

During the month and a half she spent in Korea, Hannah had a great experience visiting the country again.

"Overall, it was a really fun trip," she said. "I love going over there because it gets boring here in America."

story by Kayla Thompson
photos courtesy Hannah Kim



Hannah visits Namsan Park, a where multiple Korean dramas have been filmed.



Hannah poses with BTS cardboard cutouts at a BTS Cafe in Seoul.

SENIOR SPENDS WEEK IN CARRIBBEAN

S Staring through the crystal clear water, watching schools of fish swim past their boat, he jumps into the water ready to experience the reef. Over the summer, senior Bryce Worley took a "spur of the moment" trip to San Pedro Town in Belize with his family.

"We had accumulated flight points and the most fun place we found was Belize," Bryce said. "There was a bunch of touristy things to do like parasailing, scuba diving, and snorkeling."

Throughout their week in San Pedro, he saw different vendors and tourist attractions on the streets.

"We found kind of a hang out spot where there was an infinity pool," he said. "I went and stood on the edge and when I was just standing there, I looked off at my dad while he doing something stupid. So I just put my hands up like 'what are you doing,' and as soon as I did that my mom took the picture."

Bryce also visited other places over the summer including New York City, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Tennessee.

"I went on a mission trip with my church to NYC," he said. "I loved it because we would go out and give food to homeless people and serve soup and drinks and stuff. And we got to talk and communicate with these people that were usually neglected."

In Belize the infinity pool was pretty amazing, but nothing could compare to snorkeling in the reef.

"The water was just so clear and you were able to see all the fish aquatic life around," he said. "As soon

as you jump off the boat, there's schools of jock fish underneath the boats trying getting shade from the sun. The swimming gear that the person that was with us was wearing were similar colors to the jock fish, so they were following us, like he was the leader of them or something."

In the end, Bryce lived the island life for a short time. "Compared to like where we live, it was a lot like slower and laid back," Bryce said. "There's like no real set time. You can mosey on up to wherever you want to whenever you want to."

story by Kayla Thompson
photos courtesy of Bryce Worley



While riding on the back of a golf cart, he took this photo of a kid walking in the street.



While standing on the edge of an infinity pool, Bryce looks off toward his dad. Bryce poses on a fishing dock in San Pedro.



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008 band camp



Kayla Thompson

INSIDE THE photo



While band directors judge a marching fundamentals contest, drum majors, junior Madelyn Coleman, and seniors Hannah Freeman and Eric Boatman sing karaoke. The drum majors had not planned to sing that day, but in a spur of the moment decision, they belted out the lyrics. "We were just told to entertain the band for a couple minutes," Hannah said. "Our first instincts were to sing, even though we aren't the best." *photo by Kayla Thompson*

Amused with the drum majors' performance, sophomore Mary Lonerger takes a video of them singing. "Since You've Been Gone." The band directors conducted mini-contests during breaks. "Whoever won the competition got to go into the lunch line first," she said. "That was the motivation to win."



Kayla Thompson

SWITCHING OUT
While getting into set formation, freshman Madelyn Gonzalez holds her hands up in a triangle, to represent her clarinet. This year is a state year, which means it is way harder to get a spot this year on marching band. "I went from the alternate block to a competition spot," she said. "It was really hard because I had to switch my instrument."
BAND TOGETHER
Right in step with her section, sophomore Anna Payne practices marching backwards. The band learns marching fundamentals during the first week of band camp. "Band is a really fun community of people," she said. "We are all really close together." *photo by Kayla Thompson*



Abrney Garcia

MARCHING INTO FRESHMAN YEAR
During summer band camp, freshman Aiden Walsh plays his flute preparing for competition season. Since being in band, Aiden has been able to meet many new people before entering high school. "Waking up at 5:30 every morning wasn't fun," he said. "But being around positive people made it enjoyable."
IN TUNE
While practicing marching fundamentals, junior Joseph Montefalcon carries his alto saxophone. A saxophone is part of the woodwind family. "The most challenging part about the alto saxophone is trying to stay in tune," he said. "I like the style of music it plays and how easy it is to play on."



Kayla Thompson

camping OUT

BAND STARTS NEW SEASON WITH SUMMER REHEARSALS
BY LEAH BOATMAN AND SYDNEY CALDWELL

"We were at rehearsal at 7:00 a.m. and we were outside practicing. It was really sunny, and all of a sudden it started pouring. There were no clouds, so I don't even know how it happened. It started pouring, and everyone was soaking wet. We had to put up the podiums and hide our instruments. We all ran inside, and while there was lightning, everyone started screaming."

COLLEEN CARR, 12

"We had one run through of the show, and it was a lot of fun because it sounded really good. Band is very important to me. It's one of the few things I enjoy doing on a day to day basis. The people are great and it's fun to practice. My favorite part of band is the football games. Being in the stands, you get to talk with your friends and play fun music."

NATHANIEL NEASE, 11

"During the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge, we stay in the percussion room, and Mr. Cass holds up flags on his phone and makes a weird face. We all have a strong bond with each other in percussion. Being an SLT has made me work harder. I'm in charge of certain things, and if something doesn't work out, then it's my fault. Last year, I was a freshman, but now I'm telling people how to do things and get stuff done."

MEGAN BAGBY, 10

"At the very first football game, we were in a big block with North's band, playing the Star Spangled Banner. A football player was looking up into the stands while running out of the tunnel, and hit me. Everyone in the crowd saw it, and laughed."

ISAAC MILLIGAN, 9

“ I tan really easily and when it's sunny outside it's funny to see everyone's tan lines. Some people's sock tans look like they dipped their foot in a bucket of white paint.”

PRICE PENTON, 10





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spot the DIFFERENCE

SENIORS PAINT THEIR PARKING PLACES TO START OFF SCHOOL YEAR

a After painting long hours, worrying about the rain, and sketching out a design, she finally got what she wanted. For her senior year Lenia Jordan wanted to do something memorable.

"I was really excited about a parking spot," Lenia said. "I really like drawing stuff and I wanted something to remember." Lenia has always been into fine arts and wanted to make a design that represented that.

"I've always loved music," Lenia said. "I wanted to paint a picture of what I loved the most."

She created a design that would channel her vision of fine arts. "It's a gold violin," Lenia said. "Across I have music notes in Silent Night, which is one of my favorite Christmas songs." When she finally finished her spot, she loved the results.

"I love the outcome it's everything I wanted it to be."

Ali van der Ziel was another person to have her own spot.

"My parking spot is a lacrosse stick," Ali said. "Because I am on the lacrosse team and I feel that it is a great way to represent."

Ali is passionate about lacrosse and so are other members of her family.

"It's a family thing because my sister plays," she said. "When I was in fifth grade, my dad coached me until I was a freshman."

She has a great time playing this unique sport with her peers.

"My team really makes everything better," she said. "It's the fastest sport on your feet and it's a fun thing to play with a bunch of my friends."

Weather caused several delays for seniors painting their spots.

"When we were painting the week before school it was raining a lot," Ali said. "So a lot of people couldn't paint their spots."

Through bad weather and other possible factors, there was still a memorable outcome to painting these spots.

"When I finished my spot, I was really proud," Ali said. "I think it's a really cool tradition that the school has."

story by Randyle Farmer



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STAYING GROOVY

As she traces floral designs, senior Adlyn Larsen draws on her spot. Adlyn painted a yoga pose on her spot to represent her getting her yoga teacher certification. "I didn't really have a plan," she said "but it all came together."

DIFFERENT FROM THE REST

While laughing, senior Sam Williams and junior Angela Summer paint a parking spot. Sam got the inspiration to paint a man painting a light while scrolling through Pinterest. "It's different from the rest of the spaces because people did their names and the year they graduate," Sam said. "But mine was actually artwork."

SWIMMING IN PAINT

Scraper in hand, senior Jordyn Baird scrubs paint off her parking spot. Jordyn painted her parking spot with her cousins like swimming lanes. "It's very important to me because my cousins are barley around anymore," she said. "I have a piece of them in that spot and it means a lot to me because of it."



Gabby Rogge

why this DESIGN?



“My senior parking spot is a swim lane because I started swim in my seventh grade year so I knew I wanted to make my parking spot about it.”

— JORDYN BAIRD



Elena Baker

THE TRADITION

At the end of the summer, senior Michael Stallbaumer paints tuning picks. He painted a guitar because he is building his own guitar and put things that are impactful to him. "My senior spot means something to me because it's something my sisters had done," he said. "It's tradition."

QUEEN CORONA

For her parking spot, senior Breanna Corona draws with chalk. Breanna painted her name with a crown to symbolize her last name, and added the flowers as a touch of giriness. "I knew I wanted to represent my last name," Breanna said. "It was the only cool thing I could think of."

Elena Baker



“My senior parking spot is the headstock of a guitar, because I'm in the process of building my own guitar.”

— MICHAEL STALLBAUMER



Gabby Rogge

Q&A

WHAT surprised you ABOUT FRESHMAN YEAR?

"If you do not do your work it brings down your grade, so you actually have to do your work and turn it in on time."

AIDEN O'MALLEY

"It's really hard to make friends because I am not a very outgoing person."

SCOTTIE BROYLES

"The most surprising thing about high school is getting into it, seeing how many people there are and meeting new people. The most challenging part is all of the homework and trying to fit it in and have time for it."

LIZZY FREEMAN



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SENIOR sunrise



StuCo begins a new tradition on the first Friday of the school year.



“The Marquettes were all there and pumped to get free food.”
HANNAH KIM

“It was cool to see all the people that came together for the first Senior Sunrise despite how early it was.”
PEYTON TREVINO

WHAT'S ON THE menu?

BREAKFAST FOODS SERVED AT SENIOR SUNRISE

Chick-Fil-A Chicken Minis

Panera bagels, cinnamon rolls, danishes, and croissants

Fruit punch

Water

Strawberries, bananas, blueberries and grapes

kickin'

IT ATHLETICS AND FINE ARTS BEGIN YEAR WITH COOKOUT

“I was extremely nervous about our routine. That was our first impression this year. Kylee and I were just trying to laugh it off and keep it fun and light so we were just messing around to ease our nerves.”
MAVEN MALONEY, 12

“I really enjoyed watching the players run out. The cookout meant that the new season was starting up, and that the sports were all joining together for a fantastic year. It really created a build-up for what we wanted to get done this season.”
ASHER MCALISTER, 11

“Marquettes were supposed to wear eyeliner and I didn't know so Lexi Diseker had to put some on me. She sat in my lap and put it on but I ended up crying because I thought I looked horrible.”
HANNAH ARRIAGA, 11

SUNS OUT BUNS OUT

At the kickoff cookout, senior Kenzie Summer cheers on the football team as they get introduced for the first time. After the students got their names called they headed straight for food. “After everyone's names were called they all started sprinting,” she said. “That's why people go, to get their hot dog and chips.”



TAKE THE LEAD

Hearing his name being called, sophomore Luke Mills walks down the victory line. Luke was energized for the first varsity football game. “Before they called us out they rang this horn and we all jumped around and ran out,” he said. “It was fun seeing and waving at everyone and all the other sports. And of course the hot dogs.”

ADRENALINE RUSHED

As they make their way down the path, junior Kylee Nooner and senior Maven Maloney cheer on the football team. Kylee and Maven challenged each other before the walk. “Whenever they were announcing our names, Maven and I said that we would walk funny,” Kylee said. “I ended up walking weird but she didn't so I kind of looked stupid.”



ALL SMILES HERE
When the football team passes by, sophomore Marquette officer Kayla Clark smiles. Although glass was inside her shoe, Kayla smiled on. “Once you have the cookout, you see what the year has in store for you,” Kayla said. “It's exciting to realize you'll be performing every Friday night.”



Sydney Anderson



Abney Garcia

PRIDE AND JOY

In marching order, senior Campbell Sutka and junior Kayla Thompson take a break in between songs. They practiced the performance they will do at halftime. “We had been rehearsing till about 7 p.m. and then we ran over to the cookout,” Campbell said. “Afterward, we just played some of our music that we play in the stands at the games.”

HIGH SPIRITS

With the swim team, junior Anika Newland dances along the path of Marquettes coming out of the Lion head. The swim team got a new assistant coach – Chance Dorris. “Unlike other sports, I don't practice during the summer,” Anika said. “So I hadn't seen any of my teammates. It was really cool to meet him, shake his hand, and get to know him in that time.” photo by Sydney Anderson



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LEADER OF THE PACK

Running out of the tunnel, senior tight end Trey Pearson leads the Lions onto the field at MISD Stadium for the first time. He led the team out of the tunnel both years on varsity. "We're very blessed to be in this school," Trey said. "Not a lot of people can say they get to play in a \$70 million stadium," photo by Eliana Baker

BIG SCREEN BOATMAN

During the halftime show band performance, senior drum major Eric Boatman conducts the band. They had one rehearsal in the stadium to prepare that week. "All the drum majors were interviewed by the news," he said. "It was surreal just being in there, amazed by everything happening around us," photo by Landry Raymond



GOLDEN HOUR

Before the game begins, seniors Carly Saum, Katelyn Elliston, and Bryce Worley cheer as the players run out. Past seniors had inspired Katelyn to join Golden Girls. "It was fun just getting to interact and cheer on the guys with the rest of the senior girls," Katelyn said. "Bryce had glitter all over his face and kept coming up to the stands getting the crowd so hyped."



FANNED OUT

Before the game, junior Jack Kirkham cheers on players senior Aaron Brown and junior Isaiah Rojas. The temperature hit 95 that evening, and since students were on the visitors side, they faced the sun. "It was a great experience to open a new stadium," Aaron said. "But at the end of the day it was just another game so I prepared for it like any other."



BREAKING FREE

After breaking away from North defender Carson Criss, senior wide receiver Logan Murphey, runs down the field. The first touchdown in the stadium was scored by quarterback Kelvin Thomas. "It was a pretty big deal that the news was there," he said. "I was just happy to be there and excited up until the very end until we lost."

opening NIGHT

\$70 MILLION STADIUM MAKES DEBUT WITH CROSSTOWN SHOWDOWN

Lions quarterback Kelvin Thomas lined up to throw the ball, the crowd watched as he ducked and ran in for a 9-yard scamper. Thomas had scored the first ever touchdown in the new MISD stadium in the Crosstown Showdown game against North's Bulldogs.

"Scoring the first touchdown in the stadium was awesome," Coach Marcus Shavers said. "I wish we would have gotten to score more, but anytime you get to come out and score a touchdown it's exciting and the fact that it was the first one at the stadium will be a great memory."

Despite having the momentum of the first touchdown, the Lions fell short to the Bulldogs 13-31.

"It is an honor to have the first win in the stadium by our name," North Coach Mike Fucci said. "It was an exciting atmosphere and the crowd was electric. I knew Bulldog Nation would come out."

Defensive end Mitchell Tyler said he was glad to play in this historic game. "Playing in the stadium was a really cool experience," Tyler said. "Not many people can say they got to open a multi-million dollar stadium playing high school football. It was a great feeling to see so many people there and have such a huge stage to play on."

"10,000 people turned out for the season opener."

"I think everyone was just super excited to see the team play in the new stadium," Golden Girl Adilyn Larson said. "Especially since it was against our sister school, McKinney North. Everyone participated in the chants and

always responded to what the situation was on the field with loud cheers."

Middle Linebacker Jack Vinson said he was in awe. "I had a blast looking up at the giant concrete bleachers and seeing all those faces," Vinson said. "Even the replay screen had me in awe. It was such a good atmosphere with all those people and the student section was less than 20 yards away from me."

Middle Linebacker Nick Simpson said he felt blessed that the Lions are able to play on the new groundbreaking venue.

"The stadium couldn't be any better," Simpson said. "I think it turned out beautifully, and I think it's going to help usher in a new era of MISD athletics as a whole. At the same time it's easy to get caught up in the visuals of the stadium, but at the end of the day the field is 100 yards long, just like any other, and we've got to play to own it."

Even though the Lions practiced in the new stadium before the game, they were still impressed by the new stadium.

"Playing at the stadium made me just want to enjoy the atmosphere, the opportunity," Tyler said. "Coach Shavers told us the past few days to feed off of the atmosphere, but not get caught up in the hype. That was my goal mentally, to play the game for what it was and focus on what I needed to do."

story by Elisha Stokes
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ATHLETIC HALL OF honor



Retired swim coach Sam Seno waves to the crowd after being inducted into the Hall of Honor. Seno coached at MHS for 30 years before retiring in 2016.



McKinney hired me 33 years ago and this is where I belong. I literally cannot imagine working anywhere else. I love the community and I love the kids."

MR. MIKE BRUCK
STADIUM ANNOUNCER



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PLAYING WITH fire

WELDING STUDENTS CREATE WITH HEAT

"I didn't know I joined welding until after I got my schedule freshman year and it had welding on it and it was so much fun that I took it every year after that."

MATTHEW FRY, 12

"I joined welding because I was interested in building stuff and I wanted to learn how to use metal to make more projects."

BLAKE WEAVER, 11

"One of my friends told me about the program and I have family in the welding industry. I wanted to pick up a new skill."

XAVIER MCGARREL, 11

"I wanted to join welding because I felt like college did not offer a career path for me. I saw welding at freshman orientation and thought it was really cool."

LUCCA FARO, 12

"I took welding because I wanted to learn a new skill that I could use one day to get a job but also to have fun in a different kind of class."

HAYDEN MOLLAT, 10

"When I was in El Salvador my family was in welding and I find it interesting. I asked some of the teachers about the programs we have here and I thought it looked pretty cool."

KEVIN GARCIA, 11

ROCK & ROLL STUDENTS IN APES EXPERIMENT WITH CRAYONS



MELTING MY HEART

Conducting an experiment, senior Olivia Wilson holds tin foil over a candle to melt crayons. The students crushed crayons to represent sedimentary rocks to find out how rocks form. "My favorite part about the whole class is the teacher, Ms. Chick," she said. "This experiment was an interesting way to teach us about rocks."



IT'S LIT

In AP environmental science, senior Lexi Harris lights a match for a candle. The experiment involved melting crayons to learn about the different types of rocks. "APES is really interesting because we get to do hands-on experiments," she said. "This experiment helped me to better understand what we were learning about the different forms of rocks."

Abney Garcia

Abney Garcia



HANDS-ON

For an FFA show, senior Luke White welds a trailer. Luke is interested in making a career out of welding. "We're going to a livestock show to present our trailers," Luke said. "I just really like it, because I like working with my hands." photo by Elizabeth Chan

ON THE GRIND

While building a compartment, junior Edward Balderrama grinds two pieces of metal. The compartment will be used by the band to store percussion instruments. "My favorite part of welding is being able to work with the people I work with," he said. "We get projects done and it feels like a big accomplishment."



Elizabeth Chan

SMOKING HOT

For a competition, senior Garrett Jasper welds a smoker. During the competition, students will gather around to show off what they have welded. "I love welding," he said. "I see myself doing this in college." photo by Elizabeth Chan



CLEAN SPARKS

While in welding, senior Jesus Nolasco cleans metal. Jesus made a grill his first year and made different projects this year. "My counselor told me to join the class and I did," he said. "I decided to take it every year and enjoyed it ever since." photo by Elizabeth Chan





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dream MACHINES

STUDENTS PLAN, DESIGN, BUILD IN ROBOTICS CLASS

"We built a robot that had the wrong gear ratio so it went like 30 miles per hour. The whole class was stunned. The first time we saw it streak across the hallway there was a moment of silence which proceeded with the whole class busting out into laughter. I have also learned how to sauter and fix some of the circuitry because not all of the motors actually work."

ANDREW AUSTIN, 12

"The reason robotics 1 is taken a lot is because most of the class is actually doing the smaller part, which is just the thinking because in robotics 1 you're hands-on. Everything you do is to build the robots, but by the time you get into robotics 3 it's the like balance of powers and everything has shifted, and now it's dominated by the thinking part instead of the building part."

BORIS LI, 11

"I'm in computer science now, but I also learned how to sauter, and how to code. I can also add another programming language to the things I know how to code for. I use that mentality towards my class this year. No matter your gender, robotics is always looking for new people. As long as you can think outside the box, go for it."

ZACH MORGAN, 12

"Once my group built the wrong robot, causing us to have to start over. By the time we finished the new bot, no one had even finished theirs. I think overall my favorite thing about robotics is the programming. It feels like an achievement once you get the robot to do something that you want. Initially I wanted a schedule change but once that fell through, I got stuck, but I really like robotics now."

JESSY MORA, 12

BUILDING UP BOTS

During robotics, freshman Caleb Santiago attaches a motor to his robot. Caleb wants to be an engineer when he gets older. "The two bars are for the arms that hold the robot that has a claw on it," he said. "So we were putting the motor on it so it'll go up and down."

GRINDING MY GEARS

While fixing his robot, freshman Justin Scott winds up the robot's gears. Justin was attempting to make the robot pick up a cone. "Ever since I was young, I've wanted to be an engineer," Justin said. "I took an intro into engineering class in middle school to prepare myself."



Elizabeth Chan



master BUILDERS
FINAL PRODUCTS REVEALED



THE CLAW (1)

Working on his competition bot, freshman William Girmela fixes the gearing for the claw. William works on motorbikes around his neighborhood. "I'm more into the mechanics of gasoline engines, big cars, or even orthopedic surgery," William said. "It's kind of the same mindset because you get something broken and you have to fix it."

YOUNG ACHIEVER (2)

As she attaches a gear to her wheel system, freshman Sanaa West allows her robot to move forward. In eighth grade, Sanaa did robotics for half the year as a high school credit. "I really enjoyed the robotics part," Sanaa said. "But I plan on going into the medical field in the future."

LET'S TEST IT OUT (3)

Freshmen Justin Scott tests out his robot. Justin wants to become an engineer for his career. "I thought robotics would be interesting," he said. "Since I'm interested in things mechanical I thought it would be fun."

photos by Shadavia Harris

“Setting up the ceremony means dividing the council into several different groups and that's what kind of runs the event.”
CAROLINE POTTS, 11

“I attended it because my friend had someone that was affected by 9/11. I was there at the ceremony and at the walkout at 9:11.”
EMILY BRUCE, 11

“The most memorable part was the speeches from the firefighters and police officers. It was truly a humbling moment.”
MARYBETH PLASTER, 11



MORNING OF remembrance

STUDENTS JOIN AT THE FLAGPOLE FOR THE ANNUAL 9/11 CEREMONY

Sydney Anderson



Elizabeth Chan



Elizabeth Chan

DO THE ROBOT

While working together, freshmen Tiewan Tyson and Muhammad Khurram assemble their robot. After their original wheels wouldn't move, they made some adjustments. "Basically we were constructing a robot with a claw arm," Tiewan said. "It ended up being able to move and grab objects."

PICKING IT UP

During the construction of her robot claw, freshman Sanaa West maneuvers the claw to pick up a cup. She became focused on taking robotics in the second semester. "I first became interested in robotics in eighth grade," Sanaa said. "I took an intro into engineering class and from there my love grew."



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HALLWAY MANIA
While observing the outfits of different kids, sophomore Aaron Willoughby walks down the hall. He was on his way to his health class. "I like to walk down the hallways and observe," he said. "I really like clothes so I enjoy looking at what people are wearing." photo by Elizabeth Chan

MAKING TIME FOR SCHOOL
During her senior release period, Bella Zeller catches up on some calculus homework. She wanted to get a head start so she could get other stuff done. "I just decided to get some homework done before I went home," she said. "I did this so I could have a free night."



kids IN THE hall

STUDENTS GET OUT OF THE CLASSROOM

"One day after tutorials I was leaving and I saw the step team practicing in the hallway. A few seconds later the Marquettes joined in and started dancing with them. It was really cool to watch because it was like a really big dance party which showed a lot of school spirit."

ANA MULLER, 9

"Me and my friends were on the way to lunch and we were just talking about daily stuff around school that happened. I really enjoy that time in between classes, because it lets me chill with my friends and just hang out."

RODNEY CARVER, 10

"On the day we came back from break I was walking to the library and I saw a cat come out from under the table. It was so funny because I had never seen anything like it before."

BRANNA BARROWS, 11

"Me and my friend Payge Trinidad were filming a video for world geography and we kicked the laptop down the stairs on accident and it broke."

KYLIE CALAGNA, 9

"One time Cade Clark and I were working on our mouse trap car for physics, but it ended up falling down the stairs and breaking into a million pieces."

JULIE WYNN, 11

"This year in November when the football team went to playoffs, they were gathering up by the lion in the hallway I was watching them get hyped up and excited about moving on. It was super cool to see them move onto round three and see how much dedication they put in to it."

LOGAN MORGANI, 10



QUIET IN THE LIBRARY
While studying for his AP physics test, junior Alex Futoma looks over the material on his laptop. During 4th period Alex likes to go to the library and study for his upcoming tests. "I usually sit with my buddies and make a study group," he said. "This day I was alone so I was just chilling by myself studying."



ALONE TIME
Sitting outside her World History class, sophomore Carsela Ramirez works on an assignment. She enjoys the time that she has to herself and learn about new material. "I enjoy going outside and just having time to myself," she said. "I get to listen to my music and just be free."

OUT AND ABOUT
During the geometry walk around, sophomore Emma Mager completes her math project. Her partner Alijah and her were working together. "Geometry is actually really interesting," she said. "Translations and dilations are cool to see how you can reflect different things."



STUDY BUDDIES
While sitting on the benches, senior Ariana Navarro and Jacob Harsch collaborate about their AP Euro Quizlet. During this time every day, Jacob comes to study with Ariana in StuCo. "This was a really good memory because we always get a lot of work done," Jacob said. "But always have a fun time doing it."

LIONS

"I love painting signs because it gets the school more involved."

KAITLYN ESHBAUGH, 11



While the spirit committee paints signs, junior Kaitlyn Eshbaugh and freshman Christian Mitchell write encouraging words for Deck the Halls. Deck the Halls is a tradition the spirit committee does every homecoming. "Making the signs for the Deck the Halls was fun and really unique. I had the chance to show my artistic skills."

new year new staff

WE BROUGHT IN 50 AMAZING NEW STAFF MEMBERS THIS YEAR. THEY MAKE OUR SCHOOL EVEN BETTER THAN IT ALREADY WAS. WELCOME TO OUR HOUSE.

*NOT PICTURED: SHAUN RATCLIFF



BRETT reisman

AP WORLD HISTORY TEACHER AND JV SOCCER COACH

“I think we have a special community. The teaching staff here is here for the right reasons. They want to shape the hearts and minds of young people. When I first got here, I got to observe a lot of the social studies teachers and all of them showed professionalism and fun-loving spirits. That’s why I love this district and this school. For me personally, it’s an opportunity to be a part of an atmosphere that cares for everybody, both the students, teachers, and the staff.”



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Aden Lantos

IT'S IN THE BAG

During their meeting, seniors Tyler Nguyen, Gabriel Parada and junior Heiton Zang clean up the hallways after school. Members of the key club help keep the school clean. "Sometimes it gets pretty dirty," Heiton said. "Key club people provided bags for us and we just went around the school picking up trash."

INScope

“You couldn't really see it when you just look at the glass, but when we put it in the microscope we could see it up close and it was really cool.”

MACKENZIE COOP, 9



Elizabeth Chen



In Biology, freshmen Mackenzie Coop and Sydney Feller look at onion cells through a microscope.



Melanie Russell

HELPING OUT

After school, junior Katrina Forsyth helps another student pick up trash. Katrina does Key Club for fun. "I just like volunteering," Katrina said. "I like to help out at the SPCA on my free time."



Aden Lantos

STAYING TIDY

During their meeting, junior Adonis Auguston and senior Kelly Krueger pick up trash around the school. They have meetings every other Tuesday after school. "We got trash bags from the downstairs Receptions," Adonis said. "If you couldn't go to another event, you could stay after school and help out with this."

KEEPING SPIRITS UP

For Dec' the Halls, freshmen Ana Moulter paints a poster. Student council decorated the whole school for Homecoming week. "We were doing this so we could get school spirit up," Ana said. "I like being involved with the student body, and being able to decide what we want for our school."

Lasha Lago



Melanie Russell



Melanie Russell

JOIN THE CLUB

While running to the base, junior Nya Saturley runs with one of the kids. Nya is part of a group called Kwanis, which is the adult version of Key Club. "It's an amazing program," Nya said. "The kids are so amazing, and they're always so happy."

RUNNING THE BASES

As she runs behind her partner, freshmen Kaylen Perry plays T-ball with her assigned kid. The T-ball game happens every Wednesday at Towne Lake. "I just wanted to do it because I love playing with children," Kaylen said. "I just like being able to be a part of it."

stepping OUT KEY CLUB TAKES TIME TO VOLUNTEER

Gathered around, hands curved in the air, kids running under the hand tunnel, the team celebrates the T-ball game for Key Club.

Junior Daisy Quirio is one of the Key Club members who plays in the T-ball game with kids in the community.

"Every Wednesday we have a T-ball game at the park," Daisy said. "Helping the special needs kids is a great experience."

"She loves the excitement the kids have. 'Running with them and cheering them on makes them happy,' she said. "Before I began volunteering, I didn't know there were opportunities like these, where you get the chance to play and be involved with the sweetest kids."

Freshmen year, when she first joined, she loved watching the children play.

"I was amazed with the number of children that were involved in this and how excited they were to play," Daisy said. "I was excited to be around them."

"During the game she helps the kids and gets to know them. 'Every game we usually get to pick a partner to run the bases with,' she said. "Since it's a big team, we always have to wait in a long line before batting. But during this time, I enjoy talking to the kids and getting to know them better."

"After the game is over they have a tradition that they do with the kids. "It's called tunnel," she said. "All of the volunteers hold hands and make a tunnel and the kids walk under and we high five them. They really enjoy this and I notice the smile on their faces which is why its memorable."

by Randely Farmer

AAAAND scene

THEATER STUDENTS PERFORM FOR PRESCHOOL KIDS



Lasha Lago

While performing a show, sophomores Tyler Price and Allison Bennett interact with preschool kids. The theatre program was in production for their show, the Wizard of Oz. "I think the kids really enjoyed it," Tyler said. "Theatre is fun, because we're able to perform different characters and be in the minds of other people."



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WINNER WINNER CHICKEN DINNER
While wearing a rooster costume, Mrs. Katie Watson fires up the crowd. Mrs. Watson always attempts to get the students excited for the game. "I was running around like a crazy person because I am very hyper," she said. "Usually I have more signs to run around and get loud with."



Gabby Hoggie



Kayla Thompson

MAJOR FLOP
At tip off, senior Joseph Allam collides with Coach Clint Coffman. Joseph had to fall on the floor to get the foul. "I love playing against the faculty," he said. "I get to try and beat the teachers in front of the students."

BUZZER BEATER
While playing defense, seniors Khali Cleaves, Byron Schoby and junior Nic Porter trap Coach Will Maloney. Nic played shooting guard throughout the game. "The game was intense," she said. "I enjoyed playing competitively."



Abney Garcia

ON PINS & NEEDLES



Lindy Raymond

"They couldn't take my blood and they ended up poking me a ton of times. I was disappointed that I couldn't give blood because it would've been my first time."

CAMILLE TAYLOR, 12



Gabby Hoggie

"To be honest, I did it to hang out with a girl. But in reality, a lot of people need blood. Hopefully they will put my blood to good use."

NICO RAMIREZ, 12



SLAM DUNK

While hanging on the rim, senior Aaron Brown dunks the ball. Aaron was not allowed to play in the game because it was during football season. "I've never gotten to play in a student vs staff game and I have been on varsity since I was a sophomore" he said. "At least I was able to coach and be apart of the dunk contest." photo by Abney Garcia

Lindy Raymond



Adem Larras

WALKING ON AIR

In the paint, Mr. Curtis Christian attempts to shoot the ball. Mr. Curtis Christian got the kids in the air so he could shoot the ball. "I think I got around 10 points, but no one was keeping stats," he said. "The score is usually bogus anyways because at the end we put in like 20 teachers."

SCREAM & SHOUT

During the Student vs. Staff basketball game, senior Passinore Johnson screams in support for the teachers. Passinore has gone to the Student vs. Staff game all four years. "I mostly cheered for the teachers," Passinore said. "They needed support so they knew somebody had their back."

full court PRESS

FACULTY STACKS UP AGAINST STUDENT ATHLETES

Thirteen teachers and staff members took the court at the same time as five varsity players – all to get a victory. Size, weight and length wasn't all they had to dominate these students in a basketball game. They had numbers. But despite this advantage, the game ended in a tie. "It was very exciting for me to play against teachers in the student vs. staff basketball game," senior point guard Byron Schoby said. The varsity players also found joy in getting to play with players they don't normally get a chance to compete with. "Playing with varsity basketball girls and boys was even more exciting," Byron said. Photojournalism teacher, Mr. Curtis Christian was happy to revisit his roots as a former Lions basketball player and a former coach for the Lionettes. "I was really excited about it," he said. "I haven't really gotten to play in an actual student vs. staff game because I was always on the coaching side" Mr. Christian said. "From being a coach the past years I knew some of the students and I was really fun to play with them."

by Nic Porter
design by Sydney Caldwell

PLAYING favorites

ORCHESTRA PERFORMS AT ANNUAL FALL CONCERT

"I got a good exposure to a new circle of friends, who helped me grow as a person. The difficulty in music that our teacher gives us, puts us in the position that we can play our best for our performances."

SEAN REYES, 10

"I previously had been in orchestra for three years at Faubion, and I heard a lot of good things about the program at McKinney High. I really enjoy playing music and hanging out with my friends, and I look forward to growing as a musician."

SARAH DOSHIER, 9

"One of our family friends played the viola, and he got me interested in music. I thought since he played the viola, it would be fun. Ever since then, I found a love for music and I've played ever since."

CADE HOLDSTOCK, 12

"My brother was in orchestra before me, and thought it was really fun. You have to find time to practice, and when you're in multiple activities, it's kind of difficult. Playing an instrument makes you put yourself out there."

PAIGE MYERS, 9



SOOTHING SOUNDS
Bows in sync, freshman Skyler Harp plays with the cello section. Skyler wants to be a music therapist when she's older. "I joined orchestra because it's fun," she said. "But the most challenging part is auditioning for a higher orchestra."

STRONG BOND

During the fall concert, junior Jason Hoglund performs with the symphony orchestra. Jason has a strong bond with the cello section. "We're all really experienced and we do play challenging pieces," he said. "We all work and sound good together, and once we got that bond, it was easy to do well," photo by Landry Raymond

TWO IN ONE COMBO

With the rest of his section, junior Grant Kieschnick plays his cello. Grant has been playing the cello for the past five years. "I started playing the cello because I could sit down and play music," he said. "You get to sit down and play, unlike a violin. It's a two-in-one combo."



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FAMILY TIES

Near the tip of the bow, junior Emily Hallstrom performs "Sirsonia in E minor." Emily's grandpa is her private lessons teacher, and every year they play in a production of Handel's Messiah together. "I love the way classical music sounds," she said. "The stories you get from them are super interesting."

MUSICAL CHAIRS

While looking up at her sheet music, freshman Natalie Smith plays her violin. Natalie says the hardest part about orchestra is learning the music and sight reading. "It's fun competing for chairs," she said. "I used to be last chair, but right now I'm third."



Abigail McAdams



Landry Raymond

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

Near the end of the concert, junior Emma Hopkins plays her violin. When Emma was young, she attended the Dallas Symphony, which influenced her to join orchestra. "I work for hours at home practicing so I can play the music here and in competition," she said. "I've gotten into region a few times, and the experience is fun."



Landry Raymond

SPEECH & DEBATE STUDENTS PRACTICE FOR UPCOMING COMPETITIONS



photos by Mariana Ramirez



EAT YOUR HEART OUT In debate, junior Nya Satureley practices her speech over cannibalism. Nya has won five trophies for her speech. "I found out that a lot of people in today's society practice cannibalism," she said. "It's not illegal to eat another person, as long as you don't kill them."

DYNAMIC DUO While acting out duos, senior Braden Ritter helps freshman Evan Plyer. Braden joined debate because he likes to argue. "I don't like the actual debate events," he said. "I really like the acting and dramatic stuff."



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CHOIR BEGINS YEAR WITH FALL CONCERT

"The fall concert was definitely my favorite concert. Not just because it was my last year, but also the repertoire was so advanced and I loved how we handled it. Choir is like my safe haven. It's where I go to when I'm feeling down. I know that it will lift me back up."

CARTER OUTON, 12

"The song, "Plau de Te Plau de Te," specifically was fun because we got to clap and you don't usually get to do physical things in choir concerts. The songs were very strong and hard-hitting. As a choir, we are serious about it and advanced. We had the showed everyone what our choir is about."

KENDRA BROWN, 10

"It was a sea of new experiences. It was my first concert in varsity and Harmony. I'm honored to be in Harmony while being a sophomore because it's hard for us to make it. I've gotten really close to the other sophomores and I am glad to look up to my older friends who are seniors."

LEXI SHORT, 10

"We see each other seven days a week, more than our actual family sometimes. We always try our best to be happy and cheer each other up. We are a family that you ask to be in."

KIHYA HOUSTON, 12

BONDED BY MUSIC

At the fall concert, senior Kihya Houston and junior Amanda Batson enjoy performing together. They have both been in harmony since their sophomore year and have gotten close. "I started laughing because I messed up," Amanda said. "We were distracted by the dancing so we ended it too quickly."

A LIONS' SHOW

Singing the school song, senior Meredith Camphouse shows school spirit. She performed her last fall concert with her future in mind. "Singing our school song for the last fall concert was a great way to end an emotional night," she said. "As our alma mater says 'keep up your spirits, as we onward go,' as a senior, that's what I kept in mind."



Mariana Ramirez



Landry Raymond

I HEAR VOICES

All together, junior Lauren Savage and the other choir members, sing at the fall concert. This was the first performance of the year. "It felt rewarding for it all to come together," Lauren said. "It all blended and mashed together and it turned out well."

SING IT OUT

At the first choir concert of the year, junior Travis Habrooks sings to the audience. In this performance he was able to enjoy all the choirs coming together. "It's great to see all the input," Travis said. "And to see their personalities and vocal blend."



Mariana Ramirez



IN by Lillian Lima
tune

Landry Raymond



Mariana Ramirez

PITCHING OVER BORDERS

In Latin, senior Cameron Brown, sings "Cantate Domino." The section leader helped make sure they stayed on pitch. "The song was difficult because it was in a different language," Cameron said. "It was definitely a team effort."

HEART FILLED WITH MUSIC

While singing "Jump Jive and Wail," senior Jordan Yonas dances with her partner Matt Dexter. She cried backstage as her last fall concert came to an end. "I was really happy to be Matt's partner," Jordan said. "Whenever we are singing up on stage, I feel like I belong there."



Landry Raymond

INS & OUTS of harmony



Landry Raymond

"We now have a lot of sophomores in Harmony, which is new. So the support from the upperclassmen has been awesome. They basically tell us the ins and outs of Harmony and how to survive the year."

ALLISON BENNETT, 10



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HOW TO deal

'7 MINDSETS' AIMS TO BUILD SCHOOL RELATIONSHIPS WHILE STUDENTS COPE WITH DAILY STRESS

The 7 Mindsets is a program that was implemented in the school to create stronger relationships among the students and teachers.

The purpose of the program was to get both students and teachers out of their comfort zones, in order to connect more. "I think that part of what's going on in our society is that we aren't connecting enough," IMPACT counselor Jill Lueke said. "I don't mean by technology, but face to face connection and just building relationships and taking care of each other."

Along with the administration, many teachers support the program and enjoy teaching it to the students.

"I think it is a good way to positively impact lives," Coach Andrew Brown said. "If the students can be on board with it they can develop a positive attitude toward life and be more successful."

Although many teachers support the program, some students have mixed opinions about it.

"I think we should've started the 7 Mindsets earlier," senior Allison Hockaday said. "Like in middle school or elementary school, then I would have benefited a lot more."

While the purpose of the program is to create connections within the school, some students think they could find that message elsewhere.

"We don't really need it because it's stuff you can get at an inspiration conference or TED talks," senior Haven Vanlandingham said. "It's just a good time to get out of doing work."

Still, Ms. Lueke said the benefits are worth the cost of the program.

"It's going to seem like a lot of money but in a high school budget it's not a whole lot. I think it was around \$5,000," Ms. Lueke said. "It's well worth it when you think about the impact of staff and how many kids it affects."

Despite the cost and the objections by some students, the 7 Mindsets was a program that will continue to be used for the benefit of the students and teachers.

"We're always gonna have difficult situations," Ms. Lueke said. "But if we learn how to manage them in a positive way and keep a positive mindset then we can get through that and we can learn who we connect with, who we can lean on, and lean on each other," by Ali van derZiel

WHAT'S THE CAUSE?

*based on our online survey

OTHER

(includes working a job, extra curricular activities, how you're perceived by others.)

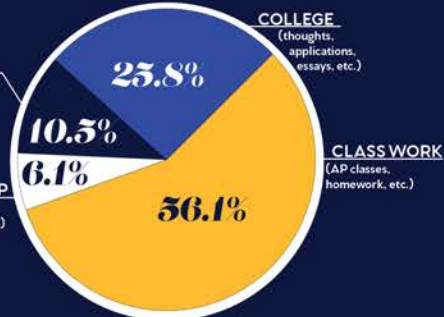
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Anxiety and stress covers a wide range so it doesn't matter if you're an AP student and you're hard on yourself or if you're just a perfectionist. The demands of school, sometimes putting things off until the last minute and busy schedules all cause stress. Lack of sleep and social media has increased the stress for sure. Always being able to compare someone's best day to how you feel inside definitely causes even more stress and anxiety.

Ms. Jill Lueke

RELATIONSHIP

(parents, siblings, boyfriend/girlfriend.)



WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT:

“I spend at least 2 hours a night doing yoga and meditation. It puts me in a clear head space and I don't really have to think of anything. I'm just stretching and it feels really nice.”

Dixie Dunaway, 11

“I deal with stress by taking a step back and taking a deep breath to calm down from the situations. I get overwhelmed with schoolwork and stuff so I have to pace myself until the due dates.”

Andrea Crabtree, 9

“If I do homework for a while I usually like to go outside or talk to people to get my mind off of it. Getting the fresh air when I get stressed from homework, relieves me.”

Rachel Mathey, 10

“I do breathing exercises and make lists with my top priorities so I don't let things distract me. Then I can't get overwhelmed with stuff more than other stuff, like school work.”

Ariana Navarro, 12

“I try to be positive and if I think if I can't get this done then it's ok. I usually try to listen to music and make a clear schedule for my homework. So I know if I'm getting things done or not.”

Genevieve Hendrie, 9

“Stress from school I usually push it aside, I don't deal with it. I cry it out sometimes. Stress with my parents is a big part in my life. I just usually talk to my teacher or friends or my peers.”

Sydney Beck, 12

HOW TEACHERS RELIEVE STRESS:

“I run a few miles, read an old science fiction, sip some hot herbal tea, sing along to Toby Mac, read with my 11 year old, the list goes on and on...I don't let stress win!”

Ms. Julia Gameros

“I like to go to Erwin Park in McKinney Texas and sit and read and listen to music while being in nature and quiet.”

Ms. Kristy Dillard

“Play computer games, listen to music, work on my to-do pile.”

Mr. Mike Bruck

“I lay on a heat pad or eat chocolate, tear up junkmail for recycling and listen to music or watch TV or read a book. All are done during non stress times as well.”

Ms. Lori Patterson

“Exercising, art journaling, reading and taking naps.”

Ms. Stacie Entzminger

“I read and I workout. Reading is my escape from reality and working out is my form of self care.”

Ms. Kelly Armbruster

“Listen to jazz music, clean and organize, or work out to loud music.”

Mr. Brett Reisman

“I like to jam out to music as loud as I can in my car.”

Ms. Megan Brooks

“I really enjoy running and yoga. It is a great stress reliever because it is extreme from both sides of the spectrum.”

Ms. Shelley Bertucci

STRESSED IN THE library



“I get stressed out about work because they give me terrible hours. I basically just do other things so that my brain is occupied with something else to cope. Stress motivates me because I have a fear of failure.”

Stefan Egger, 12

“I was applying for a scholarship to LSU, and it was really stressful because that college is really expensive. I usually deal with stress by making a list of things that I have to accomplish, and making a checklist for it.”

Morgan Cole, 12



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STAY WOKE
While playing his guitar, junior Aden Lantos performs "Redbone" by Childish Gambino. Aden has been playing guitar since he was six years old. "Music is the people's art," Aden said. "I think it speaks to everyone in a different way." photo by Landry Raymond



SPITTING FIRE
As he displays his talents, senior Jason Addington freestyle raps. Jason finds joy in writing rap and hip hop music. "I want to have a voice of reason," Jason said. "Hopefully my music is relatable." photo by Mariana Ramirez



Mariana Ramirez



JUST SMILE
While he sings effortlessly, Junior Keandre William preaches to the crowd. Keandre sparked his love for music with the drums and later became interested in singing. "Music is how I express my feelings," Keandre said. "I sing to lift people up." photo by Mariana Ramirez



Mariana Ramirez

INSIDE THE well

BEATBOXER PERFORMS FOR PEERS

Just eight years old, watching some random guy on YouTube beatbox on the streets while attracting a crowd, senior Jason Addington discovered his passion in music.

"He had a couple hundred people just show up out of nowhere and I was just like that's cool," Jason said. "Sure enough about eight years later, that's what drove me to improve myself every day with music I create that I put out on iTunes and trying to collab with other people."

The Well comes together on every third Thursday of each month.

"The Well is a little get-together for kids with some kind of talent that they want to share," Jason said. "We share good vibes and just get our minds off the bad things."

Jason has been attending The Well for four years.

"I remember that the main teacher that runs it figured out that I was beatboxing," he said. "She thought it would be cool if I came and watched, or even performed."

Along with beatboxing and rapping, Jason also performs with the vocal jazz ensemble, Harmony.

"I made it different this year," he said. "The past couple years I've just beatboxed, but this year I decided to rap and incorporate my friends in a little dance ensemble."

The Well has allowed him to further his music career as well as grow as a person.

"I know my freshmen year, I was always insecure about myself and I've never been out of my shell," Jason said. "But whenever I'm in The Well it's kinda just like a place where no one can judge you, you just kinda get to show yourself off. It's just a really cool experience."

After high school, Jason plans to attend Collin College or UT to continue his music career.

"Hopefully I continue to write music in college and become a music teacher," he said. "And if my music does sort of take off in a since then I would want to help other people with my music kinda get out of their shell like the people here did."

Jason said it will encourage students to be outgoing.

"It really influenced me to be more out there and not be so shy or insecure about anything," he said. "High school of course it's just a really overwhelming time and performing at The Well helped influence my music and being true to myself."

story by Kayla Thompson
design by Lexi Harris

hispanic HERITAGE

While celebrating Spanish heritage, Ms. Maria Moon, Ms. Aida Maya and Ms. Ana Maria Ellis wear traditional dress at the Hispanic Heritage Celebration. "I saw students there that I had no idea were from Latin America," Ms. Moon said. "It is just something out of the ordinary that is fun to do."



Mariana Ramirez



Landry Raymond

ONE STEP FORWARD
Passionate stepper, junior Jalauna Drewberry performs with her team. She has been stepping for two years. "My team is my family," Jalauna said "I love them." photo by Landry Raymond

YOU CAN JIVE
During his performance, senior Junior Leon dances to the song "Sorry" by Justin Bieber. Junior has been dancing for five years. "I always love to practice," Junior said. "People are always really excited to see me dance." photo by Aden Lantos

WITH FLYING colors

JROTC CADETS TAKE ON MORE COMPETITION

"It helps a lot with some communication skills. My greatest memory is one in morning practice when I'm doing arm drill practice. I have a couple funny memories but a lot of them are also stressful because a lot of it has to be done with speed and confidence. So a lot of them would be possibly doing push-ups after getting something wrong."

HOPE ADLER, 9

"The first day of ROTC. I walked in nervous. I didn't know what to expect, but I was welcomed. My favorite memory was when we won first place in tug-of-war by an entire foot and I was recruited last-minute but I helped them pull through."

RICARDO GARCIA, 12

"My favorite thing about ROTC is the family aspect. At our drill team sleepover before our last competition, all the teams hung out, practiced and did team bonding. In the female's room, we were taking polaroids and telling scary stories. It was really cool to get to know the other drill teams more."

BRYANNA BARTON, 11

"When we go to competitions we always have a good time. My favorite competition was Dec. 1 when we placed first for the male color guard team. I forgot my gloves one time, and I had to borrow my friend's. I had to do some pretty grueling stuff for it, but it was all in good fun."

CRISTIAN CRUZ, 10



ONE AND THE SAME
At a ceremony, junior Audrey Perea hits her rifle in color guard with seniors Nancy Griajiva, Avery Smith, and freshman Faith Adler. Color guard performs ceremonies and formal events around McKinney and North Texas. "At first, I was just put into color guard by Gunner, that's kind of how everyone starts off," Avery said. "I ended up really liking being on a team with other girls I can relate to."



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skin & bones



photos by Mariana Ramirez



"We were doing a lab having to deal with skeletons, to familiarize us with the name and parts of bones. I took anatomy because I want to be in the medical field in the future. I want to be a chiropractor."

KAYLEN SEXTON, 12

"I was comparing some type of bone to my leg or my arm to see what the size was. I started anatomy because at first, I thought I wanted to be a nurse and you have to know the body but after being in the class, I realized I didn't want to be a nurse anymore."

BRE STEPHENS, 12



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FRONT AND CENTER

In a competition for drill, Honor of Commander, junior Joshua Anchondo reports. He is in charge of teaching the cadets what they need to know for each of the routines. "It was a struggle getting up to that position because of all the stuff you have to learn," Joshua said. "You have to take the initiative to step up. It's a lot of hard work but it pays off when you realize you're the one in front."

HELPING HAND

Before a competition, senior Gian Grant helps Garrett Baycroft with his uniform. He joined hoping to learn leadership skills that the marine corps teaches. "Once I did it the first three years, I was just going to finish the last year out," Garrett said. "JROTC is a good program if you want to grow more as a person because they want you to seek self-improvement."



Abigail McAdams



Abigail McAdams

IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

At a drill competition, senior Avery Smith's instructor, Gunny Patricia Ramos, goes over how to march her platoon in for inspection. Seeing the pride her grandfather had in serving his country is what inspired her want to be a part of JROTC. "At the competitions, they can take off for little pieces of thread or lint so it's tough," Avery said. "After high school, my goal is to join the Navy or Army, so this will prepare me for that."

BOOKING it

"I was reading 'Golden.' A book about where Steph Curry is from and how he developed his jump shot. I'm not really a fan of reading but I like basketball and Curry is my favorite player."

AARON BROWN, 12





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HYPED UP
During the Marquette Officer's dance routine, junior Jalyn Thomas gets hype. She liked to see how excited the crowd got, supporting the athletics and fine arts department. "I like dancing with my friends and seeing other people dance," she said. "I'm ready for next year's homecoming pep rally too because I enjoy watching the step team and cheerleader's routines."

I LIKE TO MOVE IT, MOVE IT
Nominated for Homecoming King and Queen, senior Danny Lenardi and Hailey Sorora dance down the aisle. They had to choose a dance that they both could do, which was to have their hands on their hips and spin at the end. "It was kind of a last minute decision that we were going to do that," Danny said. "So I just busted out that move as fast as I could to get out of there."



Landry Raymond

SONG PRIDE

Closing out the pep rally, sophomore Alison Bennett and choir joins the school in singing the alma mater. Alison has been in choir since sixth grade and is in Harmony. "Choir doesn't really have to be there to sing the school song because everyone else joins in," Alison said. "I was just joking around at this point."

BARRELING DOWN

Their turn to go, seniors Annette O'Dell and Adam Vernier barrel walk down the aisle as their names are called. They were nominated for Prince and Princess of Clubs. "Adam and I really wanted to do something special and memorable," Annette said. "We couldn't come up with any good dance moves so we just did the barrel walk."



Sydney Schmale



Elizabeth Chan

SENIOR REP

During the pep rally, senior Kennedy Claytor performs with the Marquettes. The Marquettes learn three pep rally dances every year. "As a senior you kind of have a reputation to live up to," she said. "Like you try not to be the one that falls in the middle of the dance."

STUDENTS EMBRACE PEP RALLY, SPIRIT DAYS

"I liked watching the Marquette's show, I think they stepped up their choreography this year and their fancy outfits were cool. I really liked the carnival, it was probably my favorite thing the whole week because I got to miss class and also ride the mechanical bull three times."

MADELEINE MOTT, 11

"I go to the games and pep rallies because they sound really fun. The band's always there, the band is pretty bomb, they get lit. I don't really go for the football game. I was just there for the band. I obviously dance while drumline is playing because why would you not dance."

KAHLI GONZALES, 10

"I was dancing at the pep rally because the music was lit. I go because they're fun. We get to dance and sing the school song. A lot of people don't dance in the stands but I do because I'm Ebony. I love the steppers and all the dancers because they make people wanna get excited about the games."

EBONY JERNIGAN, 9

"I only dressed up for two of the spirit days, pajama day and bands vs sports. I dressed up as Kurt Cobain because he's been my favorite artist since I like came out of the womb. Those days really helped me get into the school spirit for sure."

MADDIE MARTINEZ, 12

HIPPIE vs rocker

"I love the spirit days and the '70s is kind of my thing so I just had this outfit in my closet. I keep it out instead of putting it in my Halloween bucket so I can always have it."

NYA SATURLEY, 11

"I chose Siouxsie Sioux, she's like the female version of the band Kiss. I will cross dress next year to continue the tradition, after Cruella De Vil, Hilary Clinton, and now I have to top this."

GRANT RICKS, 11



Ekana Baker



SMASHING good TIME

"I didn't know the sledge hammer would be so heavy."

MAHA AWAN, 12

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TUMBLING DOWN
Playing giant Jenga, freshman Gweneth Tillman removes a block causing the whole thing to fall. She enjoyed not having to do any work and hanging out with her friends the whole day. "I liked the ASL hopscotch the most because there wasn't the line," she said. "The carnival made me more excited for the upcoming years," photo by Eliana Baker.

JUMPING FOR JOY
On one of the carnival attractions sophomore Lexi Short competes against Nathan DeGid. The point of the game was to try and put the bean bag as far down with the bungee cord pulling back. "Me and my boyfriend were going up against each other and he kept betting me he would win," Lexi said. "I ended up showing him up and I won."



PROFESSIONAL
At the carnival, junior Britney Schick rides the bull for the first – and last time. All of her friends did it before her, and she wanted in on the fun. "I'm not going to lie, it was kind of embarrassing, but you know, you only live once," Britney said. "I probably could've stayed on longer but I got self conscious so I just fell off on purpose."



BEST TWO OUT OF THREE
During the carnival, sophomore Trey Davidson and Julia Richardi compete by trying to knock each other off a pedestal. Trey and Julia had tied by time up. "I was being super competitive," Trey said. "Since we bought the tickets we wanted to at least try everything."



CUTTING LOOSE
On the dance floor, junior Keely Anders and Anna Thompson dance to the song "Footloose." Keely did not participate in any of the other attractions – just the DJ. "I think that if was a great first year," Keely said. "All the performances were amazing. Since we don't have a dance, the carnival was a fun way to mix things up and we still got to dance."

A STICKY SITUATION
At the carnival, freshman Vernon Gomez jumps against the velcro wall. His favorite part was the bull ride because it was a lot of fun. "I only did this once because I accidentally got myself hurt," he said. "If Homecoming week didn't have a carnival it would probably be boring."

FIRST-EVER DAYTIME CARNIVAL PROVIDES FOOD, GAMES AND MUSIC

While standing behind the stage, student council president senior Victoria Kennedy watches students dance and sing to the DJ's music as the seven deliveries of pizza pull up in the driveway during the first daytime carnival. "We've had the idea for a long time," she said. "But this was the first year the administration said 'OK y'all can do it.'" The theme was Lionpalooza, a play on words from the popular music festival Lollapalooza, held every summer. "I think the biggest struggle is that it's really hard to put on something that big with that many people," Victoria said. "And especially since we hadn't done it before so we didn't know what to expect. We didn't know how much food to order or how many t-shirts to order, so we were all just like 'this seems OK.'" The attractions at the carnival included a live DJ, multiple bounce houses, a velcro wall, and a mechanical bull. "My experience was probably different than everybody else's," Victoria said.

"I didn't really ride a ride. I was at the carnival but I was mainly working it the entire time." Along with the attractions, senior Kennedy Claytor and junior Aden Lantos performed that the carnival. "I felt like a local celebrity," Kennedy said. "Everyone was singing along with me which helped me to kill the nerves." Kennedy performed "God Is a Woman," "Freedom," and sang "Valerie" as a duet with Aden. "I remember when I was singing, there was a group of kids in the front that were singing every word along with me," Kennedy said. "Everyone was dancing and having such a good time." Students are hoping this may be a new tradition for years to come. "I think the carnival is so much better than the past couple of years," Kennedy said. "I liked it a lot better than a dance because to me dances are kinda lame. Everyone does them, but I thought the carnival was a really good idea." story by Kayla Thompson

BY THE NUMBERS

1,200 TICKETS SOLD

\$5,000 DONATED FOR COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOL

500 PIZZA BOXES

11 ATTRACTIONS

“ We ordered around five hundred boxes of pizza, from four different Dominos, and seven deliveries; pizza was arriving every 15 minutes so we had to keep sending people out to get it.”

VICTORIA CARVAJAL, 12

“ I thought the bull ride was pretty frickin' cool, watching people get thrown off. Watching the performance by Laszlo Lantos was awesome. He played a 'Redbone' cover and it was really good.”

RICHARD O'CONNOR, 11

“ The inflatables and music were cool. I loved getting to eat pizza and how hype everyone was with the DJ there. I also got attacked by bees.”

AVERY JOHNSON, 9



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Homecoming game ends 42-45 in double-overtime

"I brought my date from Allen and he said that our homecoming was definitely better than theirs. He enjoyed the game a lot and I would say it was probably one of the best games of the season."
MANDY LIPSEY, 10

"Before the game I went to dinner with my friends but overall the game was fantastic. I was having heart attacks in the bleachers when we went into double-overtime. It was an emotional rollercoaster of screaming. I cried multiple times. I almost punched this kid in front of me in the back of the head."
ANNA THOMPSON, 11

"The game was exhilarating. it was a blast. I hung out with my friends and had a great time. When we went into double overtime I got really excited so it was disappointing after the loss. My friends and I went to IHOP after so that was a good way to end the night."
BEN RUNYAN, 12

"The game itself kept me on the edge of my seat because the score was really close, and everyone was freaking out. That part was really fun because I was with my close friends, but it also made me mad because we lost."
ALIYANARAH FORTUNA, 10



PUSH UPS FOR TOUCHDOWNS
After another touchdown is made, the Headhunters, juniors Danny Eaker, Nathaniel Jefferies and Blake Weaver complete push ups to meet the score. "Being a Headhunter really gets you out of your shell," Nathaniel said. "Everyone was excited and hopeful to win and looking up at everyone in the stands I just felt pride."
HOMECOMING LOSS
After Plano East scored the last field goal winning the game, senior Cordrick Dunn sits down in shock. The game had ended in a three-point loss in double overtime. "I had tried to block their field goal but I missed it," he said. "I was pretty emotional because I had a lot of history with the team we played."



LITTLE BRO
Down on the field, senior Leslie Romero stands with her younger brother, Marco. She was nominated for Princess of Clubs. "They told us to bring someone to walk us down the field so we put my little brother in a suit and tie," she said. "He was very curious about everything and kept asking me questions like why we were on the big screen or why everyone was clapping."



SPARKLERS
During the National Anthem, juniors Emily Hallstrom and Jalyin Serrano sign the word 'sparkle'. They practiced signing every Friday morning before school. "We have silent dinners where we don't talk, we just sign," Emily said. "It's interesting being able to express words without speaking." *photo by Aden Lantos*

ONE NIGHT ONLY
During half time, senior Caroline Swan accepts her crown. She attended the game to accept her crown after being unable to play in the volleyball game that night. "I knew I wasn't going to be able to play because I had the stomach flu," Caroline said. "But you only get one chance for hoco as a senior and I already bought the dress and didn't want to miss the opportunity."



Mariana Gomez

and the winners are...



- KING AND QUEEN:** ANDREW PITTS & BROOK NAULTY
- BEAU AND SWEETHEART:** BRADY SCHROEDER & ADLYN LARSEN
- PRINCE AND PRINCESS OF:** FINE ARTS: ERIC BOATMAN & HANNAH FREEMAN
- CLUBS:** GRANT WHEELER & ARIANA NAVARRO
- ATHLETICS:** MICAH ARDILA & CAROLINE SWAN
- SPECIAL OLYMPICS:** JACOB WINDHAM & EROLYNN FLORIDA



Adrian Wilson



Aden Lantos

EMOTIONAL ROLLERCOASTER
During the first half of the game, junior Jacob Jackson and seniors Aly Grider, Jennifer Sandoval and Aryana Jamshidi lean to the left imitating a rollercoaster. That past week, Aryana had spent hours participating in school spirit activities. "The game was going uphill the whole time," Aryana said. "It broke my heart that it was our last homecoming game but I wouldn't have traded this experience for the world."
THROWING DOWN
Quarterback senior Kelvin Thomas throws the ball during the first quarter of the game. The festivities of homecoming week helped motivate him to play his best. "Being the quarterback is a blessing," he said. "I just felt really good being one of the leaders of the team."



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rewriting HISTORY

STUDENTS CONDUCT A PHILOSOPHICAL SHOWDOWN IN AP EURO

Senior Lilly Harlowe spent days researching the dirt about everyone else in AP Euro. She was ready to yell and scream and do anything she could to make her opponents seem unworthy. She was Beccaria and she was out to prove why he was the prime philosopher during the Philosophical Showdown in AP European History.

"My strategy was to prove why everyone else was wrong and why I was better," Lilly said. "If I'm gonna be honest, don't remember anything about any of the other philosophers. I was just trying to attack all the wrong things about them."

The class conducted a "Philosophical Showdown," where they debated to see which philosopher was the best fit to run Parliament.

"So we had a group of kids, like four or five, we would be given a philosopher and we had to do research on them," junior Eli Hardin said. "And then essentially we would try to prove who had the most realistic and intellectual ideas to then become the prime philosopher."

The team fighting for Montesquieu, a French political analyst, won the debate.

"We would go research all the philosophers, and see if we could find anything conflicting about them," Eli said. "There were some that were like racist or heavily against women's rights and as a result we would kinda take that and question the philosopher. It was basically 'find the beef' that made them infamous."

Senior James Halderman wasn't in the debate, but was the speaker of the house who controlled the debate.

"Mr. McGowan asked the class who they would vote for to be their warlord, with no context," he said. "And I was voted number one, so he was like 'O.K., you're the speaker of the house.'"

Doing interactive activities like a Philosophical Showdown, allows the students to learn about history in a hands-on way, rather than out of a textbook.

"It helps us better understand the different philosophers and their thoughts on the different political and social issues at the time," James said. "I loved Mr. McGowan when I had him for AP World and we have a great social studies department. I think if you were to take any elective, that AP Euro would be the one you should to take."

story by Kayla Thompson
spread by Sydney Caldwell



Elizabeth Chan

adding IT ALL UP

"I like geometry because we play a lot of games, and Coach Brooks always brings in people from the halls. It's not one of those classes I really have to study for."

— CADE CONNOR, 9

PERSONAL PROBLEMS

While in AP Euro, senior Cayla Simpson participates in a parliament debate. "I liked how everyone who was involved in it got really into it," she said. "It kind of showed that these people who are supposed to be looked up at or like what they contributed to society actually aren't the best people when it comes to their personal lives."

IT'S A LONG STORY

During the debate, senior Miriam Hiestand argues against senior Lilly Harlowe about why Voltaire is better than Beccaria. Miriam loves the way their teacher, Mr. McGowan teaches. "He tends to deliver in more of a story format rather than a textbook format, which is what a lot of teachers do," she said. "He has really high expectations."



Abigail McAdams



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STORY OF MY LIFE

While listening to Mr. McGowan's lecture, seniors Christie Opoku and Samantha Greyson laugh at a picture. Samantha likes listening to Mr. McGowan because he always tells stories about his life. "My favorite thing is that he has a list of band names that we come up with," she said. "We write them down and reread them sometimes."

IN DEPTH

While waiting for his turn, senior Gabriel Parada prepares a question for one of the philosophers. Gabriel is really interested in history, which prompted him to join the class. "I took the class for other aspects of history," he said. "More specifically, European history. Although world history is very eurocentric already, I feel like if we went more into depth it would be interesting."



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Gabby Rogge



Gabby Rogge

TAKING IN mâché

In Pre-AP Art, sophomore Aiden Brockington and freshman Hailey Humphreys make paper mâché masks. The art classes have never done a project like this before. "It was like out of the zone," Aiden said. "My favorite part was the plaster because it felt pretty cool."

With paper mâché on her face, freshman Absag Morales gets her face molded for her project. Absag looks up to her big brother because he taught her how to do new things. "Art is just something I like to do," she said. "It helps me express my feelings and I think it's good to be an artist."

SO close & YET SO far

BAND MISSES CHANCE AT STATE BY 1 POINT

Dead silent. Tears pouring. Nose sniffing. In state of shock, junior drum major Madelyn Coleman headed home from the Area contest, unable to compete for a spot at State.

"Everybody was just heartbroken because we just saw everything get washed away before our eyes when we weren't called," junior Eric Schmidt said. "All the work we had put forward was just tossed away."

The band got 58 points, being place 11th, while Wylie High School got 57 points being 10th place and advanced to finals.

"We worked so hard just to ending up being one point away," Eric said.

"Some of the judges had even placed us higher than bands that did make it."

The show was called "Carnival of the Animals." "My favorite part of the show is when we dance in part 4," freshman Nick Frazier said. "It was fun learning it and making fun of everyone else when we watched each other do it."

The band had performed early on competition day, being required to meet at the new stadium at 5:15 in the morning in order to practice.

"Everyone was making it seem really important going to Area," Nick said. "I was a little nervous but also really pumped because we did really good during practice."

For the juniors and seniors, this was their last chance to try and make it to State.

"At first I couldn't accept it," junior drum major Madelyn Coleman said. "We got off the field after retreat and everyone was crying but I was in shock like 'did that really just happen?' Once we got in the band hall I started bawling."

In hopes of a better competition season next year, the band is already preparing for marching season.

"I'm excited about the show next year," Madelyn said. "And I should be excited about being head drum major, but I'm really nervous because I know it's a big responsibility. I'm still going to be excited about it through the stress."

by Kayla Thompson



ALL WORK AND NO PLAY
At the Homecoming game, freshman Sara Khiraoui watches the scoreboard. Along with band, Sara is also in multiple AP classes and on the varsity swim team. "During marching band I had to miss some of my swim practice to go to rehearsal," she said. "It's possible to do it all. I just have to work a bit harder." photo by Kayla Thompson



TAKING CENTER STAGE
While on the stage, juniors Caroline Dietch, Abby Lillard, Chloe Guthrie, and senior Lizbeth Rodriguez react to saxophones playing. In part 4, there were flute, saxophone, and tuba features that were performed. "Mr. Ringel told us to be super emotional about this and be super hype on the stage," Abby said. "I thought that was a really cool part of the show."

Cobbly Higgs

HOOKED ON A FEELING

Angled in towards the press box, sophomore Kacie Herrington performs part 1 of the show. The band's performance was titled "Carnival of the Animals." "I feel like this show had a lot more feeling and emotion than last year's," she said. "There was just more positive energy because everyone just tried really hard to make it great." photo by Landry Raymond

FUN & GAMES

During the Prosper game, junior Sam McWhirter marches with his clarinet. Before every game, the band practices with the Marquettes, eats dinner together, and has inspection in the band hall. "It's fun on gamedays because we usually get to eat Chick-Fil-A," Sam said. "Also getting really good seats at the game is cool." photo by Melanie Russell



NEVER MISS A BEAT
While playing the Marimba, sophomore Megan Bagby looks up at senior drum major Eric Boatman. The drum majors keep and control the tempo for the entire show. "I remember at our very last rehearsal, Eric's voice cracked while dismissing us," Megan said. "It was so funny," photo by Elizabeth Chan



PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT
During part 4 of the show, seniors Aly Lenhard and Jacie Shakotko and junior Phillip Soltys-Niemann lift up sophomore Kayla Nguyen. In the summer, color guard starts band camp 1 week before the band. "There was a lot more pressure because it was a state year," Kayla said. "We practiced our butts off just cleaning the show for hours."

Cobbly Higgs

touch close

BAND USES NEW APP TO LEARN SHOW

Before last year, the band used coordinate cards to learn their show, but now they use the Ultimate Drill Book App or the UDBApp. Junior Nathaniel Nease was a part of the last class to use coordinate cards. "The app tells us a lot more like step size and half-way points that the cards didn't, so it's a lot easier for us to learn our spot," he said. "I do miss the coordinate cards though because I'm scared I'm gonna drop my phone on the concrete."



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FALL & WINTER

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NOV. 3

Ariana Grande's song "Thank You, Next" was released. The music video recreates scenes from four iconic teen movies. The music video broke a world record, reaching 46 million views in the first 22 hours the video was released. Source: *Variety.com*

NOV. 6

102 women were elected to Congress during the historic Midterm elections. In Texas, Republican Senator Ted Cruz eked out Democratic challenger Beto O'Rourke. Cruz received votes from 50.9 percent of the state. Source: *Vox.com*

NOV. 8

The Camp fire destroyed over 13,000 buildings and killed around 88 people. It started in Plumas National Forest and ran through Butte County. It was named the deadliest fire in the history of California. Source: *WashingtonPost.com*

NOV. 9

The annual Distinguished Lions Ceremony was held. Real estate developer Ray Eckenrode and stunt performer Jessica Harbeck were inducted at halftime of the Boyd football game.

NOV. 12

Comic book artist and creator of the Marvel Universe, Stan Lee, died at the age of 95 of congestive heart failure. Lee was known for his cameos in the Marvel movies, starting with "The Hulk" (1989) to "Venom" (2018). Source: *USAToday*



NOV. 26

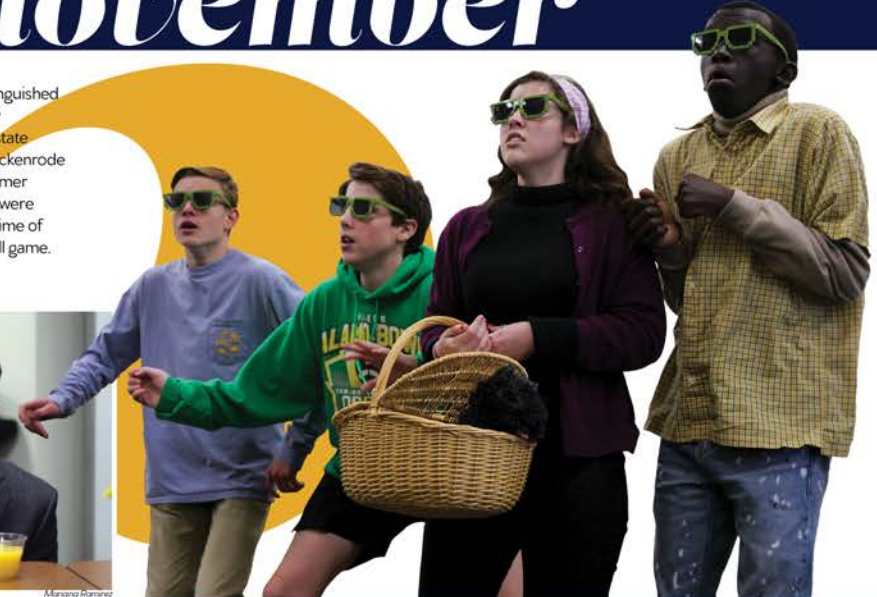
Over Thanksgiving break, a cat snuck into the school. Ms. Dondi Moran took the cat home and named her Luna, after they caught her in C-hall. "I've been thinking about getting a cat for a while after playing with Ms. Vinson's cat," she said. "It was kinda like fate when this just fell in my lap."

NOV. 30

George H. W. Bush, the 41st President of the United States, died at age 94. He suffered from vascular parkinsonism, a condition that limited his mobility.



Marissa Morales



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DEC. 10

The foreign language department had a gingerbread house decorating contest. Sophomore Kamryn Lumpkin and freshman Sophia Angelucci were there for French Club. "We were making the house and I accidentally spilled the icing," Kamryn said.



Isabella Brooks



Elizabeth Chan

DEC. 14

The teachers spent a day in the Makerspace making ornaments to decorate for Christmas. Ms. Spain and Mr. Braddy planned the event. "We got the ornament ideas from Pinterest," Ms. Spain said. "Then we went to Walmart to get all the supplies and came back and set up the room."

DEC. 13

Junior Jack Kirkham and sophomores Allison Bennett, Tyler Price and Tristan Adtu performed "The Wizard of Oz" for the elementary schools along with the rest of the theatre. "It was fun to hang out with the cast and make good relationships," Jack said. "Everyone's really fun and outgoing." photo by Landry Raymond.

DEC. 14

"Spider-man: Into The Spider-verse" was released. The film won Best Animated Feature at the Producers' Guild Awards, and won an Academy Award for Best Animated Feature. Source: *comicbook.com*



DEC. 22

Key parts of the US government shut down after President Donald Trump and Democratic politicians hit an impasse over the president's request for \$5 billion in funding for the wall on the US-Mexico border, a demand Democrats opposed. Source: *Politico.com*



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finally.

LIONS DEFEAT BOYD FOR FIRST TIME SINCE 2006



A BROTHERHOOD
After winning the game against Boyd, senior Jack Vinson, joined by the other varsity members, was asked to take a picture in front of the score board. The team made history when they defeated Boyd after an 11-year losing streak. "With a brand new coaching staff and only seven returning varsity members, the seniors have seen a lot," Jack said. "The special thing was that we all came together and formed a brotherhood that was capable of beating 6A football teams."
photo by Abney Garcia



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screaming at the top of their lungs, "Go for it!" as my friends were coming and so I was reaching out for them." photo by Alexis Garcia



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34-24 CROSSTOWN SHOWDOWN PROPELS LIONS INTO PLAYOFFS

The Lions were ahead 34-24 with seconds left in the game. The crowd was on their feet waiting for the buzzer to go off to seal the win that would lead them to playoffs. The team looked up at the board as the seconds ticked down. Helmets flew into the air. Some players fell onto their knees. Some waved their arms and legs and they lay there. Turf angels, they called them. They had made history by defeating the Boyd Broncos in the Crosstown Showdown for the first time in 11 years.

The Lions made it to the first round of playoffs two years in a row and were able to beat their crosstown rival for the first time since 2006. "All I know is when the buzzer rang, I threw my helmet about 10 feet in the air," senior linebacker Jack Vinson said. "And could not keep a smile off my face the rest of the night. There were big sweaty group hugs everywhere and pictures being taken like crazy. It was a big relief, we achieved our goal for that week. But at the same time all of us were already looking forward to next week and achieving the next goal."

After winning, the Marquettes and the cheerleaders were allowed to run on the field to celebrate with the team.

"We actually got to be on the field for the end of the game," Marquette captain Brock Naulty said. "So when we won we just screamed and hugged each other, then got to run over to the football boys and celebrate with them."

The locker room after the game had an exhilarating dynamic that it had never had before, Jack said.

"Post-game victory celebrations hold a special place in my heart," Jack said. "Being that it was not just your normal win, the locker room was electric that night. We had clinched playoffs and made history. After that night I don't think McKinney high football could get closer as a family."

The school participated in the long standing tradition of Beat the Drum for a full 24 hours before the Crosstown Showdown game.

"We beat an oil drum painted in Boyd colors for 24 hours," senior class president Ariana Navarro said. "From the kick off of the JV game to the kick off of the varsity game. It was super fun tradition, tons of clubs sign up to come in the middle of the night, and I think it's one of our main events that really unites us as a school."

Jack said he is proud to be a part of the Class of 2019 and their accomplishments.

"I've always known that the Class of 2019 holds something that a lot of other classes don't," Jack said. "And it always has: Us seniors, who played varsity football 3-4 years, got to see the state's best running back, broke the tradition of not appearing in playoffs two years in a row and this year broke the 12-game losing streak against our biggest rivals, McKinney Boyd."

story by Elisha Stokes

BOYD WHO? At the crosstown game, senior Cody Robstalle cheers on his friends, Jackson Cantrell and Jack Vinson. The Lions took the lead at the end of the third quarter. "I saw the scoreboard and realized that we were beating Boyd so I threw up that towel," Cody said. "It feels amazing to be a senior in the front row because you can see the whole game and you don't have to worry about seeing over people's heads." **NERVE-WRACKING** After a touchdown, senior Jennifer Sandoval celebrates in the front row. Before the game, she had a gut feeling that the team would do good. "I get so nervous at games," she said. "When they were close to the goal, I would literally close my eyes and just listen for the crowd." **A TEAM EFFORT** During the second half of the game, senior quarterback Kelvin Thomas runs the ball. He was one of many Lions that went to Whataburger after the game to claim it by planting the McKinney High flag. "The game was important because I was one of the four leaders of the team," Kelvin said. "It was definitely a team effort because we were losing at half time but were able to turn it around in the second half."



FRIENDLY FACES After the game is over, junior Jacob Pfingst, Kaver Lewis, senior Omar Almaraz, and other varsity football players facetime their friend Quenton to share the excitement on the field. Quenton was on the team that lost to Boyd in 2017. "I hope we can start a new tradition of beating Boyd," Jacob said. "Since they had a tradition of beating us for the past eleven years."

winning at the top of the... my friends were cheering and I was cheering out for them." photo by Adria Lopez



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BEAT THE DRUM

CROSSTOWN SHOWDOWN TRADITION CONTINUES

(It finally worked.)

HIGH spirits

PEP RALLY GETS STUDENTS EXCITED FOR GAME

BLOWN AWAY As the step team comes out, freshmen Sabrina Wallace, Kambeli Davis and Ashanti Hill react to Ms. Natasha Hayden. This pep rally was her favorite out of the four. "Ms. Natasha came out and was killing it, she was dancing and getting down," Sabrina said. "It was really cool because I was like dang she can really dance."

LIFTED UP During the chess battle cries, sophomore Jenna Reese sits on junior D'Ericca Frerson's shoulders. The volleyball team lifted her and they all danced together. "They lifted me up on D'Ericca's shoulders," Jenna said. "I was surprised we didn't fall."

LOOKING TO WIN As the end of the pep rally, junior Jason Rozzmore gets on junior Juan Verdines' shoulders. He plays in an outside linebacker. "I was throwing my arms up and yelling trying to get them excited about the game, and as excited as we were," Jason said. "You could tell it was going to be a good game before it even started."



Elizabeth Chan

Elizabeth Chan

FOR THE HYPE

During the cheer team's time, sophomore Sydney Evans beats the drum. On JV cheer, she enjoyed the game from the stands with her friends. "My favorite thing about beat the drum is all the hype it brings," she said. "But the best part of crosstown in all was winning."



Marissa



Kayla Thompson

HUDDLE UP

Sitting around the drum, juniors Adagi McAdams, Elizabeth Chan, Marina Ramirez, sophomores Leah Bottman and Sydney Caldwell, and senior Leah Harris beat the drum. "It was a really fun experience even though woodchips kept flying into my eye," Adagi said. "Le was sitting next to me and she was screaming really loud the entire time, even louder than us beating the drum."

CAFFINATED SPIRIT

Before the school day starts, senior Olivia Wilson sings and dances to stay awake. Throughout the night she drank a total of five cups of coffee. "We were going to beat Boyd so I just had to have my school spirit up," she said. "I was there all night because doing this as a senior is something you can only do once." photo by Mariana Ramirez



BEATING BOYD

During the journalism time, seniors Sydney Beck and Samantha Richards beat the drum. The previous night, Sydney had spent the senior slot of beat the drum recording for MHSI. "Having the school come together in a tradition like that doesn't just bring people together, but it gives them something to look forward to," Sydney said. "It's good to be able to see our hard work finally pay off." photo by Lindsay Raymond

screaming at the top of my lungs, because we had my friends were coming and so I was cheering out for them! photo by Abriely Garcia



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Elizabeth Chan

A BREAK THROUGH
 Attempting to get a first down, senior Cordrick Dunn breaks through a tackle. The game was one to remember as the losing streak to Boyd was finally broken. "My mindset going into the game was that we were going to win," Cordrick said. "As a senior it felt like I had to lead in a way, all the senior's stepped it up that night."

ROLLERCOASTER OF EMOTIONS

During the first quarter, Mr. Turner leads seniors Aryana Jamshidi, Jennifer Sandoval, Aly Grider, and junior Jacob Jackson in the rollercoaster. The Lions had scored a touchdown and were tied with Boyd. "Whenever the camera for the big screen showed us we just got really hyped up," Aly said. "We were just yelling at people to cheer."



Elizabeth Chan



Mariana Ramirez

HAVING A MOMENT
 After finally beating Boyd, Principal Alan Arbabi and Head Football Coach Marcus Shavers embrace. Mr. Arbabi was the first person Coach Shavers saw after the game ended. "After all his hard work and support of me through a roller coaster season, it was just tremendous just to be able to share that moment with him," Coach Shavers said. "And to be a part of history with the guy who gave me the opportunity to be here."



Mariana Ramirez

I GOTTA FEELING
 After a touchdown, senior trainers Danica Trevino and Olivia Rogers jump for joy. They had a jam session in Danica's car before the game and had a feeling the Lions were going to win. "Olivia and I always get excited when we are near a touchdown," Danica said. "And we think that it's good luck to hold each other's hand so that they score." photo by Elizabeth Chan

A SECOND FAMILY
 During the post-game celebration, inside linebackers sophomore Jack Moses and Cooper Frazier hug their position Coach Clint Coffman. "He has helped us through a lot and we've been with him since last year, we've known him for a while, he's pretty special to us," Jack said. "And me and Cooper are pretty tight since we're in the same position, so I think we will have a pretty good chance at winning again next year too."



Mariana Ramirez

TEARS OF JOY
 Celebrating their first win over Boyd, sophomore Seth Cox and junior Juan Verdines are overcome with emotion. Seth believes with the new coaching staff will be able to take the team far next year. "It was my first year on varsity and especially being a starter, we did it for the seniors," Seth said. "We did it for all the guys that didn't believe in us."



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REST IN PEACE

While pointing up to the sky, junior Isaiah Rojas prays for his late grandfather.

R ISAIAH ROJAS PLAYS GAME FOR LATE GRANDFATHER

Running through the tunnel, paint dripping down his face, junior Isaiah Rojas drops to his knees and looks up to the sky, thanking his late grandpa for all he has done.

"He died going into my freshmen year," Isaiah said. "After he passed away, I just knew that he was gonna be there for me."

Isaiah's grandpa was a big influence on him and was like a father figure to him. Isaiah wrote his grandfather's nickname, "TaTa," on his face for the Boyd game.

"So it has just impacted me deeply in football and every sport that I do to go 100 percent no matter what the cause is," he said. "He was always telling me I can go somewhere big if I keep my head straight."

Junior Datron Brooks is one of Isaiah's friends on the football team that notices what an impact his grandpa has made on him.

"He always talks about it," he said. "He even has a tattoo of his grandpa's name so I knew it meant a lot to him and that his grandpa was a really big

part of his life."

Datron and Isaiah met while on the same 7-on-7 team coming into freshman year.

"We were on the same team and that's when we got close," Datron said. "He's grown from it and has just learned to take it on. It's making him a lot stronger and making him work harder and put more dedication into anything that he does."

Isaiah dedicated the Boyd football game to his grandpa, and will think of his grandpa every game during his senior year.

"I remember it like it was yesterday," Isaiah said. "That game was a big game for everybody. At the beginning of the game, we run through the tunnel and across the field and drop to one knee and every time I drop down to my knee I'm always thinking about my grandpa, and that he's gonna watch over me in that game, because he never saw me play high school football."

story by Kayla Thompson
photo by Mariana Ramirez

“It has just **impacted** me deeply in football and every sport that I do.”



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READ IT & WEEP

STUDENTS IN ENGLISH READ THEIR CHOICE BOOKS

SECOND TIME'S A CHARM
At the beginning of English class, junior Hailey Wilson reads the book *We Were Lions*. Her class reads their choice book the first ten minutes every day. "My book is about this girl who is on summer break and her memory isn't that great so her cousins help her figure out the past," she said. "I read this book my freshmen year and I was confused so I wanted to reread it to understand it more."

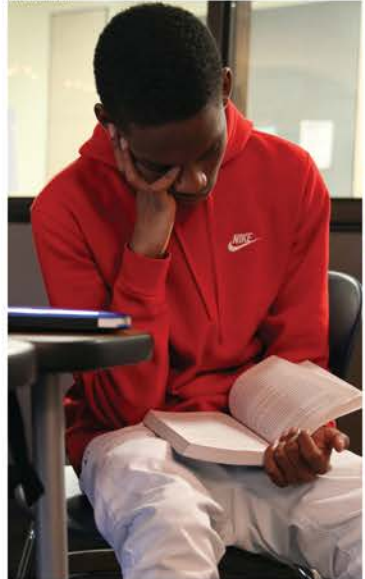
LIVING THE DREAM
In Ms. Swan's class, sophomore Lesly Gonzalez reads *I'm Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter*. One of the choices in a book club, she picked it because she felt she would relate to the book. "The main character has a dream to be a writer and move to New York and do great stuff with her life," Lesly said. "The way the author didn't use simple language and didn't restrict from using bad words is what I like to read."



Mariona Ramirez



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JUDGE A BOOK BY ITS TITLE
In his English class, sophomore William Culliver reads a book called *Goodbye Days*. The book is about a teenager that feels responsible for his three friends dying in a car accident. "I chose to read this book because I just liked the title," Will said. "My favorite book is actually *The Outsiders* because it had some cursing and a lot of fights in it, I liked seeing the two different sides of the fighting."

OUT OF ORDER
During English, sophomore Presley Cantrell reads his choice book. His favorite book is one from *The Hunger Games* series. "I did it kind of backwards and watched the movie before reading the book," Presley said. "I like survival kind of books and stuff like that, that's why I liked *The Hunger Games*."

GOOD reads

STUDENT'S FAVORITE BOOKS

“*East of Eden*, because I love classic literature and I love interesting characters.”

ERIN CYRIER, 12



“*Everything, Everything* because I think it's crazy how our parents try to put limits on us but when we find out the truth we can always break free and be our own person.”

MARCELLA CASSIDY, 11



“*Moxie* because it was one of the first books that introduced me to feminism and how it grew from the nineties on, it's like modern feminism.”

CORRIE FERGUSON, 9

“*The 7 1/2 Deaths of Evelyn Hardcastle* is my favorite book because it's like a big game of clue, and you're just discovering who murdered who throughout the entire book until the end. The book sets in a manor and the main character is like living his life over and over again but as different people in the house, so he has like seven days to figure out this murder of Evelyn Hardcastle.”

LUCIE MADONI, 12



“*Red Queen* by Victoria Aveyard because it's a really interesting plot and I couldn't put it down, I finished it in one day.”

BRENNAN BARNES, 11

“The third book in the *Mortal Instruments* series *City of Glass* because it's the only book that has ever made me cry ever and it was so insane and it was a wild plot and I'm a hopeless romantic.”

MICHELLE GARGIA, 11



“*The New Jim Crow* by Michelle Alexander because it covers very relevant topics to today's current events on mass incarceration.”

ARIANA NAVARRO, 12

“*The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* because whenever I read it in school it just like took me on a rollercoaster and had a really surprising and emotional ending.”

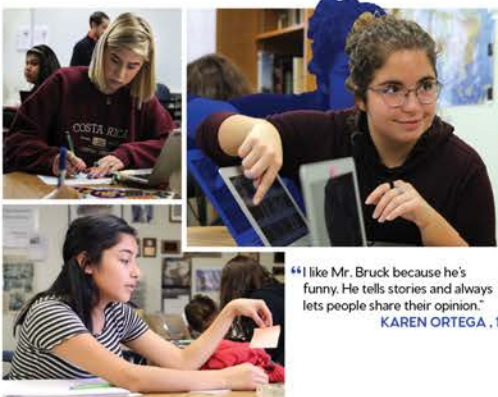
KAITLYN YOUNGER, 9



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Ekana Baker



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DISCOVERING history

“In AP world, we were making a Facebook page for philosophers. I chose Voltaire. It’s a lot of stress sometimes but it’s a great class.”
AVA APREA, 10

“I like Mr. Bruck because he’s funny. He tells stories and always lets people share their opinion.”
KAREN ORTEGA, 11

“I was working on a Cold War project, and making a childrens book describing what caused the Cold War.”
ADDISYN NILSEN, 11

THE ALGEBRA II life

STUDENTS GET REAL ABOUT ALGEBRA II

“Mr. Mierow is a great teacher for me. He is really into Marvel and relates to us students well. We all listen to him because if we don’t then we miss something important and that’s our fault. I like Algebra II because of him.”

AMANDA CARTIER, 11

“Algebra II is a good experience for me, just because I feel like any time I’m struggling with a topic. Mrs. Lowry always does her best so I can strive as a student. She comes up with different plans and methods for different students, and sees what works for everyone.”

JAYSON WILLIAMS, 11

“I think Algebra II is a really good class, because the teacher helps us advance our academic skills. We get to learn new and different problems in math. Also some of my really good friends are in the class and it makes the experience even better.”

EVAN PLYLER, 10

“I like the concepts of how you can figure something out. And then if you’re not sure if it works or not, you plug your answer in and that’s how you know for a fact that it works. My teacher is interesting, he entertains the class. He’s very dorky and likes comics, which is relatable to me because I love comics too.”

LAUREN PETERSON, 10



Abigail McAdams

TUTORING THE CLASS

While writing on a poster, freshman Madison Ougyun reteaches what she has learned so far in Algebra II. The class is a half and half mix of freshmen and sophomores. “Math is one of my better subjects,” Madison said. “I would have to thank my teacher. She makes the concepts simple.”

PT CRUISED

In algebra II, junior Lewei Zhou studies to retake a test. The class prepares him for his future line of work – physical therapy. “It’s a field most relatable to my career,” Lewei said. “Mr. Mierow integrates a lot of activities into the class.”



Abigail McAdams

MAD MATH

As she reviews for an upcoming test, sophomore Katie Cullum writes about notations. Her teacher, Ms. Lowry is one of her favorite teachers. “In Algebra, you can mess up on the little things,” Katie said. “Which is really frustrating, but it’s fun to me.”



Abigail McAdams

PALS AT WORK

While working in Algebra II, freshman Liam Nichols makes posters alongside his classmate. Liam has always been fond of math, as opposed to his other classes. “Math feels like a constant to me,” Liam said. “I just enjoy the subject.”

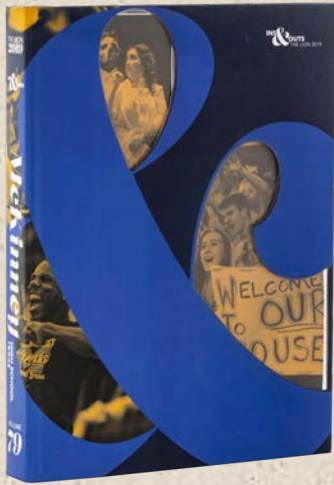
lionLOGIC

STUDENTS TEACH COMPUTER SCIENCE TO ELEMENTARY KIDS

While at a computer science event, junior Joseph Montefalcon instructs young children on a coding game. Each individual had a certain station and the kids went around the stations. “It’s really great to see kids enjoy coding,” Joseph said. “We see the ways that we can help them learn and potentially help them become coders.”

For computer science, senior Saffat Ahmed teaches elementary school kids about mirror mazes. Lion Logic helps develop basic skills for coding. “It’s our way of promoting computer science,” Saffat said. “It was enjoyable, and all the kids seemed to like it.”

photos by Elizabeth Chan



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NEW TO THE SHOW
While holding his bow, freshman Jaron Stager fires arrows at the knights. Jaron played one of the royal people in the show. "It was totally neat being a freshman in Madrigal," he said. "I am looking forward to it next year."



STAGE FRIGHT
Sitting on his throne, senior Zarek Vanlaningham sets the stage for the act. Zarek struggled with the lines in the beginning but picked it up after his second night. "The biggest part of it is getting up there and doing the lines in front of a large audience," he said. "Even when you know everyone is looking at you."



HOW TO SAVE A TEAR
While singing, senior Jordan Yonas performs in Madrigal. Jordan has been in every Madrigal show since freshman year. "I tried to save all my tears for the last night," she said. "But it didn't work because I was too busy thinking that I won't be able to do this next year."



FUM FIGHT
Carrying a tray, sophomore Loni Marra brings out food to the audience. Loni is in varsity choir and had to perform multiple times throughout the night. "My favorite song was probably 'Fum Fum Fantasia,'" she said. "It was really fun to sing."



THE royal TREATMENT

CHOIR HOSTS MADRIGAL DINNER

Sitting high on her pedestal, watching her subjects closely, senior Jordan Yonas sits on her throne in the center of the stage as queen of Madrigal.

At first Jordan was hesitant about playing the queen. "I didn't actually want to be the queen at first. I wanted to be the lady of peace and that was because I didn't think I was good enough to be the queen," she said. "The more I practiced it, the more I was really happy with being the queen because I don't really like to be put in a position above other people but that was a really cool moment for me." Jordan used being a queen to help motivate others and promote morale. "I tried to not be a queen, but I would try and use that as a way to help encourage others," she said. "A lot of girls want to be the queen of Madrigal but don't feel like they can and that's how I felt."

"A LOT OF GIRLS WANT TO BE THE QUEEN OF MADRIGAL BUT DON'T FEEL LIKE THEY CAN AND THAT'S HOW I FELT."

jordan yonas

Sophomore Tyler Price got his start in theater when he was 8, when his mom forced him to be in a show.

"I joined choir because there is a lot of singing at my church," he said. "I decided I might as well learn to sing since I was already doing theatre."

The actors got to pick a character from a book or movie that represents the color 'green' for their knight character to be based on.

"I chose Buddy the Elf because we were thinking that it would be really funny," he said. "I think a lot of people know about the 'Elf' movie, and the show was going on during Christmas so it pretty much fit the theme."

Last year Tyler played the prince, but this year he got a bigger role. "I didn't really have a big part last year and this year it was a lot more fun," he said. "I got to come up with what we were going to do for our competitions and stuff within the show."

The closing song was a memorable moment for the cast of Madrigal. "The show-stopping moment was probably when the show actually ended, like when we sang 'Dona Nobis Pacem' because it's a very traditional thing that we do," Jordan said. "It's one of the most memorable parts of Madrigal for the people participating because it's so beautiful how we have all the candles lit up and everyone's singing."

by Sydney Caldwell
photos by Eliana Baker

SOMETHIN' SPECIAL
While performing an extra skit, sophomore Noah Mahmood takes the princess captive to get the king's attention. Noah has been in three different school districts and has never seen anything like Madrigal. "Madrigal is unique to this school district," he said. "Every high school has shows and performances but they're nothing like Madrigal"



NIGHT CHANGES
During a scene in Madrigal, sophomore Allison Bennett talks to senior Matthew Dexter. Every year Madrigal changes little things to keep the show interesting. "Every year the cast changes and it's fun to see how everyone plays each role," she said. "We can add roles and take them away to add more people."

jokin' AROUND

While yelling, sophomore Ashley Johansen messes around. Ashley played the joker in Madrigal. "I felt like the role was most fitting for me because I like making people laugh," she said. "I did little skits and stuff like that."





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JUMP & jive

STUDENT COUNCIL PUTS ON DANCE AT MCKINNEY NORTH HIGH SCHOOL

at her first high school dance, freshman Isabel Flores looked forward to having her first dance with her crush. Thanks to a friend, she got her wish when senior Junior Leon asked Isabel to dance with him.

"I asked her because she's a sweetheart, and I think she deserves to have a fun time. I was a little bit nervous and a little bit excited. We had an amazing time, and I couldn't be more happier to hang out with her." Isabel was happy her wish came true.

"He's always nice, and he wanted to dance with me, so I said yes," she said.

Partners PE attended the Jolly Jive, a prom that's held for the special ed program. Dresses and tuxedos are donated to the students, and the cosmetology department does the girls' hair and makeup. Junior Ally Tauber was paired with Isabel for the dance.

"My partner Isabel got her favorite purple color dress and she looked so beautiful. You could tell in her face how beautiful she felt, and it was just a great experience to see her outside the classroom, and in a setting where she just feels herself and beautiful"

Isabel got to have one of her first dances in high school with a crush she had.

"Isabel told me she had a crush on Junior, and the whole night was planning on Junior to give her a dance. She knew that's what she wanted to do going into the dance, and she kept talking about it."

Ally was able to experience the moment with her.

"She was just so happy, she was a little timid, but I could tell she was super excited. Whenever it happened they were just so happy, and it was fun to experience that with her."

by Leah Boatman
 all photos by Mariana Ramirez



SINGING SENSATION
 On the stage, senior Junior Leon sings a Justin Bieber song. Junior started singing when he was 5, and has been practicing ever since. "On my 5th birthday I told myself I was ready to start singing," he said. "I gave it my first try and it went pretty well."



HOLLY & JOLLY



In the band hall, sophomore Michaela Brooks hangs lights around the lockers. The students also decorated with ribbon and gift bows. "I wanted to make the band hall look festive," she said. "And add some Christmas spirit to it." photo by Kayla Thompson

STUCK LIKE GLUE
 On the dance floor, junior Kaitlyn Eshbaugh waltzes with senior Jacob Windham. Cosmetology did the girls' hair and makeup and dresses and tuxedos were donated for the students to wear. "Jacob was so much fun to be around," Kaitlyn said. "So I stuck with him and kept dancing."

WAY UP NORTH
 While looking at another student, junior Keandre William hangs out with a friend. He met new people, and danced with them. "I met some people from North," Keandre said. "We danced to Justin Bieber and the 'Cupid Shuffle.'"



YOU'VE GOT A FRIEND IN ME
 While dancing, sophomore Arjun Bhargava meets a new friend, Serena. They were dancing along to the "Cupid Shuffle." "I'm kind of an awkward person," he said. "But she was pretty popular. She knew everyone."



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ON EDGE

Leaning over the edge, junior Emily Bruce watches a Barbie drop. Math Models is an entry class for other math classes. "Math models gets us prepared for the next math class," Emily said. "It's one of the easiest classes I've taken, and done well in." *photo by Mariana Ramirez*



Mariana Ramirez

TESTING THE LIMITS

During the activity, junior Daniela Hernandez watches the others drop their dolls. She had to calculate the height and if it would bounce back. "It took 20-something rubber bands," Daniela said. "It was one of my favorite projects."

DROP THAT BARBIE

Observing the aftermath of her Barbie's fall, junior Elektra Burnett measures the distance from the ground to the figure. The results for her experiment were very anticlimactic. "It only took 14 rubber bands," Elektra said. "It didn't even touch the ground."



Mariana Ramirez



FALLING ANSWERS

While releasing his Barbie doll, freshman Tristan Parker looks at his partner. It took two days to complete the project. "I like dropping the doll off a high place," Tristan said. "I thought it would take around 20 rubber bands but we ended up using 30."

REACHING FOR ANSWERS

In the main hall, sophomore Lavaryon Davis stretches up to his model. They got out of class to do the experiment. "I like the energy the teacher gives off," LaViryon said. "That's why I like going to Ms. duPont." *photo by Aden Lantos*

Aden Lantos



REACTIONS & RESULTS



"We were burning magnesium sticks to see the reaction with oxygen and fire. It was very bright and it could burn a hole in your cornea, if you looked at it."

"In chemistry we were mixing chemicals to see their pH level. It was fun to see the paper change colors."

ZACK ROWE, 10

KENNEDY STONE, 10

Both photos by Elizabeth Chan

drop it LIKE IT'S hot

MATH MODELS CLASSES DROP BARBIES OFF BALCONY

With her toes touching the edge, mere rubber bands wrapped around her waist to catch her, and her life on the hands of students, the Barbie doll prepares herself for an adrenaline-filled activity. She is pushed off the second floor balcony and the only thing left is the hope of not hitting the ground.

"We got the idea of the project from Pinterest," Ms. Madison duPont said. "We were just doing a tone of worksheets and I was just over it. We found it on Pinterest and fixed it to our critical. Then a friend I have in Prosper did it too and told me her tips."

The goal of the experiment was to learn real life data with a linear regression and project a future data point.

"The student were really proud of themselves," Ms. duPont said. "They used math to figure out a real life scenario, and to accomplish a real goal. Some got really close too, only like a centimeter to the ground. So they were extremely successful in the concept and they were excited about that."

The students had to use a meter stick, rubber bands, and a Barbie doll to complete the experiment. The Barbie which is connected to rubber bands is dropped off of upstairs to see how many rubber bands it takes to reach the bottom.

"A couple Barbie lost their head," Ms. duPont said. "A couple didn't even make it past the wall like they

didn't have enough and they weren't accurate in the measurement so their line was skewed to low. Another one didn't secure their rubber band well enough so a bunched popped."

Math models is a stepping stone for other classes. "It's a course to help student prepare for the next math class," Ms. duPont said. "It's like a BC algebra one and a simple algebra two mix of content. So kids learn with a little more in-depth all of the algebra concepts and a little geometry's."

Ms. duPont has left an impact on her student with her vibe and spirit she spread throughout her room. "I like her atmosphere," sophomore Joseph Bernard said. "It's light, and you can work in it comfortably. Ms. duPont is really hyper, but she makes the lessons fun. She lets us do it online or a team thing."

This is Ms. duPont first year at McKinney High, and teaching math models.

"Math model was something a was lucky assortment," Ms. duPont said. "I am really passionate to make people feel confident in a skill. So with math models I was excited help them how to learn something more than just math, like how to study and set a goal. I didn't get to choose this one, but like I'm here for a reason. And I really get to love on the kids."

by Abigail McAdams and Lilian Lima



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BREAK A LEG

During the showcase, sophomore Angela Garcia performs the jazz routine "Heartwave." Angela was a member of JV Marquettes. "It's a very fun experience," she said. "Performing in shows like this teaches you how to become a better dancer and performer."

JINGLE ALL THE WAY

For the finale of the showcase, senior Alyssa Wisdom smiles at the crowd. Their dance was inspired by the "Jingle Bell Rock" dance from the movie, "Mean Girls." "The last dance we usually do is contemporary, which is always sad," she said. "We did this dance to get in the Christmas spirit."

IN & OUT OF FOCUS

While facing stage right, senior Emily McAfee performs their lyrical routine. Marquettes never have an off-season; they compete and perform in competitions year round. "It's like a good therapy session," she said. "You get to focus on one thing at a time instead of everything else."

SAFE & SOUND

Behind the scenes, senior Carley Thomas performs her duties as manager. Being the manager requires multitasking. "I tell the girls when to enter and exit the stage," Carley said. "And I always have to pay attention to what the coaches are saying."



PIECE IT TOGETHER

During the Showcase of Dance, junior Jill Deglandon performs one of the officer dances called "Piece by Piece" with her fellow officers. The number means a lot to the officers in particular. "Honestly, the dance really satisfying," Jill said. "It's a very hard process because it's such a sad piece."

CARE TO DANCE

With the Studio Dance I class, junior Marlen Torres performs a jazz routine. Each dance class gets to perform at the Showcase. "I love how enthusiastic everyone was to get on stage," Marlen said. "And all my friends were in the dance too which just made it better."



HEART & SOUL

During an emotional officer routine, senior Brook Nauty performs. The showcase was held at McKinney North while the performing arts center was under construction. "Every year we have an emotional officer piece," she said. "This year since I'm the captain, I'm the star of it."

NEW DESIGN INFLUENCES PERFORMANCE

Crawling over the ramps, running up and down the stage, senior Alyssa Wisdom performs contemporary dance entitled "Better Earth" with the varsity Marquettes. The dance was based on many issues happening in the society today and promotes trying to save the environment. "It's like actually a very sad message," Alyssa said. "But it's also a very cool dance because it had a deeper meaning behind it. I wanted to do it justice because it's a very emotional piece, because like even today we see on the news people being like 'oh we only have this many years to save the planet', so the dance to kinda like help the awareness of saving the Earth."

In the showcase, one of the acts was a song performed by senior Kennedy Claytor and junior Jalyn Thomas. "I think my favorite part for me was playing the piano," Jalyn said. "It was a really fun experience for me because I could do more for the showcase. I got into playing piano when I was 9 and I like when I get to play outside of like festivals and lessons and do it for that school too." Along with being a varsity Marquette, Jalyn is also the chaplain for the team. "So before the showcase, we always have like a prayer like you do before anything," she said. "So I got to pray before the show and all the events we do which felt so felt getting my team calmed down and getting ready for the showcase."

When she was little, Jalyn did not want to dance and be a Marquette, until she made the varsity team her freshman year. "My sister was a Marquette and to be honest I didn't wanna do it," she said. "I was like 'no, I don't wanna perform in front of all those people' and my sister and my mom were probably my main influence to get me into dance, and I've loved it ever since so I'm glad they got me here." Even though this is her last performance at the winter showcase, after she graduates, Alyssa will be attending Kilgore College and trying out for their team, the Rangerettes. "I grew up here in McKinney and have always watched the Marquettes perform at football games so it's been a long term goal for me since I was young," she said. "Since it is my senior year, that was my last time to perform at the winter show and song the jingle bell rock dance at the end. All those sort of emotions started to come up it was more emotional than I had planned it to be."

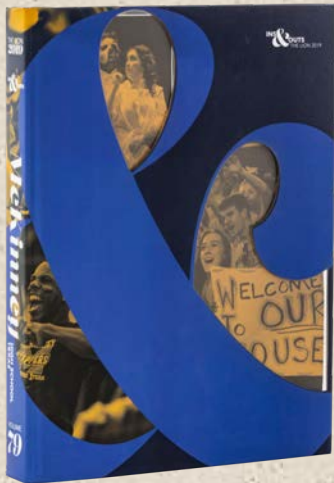
by Kayla Thompson

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TAKING CENTER STAGE

While dancing with her fellow line officers, senior, Kitra Henry arches her back to reach out. Kitra, along with other dancers, still experiences stage fright. "I do feel a sense of confidence with this dance," Kitra said. "But everytime I touch the stage I get nervous." photo by Landry Raymond





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WINTER

January



JANUARY

Netflix released a series of documentaries, including "Fyre," "Tidying Up" and "Conversations With A Killer: The Ted Bundy Tapes." "The Ted Bundy Tapes" tells the story of Ted Bundy's crimes from his own perspective from previously unheard audio recordings. *Source: Insider.com.*

JAN. 12

Mexican drug lord, Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman, was recaptured and sent back to the United States. Guzman was convicted of all 10 counts of a superseding indictment, and was sentenced to life imprisonment. *Source: ice.gov.*

JAN. 19

The Marquettes received three super sweepstakes and choreography awards at the MA Dance Competition. "This was our first competition so it was a good way to start the season," senior Marquette captain Brook Naulty said. "And now we're prepping to go to nationals."



JAN. 29

Jussie Smollett, an actor on the TV show "Empire," was attacked by two men in Chicago. The attack was first thought to be a hate crime, but after further investigation, the Chicago Police Department alleged that Smollett staged the attack. Smollett turned himself in to police and was fired from the show. However, the charges were later dropped.

JAN. 11

The boys basketball team beat Boyd 59-48, and the girls basketball team beat them 66-44. "It was my last time playing Boyd in my gym, so I couldn't lose," senior Aaron Brown said. "It felt good beating Boyd but I knew we would play them again and next time I didn't want them to win at all." *photo by Mariana Ramirez*

JAN. 20-21

A super blood wolf moon, or a lunar eclipse with a blood moon, was visible throughout the U.S. *photo by Kristen Copeland. Source: usatoday.com.*



JAN. 25

The longest government shutdown in history finally ended after 35 days. President Donald Trump signed the continuing resolution that provided funding until Feb. 15. *Source: abcnews.go.com, cnn.com.*

JAN. 30

YouTuber Shane Dawson released his two-part conspiracy theory documentary. Combined, the videos have over 60 million views. Dawson covered conspiracies such as Chuck E. Cheese pizza, Brittani Louise Taylor and the iPhone. *Source: eonline.com*



February

FEB. 3

The New England Patriots and the Los Angeles Rams played in Super Bowl LIII in Atlanta, Georgia. The Patriots defeated the Rams, 13-3, making it the lowest scoring game in Super Bowl history. *Source: SBNation.com, Sporting News.com.*



FEB. 5

President Donald Trump gave the 2019 State of the Union Address that was scheduled to be given in January, but was postponed because of the government shutdown. Trump spoke for 1 hour and 22 minutes, making it the third longest State of the Union Address in U.S. history.

FEB. 14

The Special Olympics team put on a photo booth for Valentine's Day. "It was nice and so pretty," freshman Isabel Flores said. "It was important to me because we gave the money to the Special Olympics."



FEB. 22

Over the loud speaker, Mr. Alan Arbabi announced that junior Sydney Anderson won the student body president election. This was the first ever election where the entire school voted, rather than just student council.

FEB. 24

The 91st Oscars were held without a host for the first time in Oscars history. "The Green Book" took home the award for Best Picture, while Rami Malek and Olivia Colman won best actor and actress. *Source: Variety.com*

FEB. 28

After six years, The Jonas Brothers made a comeback releasing their new song, "Sucker." The music video featured Kevin and Nick's wives and Joe's fiancé. The video received more than 47 million views within the first week of it being released. *Source: rollingstone.com.*



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'TIL THE COWS COME HOME

SENIORS RAISE ANIMALS TO SHOW

Senior FFA Vice President Bethanie Galvan led her steer, Carlos, into the show ring. The judge's voice ringing through the medal building while the crowd was on the edge of their seat trying to guess who the best looking steer belonged to. Young kids ran up to the fences with huge smiles on their faces as they watched in awe of the steers in the ring.

"County show is pretty exciting," Bethanie said. "It's the beginning of the big major stock shows. It was bittersweet this year since it's my senior year and my last year being able to compete there. It treated me pretty well."

The county show is held at Myers Park every year and gives the students an opportunity to gain scholarships and money to go toward their animals.

"There's a lot of important things about a county show," FFA President Katie Griffin said. "It's a tradition that has been around for years. It's a place where everyone comes together and gets to do the thing they love with the people they love."

The FFA students get their animals around March and raise and care for them over the course of the year, Bethanie said.

"Throughout the year we compete a small jackpot shows," Bethanie said. "Where judges give us advice about our calves to help improve them along the road. It does take a lot of work and is a daily thing. We feed before school and in the evenings. We work with them daily for a few hours."

Katie said the work that FFA members put in takes dedication and determination.

"Unlike most projects, an FFA project takes

months not days," she said. "Working on their feed routine, mixing the right feed to keep your animals looking fresh. Working hair every day, taking at least an hour and a half. I would say I spend at least two hours at the barn everyday. It's hard work, if you think of it as work, for me it's doing what I love to do."

Senior Chance Hamilton said that without the support of FFA he doesn't know where he would be.

"For me, FFA is an escape for everything else that I'm dealing with," senior Chance Hamilton said. "FFA is my passion and I enjoy everything about it."

Bethanie competed with two steers and is extremely grateful for the opportunities that FFA provided.

"FFA is truly an amazing organization," Bethanie said. "It opens up so many opportunities for kids. It's not just dealing with animals but also it teaches you things you need to know like responsibility, money management. Getting you ready for your future whether you're going into the ag industry or not."

Katie had a grand champion heifer, named Whitley, at county and said she can't imagine her life without being a part of the FFA program.

"To most people, especially in McKinney, FFA seems out there and weird," Katie said. "But for FFA members we are proud and blessed to be a part of an organization that means more than us. We volunteer, give back, provide tons of scholarships, and friendships that last a lifetime."

by Elisha Stokes
 design by Kayla Thompson

holyCOW

For an FFA competition, senior Bethanie Galvan shows off her cow to be sold. The show had a total of 90 competitors for the steer competition. "I got my cow about a year ago, near the end of March," she said. "I stick with a theme for all my cows, so their names are Carlos and Pedro."



FAMILY MATTERS

About to go into the ring, senior Bethanie Galvan is getting ready to show her cow. Bethanie is the vice president of FFA. "I've been doing this for five years," she said. "Agriculture has become apart of my life and my family's life."

COUNTING SHEEP

An hour before her class competition, junior Brooklyn Venhaus brushes her lamb. The livestock show was held at Myers Park Event Center. "It was the second day back from winter break," she said. "I was cleaning him up making sure he looks nice for the judge, so that we can draw the judges' attention."



UP & AT 'EM

For the livestock show, junior Brooklyn Venhaus brushes her lamb to prepare him for the judges. Many of the FFA students keep their animals at the McKinney FFA Barn. "I get up at 5 every morning to feed them," she said. "and then after softball practice. I go and feed them again."



HIGH & DRY

Before his showing, senior Matt Hamilton gets help blow-drying his cow from Mr. Tommy Crump. At the showing, steers were shown right after the heifers. "It's like an industrial hair dryer you use after you wash them," Matt said. "It gets all the hair off of them after brushing them and makes them look bigger."



A SPOOKED STEER

With eyes on the judge, junior Faith Lavook walks her steer into the arena. This was Faith's first county show with her steer and she placed third. "When I first walked in, I was worried my steer would get spooked," she said. "Sometimes he starts trying to run off from me but I had him under control."



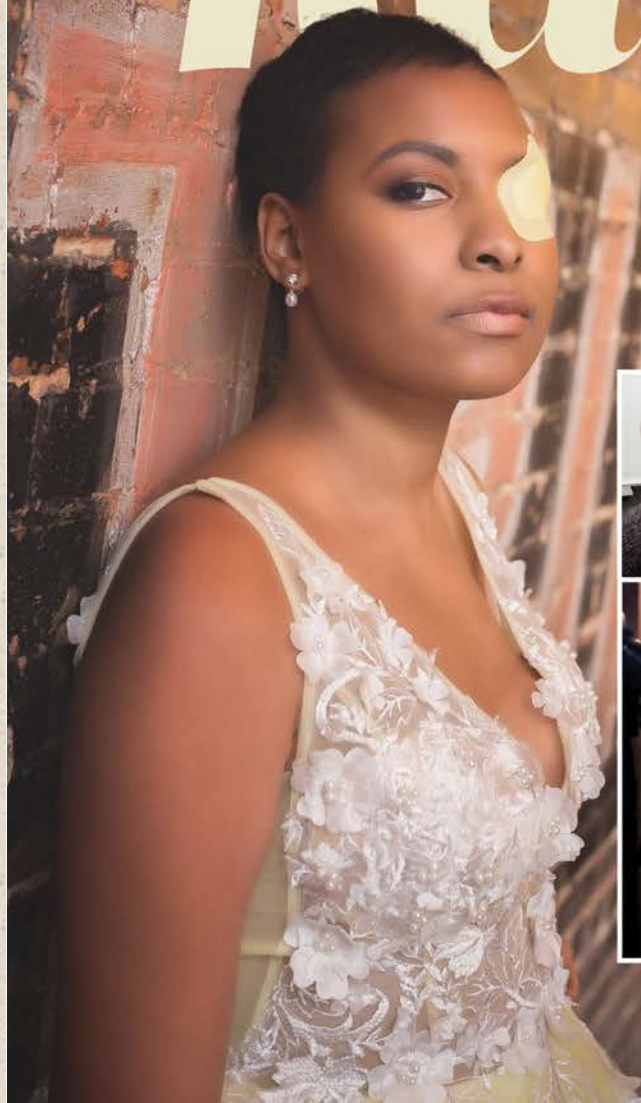
FFA IS THE GOAT

At the FFA barn, sophomore Brooklyn Ross bathes her cow. She enjoys to bathe her cow so she will look nice. "I love working with animals," she said. "I started in middle school with goats."



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THIS ONE'S FOR kate



She gets out of the limo and approaches the Cotton Mill, her boyfriend right behind her – pushing her wheelchair into the building. She sees her family first as they greet them at the entrance, taking photos of Kate in her bright yellow gown. After a day of hair, makeup and pampering, Kate was ready to spend the evening with the people she loved most. But nothing could prepare her for what was behind them.

As they turned left into the dance hall, more than 700 students and teachers screamed and clapped for the guest of honor.

Her mouth fell open in shock as the tears ran down her cheeks.

"Oh my God," she said quietly before belting across the crowd. "Thank you. I love you guys."

"I was so surprised," Kate said. "I started crying as soon as I walked in because I was like 'Oh my gosh. How did they get away with this? I just felt so happy.'"

Kate has been fighting cancer since the 8th grade and was diagnosed with Anaplastic Astrocytoma, a brain tumor, in her Thalamus – the part of the Brain that relays motor and sensory signals to the cerebral cortex.

"This is a horrible experience to have a loved one be fighting for your life," Kate's mom, Tylece Pepper said. "Katilyn has taught me to still keep my head up and fight with me graciously. She is still fighting and the one thing I get out of her ordeal is that you still have to fight and still be happy and still love life."

It was English teacher Ms. Chelsea Boyd's idea to throw an impromptu dance for Kate because her family was worried that she wouldn't be able to attend Prom. "To be honest, when we heard the news that her

tumor came back, it was obviously extremely upsetting," Ms. Boyd said. "A lot of her close friends and family were in the room as well as her great aunt. And when I saw her, she was just sitting in that hospital room and she kinda just looked at me and mouthed 'what about the Prom,' and I thought 'Well I don't see any reason why Kate can't have a prom.'"

The entire dance was kept a secret from Kate, right up until the moment she arrived.

"Kate literally thought when she woke up on Friday was that the only thing she was doing was getting her senior pictures made," Ms. Boyd said. "She knew she was getting her makeup done, and I'm not sure why she thought that Meredith from the news was there. When you have a brain tumor you don't always think through all of the same things everyone else does. She didn't really pick up on it. It was like the whole day to Kate felt like how it feels when your mom or dad starts putting the presents under the tree and you're shaking them. Like you know something good is in there but you don't know what it is, and I think it kinda felt like that for Kate."

Ms. Boyd proposed the idea of the dance to student council sponsor Ms. Amanda Gorman, and student council planned everything.

"I don't have the words for what that was like. Overwhelmed is the best way to say it," Ms. Boyd said. "I was overwhelmed the whole night, because when I walked in, and saw what the kids had done, that was overwhelming. To see that so many people volunteered their time, the DJs, the SROs that had to be there, we had never thrown

a free dance like that one."

It was a risk to put on the dance because it was free to the students and everyone was invited.

"It's a risky thing to do because you're saying to everyone, 'come party,'" Ms. Boyd said. "And that message you send when you're talking to teenagers is something. So we had no idea if a thousand kids were going show up and we were going have to shut down the place or if we weren't going have enough, and it would hurt Kate. But as I watched 20 minutes before, there were enough kids in the dance hall ready, that it wasn't going to hurt Kate."

Soon after the Dance was put on, Tylece took Kate on a trip to Paris.

"We went to all the main staples like the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame and the Arch de Triumph," she said. "All the places that everyone hears about. Katilyn was supposed to go to Paris on the school trip, but since she wasn't able to go on it, I decided to take her myself."

Ever since Kate was diagnosed with cancer again and has discontinued treatment, she continued to fight and live her life to the fullest.

"Since I just got paralyzed again, they have done a lot of things to help me and push me along the way," Kate said. "As soon as people found out that I got cancer again they were wanting to help me and they have held my hand and that feels amazing. Through these hardships, I think I have found new friendships and new ways to push on. I don't even know how to express it, everything has just been amazing and I am just happy."

by Kayla Thompson
 photo courtesy of Tylece Pepper



FAR LEFT At Poetry Club, Kate talks with English teacher Ms. Heidi Lano, photo by Lasha Lugo
LEFT While in Paris, Kate takes a photo in front of the Notre Dame Cathedral, photo courtesy of Tylece Pepper
BELOW LEFT As senior Braylon Shavers wheels her into the Cotton Mill, Kate cries at the sight of all the people. Braylon spent the whole day with Katilyn and took her out the dinner at Rick's Chophouse right before the dance. "I felt like it was a very nice time," he said. "The impact that it had on Katilyn was profound. It brought her joy and happiness in the situation that she's in right now," photo by Abigail McAdams
BELOW In front of the Eiffel Tower, Kate takes a photo with her family, photo courtesy of Tylece Pepper



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STAR 102.1 INVITES TEAM
 KATE FOR INTERVIEW

The Star 102.1 invited Kate, along with her family and friends for an interview in the air. "Ms. Boyd is Kate's homebound teacher and has been going through a lot this year and she's usually the emotional support for many people on campus," Ms. Gorman said. "It's just a thing that she has where she is able to see a need and she finds a way to fill it."



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performing MIRACLES

NEW AUDITORIUM NAMED AFTER LYNN AND NEIL SPERRY

She stands next to her husband and listening to Dr. Rick McDaniel introduce the new auditorium, not even noticing the giant covering above them in the entrance. A school board member and a longtime supporter of fine arts, Mrs. Lynn Sperry looks up at the second story of the auditorium as the big cover is released, revealing the words "Sperry Performance Hall." Tearing up, she leans over to hug Dr. McDaniel in awe that the new performance center is named after her.

"It was overwhelming and such a surprise and an honor," Mrs. Sperry said. "I didn't even notice the covering they had on the performance hall letters."

Naming the building after the Sperrys was a total surprise to the entire family.

"We have three children who attended McKinney High School and they didn't even know," Mrs. Sperry said. "They were so afraid that the secret would get out that they didn't even alert our children. In school board meetings we hadn't even discussed naming the building at all. Usually it's already someone that's passed away or somebody that is somewhere down the line that they'll name something, but not right away."

Mrs. Sperry is a music major and used to teach at a public school.

"My first school board meeting that I attended when I got on the school board was a meeting

where our purpose was to pick the brick for the outside of McKinney High School," she said. "So here we are 35 years later, and to have that performance hall named for me is probably the greatest honor I've ever had."

The first performance in the new auditorium was "Phantom of the Opera."

"Out of all the musicals in the whole wide world, the 'Phantom of the Opera' is my favorite," Mrs. Sperry said. "I got to see it on Broadway the first time I saw it, and then I had seen it at the musicals at Fair Park and I know a couple of years ago Boyd did this show. I think it's a very difficult show for high schoolers to put together because not only the requirement from the music part of it, but the acting is also a difficult part of it. They pulled it off flawlessly as far as I was concerned. The two girls and the gentleman that played those three main parts were just spectacular."

Junior Anna Thompson was the stage manager for the performance.

"Stage managing Phantom was a trip," Anna said. "It was so difficult because for most of the rehearsal process we didn't have a space to rehearse in, along with not having a space to build the set in. So it was a mad rush to put the show together because of the huge cast and crew."

The cast and crew would practice in unconventional places like the cafeteria while the

auditorium was being built.

"Having the new space has definitely increased our spirits this year," she said. "It was rough last year without a space to perform in. My freshman year was the last year we used the old auditorium and don't get me wrong, I loved the old auditorium, but the new space can accommodate our growing department. All the equipment is so complicated but so much fun to use."

The first time the cast and crew practiced in the new auditorium was three days before opening night — leaving little time to prepare.

"There were so many Saturdays that the five of us, varsity tech members, stayed so late to try and finish a lot of our set and lights," Anna said. "We all got so close, so there were tons of laughs even though we had to stay extremely late."

The community and our music and arts department are excited for what is to come with the new auditorium.

"I just think that music and culture opportunities are so important for students to understand their culture and their surroundings," Mrs. Sperry said. "In fact, I don't think I have totally grasped the whole thing yet."

by Kayla Thompson
photo by Landry Raymond



TAKEN BY SURPRISE
After cutting the ribbon, Mr. Neil Sperry and Mrs. Lynn Sperry stand in front of the "Sperry Performance Hall." Mrs. Sperry had no idea that the auditorium was going to be named after them. *photo by Landry Raymond*



CRACK A SMILE
While listening to Dr. Rick McDaniel, Mayor George Fuller and his wife, Maylee Fuller smile at the crowd of people around them. *photo by Landry Raymond*



ICING ON THE PAC
While in the lobby of the auditorium, Ms. Cindy Johnston takes a photo of the "Sperry Performance Hall" sign. The school board celebrated the opening of the auditorium with a ribbon-cutting. "I can't think of anyone better to name that hall after," she said. "Watching their reactions to it was just the icing on top of the PAC." *photo by Elizabeth Chan*

COMING BACK
At the opening of the performing arts center, band director Aly Stephenson, applauds at the revealed name, Sperry Performance Hall. She graduated from McKinney High and played in the band. "It's really fun and cool to come back to where I spent so much time," Mrs. Stephenson said. "I'm still best friends with who I was in high school band with." *photo by Elizabeth Chan*



FROM THE GROUND UP
While looking at the stage, Ms. Angelica Lopez tries to find the best seat in the new auditorium. Ms. Lopez is a receptionist in the front office, which means she saw the entire process of the auditorium being built. "I almost feel like it's my baby," she said. "I was really excited to finally see it after watching it being built from the ground up." *photo by Landry Raymond*

AS GOOD AS NEW
While gazing around, teacher Maria Moon witnesses the new auditorium for the first time. Mr. Arbabi invited the teachers for a tour of the new facility. "It's going to help McKinney High School look more impressive," Señora Moon said. "It looks different than any other performing arts center that I had seen from other schools." *photo by Abigail McAdams*



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61,000 SQ. FT. **20 MONTHS** **SEATS**
 OF NEW CONSTRUCTION TO BUILD

- BLACK BOX
- DANCE ROOM
- PRACTICE GYM
- CHOIR ROOM
- LOCKER ROOMS
- 6 PRACTICE ROOMS
- 2 DRESSING ROOMS
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showtime

FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT DEBUTS INAUGURAL
PRODUCTION IN NEW SPERRY PERFORMANCE HALL



BUILDING BONDS
At rehearsal, senior Emory Otto gives notes to the cast members. She was the assistant director to Ms. Jessica Lawrence. "I loved working with Maggie and the other choir kids," Emory said. "It was great to build those relationships with them." *photo by Landry Raymond*



MAKING IT UP
While in the dressing room, junior Charlotte Prinsloo applies mascara. After being complimented on her eyeshadow, she did her fellow cast members' makeup too. "The people who had a smaller role got to come up with their own backstory," Charlotte said. "It was amusing to share that with to people who I really got." *photo by Lilian Lima*

ACTING OUT
Amid the preparation of the show, senior Matthew Dexter talks with the original Phantom. The role of the Phantom is an extremely respected role within the thespian community. "We talked about my interpretation of the character," Matthew said. "He gave me a few pointers about what Phantom was and his background." *photo by Elizabeth Chan*



WORKING OVERTIME
While sitting backstage, junior Angela Sommers makes sure everything goes smoothly. During tech week, she had to stay for over 20 hours one time. "I got to the point that I was so tired where everything was funny," she said. "It was really great to be a part of the process of everything coming together." *photo by Abigail McAdams*

MASKED SINGERS
With the Phantom's mask in hand, junior Maggie McGowan looks up into the lights. Maggie has been in many other shows, but this is her first lead role at school. "On stage, there are so many amazing and talented people," she said. "Every scene was just so good." *photo by Abney Garcia*



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ROLE PLAYING

While performing as the Phantom, senior Matthew Dexter puts his own spin on the role. The Phantom is seen as a versatile role. "I've seen lots of iterations of the Phantom," Matthew said. "It's really fun to make it my own." *photo by Abney Garcia*



NEW ROOM, NEW ME

In the middle of the show, junior Isha Lal performs as her character, "Carlotta." The theatre performed in the new Performing Arts Center. "It's nice to actually have our own room," Isha said. "We've been working in different spaces like the orchestra room or the cafeteria." *photo by Gabby Rogge*

DON'T ROCK THE BOAT

Looking up at the lights, junior Maggie McGowan rehearses with senior Matthew Dexter. Maggie was cast as the lead, "Christine Daaé." "At the beginning she's scared, childish, and goofy, and at the end she's a grown woman," Maggie said. "It was definitely an amazing experience to play such an iconic role." *photo by Abney Garcia*



ANGELS OF *music*

FINE ARTS DEPARTMENTS PUTS
ON PHANTOM OF THE OPERA

hours and hours of research. Constantly begging Ms. Lawrence to buy more makeup. After making sure the Phantom's scar wasn't too shiny, sophomore Bella Suarez watches "The Phantom of The Opera" from the wings of the stage, making sure everyone's makeup was perfect.

"This was Bella's first production to be in charge of makeup. "I've always done makeup and when I heard we were doing Phantom, I had only done some special effects," she said. "And I just did months and months of research and eventually convinced Ms. Lawrence to buy the products that we used for the scar."

Bella first ventured into FX makeup by using Halloween supplies. "It was stressful especially with speciality makeup just because I wanted to make sure that it looked alive from the audience," she said. "It was a lot of getting feedback and applying that feedback to what I could do make it better, what I could do to make everything blend seamlessly."

Opening night was the first time that she had tried doing the scar all the way up the Phantom's face.

"We realized that because the wig cap was latex, the silicone wouldn't dry on his head," Bella said. "So I ended up putting hair all over it to try to make it less 'juicy,' during the entire run of the show."

While Bella was worrying about everyone's makeup, sophomore Mandy Lipsey was in charge of all of the costumes.

"Phantom is definitely one of my favorite shows and the costumes are so intricate that it really interested me," Mandy said. "It was a really great opportunity for me to build my skills as a tech designer."

During the show on opening night, junior Maggie McGowan's wedding dress broke, which made Mandy's heart drop because Maggie was playing Christine, one of the main characters.

"It was right before she went on and we didn't think we were going to get it fixed," she said. "I was in a state of panic for like 15 minutes. Then we got some safety pins and it saved the day."

"The Phantom of The Opera" was the school's biggest production.

"Tech theatre takes a lot of time and dedication and hours after the actors leave that they don't see us doing and it's very challenging and time consuming," Mandy said. "I would love to get into more costuming as the years go on at MHS. I've been an actor for nine years but I really think tech is my calling."

by Kayla Thompson

going VIRAL STUDENTS AND STAFF TWEET ABOUT SEEING THE SHOW

@lis_chan: thinking during intermission like: all these actors are going to Broadway, and knowing them will be my claim to fame. @MGMTtheatre

@edgyosese: phantom. to me, will always be so much more than just a musical, this experience was life changing. i want to thank everyone who was a part of making it happen, whether u were a techie, in the chorus, a director, or a main character. i will always be grateful for u.

@History_HQ: Phantom is finished but I'm a very proud father and faculty member tonight. MHS Wins!



IT GOES TO SHOW

While singing "All I Ask Of You," junior Andrew Holmes comforts junior Maggie McGowan's character, "Christine." This was his first performance since Pirates of Penzance. "I was in theater 7th and 8th grade," Andrew said. "I even shaved my head for my 8th grade performance of Oliver Warbucks in Annie." *photo by Elizabeth Chan*

MASKS ON

During the grand opening for Act II, senior Cameron Brown performs "Masquerade" alongside his fellow castmates. He portrayed the character "Richard Firmin," one of the general managers for the Opera house. "Whenever we would have to run that number, me and Carter Outon, would give each other this look of 'here we go again,'" Cameron said. "It didn't hit me until closing night that it was my last show. It was hard to get through but I'm very proud that this was the show I ended on. It ended with a bang, for sure." *photo by Landry Raymond*



CAUSING A SCENE

In the last number of Act I, junior Keely Anders dances with the ballerinas. During the scene, the Phantom had just caused a stir and the ballerinas had to distract the audience. "I will definitely miss the play," Keely said. "Being with the cast every day, and working hard together and other positive aspects of the show." *photo by Abney Garcia*

@doubleadar: Shoutout to @maggiecgowan_ and @isha_lal for a memorable Phantom of the Opera performance. The singing, acting, and overall musical was amazing.

@bradyfchroder: The students at MHS are so talented holy moly. They put on an amazing show and it's so cool to get to see kids you talk to every day, in their element doing what they love. BUY TICKETS FOR PHANTOM! IT'S NOT TOO LATE.

@33jamesh33: Phantom of the Opera low-key blew me away.

@karsya_faith_: ATTENTION! EVERYONE, PLEASE GO SEE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA IN THE NEW PERFORMING ARTS CENTER! IT IS AMAZING AND YOU WILL BE BLOWN AWAY! @MGMTtheatre

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ARTISTS COMPETE IN REGIONAL AND STATE CONTESTS

“VASE MAKES YOU REFLECT ON HOW YOU DO YOUR ART WORK AND YOUR PIECES. IT'S ALL-AROUND A GREAT EXPERIENCE IF YOU LOVE ART.”

CHRISTIAN SHAW, 12

Parker Kenner-Kujath tried something different, with being used to drawing people, she faced some difficulties with the paper being black and bringing out some of the colors. She was very happy with her outcome and it being a very vibrant and shiny piece.

Rebekah Landrum drew this piece because she liked how the warm color in her skin and her the flowers as well, she tried to experiment with using negative spaces. she faced some obstacles with drawing the facial expression, at the end Rebekah Landrum loved the outcome of her piece and did not regret the amount of time spent on the piece.

Elyssa Eisenberg drew her grandma because she wanted to show Vietnamese culture and the beauty in old age. "It feels like a blessing going to state," she said. "Not many people get to experience that."

PARKER KENNER-KUJATH, 10

REBEKAH LANDRUM, 12

ANNA BURACZYK, 11

LOGAN MIRACLE, 10

ELYSSA EISENBERG, 11

AILEEN FLORES, 12

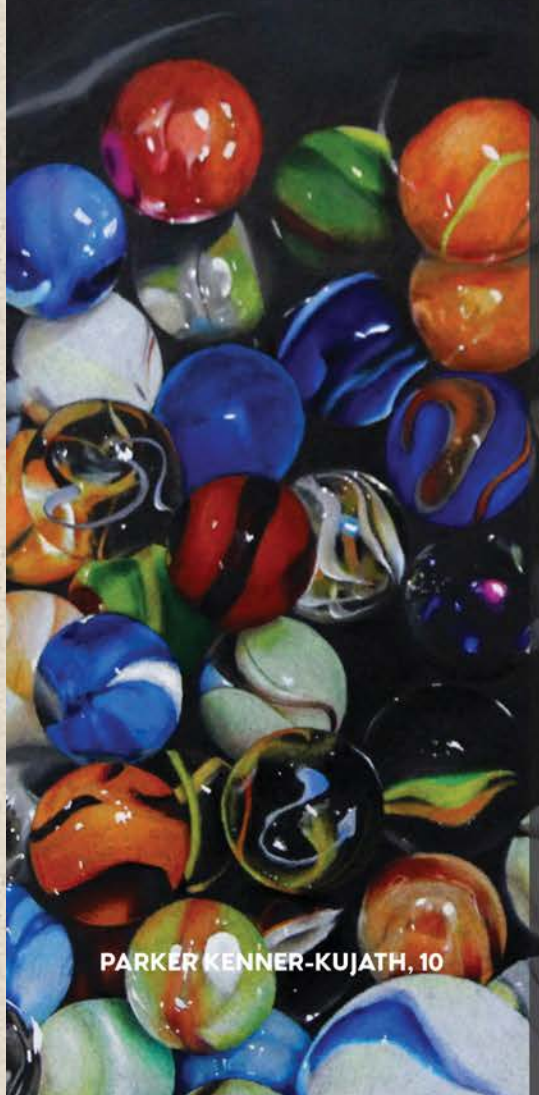
Aileen Flores wanted to show the struggles of her grandmother by incorporating the map and making her grandma look like Mexico. "I accomplished a goal I didn't know I set for myself," she said. "It's something I was able to do for the first time in VASE."

Anna Buraczyk was aiming for a realistic yet simplistic look in her drawing with keeping the focus on him by doing the most detail in his face. "It's very exciting to see your piece on the ground next to everyone else," she said. "It's fun being able to see that you made it that far after working so hard on a piece."

Logan Miracle drew a picture of a Catalina Macaw, her favorite part of it being the beak, although it was very time consuming, she liked the marbling look she was able to incorporate into it. The hardest part on her project was creating the texture in the feathers and being able to layer the different colors.



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ashley
WOLVERTON, 11

2 YEARS GOING TO STATE

6 PIECES AT STATE



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THE art OF THE MORP-POSAL

Morp: the dance of the year. The roles are reversed, causing girls to use markers, scissors, and glitter to ask out their dates in the most special way possible. The StuCo LEAF committee put on a contest with the hashtag, #takeitorLEAFit so couples could submit their photos in hopes of winning free Morp tickets. These were the results.



Luke VanStory & Megan Bagby, 10



Kelly Krueger, 12 & Arjun Bhargava, 10



Javin Johnson & Carly Saum, 12



Emily Phillips & Jakob Shackleton, 11



Aadhar Kulshrestha & Leila Wyatt, 11



Jack Connolly & Sydney Strohm, 11



Giovanni Montez & Jenna Ramirez, 10



Hannah Durbin & Shawn Switalski, 12



Ryan Watson & Reagan Ferl, 11

HOW did you ask?

"We bought an adventure book and we wrote letters to each other and so when I was thinking about how to ask him to Morp I thought that was kind of the perfect way so I painted Morp into the book"

EMORY OTTO, 12

"That weekend we were planning on taking a college trip to A&M and I asked if we could take some pictures in front of the ring because we were visiting and he came around the corner and was so surprised."

ANNA BURACZYK, 11

"My girlfriend made a sign that said, 'Stop playing around and be my date to Morp' in that shape of a controller. She always gets mad at me while I'm playing X-Box and she said that was part of it."

BLAKE MCGRAW, 10

"LEAF has started doing monthly contests and we did the Morp contest to get people more involved and people get really creative with their signs."

LOGAN WILLIAMS, 11

the nominees

FRESHMEN MALE CLASS FAVORITE:

Dylan Naulty
Joseph Ward
Landon McLaws
Sam Flesan
Styler Zimmerman

FEMALE CLASS FAVORITE:

Anna Green
Emilie Opoku
Kamerin Carter

Kylie Calagna

Sydney Vest
Clayton Jones
Cole Cable
Jackson Steele

Levi Ardila

Tim Olsson
Aimley Carpenter
Kaitlyn Younger
Kenna Moore

Macy Hoff

Nia Harmon

SOPHOMORES MALE CLASS FAVORITE:

Arjun Bhargava
Jacob Lefort
Mark Taylor
Nathan Delcid Flores
Seth Cox

FEMALE CLASS FAVORITE:

Lana Almozon
Lexi Short
Madi Gadek
Shree Chandran

Zoe Clough

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Cam Rivas

Ethan Orozco

Luke Mills
Tyler Price
Alyanarah Fortuna
Lucy Swan

Maddie Davidson

Maddie Newkirk
Morgan Watters

JUNIORS MALE CLASS FAVORITE:

Christian Sinches
Colby Calagna
Preston Franko
Tristan Evans
Zaki Firuz

FEMALE CLASS FAVORITE:

Carly Meek
Caroline Potts
Elysa Eisenberg
Nikki Laurensse
Rachel Hyden

MR NICE GUY:

Adrian Washington
Cade Clark
Cavan Natal
Rhett Moger

MISS CONGENIALITY:

Sharuk Akter
Alysa Wisdom
Kenzie Sumner
Lesli Romero
Samantha Greyson

SENIORS MALE CLASS FAVORITE:

Carson Brown
Cayden Rowen
Jack Vinson
Junior Leon
Matt Dexter

FEMALE CLASS FAVORITE:

Emily McAfee
Katherine Davidson
Maven Maloney
Tierney Uhl

Zoe Zimmerman

Adam Vernier
Cade Holdstock
Christian Knighton
Davin Price
Ethan Black

MISS CONGENIALITY:

Ali Lenhard
Alysa Wisdom
Kenzie Sumner
Lesli Romero
Samantha Greyson

MALE MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED:

Alec Weigel
Cameron Brown
Diego Espinosa
Jacob Harsch
Nitish Patel

FEMALE MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED:

Christie Opoku
Emory Otto
Eva Grace
Shana Almozori
Sophie Manzoni

MR. MHS:

Bryce Worley
Cordrick Dunn
Danny Lenard
Nick Simpson
Sam Williams

MISS MHS:

Annette O'Dell
Betsey Stokes
Lexi Harris
Macey Winburn
Taylor Williams



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SING-A-LONG

At the dance, freshmen Anna Green and sophomore Jacquelyn King sing a song together. Anna was nominated for sophomore class favorite. "I was really excited," Anna said. "It was a lot of fun and I was all over the place the whole night."

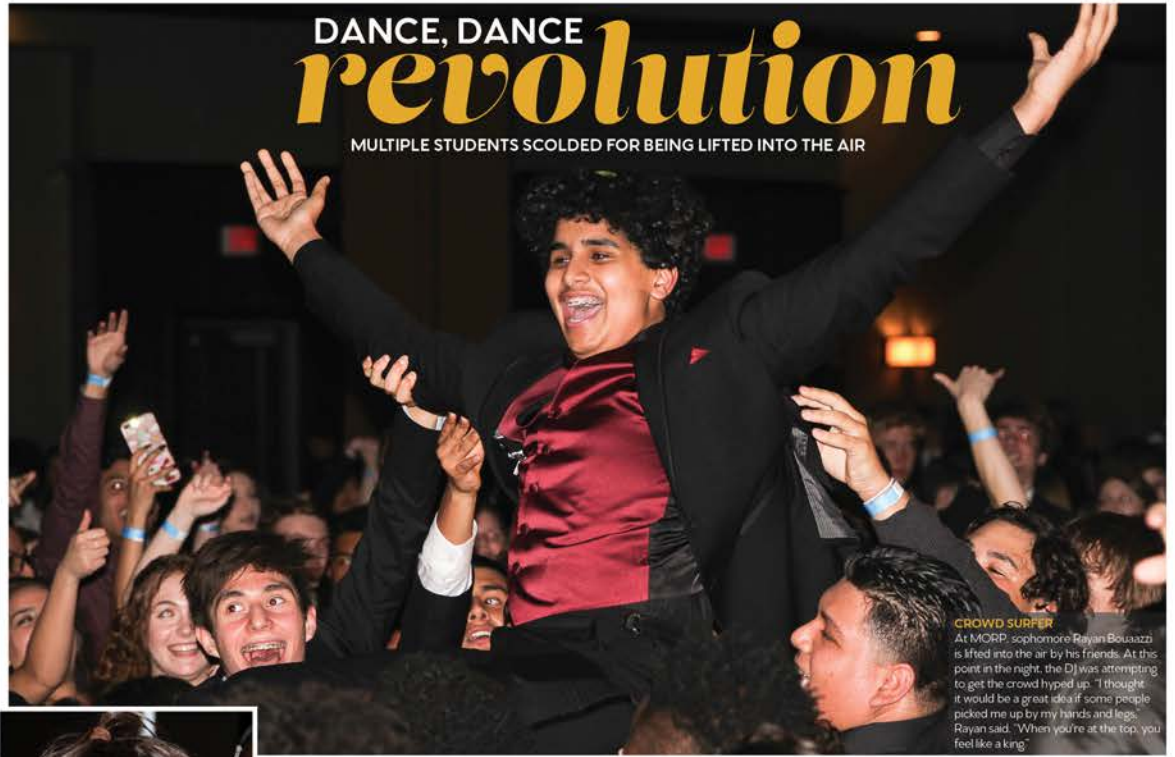


SAY CHEESE

Moments before the announcement for Female Class Favorite, sophomores Olivia Ceaser, Kamarie Baul, and Madison Gadek take a selfie to remember the moment. "It was a lot of people there, which was unexpected and I got to listen to some music. I usually don't listen to," Olivia said. "A lot of people kept stepping on my shoes and I had to pick Isaiah Rojas up off my feet."

THE WINNER IS...

While receiving the Most Likely To Succeed Award, senior Christie Opoku gets the sash put around her. Christie has been to Morp three out of her four years. "The whole setting and mood for Morp this year was really exciting," she said. "This was my last Morp and I wanted to go out with a bang."



CROWD SURFER
At MORP, sophomore Rayjan Bokazazzi is lifted into the air by his friends. At this point in the night, the DJ was attempting to get the crowd hyped up. "I thought it would be a great idea if some people picked me up by my hands and legs," Rayjan said. "When you're at the top, you feel like a king."



LET'S DANCE

Grooving to the music, freshman Nasya Washington dances with her friends. "I wasn't going to go originally but my friends said it was going to be fun so I went and had a great time," Nasya said. "Overall I had a really great time. The DJ was cool. They came into the crowd with us and I would definitely do it again."

"I had a great time at Morp and the DJ was good and he played a big variety of music. Me and my twin, Peyton, are new to the whole Morp thing, but while we were there we met a lot of new people we didn't expect to meet and it made it 100 times better than expected. The best part about it all was when Ms. Natasha got on stage and started to dance, the entire place went crazy."

SYDNI LEWIS, 12

"The people were fun and the music was good. Ms. Natasha had people come to Morp and play music for us with her DJ and I liked how everyone was getting hyped. Ms. Natasha was on the side of the stage and was getting super hyped. Everything was great. I loved the food and the people around me, you could just be with your friends and meet the people around you from all ages and different grades and is cool."

DESTANI HILL, 9

"The DJ played BlueFace at the dance and I didn't think he would do that because it has a lot of profanity. The last year's winner for Junior Mr. Nice Guy won again this year and that was pretty funny. I felt like the venue was better, even though I didn't go last year so I can't compare to that but I did go freshman year and this year was way better because the guy on the microphone kept talking instead of playing the music."

ADRIAN WASHINGTON, 11

"It was a huge crowd. Everyone was jumping around and people were crowd-surfing. While I was dancing I slipped and fell and we all started laughing but I got up and started dancing again, hitting the 'shoot' and the 'whoa' while a couple people got it on video. It was my first Morp, but in my experience it was a 10/10 on my scale. I loved the music, the crowd and the energy."

KHALI CLEAVES, 12



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SPRING

march



MARCH 1

The boys varsity soccer team played Plano West, and lost 1-2. "I was called up to play with varsity last year during playoffs, but I didn't get to play," junior Ryan Watson said. "This season, I'm going to get to start and play, get some good minutes in, and hopefully get some good goals."



MARCH 4

Actor Luke Perry passed away at the age of 52 after having a stroke. Perry was most famous for his role on "Beverly Hills, 90210" as Dylan McKay. More recently, he played Fred Andrews, the father of Archie Andrews, on "Riverdale."
 Source: ABC News

MARCH 8

"Captain Marvel" was released. Starring Brie Larson, the movie follows Carol Danvers, as she uncovers secrets from her past, while using her superpowers to end a war between the Kree and Skrulls. It is the first female-led Marvel film, and is the last installment before the release of "Avengers: Endgame."
 Source: IMDb



MARCH 12

Federal prosecutors charged 50 people who were allegedly part of a scheme to influence admissions decisions at several American universities. Actresses Lori Loughlin and Felicity Huffman were some of the parents involved.
 Source: CNN

MARCH 15

A lone gunman opened fire in the Christchurch Mosque in New Zealand. 50 people were killed and dozens were injured. The gunman has been charged with murder. New Zealand's government responded by changing their gun laws, and banning semi-automatic guns.
 Source: New York Times

april

APRIL 3-5

Khalid released his second studio album entitled "Free Spirit." Along with the album, Khalid also released a short film titled "Free Spirit." The movie was a one night only event and included an exclusive early listen of the album. Source: Wikipedia



APRIL 12-21

Coachella, a music and arts festival, was held in the Coachella Valley in Palm Springs, Calif. Headliners for the festival included Childish Gambino, Tame Impala, and Ariana Grande.
 Source: Billboard



APRIL 24-28

The journalism staff traveled to California for the JEA/NSPA national high school journalism convention. While there, they visited San Diego and Disneyland in Anaheim.



APRIL 26

"Avengers: Endgame" was released. The highly-anticipated movie was the fourth Avengers installment, and the 22nd film in the Marvel Cinematic Universe. It is the sequel of "Avengers: Infinity War," which was released last year, taking place immediately after the events that occurred. The movie will end Phase 3 of the MCU, and set Phase 4 into motion. Source: IMDb

may

MAY 3

JMBLYA was held in Dallas at Fair Park. The music festival included performances from Blueface, Travis Scott, Lil Wayne, Kevin Gates, Sheck Wes, Bhad Bhabie, and more. Source: Billboard



MAY 16

Local painters, potters, and chefs gathered together in downtown McKinney for Empty Bowls. The event raised money and awareness for hunger in North Texas.
 Source: Eventbrite



MAY 6-17

Students assessed how much they learned and attempted to earn college credit when they took their AP tests. Some of the tests included physics, human geography, and art history.

MAY 18

Prom was held at the Sheraton Hotel in McKinney. The theme was "A Night in Paris."

MAY 22

The Senior Pen Pal Picnic was held at Towne Lake at 10:30 a.m. Seniors received a 5th grade buddy who they exchanged letters with over several weeks.

MAY 31

The Class of 2019 graduated at the Allen Event Center at 6 p.m.



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CALM YOUR NERVES

While performing, senior Zoe Cobbell catches her blade quad. Their show was about looking at yourself in a mirror and not liking what you see. "This was my first year doing sabre and it was really nerve-racking," Zoe said. "I have to get on the line and automatically be as good as everyone who's been on the line for years."

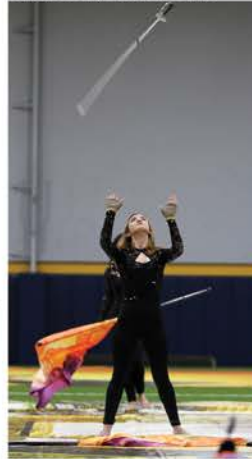
SPIN IT OUT

At a rehearsal, sophomore Crisana Speer finishes a run-through of the show. "It was a struggle this season so getting to connect with the girls was the best part of the show for me," Crisana said. "We overcame the struggles by not letting the pressure get to us."



WAITING FOR THE CATCH

In the middle of a performance, senior Jacie Shakotko waits to catch her sabre. The varsity show was called Questions. "I love everyone who I spin with and I meet all my favorite people in winter guard," Jacie said. "It was an interesting season. It's nothing like we've had before."



A place TO CALL home

WINTER GUARD COMPETES WITH SHOWS 'QUESTIONS' AND 'HOME'

"I joined because one of my best friends is in winter guard and he seemed to really enjoy it. He started it last year and he actually quit band to do it. So I thought 'hey, I see clinics are coming up I might as well go spend time with him and see what it's like.' Then he kept on encouraging me to do it and I wasn't very good I actually nearly got a concussion at one of the clinics but I thought it would be a way to spend time with him and get out of my house so I signed up."

LILY YURCHAK, 11

"I love the people because they're interesting characters. They're funny and they have a different sense of humor in them. Going out with them after competitions is always a great time."

BELLA GARCIA, 9

"I'd probably say my favorite thing about winter guard is being able to finally be like the focus, being able to have more difficult work. It's really just a lot about being able to put more performance into it. I joined winter guard because I loved it during marching season and whenever you bring it into the winter season, you become closer and it's just got a different vibe to it."

RENATA CASTILLO, 11

"Competitions are a lot more fun. They're inside so you don't have to worry about wind. You get a lot closer to your friends. There's a lot less people than in marching band but it's still a lot of fun to see your teachers perform in front of you in their guards and other guards that are infamous. You get to watch it live and it's really cool."

SAVANNAH GAGRIN, 10



I GOT A FEELING

While at practice, junior Phillip Soltys-Niemann spins his flag. Phillip has been in guard for two years. "This season has been hard because of all the conflicts that have happened, so I'm really proud of what we had," Phillip said. "I'll remember performing and looking at the audience in the arena and seeing how we make them feel."



BENDING OVER BACKWARDS

During a performance, junior Myra Salinas does a backbend. They performed to a cover of "I Have Questions" by Camila Cabello. "At the moment I was very tired but I was proud to be a part of the varsity winter guard," Myra said. "It was our first performance in full costume with mirrors we didn't have props but it was the first time we got a real feel of what a real performance would be like."

REWRITE THE SHOW

During the WGI winter guard contest, senior Ali Lenhard spins her rifle. The winter guard had to rewrite their entire show during spring break. "I was feeling relieved," Ali said. "We managed to finish it all in time and everything went smoothly."

all photos by Kayla Thompson

JUST KEEP spinning
EQUIPMENT GUARD USES TO PERFORM



RIFLE



SABRE



FLAG

“My favorite thing to spin would be sabre. It's more elegant than rifle but more fun to spin than flag.”

-mallery johns, 11



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STRIKE A POSE
 At the Palace of Versailles, junior Angela Sommers poses for a photo with her friend Olivia Bruce. She got a job for three months to save money for the trip. "The palace was my favorite part," she said. "You could see over time how the kings added on. It was nice to get away from Paris, because it was a bit hectic." all photos by Abigail McAdams



CULTURE EXPLORATION
 While laughing with friends, senior Braylon Shavers learns a German dancing game. "My favorite place to see was the Louvre and seeing the crown of King Tut," Braylon said. "I was surprised how small the Mona Lisa was. I thought it would be much bigger."



ENGAGED IN PARIS
 In the streets of Paris, junior Kelly Chmielewski listens to the tour director explain the history of the city. That day the group had also gone to the Louvre museum. "I liked when John, the tour guide, explained the town," Kelly said. "It wasn't boring and he seemed to know about everything."



Kaziah Abney
 Luke Acosta
 Tais Acosta
 Jason Addington
 Sophia Adeogun

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 Saffat Ahmed
 Yousif Al Dajh
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Joseph Allam
 Logan Allen
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 Shrum Amen

Matthew Anderson
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 Itzel Arroyo-Donato
 Fanny Arzate Ramirez
 Caleb Atchley



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GET IN FORMATION

At band practice in August, senior Caleb Banks practices staying in formation. The band would practice 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on weekdays. "We normally march eight-to-four down the field so we were all trying to be in a straight line and match our step size," Caleb said. "We all did pretty good moving up and as the year went on, we kept getting better."

a A blogger and an international triathlete. A Harvard graduate and a DACA recipient. An American Ninja Warrior and two all-state musicians. But you didn't know we had those people roaming our hallways.

50 new staff members joined us this year. People come and go.

But out of all the people in the school, there are thousands of untold stories that are waiting to inspire others. You should get in close and get to know some of them, maybe you'll find out something new.

THE INS & OUTS OF people

ONE & ALL

739 JUNIORS

CHRISTMAS CAROL
 After last year's frustration, Mr. Mich Vanderboom chose to stage a musical, *A Christmas Carol*. The staff went through several script changes. "I was trying to sing in tune and be part of the work," says Vanderboom. "I'm posing questions and asking teachers outside of work and in the community." photos by Abby Wilson



771 FRESHMEN

BUILDING
 During the homecoming carnival, freshmen Anthony Calabrese made the mechanical ball. This was Anthony's first time and he was nervous. "I tried when everyone was cheering," Anthony said. "But by the end I was totally sick of being outside." photos by Abby Wilson



769 SOPHOMORES

ONE IN A MILLION
 As the Homecoming queen, sophomore Kayla Nguyen performed a special act. Each member of her quartet performed a different piece. The whole idea of the show was fun. "I was nervous but I was excited and happy," Kayla said. "I had a lot of people out there and it was a great photo." photos by Melissa Blum

TWO AND THREE
 While doing a self-portrait, sophomore Aidan Brindley got help from Mrs. Arsenault. The two were in art and she had grown to like her new teacher. "The teachers make it fun," Aidan said. "They give us a lot of love, when it comes to projects." photos by Jordyn Blum



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TAKE THE LEAD
 In English, junior Kyle Douper gets ready to go to the McHenry Room for the dance. Douper had to make sure he was ready to do his part and make it. "I couldn't say I was nervous but definitely excited," Kyle said. "We had to make sure we had to go to McHenry to do our part." photos by Abby McAdams



DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH
 After high school, junior James Aden went to Japan. The point of the game was to find someone who was without using their hands. "It was hard to find someone who was willing to help me," James said. "I had to be really patient and wait for the right person." photos by Sydney Anderson

696 SENIORS

PARADES UP
 While being in the parade, senior Jackson Sullivan got a lot of attention. "I was nervous but I was excited," Jackson said. "I had a lot of people out there and it was a great photo." photos by Melissa Blum

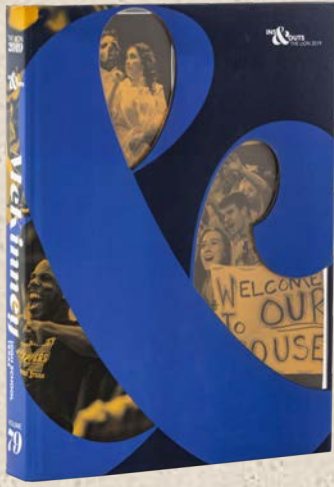


SHOWING UP
 At the homecoming carnival, sophomore Jordan Spivey was in line for the mechanical ball. Jordan had been well-attended but he was nervous. "I was nervous but I was excited," Jordan said. "I had a lot of people out there and it was a great photo." photos by Jordyn Blum



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Dylan Aubuchon
Andrew Austin
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Diana Avellaneda
Maha Awan



Amber Baca
Jordyn Baird
Eliana Baker
Nathan Baker
Sabrina Baker



Niranjana Banerjee
Caleb Banks
Julianne Barragan
Jessica Barrera
Jordyn Barrie



Sarah Baskin
Clarre Bass
Zulemi Bastida
Makayla Baul
Zavaya Baxter



Garrett Baycroft
Sydney Beck
Richard Beckner
Christopher Behnardi
Michael Bergin



Lenard Aiden Bernadas
Isaiah Berry
Joshua Berry
Ethan Black
Andrew Blissett



Eric Boatman
William Bolin
Madison Booker
Tatiana Brooks
Reagan Brannon

Kaleb Bravo
Jacob Brewer
Miranda Brindt
Tatiana Brooks
Trenton Brooks

CUTTING THE cord

STUDENTS RECEIVE RECOGNITION
AT ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE CEREMONY



Elizabeth Chan

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

After receiving their cords, senior Caleb Hammack and his friends pose for a photo. Caleb said his hardest class was Calculus. "To get my cord it made me feel really accomplished," he said. "It was great to all my work pay off with my three cords."



Landry Raymond

HUG IT OUT

While on stage, senior Zach Morgan gives principal Mr. Alan Arbulu a hug. Zach gave him a hug because he wanted to thank him for everything he has done for the school. "Sometimes in life you need a hug," Zach said. "I wanted to show my appreciation to him for all the years of excellence and such a big supporter he's been to me."

WORKING HARD

At the cord ceremony, senior Abby Calhoun takes a picture with her father. She was supposed to get three cords, but only got two because of her transfer here. "It made me feel good to get a cord," Abby said. "I worked hard for it, it was worth the stress."



Elizabeth Chan

THE BIG picture

SENIORS LOOK BACK AT THEIR PHOTOBOOTH FROM FRESHMAN YEAR



“We were in freshmen math and if anyone knew me or Brady, they know there has been a significant glow up.”

-ariana nararro



“This really just captured how excited I was starting high school my freshmen year. I took it because I'm the best, I'm cute, I've been cute. I had to keep record of how cute I was freshmen year.”

-sean mackenzie



“This was the day our laptops were deployed out to us before freshmen year and I was really excited to play around with everything on it.”

-betsey stokes

Aaron Brown
Carson Brown
Natalie Brown



Alonzo Brown-Anderson
Meghan Brown-Anderson
Olivia Bruce



Sophie Bryant
Emma Bunger
Bianca Burton



Wily Calderon
Abigail Calhoun
Nicole Calvo



Meredyth Camphouse
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Rocio Cano Gonzalez



Jackson Cantrell
Colleen Ciarr
Victoria Carvajal



Brandon Cash
Angelo Cervantes
Mustapha Cham
Antonette Chamorro
Keely Chapa

Leslie Chavez
Emilie Cholette
Damian Christensen
Emma Christopher
Aidan Clay

Andrew Clay
Kennedy Claytor
Khali Cleaves
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Zoe Cobbel
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Morgan Cole
Caroline Coleman
Madison Collard

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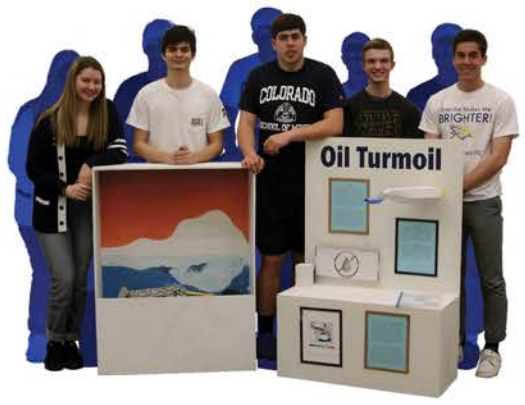


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BUILDING up

ENGINEERING STUDENTS PRESENT REGIONAL PROJECTS FOR COMPETITION

BRANCHING OUT
 For the Engineering Club competition, senior Allison Navejas holds up her fashion design products. They had to create three pieces using the theme, cosplay. "My team and I have all played Legends of Zelda growing up, so that is what we based the project on," Allison said. "It's cool to see your designs and something you admire come to life."



SHOWING OFF
 Katherine Davison, Michael Stallbaumer, Cade Holdstock and Stephen Kooker presented their regional project on Animatronics and Bio-Tech. "All of our members put in large amount of hours, and often it goes unnoticed," James said. "It's nice to have an outlet, like TSA to show off all of our work." James was president of the Engineering Club. "It is a lot of responsibility," James said. "Although it feels good for our members and my work pay off as a whole and to reflect well on the school and myself."

Orlando Cresencio
 Trayveion Criddle
 Nicholas Crociata
 Alexander Cuellar
 Erin Cyner



Brandon Dacome
 Connor Daly
 Brayden Davis
 Katherine Davison
 Jan De Jesus Aponte



Ryan Deglandon
 Andrew Delgado
 Thomas Devine
 Matthew Dexter
 Miguel Diaz



Daniela Diaz Duran
 Martha Diaz Patino
 Aaron Dietz
 Kaleb Doon
 Taylor Doak



Aariah Doggett
 Neftaly Don Juan Castro
 Justin Duclos
 Cordrick Dunn
 Hannah Durbin



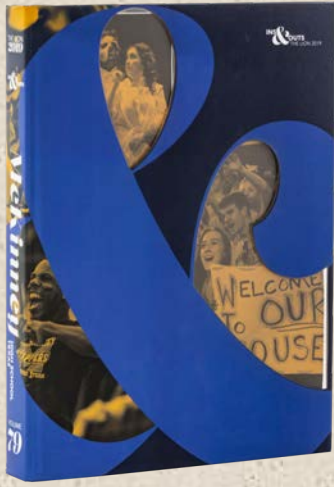
Riham Durbin
 Mimi Dyeigh
 Joey Dyer
 James Dzak
 William Edwards



Stefan Egger
 Wyke Eicher
 Chandler Elliott
 Emily Elliott
 Katelyn Elliston



Alyssa Elasser
 Lidanicolle Enloe
 Mykol Escobar Ordenez
 Leonel Escobedo
 Jose Esparza



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Jose Esparza Loyzaga
 Diego Espinosa
 Lillian Etheridge
 Lunden Evans
 Quantesia Evans



Randyle Farmer
 Luciano Fairo
 Cody Farr
 Ethan Faught
 Fernando Figueroa Lopez



Olivia Flean
 Gabriel Fleming
 Aileen Flores
 Kelsey Flores
 Angie Flores Gomez



Errolynn Florida
 Eric Flowers
 David Folorunsho
 Garrett Foreman
 Nicole Forsyth



Jaden Foster
 Kaitlyn Fox
 Justin Frazee
 Hannah Freeman
 Matthew Fry



Jordan Fuller
 Aaron Galviz
 Adrian Gallegos
 Bethane Galvan
 Abel Garcia



Abrey Garcia
 Ashley Garcia
 Brianna Garcia
 Ricardo Garcia
 Victoria Gaskey



Esther Gboria
 Kima Ghanbari Todashki
 Jared Glatz
 Angelica Gomez
 Champ Gonzales

HOCO nominees

WINNERS ARE IN BOLD

KING & QUEEN **BEAU & SWEETHEART** **PRINCE & PRINCESS OF CLUBS**



Andrew Pitts, Bryce Worley, Nitish Patel, Nick Simpson, Danny Lenard
 Samantha Greyson, Hailey Soroca, **Brook Naulty**, Olivia Wilson, Allison Navejas



Jacob Harsch, Michael Stallbaumer, Sam Williams, **Brady Schroeder**, Christian Knighton
Adlyn Larsen, Katherin Davison, Carly Saum, Erin Cyrier, Kitra Henry



Gabe Parada, **Grant Wheeler**, Cameron Brown, Adam Vernier, James Halderman
Ariana Navarro, Leslie Romero, Maisha Sheef, Maya Rosenberg, Annette O'Dell

PRINCE & PRINCESS OF FINE ARTS **PRINCE & PRINCESS OF ATHLETICS** **PRINCE & PRINCESS OF SPECIAL OLYMPICS**



Carson Brown, **Eric Boatman**, Ben Runyan, Jose Esparza
 Alyssa Wisdom, Ali Lenhard, Abby Seim, Bridget Kozlowski, **Hannah Freeman**



Cordrick Dunn, **Michah Ardila**, Ryan Hallstrom, Logan Murphrey, Aaron Brown
 Sophie Manson, Peyton Sorenson, Natalie Brown, Rose Murphy, **Caroline Swan**



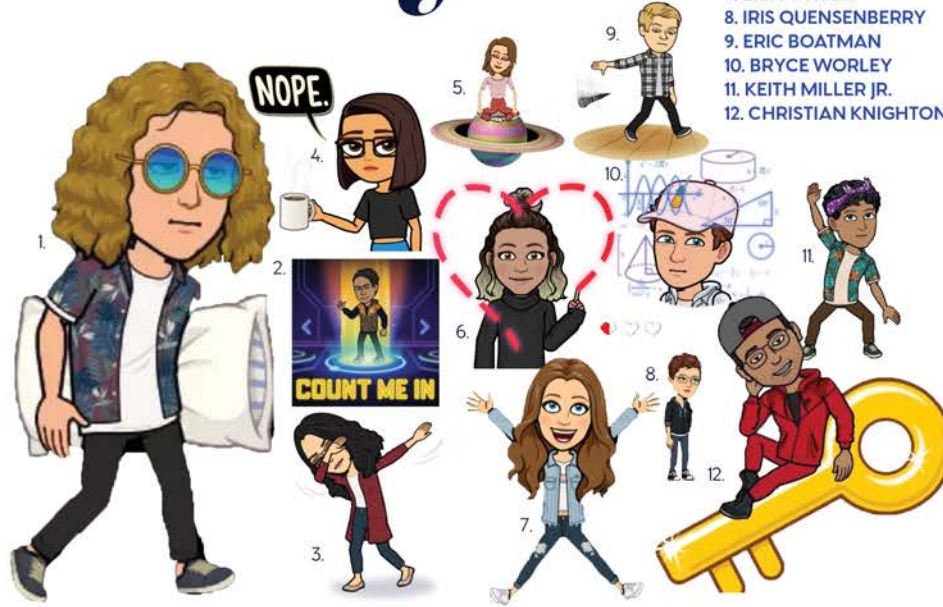
Errolynn Florida and **Jacob Windham**



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WHO'S THAT bitmoji?

1. LOGAN COURTNEY
2. RAFAEL MEJORADO
3. OLIVIA WILSON
4. NIRAJ BANERJEE
5. ABBY SEIM
6. CHYNNA MCDONALD
7. ERIN CYRIER
8. IRIS QUENSENBERRY
9. ERIC BOATMAN
10. BRYCE WORLEY
11. KEITH MILLER JR.
12. CHRISTIAN KNIGHTON



Bryan Gonzalez
 Christopher Gonzalez
 Sarah Gorham
 Eva Grace
 Gun Grant



Roshell Grant-Wesley
 Jaedyn Greene
 Niya Greene
 Samantha Greyson
 Alyssa Grider



Katie Griffin
 Dakari Griffith
 Nancy Grijalva
 Raymundo Guerrero
 Denisse Guevara

Collin Guinn
 David Gutierrez
 Valeria Gutierrez
 Alberto Gutierrez-Irizarry
 Nabil Habibi

Vanessa Hakizimana
 James Halderman
 Heather Hale
 Emma Hall
 Ryan Hallstrom

Matthew Hamilton
 Caleb Hammack
 Noah Hammond
 Joseph Hammonds
 Seth Hancock

Lilly Harlowe
 Alexis Harris
 Shadavia Harris
 Jacob Harsch
 Sarah Hawkins

Benjamin Hayden
 Carey Hayes
 Makala Haynes
 Bailey Hobert
 Lily Henderson



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She and her family trekked through the forest in pitch darkness. They walked near "La Cueva Del Diablo" or "The Cave of the Devil," which they imagined to be where Satan lived by her peers, leaving her to cry in horror. Reaching a river, she slipped into a wrinkled trash bag to keep from getting her clothes wet and waded through alligator-infested waters, finally getting on a raft when it became too deep. Waiting on the other side was her father in his car, driving them as quick and far from the border as possible to avoid arrest. For many children, this may seem like a nightmare. To one student, this was only the beginning of the American Dream.

At just 8 years old, senior Sarahi Rocha, also known as Sarah, left her home in Central Mexico and crossed the US-Mexico border in hopes of escaping poverty and reconnecting with her father who worked in America. As a recipient of DACA (also known as a DREAMer) an Obama-era executive order protecting undocumented immigrants who entered the USA as children from deportation, her childhood has been plagued by both triumph and fear.

Before leaving Mexico, her only idea of what America was like came from Hollywood.

"My mom would grab magazines and she kept them for years – it was American magazines," Sarahi said. "There were all these people and they looked so glamorous. When I got to America, I lived in an apartment with my two parents and three brothers and my uncle, aunt, and their three kids. We crowded

in the bedrooms. We crowded on the floor in the living room. I was confused – where was this glamour?"

She began her American education in an elementary school tailored for Spanish speaking children learning English. Many of the students shared her same experiences, making it easier to fit in. Beginning 6th grade however, she transitioned to an English speaking middle school, immediately feeling the stigma of being a Mexican immigrant.

"I still had an accent, you could still hear the shadow of my broken English," Sarahi said. "I was clearly not from America. I went to a Middle school that was more near the affluent side. I kind of felt they would make jokes about poor Hispanics. I wanted to go back but I didn't because it had been so long that I wasn't from there anymore, but I wasn't from here either. I wasn't from anywhere."

Despite the social and language barriers, Sarah knew the risk of her journey entering the country meant she had to take learning seriously. Her father, who only obtained an 8th grade education, and her mother, who completed up to her freshman year of high school, hoped America would offer their children far greater opportunity.

"I wanted them (Sarah and her brothers) to study and do better than I did," Sarah's mother, whose name will remain anonymous due to legal reasons said. "I want them to all have a college degree and use that college degree to have a very stable career, so that they'll never worry about the future."

Now as a GT student and member of Engineering Club, Sarah excels in class.

English teacher Carol Winters who taught the DREAMer for two years felt that struggle didn't stop her from being a normal student and encouraging classmates.

"Sarah is creative, she is responsive, she is analytical, she is on top of everything. She works very hard," Mrs. Winters said.

"Because of her situation she has a depth of understanding that a lot of students don't and a greater empathy for suffering and sacrifice. Things that many high school students take for granted are gifts for her."

However, Sarah's life took a turn when President Donald Trump cancelled DACA on Sep. 5th, 2017. Although the executive order has since been upheld by a federal judge allowing renewal, its' future is unclear.

"If it's cancelled I can't have anything. My license is invalid. I can't work because my social security becomes invalid," Sarahi said. "As DREAMers [DACA recipients] under the law they can't deport you, and once that's gone there is that possibility. Even before DACA was cancelled, there's always that fear about your parents, they can't be DREAMers. What would happen if they have to leave? We [Sarah and her brothers] don't have any money. If we can't study, we can't work, living life here won't be worth it anymore."

Despite striving to be an individual, Sarah still is subject to the labels associated with undocumented immigrants. Expectations that she may be violent or a criminal aren't rare in her to experience, but she knows the truth.

"The stereotypes aren't applicable to DREAMers," Sarahi said. "You have to be a good student. Even getting so much as

a ticket is iffy. When you apply to be a DREAMer you give (information about) your school, parents, address, and social security number, once you get it (DACA) they know everything. So, if you get in trouble for something that's not that big, they could deport you."

Although her situation seems isolated, Sarah is only one of the hundreds of thousands who crossed the border as a minor and currently rely on DACA. Without congressional action, her legal status constantly remains at risk. Sarah hopes for a day where people like her can obtain American citizenship and permanent residency. Until then, she plans to continue life here in Texas and aspires to be an economist. Fear, alike many others in the same situation, ultimately keeps her from openly telling her story.

"We're not always aware of the intense threat that many of our DACA students live under," Mrs. Winters said. "Often we are not aware what it took to get their families here, what they left behind both good and bad, and I think we need to be a lot more sensitive to that. For students who were born in the US, whose parents were born in the US, whose families have been here for generations, we forget what an amazing opportunity America offers. I think we need to look at what we have in America with fresh eyes, and that's one thing our DACA students can sometimes help us do."

by Kara Otuke
portrait by Landry Raymond

SWEET DACA RECIPIENT
MAKES IT HOME
dreams



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Cole Henrich
Kitra Henry
Anakaren Hernandez
Michael Hernandez
Nicole Hernandez



Sergio Hernandez
Miriam Hiestand
Carmen Hill
Hadyn Hill
Allison Hockaday



signing OUT

COMMITMENT CEREMONY SENDS SENIOR ATHLETES OFF TO COLLEGE

FAMILY FIRST

With his family behind him, senior Trey Pearson signs to Cisco Junior College. They received five other offers before deciding to go to Cisco. "It was a happy moment when I realized that I had made a good decision for my future," he said. "I'm most excited for me but also my family because my dream is to one day put them in a better situation."



SIGN OF THE TIMES

During signing day, senior Aly Grider celebrates her commission. Aly will attend University of Arkansas at Little Rock. "I really liked the campus and coaches," she said. "They offered me a scholarship. I was excited because I didn't know if I was going to swim or not." photo by Shadavia Harris



JUST COMMIT

After being committed into University of Little Rock, senior Maddy Peak signs her contract. "I've been committed for a long time and to finally sign my contract was really relieving," she said. "I'm excited about playing with a new team and getting a new experience."

EYE OF THE TIGER

After signing his letter of commitment to East Central University, senior Murphy Bostick looks back at his father. The recruiting class was one of the biggest in 10 years. "So far they've signed 14-16 freshmen," he said. "I'm looking forward to playing with my new teammates and becoming close with them."



SMILING AT SUCCESS

During his signing, senior Ryan Hallstrom smiles at the crowd. Ryan committed to the University of Central Arkansas for baseball. "I originally didn't think that I could play at the Division I level," he said. "But they saw something in me that other schools didn't."



Mallory Hoff
Tristen Holbert
Cade Holdstock
Drake Hollandsworth
Nicole Hollingsworth



Trenton Hoover
Namira Hossain
Kihya Houston
Makiyah Hughes
Nathan Hughey



Leonard Humphrey
Haven Hymes
William Insaican
Kaley Iovinelli
Brete Jackson



Damarius Jackson
Erin Jackson
Zamarius Jackson
Zhamell Jackson
Angel Jaimez



Ana Jalpa Aguirre
Aryana Jamshidi
Jesus Jaral
Garrett Jasper
Ryan Jeffries



Jisoo Jeon
Xavier Jemenez
Danielle Johnson
Derrick Johnson
Javin Johnson



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Layla Johnson
Xavier Jones
Lenia Jordan
Uriel Juarez
Joel Juarez Garcia



Matthew Juliano
Sidney Jurek
Tyler Kanter
Kelsey Kent
Lilan Kent



Michael Keys
Azhan Khan
Molly Kidd
Amah Kidwai
Chandler Kirby



Hannah Kim
Jeff Kimani
Alexandra King
Kristen King
Cole Kirby



Sarah Kirkpatrick
Emily Kite
Matthew Kizlyk
Aaron Klusmann
Christian Knighton



Garrett Koenig
Stephen Kooker
Bridget Kozowski
Alexis Krantz
Kelly Krueger



Jeremy La Foucade
Nicholas Lads
Erin Land



James Landrum
Rebekah Landrum
Ethan Lane



Adlyn Larson
Faith Lavook
Kaitlyn Law



Grace Lawson
Leon Le
Jayna Leach



Alexander Leal
Jason Lee
Micaden Lee



Joelle Lehinger
Danny Lenard
Alssa Lenhard

WHAT'S IN A name?

SENIORS GIVE NAMES TO THEIR CARS

“ I have a little, red 2006 Mini Cooper, and I just loved her, so Lucy.”
-abby seim

“ I named my car Mayo despite her being blue. Don't question it.”
-iris quesenberry

“ My mom named my first car, which was Nicole, but I crashed that car. So I'm sticking with the girls names and now my car's name is Lauren.”
-justin rigor

“ My car's name is Jazzy because it starts with a J, and I have a Jeep, and that also starts with a J.”
-mallory hoff

“ The person that I bought my car from was named Oliver, so I decided to keep the name.”
-sarah kirkpatrick

“ My parents bought my car when they lived in Austin, and his name is Lupé, like afer Guadelupé Street, the street that UT is on.”
-victoria carrajal

“ I have a Kia Forte, and his name is Dennis. My old car was a minivan, and her name was Gladys, and they are like the same color, so Dennis is Gladys' son.”
-elena scheffler



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Junior Leon
 Collin Lerche
 Peyton Lewis
 Sydney Lewis
 Do Song Li



Jingcheng Liang
 Brayden Licea
 Everett Lind
 Jonathan Lizardi
 Brandon Lopez



Gregory Lopez
 Mario Lopez
 Mario Loya
 Alejandra Lozano
 Catlin Lucas



Sean MacKenzie
 Lucie Madoni
 Jacob Madsen
 Nicholas Madsen
 Robert Madsen



Jonathan Magno Madrigal
 Michelle Maldonado
 Christina Maldonado
 Joselyn Maldonado
 Veronica Maldonado



Yulisa Maldonado
 Maven Maloney
 Kadajana Manning
 Sophie Manson
 Brandy Martin



BRADY
 SCHROEDER

CARSON
 BROWN

TAYLOR
 DOAK

BRIDGET
 KOZLOWSKI

ERIC BOATMAN

sockedit

SENIORS WEAR WEIRD SOCKS ON THE DAILY

“It’s more fun to wear weird stuff than to be like everybody else. Nobody ever really looks at your socks, so when they do it’s a fun surprise.”

-ADAM VERNIER

Kira Martin
 Aurelia Martinez
 Yan Carlo Martinez



ZACH
 WRIGHT

Cesar Martinez Hernandez
 Yssel Mateo
 Brandon Mathey



ARYANA JAMSHIDI

Max Mattson
 Lucy Mburu
 Emily McAfee



ANTONETTE
 CHAMORRO

Kennedy McAllister
 Keyshawn McClenon
 Joshua McCrory



ELENA
 SCHEFFLER





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SMALL FISH IN A big pond

SENIORS GIVE ADVICE
TO FRESHMEN

“Don't procrastinate things and get your stuff done.”
-bella zellers

“Get yourself involved in student activities. Don't think they're dumb because one day they will be memories.”
-peyton pulliam

“Make sure you keep everything aligned or else you'll collapse.”
-diego valdez

“My advice to freshmen would be to stay on top of your GPA freshman year because otherwise it's hard to bring it up your sophomore, junior and senior year.”
-ali lenhard

“Always use the last stall in the bathroom by Officer Logan's office because it has positivity written all over it.”
-melanie russell

“It is not about who you are during high school, but who you are going to become after it.”
-jared glatz

Chynna McDonald
John McGrail-Sanders
Ruby McGregor



Nicholas McGuire
Alison Mejia
Rafael Mejorado



Devon Miles
Keith Miller
Jacob Mills



Flower Mitchell
Kennedy Modesto
Sindia Mon



Henry Mollat
Hanna Morais
Valentina Montero



Isiah Montgomery
Nathan Moon
Gabrielle Moore



Nathan Moore
Giovanna Mora
Jessy Mora
Britney Morales
Jacob Morel



Zachary Morgan
Rylie Morris
Sabrina Morrison
William Morrison
Spencer Morrow



Leanne Moss
Jessica Munoz
Johanna Munoz
Maria Munoz
Logan Murphy



Rose Murphy
Elena Myrice
Anna Najera
Brook Naulty
Ariana Navarro



Allison Navejas
Janie Neal
Phillip Neubauer
Michael Newhouse
Tara Newhouse



Lara Newkirk
Cobey Nichols
Seth Nepharak
Jasmine Noble
Jordan Noel



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Jesús Nolasco
 Destiny Norice
 Callie Norris
 Arisbet Nunez
 Domenic Nunez



Sarina Nunez
 Annette O'Dell
 Maggie O'Neal
 Jose Obrajero Cofradia
 Daniela Ochoa Munoz



Austin Oden
 Christiana Opoku
 Silem Ortiz
 Brenda Ortiz Pineda
 Dayanna Osorio



Emory Otto
 Kara Otuke
 Carter Outon
 Gabriel Parada
 Jonathan Paredes



Passioner Parham-Johnson
 Marquane Parker Steward
 Brittney Parr
 Nitish Patel
 Braylan Patino Hernandez



Laney Patterson
 Blanca Pazmino
 Collin Peabody
 Madison Peake
 Edward Pearson



AN EXCERPT FROM
 THE POEM
**TO MY future
 daughter,**

Mommy never received the love I plan to give you
 My garden was full of weeds and lacked care
 My flower lost petals till there wasn't a sight to see anymore
 Mommy's gardeners picked me and stared in confusion when they saw me beginning to wilt
 My garden remained shaded
 there never seemed to be enough sun in the sky to bring color to my life
 My brittle stem, stemmed from a home with no love
 My roots grew in search of what I lacked
 I found it in another garden
 When I could no longer latch on
 I died
 To my future daughter,
 I won't let you die
 You see mommy had to nurse herself back to life
 Learning how to work the water hose to supply myself with self love and care
 How to reposition my garden so sunlight finally hit it
 How to keep catering to myself even in the winter when the soil was dry
 You see with mommy grow a tall oak tree out of a broken home
 Busting branches through windows
 My growth didn't stop because it inconvenience anyone
 I went from thinking I took up too much space to realizing
 There couldn't be enough
 to my future daughter You will be enough
 You will be a flower armored in thorns
 You'll be beautiful but you won't be fragile
 You won't be like mommy
 To my future daughter,
 You won't be like anyone but you
 I promise to let your roots move as they please
 To let you figure yourself out
 I'll nurture you but I won't ever assume what you will grow to be
 I'll teach you how to grow you'll teach me how to care
 To my future daughter,
 I promise to always be there...

A POEM BY
nia holmes

SPEAKING OUT LOUD
 At the poetry slam, senior Nia Holmes performs her poem about heartbreak and love. Nia wrote about how it feels to love someone that doesn't love you back and how great love is. "I was going through a little bit of those emotions that I wrote," Nia said. "My outlet is poetry and I decided that the weight will be lifted off my shoulders if I write about it."

Mariana Ramirez



Kimberly Pena
 Katlyn Pepper
 Alejandro Perez
 Hannah Perez
 Katherine Perez

Armanda Pfoel
 Caroline Phillips
 Jacquelyn Pimentel
 Andrew Pitts
 Alexandra Ponce



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Juan Prado
Davin Price
Sascha Price
Ivorynia Propes
Oliver Prows



Anysia Pryor
Peyton Pulliam
Faith Qualls
Ilyssa Quesenberry
Jacquelin Rackler



Nicholas Ralph
Rachel Ramage
Sarah Ramage
Cynthia Ramirez
Eileen Ramirez



Erick Ramirez
Jazlee Ramirez
Nicolas Ramirez
Juan Ramirez Morroy
Yessica Ramos



Robert Rednour
William Reis
William Repp
Diego Reynoso-Jimenez
Samantha Richards



Justin Matthew Rigor
Megyn Riley
Braden Ritter
Darian Robinson
Jonathan Robinson



Mya Robinson
Cody Robitaille
Sarah Rocha
Alexa Rodriguez
Christopher Rodriguez



Jaycob Rodriguez
Mariana Rodriguez
Yovanelly Rodriguez
Olivia Rogers
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Angie Rolan
 Isaiah Romero
 Johnathan Romero
 Lesli Romero
 Gregory Roof



Allyson Rooters
 Maya Rosenberg
 Gabrielle Rowe
 Cayden Rowen
 Ashley Ruiz



Adrian Lantieri

LET THE *good times* ROLL

FRENCH CLASSES PARTY FOR MARDI GRAS

“We got to parade around the school and hand out cups. We also made some floats to celebrate Mardi Gras.”

-daniela ochoa, 12

“Madame Kelly is really understanding. Even if you make mistakes she'll help you get through it. She doesn't judge you or get mad at you if you say or pronounce things wrong.”

-kara otuke, 12



Leshlie Ruiz
 Yvonne Ruiz
 Benjamin Runyan
 Autumn Russell
 Melanie Russell



Shyda Ryder
 David Ryniker
 Brianna Sabala
 Jeremy Saint
 Ariel Salazar



John Salazar
 Luis Salazar
 Laura Salcedo Valdes
 Gabriella Salinas Rivero
 Trevor San Andres



Mariana Sanchez
 Marielle Sanchez
 Christyn Sanchez Rojas
 Jennifer Sandoval
 Karen Santana



Rudy Santana Maciel
 Valery Santiago Molina
 Carly Saum
 Elena Scheffler
 Sydney Schnelle



Braden Schroeder
 Matthew Scott
 Kyle Secret
 Abigail Seim
 Adam Severn



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horse sense

FFA SENIOR
A RODEO STAR

She walks around the halls with her square-toed boots, her turquoise studded belt buckle around her waist, and almost always a large pair of turquoise earrings upon her ears. If you didn't know her, you'd think she was just a cowgirl, but in reality she is a rodeo star, boots and all — her name is Bethanie Galvan.

"Rodeo is something that I love and it means so much to me," senior Bethanie said. "It gives me the opportunity to have a great bond with such a large animal as a horse. I have to be able to trust my horse and he has to be able to trust me. Even though it's been challenging, me and my horses are able to work together pretty flawlessly and that all started with trust. I have three horses that I rope off of. Their names are Spot, Pistol, and Blue Duck. They are all three amazing horses who have so much heart in everything that I ask them to do."

Bethanie has participated in rodeo's since she was little and says that there's no way she could ever give up the sport.

"I've had horses since before I could walk," Bethanie said. "I've been roping since about the fifth grade. I used to compete in barrel racing and pole bending, but now I just stick to team roping. I honestly can't imagine what my life would be like if I wasn't around animals."

Rodeos and stock shows have always been a big part of their family starting in the late 90s with Bethanie's father, Jason Williams.

"I met my husband in 1992," Bethanie's mother Becky Williams said. "He was into team roping back then. In 1994, we had our son and my husband taught him to rope at that time, but it wasn't something he picked up. So in 2000, when we had Bethanie, he bought her a horse when she was 3 months old. Spot—a lot is his name. She started roping when she was about ten. Since then it's been her, Jason, and ole faithful Spot."

Bethanie and her father have roped together since she was in the fifth grade and she can't imagine having a different roping partner.

"My dad and I rope together," Bethanie said. "You never see one of us alone at a competition. If you see one of us you expect to see the other. We are just each others person. It's our thing that we do together. I really enjoy it and I'm glad we are able to do it."

Along with rodeos, Bethanie participates in the school organization, Future Farmers of America where she shows two steers, Pedro and Carlos, and is the vice president.

"I rodeo on my own," Bethanie said. "But I do many things through FFA such as showing cattle, livestock judging, and radio broadcasting. It started my freshman year and I have grown to love this organization more and more everyday. I'm glad that we have an FFA program at our school to help others love working with animals as much as I do."

Bethanie puts in lots of time into her practices in order to do well in her competitions.

"We practice just about every week in Blue Ridge and Whitewright Texas," Bethanie said. "At our Cowboy Church, I practice constantly by making several runs and listening to my dad after each one, telling me what I need to fix. I used a lariat rope and wear a glove on my right hand to keep the rope from burning it."

Despite the many hours that Bethanie puts into her animals, she finds a way to fit all her responsibilities in.

"It has been a wonderful experience," Mrs. Williams said. "It's kept our family bonded. It's what we enjoy doing together. At times it been tough schedule wise between work, school projects, FFA shows, and traveling, but we always make time for some team roping."

Bethanie has received many buckles from rodeos and stock shows that she treasures.

"I have a few buckles that I've won through competing," Bethanie said. "And they represent the same things as a trophy. You win belt buckles by winning in your competition. Belt buckles are sort of a resume, name tag, and family history all put onto a piece of silver plated metal for us. They should

be worn with pride and definitely a pair of boots."

Her parents say they couldn't be more proud of their daughter and who she has grown to become.

"We are very, very proud parents to have watched over the years everything that she has accomplished and become," Mrs. Williams said. "I have watched her grow to be so passionate about an organization that is so important to our everyday life. She has passion, confidence, independent, and an awareness of the obstacles in her way and conquers. Gosh, she has the courage I wished I had. In my eyes, there is nothing she can't do."

Bethanie has gained many special friendships through rodeos and FFA including senior and FFA officer, Chance Hamilton.

"Bethanie means the world to me," Chance said. "She's my best friend. Without Bethanie, I probably would not be as successful as I am now. Working with Bethanie in FFA has been amazing. It was actually her who told me I should run for an officer position. I actually wasn't even planning on applying to be an FFA officer, but Bethanie told me that she thought I would make a really good one. I can honestly say I probably wouldn't be as determined or well-rounded as I am now without her."

Even though it's Bethanie's senior year, she says she hopes can share her knowledge and love for the sport and animals to the future farmers to come.

"A lot of hard work and dedication goes into roping," Bethanie said. "It's nothing different than practice for a football or baseball game. We all put in the same amount of heart and hard work. We're all still athletes. I do plan on team roping after high school because it is such a big part of my life. Rodeo is a dying sport and I just want people to understand how amazing it is."

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Kaylen Sexton
 Maisha Shaef
 Ahmad Shaef
 Barbod Shahrezaee
 Jacie Shakotko



Braylon Shavers
 Christian Shaw
 Abigail Sheffield
 Noah Shelton
 En-Mei Shi



Zachary Sierra
 Samson Silva
 Cayla Simpson
 Nicholas Simpson
 Christina Sims



Alexander Slowik
 Avery Smith
 Erin Smith
 Garrett Smith
 Michael Smolen



Peyton Sorensen
 Jewel Sorey
 Hailey Soroa
 Darion Spearman
 Tommy Spence



Richard Spencer
 Matthew Staib
 Michael Stallbaumer
 Breanna Stephens
 Elisabeth Stokes



LIVING THAT **trainer**
 LIFE SENIORS DESCRIBE WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE ON THE FIELD

“It’s definitely a learning experience, and it’s a lot better being on the field instead of the stands.”
danica trerino



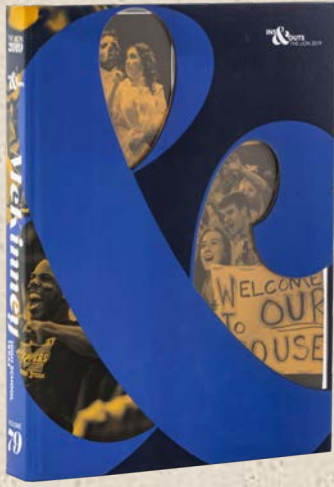
“I couldn’t stop smiling the whole game. I love being on the sidelines, and this is the only way I really can get into the games.”
olivia rogers

“Actually being a part of it is cool. I met a lot of new people and got to know different aspects of football.”
halima copphege



Elisha Stokes
 Phillip Stolfa
 Ashlynn Sullivan
 Mackenzie Sumner
 Samuel Surprenant

Campbell Surka
 Caroline Swan
 Shawn Switalski
 Camille Taylor
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Carley Thomas
 Kelvin Thomas
 Wesley Thomas
 Tjaden Thornock
 Haley Tolbert



Daniel Torrain
 Deysi Torres
 Juan Torres
 Tryiesha Townsend
 Hao-Long Tran



Zoe Trask
 Danica Trevino
 Payton Trevino
 Denisse Trevizo
 Garrett Turner



Angelina Tyus
 Tierney Uhl
 Diego Valdez
 Bryan Valle
 Ali Van Der Ziel



Haven Vanlandingham
 Zarek Vanlaningham
 Nicholas Vannoy
 Evan Varghese
 Adam Vernier



Terrill Vincent
 Jack Vinson
 Anh Vo
 Megan Wagoner
 Connor Walsh



Jonathan Warren
 Joseph Warren
 Destry Washington
 Ronika Weaver
 Shawn Wei



Alec Wegel
 Grant Wheeler
 Luke White
 Alea Wilborn
 Ayanna Williams



fitbit VS.

A fitness band, worn on a person's wrist that tracks physical activity. Fitbit devices are designed to track important health and activity markers, including heart rate, quality of sleep and the number of steps walked.

FIRST RELEASED: MAY 2013
PRICE: \$50-\$300
TOTAL # OF DEVICES SOLD: 63 MILLION

“
 I've had a fitbit for a year. I like because it's smaller and I don't have an iPhone, so it's more versatile for any phone.”
 -*rory simmel, 12*

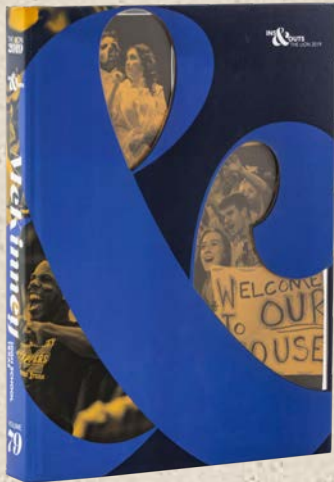
apple watch

A smart watch has the ability to make phone calls, check caller ID and access visual voicemail, send and receive text messages, provide fitness capabilities and health monitoring sensors, offer map coordinates and directions, and more.

FIRST RELEASED: APRIL 2015
PRICE: \$279-\$700
TOTAL # OF DEVICES SOLD: 33 MILLION

“
 I used to own a fitbit, but it wasn't as convenient. I like that my Apple watch is customizable and that I can like change my music with it while driving.”
 -*jordan baird, 12*





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Samuel Williams
 Sidney Williams
 Taylor Williams
 Adrian Wilson
 Olivia Wilson



Macey Winburn
 Jacob Windham
 Haylee Winstead
 Alyssa Wisdom
 Jordan Wiener



Bryce Worley
 Connor Wright
 Hannah Yonas
 Jordan Yonas
 Damien Zapatero



Karen Zavala Ortuno
 Bella Zellars
 Sophie Zellars
 Aurora Zimmer
 Chasen Zimmer



Zoe Zimmerman
 Melissa Zuriga



NOT PICTURED

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|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Shana Almszon | Kevin Casas | Pedro Blanco | Byroncie Lee | Micahela Monfort | Mariana Rodriguez Arias | Tryshia Townsend |
| Sergio Alvarado Sumbia | John Colwell | Brian Hall Jr | Luis Lopez | Tyler Nguyen | Lizbeth Rodriguez Varela | Richard Velazquez Doering |
| Matthew Barrows | Shakti Datt | Mohamed Hassan | Kearra Lutz | Joshua Okoyi | Carlos Royo | Santiago Vilchez |
| Sadie Bearg | Anthony De La Torre | Andrew Henry | Jacob Mann | Aaron Pekar | Joan Santos | Kendall Wallace |
| Kadlynn Bernard | Christopher Deike | Prosten Hickerson | Cristian Martinez | TaNasa Porter | Byron Schobly II | Maxim Whan |
| Murphy Bostick | Johanesha Dozier | Nia Holmes | Madelyn Martinez | Syeda Qarshi | Seth Thompson | |
| Cameron Brown | D'jevon Duckett | Corey Jones | Chloe McKinney | Alexander Ralph | Drea Tillman | |
| Nicholas Brown | Ruben Figueroa | Riva Kirkuki | Eric Merchaca | Ximena Rayon Garcia | Juan Torres De La Cruz | |
| Sarah Bruce | Rebecca Ford | Gary Knox | Tas Molina Gutierrez | Gabrielle Robbins | Luis Torres | |

“

You spend so much time with the friends you make all throughout the summer and even in concert season. You see them in sectionals and in and out of classes, so it's just hard to think that you eventually won't be able to see these people every day.”

-bridget kozlowski

& THEN
 A LOOK AT WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

After the halftime show, senior Bridget Kozlowski cries while thinking this would be her last band performance.

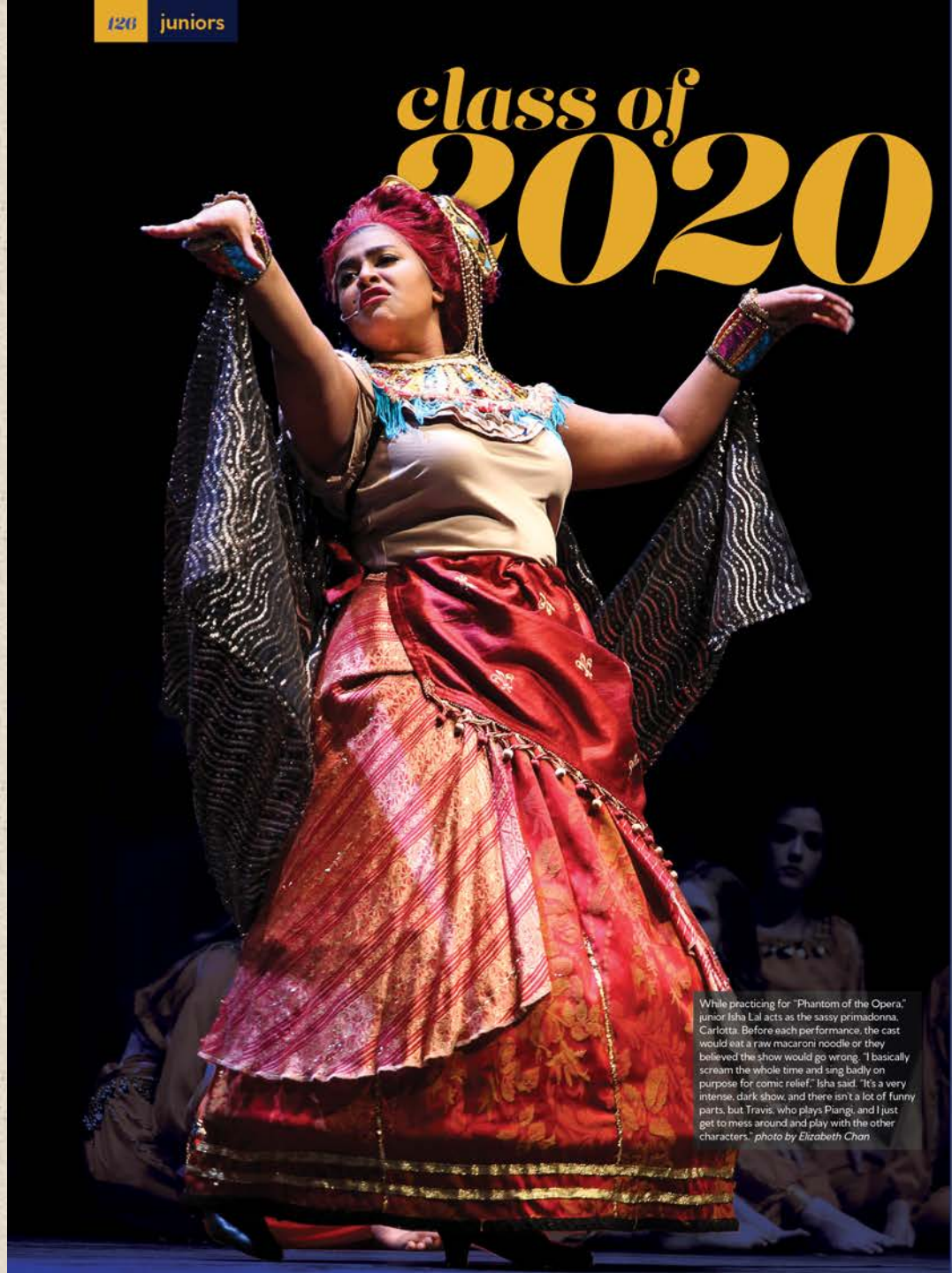


Albey Garcia

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While practicing for "Phantom of the Opera," junior Isha Lal acts as the sassy prima donna, Carlotta. Before each performance, the cast would eat a raw macaroni noodle or they believed the show would go wrong. "I basically scream the whole time and sing badly on purpose for comic relief," Isha said. "It's a very intense, dark show, and there isn't a lot of funny parts, but Travis, who plays Piangi, and I just get to mess around and play with the other characters." photo by Elizabeth Chan



Santiago Acosta
Araceli Acosta Cofradia
Jonathan Aguilar
Reyna Aguilera-Bermudez
Tyler Aguilar
Sharuk Altar
Eljah Allen

Rachael Allen
Charles Almaraz
Bryan Alvarado
Jeremiah Amparo
Naomi Anamekwe
Joshua Anchondo
Keely Anders

Benjamin Andersen
Alexis Anderson
Randon Anderson
Sydney Anderson
Akayla Ankrton
Yoselin Antonio Torres
Rafay Anwar

Ernesto Araza Rosas
Chans Arzila
Hannah Arzaga
Eljah Arzola
Adonis Auguston
Mark Baca
Edward Balderrama

Jacob Banner
Jaden Barker
Asael Barradas Balderrama
Jesus Barraso Villanueva
Branna Barrows
Bryanna Barton
Amanda Batson

Rae Beazley
Stephen Belcher
Taylor Bell
Ivan Belmontes
Brooke Belton
Christopher Benitez
Alan Benitez Baltazar

Madison Bergmann
Isaiah Berry
Isaac Bertrand
Frank Bertucci
Trent Bevans
Ashleigh Bickerstaff
Amy Blyeu

Brycen Bohl
Ryan Bohlen
Kiara Bolden
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Katelyn Bonifacio
Debenay Bora
Joshua Bostick



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Ksenija Braese
Ethan Brausen
Cora Brewer
Shuraka Bringhurst
Luke Brockham
Datron Brooks



Drew Brooks
Montel Brooks
Emily Bruce
Lila Bryson
Anna Buraczyk
Danylee Burford
Bryan Burgos



Elektrah Burnett
Susan Burns
Cade Caballero
Jordan Cabana
Zachary Cable
Ritashah Cabral
Colby Calagna



Marques Camp
Kerhaun Campbell
Jinyi Cao
Rebecca Capelan
Jacobson Card
Andrew Carithers
Elana Carrillo



Melissa Carrillo
Kelsea Carter
Amanda Carter
Leonel Casas
Marcella Cassidy
Fernanda Castellanos Godinez
Ingrid Castillo



Renata Castillo
Amelia Castillo-Gonzalez
Daniel Castle
Abigail Cedillo
Audiynn Chambers
Tanna Chambers
Elizabeth Chan



Arely Chavez
Jesus Chavez
Ethan Cheng
Blake Childress
Jose Chiquito
Kelly Chmielewski
Kali Christensen



Sarah Chan
Cade Clark
Ian Clark
Jocelyn Clark
Kyle Clark
Nicholas Clayton
Amyria Clement



Abigail Coats
Ashley Cobb
Taylor Cole



Ameri Cole-Connor
Madelyn Coleman
Jack Connolly



Danielle Copado
Kendall Copeland
Kristen Copeland



Kyler Copeland
Jenna Crab
Cameron Crawford



Jakira Crawford
Christian Crenshaw
Caleb Crook



Kennedy Curry
Cody Dagley
Shakti Datt



Mason Dash
Kyle Dauper
Alyssa Davis



Brayden Davis
Brooklyn Davis
LaVaryon Davis

SOUND THE alarm(s)

JUNIORS SET MULTIPLE ALARMS IN ORDER TO WAKE UP



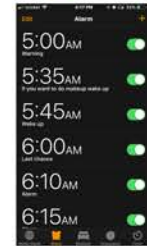
“I got one for late at night because I usually I get up get a snack go back to bed so I’m not like super hungry in the morning. I’m always running late for school so I don’t have time to eat breakfast.”

-alex numm



“I have a really bad habit of turning my alarms off and then waking up during third period. So you know truancy’s not good. You gotta set those alarms, you know.”

-chris benitez



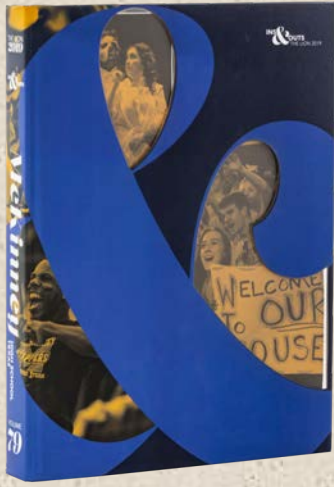
“I wake up early to pick up my best friend. When I have to wake up early, I’m not alert enough to get ready. If I have a bunch of alarms it makes me feel like I will be late so I get ready quicker.”

-caroline potts



“It doesn’t get annoying because I have to do what I have to do, you know. But I have dual-credit English so I get to drop my brother off at school and then go back home and get some rest.”

-rhatt meggert



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Leopoldo De La Torre
Guadalupe De Leon
Alec Decker
Olivia Deegan
Jill DeJandson
Caroline Deitch
Jalaina Dewberry



Adriana Diaz
Andrea Diaz Perez
Odalis Diosdado-Murillo
Heather Ditter
Leonardo Dominguez
Janae Dotson
Zachary Dotson



AN eggcellent STUDENT

JUNIOR RAISES STORE BOUGHT QUAIL EGGS

a After hours of watching and waiting, junior Porter Slack stares at his hands as he watches a baby quail hatch from an egg, which he had kept in an incubator for 18 days.

"I just saw a YouTube video in my recommended and it asked just whether or not you could hatch quails from store bought quail eggs," he said. "The video said you could, so I was like 'you know, I wanna test that theory.'"

When he was little, Porter was very interested in animals and eggs.

"For Christmas one year, I asked for an incubator, and obviously I got it," he said. "I raised a duckling from like an egg that I found in a creek. I've also raised a warning dove, and hatched chickens before."

Originally, there were 20 eggs, but there was a 75 percent mortality rate, so now there are only five quails left.

"Sometimes I just get intrigued by something and I do it. There's not a purpose," Porter said. "They grew fast and now they're like the size of a kid's basketball."

Along with hatching eggs in his free time, Porter is in AP classes and clubs.

"Ms. Winters and Ms. Meyer have helped me a lot with just intellectual development and figuring out how to organize everything," he said. "I like history classes. I just think they're interesting. I like maps and hearing about all the events."

Porter was ranked 10 in the junior class.

"I don't want to be outmatched by my brother because he took a ton a AP classes and he had a high rank so I just wanted to just beat him," he said. "Will's rank was 46. I feel like some of my friends rank it as a competition, but I don't view it that way because I don't like to compete with my friends."

After high school, Porter wants to study political science and continue to do more experiments like this.

"I think I will give the quails to the Heard Museum," he said. "I've heard they have a wildlife sanctuary."

story by Kayla Thompson
photo by Landry Raymond



Calvin Doyle
Danielle Dulaney
Dwae Dunaway
Megan Duncan
Larissa Duray
Dylan Dussert
Gwendolyn Dzak

Daniel Ester
Elijah Early
Christine-Taylor Eberhart
Nahomi Echeverria
Natasha Eid
Elyssa Eisenberg
Hassan Ejaz

Aden Entriken
Evan Entriken
Jacob Ernest
Kaitlyn Eshbaugh
Eva Espinosa
Briqes Espinoza
David Estrada

Sacoya Evans
Tristan Evans
Mia Falcon
Melanie Faras Mejias
Reagan Ferl
Zaki Firuz
John Fish

Jace Flanagan
Estelle Flanagan
Iliana Flores
Maria Fonseca
Katrina Forsyth
Tyler Foster
Sterling Fought

Emma Francis
Preston Franko
Mark Freeman
Nathan Francano
D'Erricka Frierson
Erin Fry
Trevor Fry

Enje Fu
Savannah Funk
Alejandro Futoma
Camden Gallagher
Jorge Gallegos
Tyler Gambetty
Lucero Garambullo Hernandez

Eduardo Garcia
Franklin Garcia
Michelle Garcia
Roberto Garcia
Kevin Garcia Lopez
Jovanne Garcia-Vasquez
Adrianna Garman



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BRIANNA VELLA



LANDRY RAYMOND



BROOKLYN
VENHAUS

Cayden Garrison
Emily Gaytan
Skyler George
Kelvin Gurnis
Jamel Gibson



Jaylen Gallardo
Jordan Glenn
Monica Gomez
Penelope Gomez
Rosa Gomez Velez



Mya Gonzalez
Yaricelys Gonzalez
Ashley Gonzalez Guerrero
Ashley Goodmark
Joshua Gordon



Karsyn Gorman
Candis Graham
Gillian Gray
Joshua Gray
Taylor Green



Morgan Gregory
Brendan Gross
Brian Guevara
Samar Guidry
Chloe Guthrie



Andrea Guzman
Travis Halbrooks
Jessica Halderman
Emily Halstrom
Karina Hampsh
Aden Hancock
Erica Hancock



Eli Herdin
Brendan Hardy
Hilary Harlow
Joshua Harrington
Armone Harrison
Danielle Harrison
Aidan Hatcher



Rachel Hawkins
Jasmine Hayes
Madeline Hebert
Zachary Helm
Anthony Hernandez
Cove Hernandez
Damaris Hernandez



Kara Hernandez
Laura Hernandez
Luz Hernandez
Marco Hernandez
Melanie Hernandez
Odaliz Hernandez
Yanixa Hernandez



Zeus Hernandez
Kevin Hernandez Molina
Martha Hernandez Salinas
Geovanny Hernandez-Roman
Amanda Hernandez-Salazar
Amy Herrera
Jaydin Herrera



Baruch Herrera-Aifaro
Graeme Herring
Logan Hibbard
Samantha Hicks
Hannah Higginbotham
Jered Hightower
Jonah Hill



Lucy Hiley
Jayden Hofmeister
Jason Hoglund
Davis Holdstock
Spencer Hollis
Andrew Holmes
Emma Hopkins



Emily Houser
Davis Hudson
Manuel Huerta
Sara Hummadi
Sarah Hurd
Hanar Hussain
Kyle Hutcheson

nailedit

JUNIORS MASTER THE ART OF THE MANICURE

“ I like to say 'I can't control how ugly I am, but I can control how cute my nails are.' ”

—ADISON SOKOLOSKY



ABIGAIL
MCADAMS

LESLIE
TERRONES





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IT TAKES *two*

JUNIOR TWINS DISCUSS THEIR DIFFERENCES

juniors Valerie and Rachel Landis have been together their whole lives. However, when it comes to their passions, the two are far from the same.

"We're close but we aren't the same person. We're the opposite of each other," Rachel said.

Valerie started a blog halfway through her freshman year. "It's called Beauty of the Mess, and the inspiration behind it was that the "mess" is supposed to refer to our chaotic life and I wanted to try and focus on where you can find goodness and beauty in all the craziness that happens around us."

She writes about a variety of topics. "I talk about things I've learned, things I've noticed, and things I've done. I post a lot about music I listen to and write monthly updates about that. I also write a lot of poems and letters to people who have largely impacted me."

The purpose of her blog is to show people how to look at things with different perspectives.

"I want people to see a different perspective of looking at things, and I want people to realize that a lot of people go through the same things, but there's different ways of looking at it. I can tell through writing all these things that there's a different lens I can look through, and writing about these experiences makes it easier to see how I can look at certain situations."

Although her blog is meant for other people to read, Valerie also writes for herself.

"A large portion of why I write is definitely for myself, but it's also the center of me. It's what I see myself as, it's what I'm thinking about, and I want other people to think about them too. I've always found a lot of my identity in words because writing always seemed natural for me to do. I get to choose what words I get to say."

Valerie says her blog shows a side of her that most people don't see. "I had a lot of things to say, and I've always liked writing, so I figured I should say it on some platform," Valerie said. "I think my blog shows that I have a lot more to say than people think I do. It goes to show people observe these things, but don't say anything."

"I've learned to just post when it feels right, or when I feel good about what I have to say," Valerie said. "I don't stay on a super strict schedule because I want to put out the most authentic form of what I'm trying to say. When I put a time stamp on it, it hasn't gone well. I usually get the idea I want to write about, and I have a piece of paper where I jot down what I'm thinking about. I draw arrows to show how everything is connected, and then from there I start drafting and change the writing until I'm happy with what it is. It takes anywhere from 1 hour to a week and a half."

Rachel has been doing gymnastics ever since she could walk, and has been very successful throughout her years in gymnastics.

"I've competed in multiple regional competitions in Colorado and in June 2017 I won the Alicia Reese Leadership Award from my gymnastics coaches," she said. "I was chosen as the person who

showed the most leadership out of over 200 girls. I felt honored to be chosen and represent my entire team as the one who excels in leadership and respect."

In all of her successes, she has experienced many struggles.

"A year or two ago I thought about quitting. It was hard on me and it was hard on my body. I didn't enjoy it anymore and I hated going to class and competing. That was part of the atmosphere that my coaches put me in and I grew to hate the sport. The coach left the gym and I realized I didn't hate the sport. I just didn't like the coach. I also severely injured my ankle while tumbling on the floor. I fractured my talus and sprained many ligaments. I couldn't resume normal practice for five months, which caused me a lot of pain and put me behind in training. Even once I was able to get back to full practices, I still experienced some pain for at least a year. I learned not to take my abilities for granted and pushed and persevered to catch up with the rest of my teammates and advance in my gymnastics even more."

Rachel also has a hard time balancing her social life with gymnastics. "Balancing school work, my time for gym, and friends is hard because I have a lot of practice time that I have to get through. When practice is over I have to come home and work on homework, but I'm so tired that it's really hard to do. It's hard to have a good social life because I don't have any time that my friends have. I workout five days a week for twenty hours, four hours a day."

Through her struggles, Rachel has been able to confide in her teammates to keep her going.

"At the end of the day, I still love the sport and I love my teammates. They are a lot of what gets me through everyday. My teammates are some of my closest friends. They get me through tough practices and are like sisters to me. They're half of why I love gymnastics so much."

Gymnastics has taught her a lot about important character traits. "It has taught me a lot about leadership, sacrifice, and perseverance. The gym has grown to be really big, about 200 girls, and being on one of the top levels and being one of the original girls at that gym. I've risen through the ranks and learned how to be a leader to all the younger girls and a positive role model. I've learned that sometimes sacrifices are necessary and I've learned how to balance my time better, dealing with scheduling and school work and when I have time for everything. It's taught me how to push through things when they're hard. You get a lot of mental blocks, or some days you're just really tired from school and then you have to go to the gym. You don't have the energy in you to do it, but you push through it. The next day or the next week when you come back you're better because of it."

No matter how different the two are, they know they will always have each other.

"I have a built in best friend," Rachel said. "And I know there's always somebody by my side."

story by Leah Boatman
 photo by Landry Raymond





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IT'S mhs1

BROADCAST GOES LIVE-TO-TAPE



inside the camera
 "I LOVE WORKING WITH THE CAMERAS, WORKING WITH ALL MY FRIENDS, AND SEEING HOW IT TURNS OUT AT THE END OF THE DAY."
 -cameron johnson

FOUND MY CALLING

While looking at the camera monitor, junior Jayson Williams practices filming for MHS1. Jayson has recently found a niche in the MHS1 community. "I just really love doing this kind of stuff," he said. "Before I knew it existed, I felt like I didn't have a passion for anything, but now that I have done it, I feel like I have something that I love doing."



Kayla Thompson

GOING LIVE

During a practice run for a live MHS1 junior Ally Tauber practices directing from the control room. The studio equipment was put to use so the students could create a live show for the first time. "It was a lot of hard work," she said. "But we are finally getting the hang of it so future shows will be recorded live."

Rachel Hyden
 Amna Hyder
 Cameron Ingls
 Jacob Jackson
 Taylor Jackson
 Tim Jakobsen
 Hope James



Summer James
 Tro Jefferson
 Nathaniel Jeffries
 Jordan Jenkins
 Mallory Johns
 Cameron Johnson
 Charlor Johnson



Mario Johnson
 Melvin Johnson
 Kobe Johnson-Wideman
 Cobe Jones
 Jae Shaun Jones
 Jesse Jones
 Madison Josey



Alejandra Juarez
 Jeffrey Justus
 Ethan Kuhnien
 Dallas Kasmey-Yelland
 Adriana Keeton
 Elijah Kelley
 Grace Kelly



Madison Kelly
 Wyatt Kelly
 Thomas Kempth
 Alyssa Kenney
 Alexander Khan
 Edom Kidane
 Grant Keschnick



Eather Kim
 Noah Kim
 Roselinda Kinro
 Jackson Kirkham
 Rwa Kirkuki
 William Kowaleski
 Aadhar Kulshrestha



Kathryn Ladner
 Isha Lal
 Rachel Landis
 Valerie Landis
 Aden Lantos
 Cassandra Laporte
 Nikki Laurenso



Jada Lawrence
 Alyssa Leasure
 Marlene Leon
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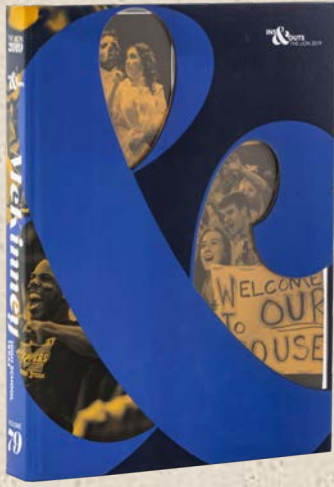
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 Nicolas Maclean
 Ashley Magno
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Veronica Maldonado
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 Moses Marrufo
 Alejandro Martinez
 Andrea Martinez
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Daylin Martinez
 Emmanuel Martinez
 Isidoro Martinez
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 Yira Martinez
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Kolby McCustion
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Xavier McGarrill
Mary-Margaret McGowan
Jaydon McPherson
Justin McWhirter
Samuel McWhirter
Jocelyn Medina
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Bryan Meraz
Bryce Merrick
Mariah Mignogna
Bradley Miller
Kenaeja Miller
Brody Miliken
Gregory Mitchell



Madison Mitchell
Piedad Molina
Joseph Montefalcon
Dafne Montoya
Hunter Moore
Jade Moore
Sarah Moorehead



Gisell Mora
Zuleyma Morales Gaevedo
Marisol Morales-Morales
Kimberly Moran
Rachel Moran
Luis Moreno Escobar
Brock Morgan



Christian Morris
James Moses
Madelaine Mott
Kayla Munjoma
Francisco Munoz
Ernesto Munoz Puga
Wyatt Murph



Jacob Myers
Timothy Myers
Lauren Napiar
Stefan Nash
Eva Nassery
Tamm Nassery
Cavan Natal



Aaron Nease
Jack Neely
Morgan Neely



Sarah Neubauer
Anika Newland
Jakarin Newman



Lisa Nguyen
Trinh Nguyen
Lorelei Nichols



Aran Nieto-Flores
Addisyn Nilsen
Jasmine Noel



Kylee Noonan
Curtis Nowak
Breana Nunzi



Josette Nunez
Alex Nunn
Christopher Obregon



Brianna Ochoa
Brittany Ochoa
Richard O'Connor



Alexa Ojeda
Arlen Oliver Medina
Alexis Ornelas

with a grain of salt

JUNIORS PICK THE TOP 10 PLACES TO EAT

*BASED ON A SURVEY OF 100 JUNIORS

1 **chick-fil-a**
2 **WHATABURGER**

"It's where all the McKinney people go to hang out and get food whenever they want. at 3 a.m. you can just go to Whab and it's fast and easy."
-BRYNNE TEICHELMAN



3 **NOM NOMS** 4 **iHop**

"It's the best place to go eat with friends and it's not super expensive."
-BROGAN VICKREY

5 **Storchy's tacos**

"THEIR SHRIMP TACOS AND QUESO ARE PHENOMENAL."
-KELLY CHMIELEWSKI

6 **A&D BUFFALO**
7 **in-n-out**

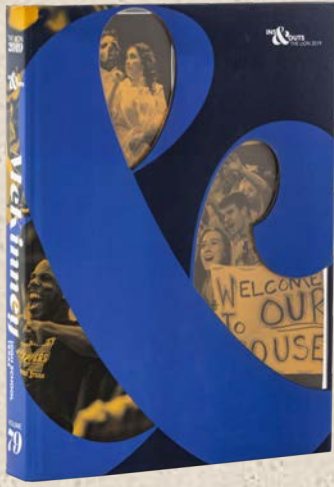
"THEIR BUNS ARE CRISPY ON THE OUTSIDE AND SOFT AND FLUFFY ON THE INSIDE. WHICH MAKES THEM PERFECT. WAY BETTER THAN WHATABURGER COULD EVER IMAGINE TO COME CLOSE TO."
-KENNEDY CURRY

8 **SCHUY'S**

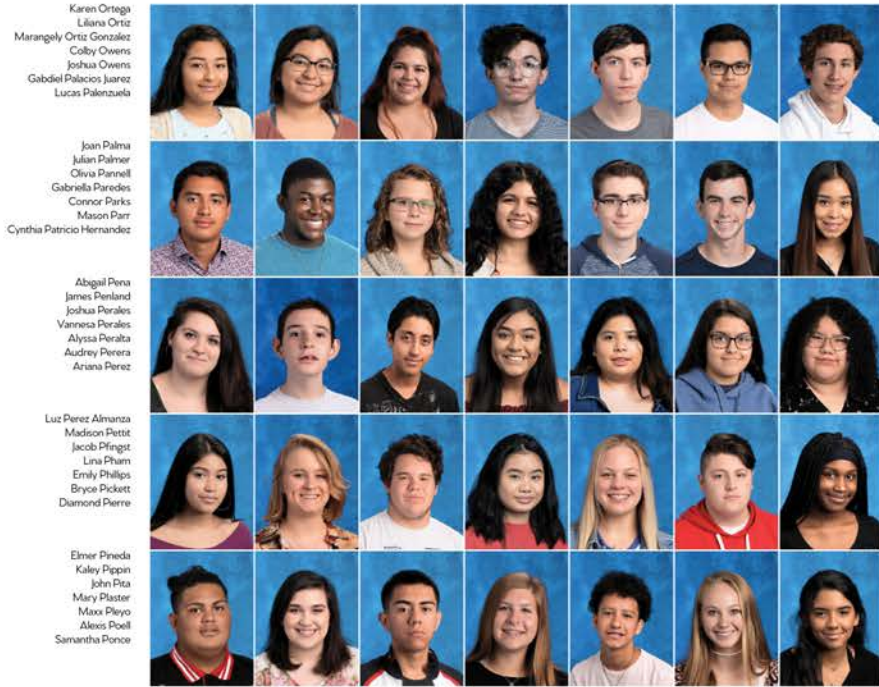
"They have a queso cart during happy hour. Anytime between 4-7 weekdays, free queso. The jalapeno ranch goes so hard."
-ANDREA DIAZ

9 **fuzzy's tacos**
10 **KOBE**

"I love it because it doesn't make me sick and because it's unique. If you chose Chick-Fil-A, you are wack."
-SUMMER JAMES



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Karen Ortega
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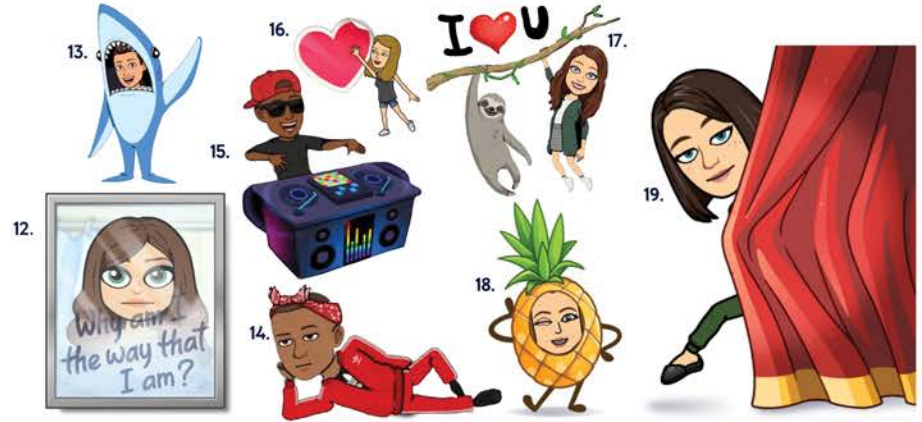
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Manuel Rodarte
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Emiliano Rodriguez
Sebastian Rogers
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Leroy Ruiz
Bastisad Victoria Rushing



Skyler Russell
Christopher Sacco
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Newsha Salehkhah
Mayra Salinas
Madison Salmonson
Mariana Sanchez



Edwin Sanchez Alvarado
Amber Sandberg
Raymundo Sandoval
Jorge Sandoval Ruiz
Alexandra Santos Rojas
Nathan Sargent
China Saturley



Nya Saturley
Kathryn Saunders
Lauren Savage
Aaron Schenck
Britney Schick
Eric Schmidt
Tyree Seagraves



Grayson Self
Austin Simon
Maxwell Sepulvado
Julyn Serrano
Christian Sexton
Jakob Shackleton
Skyler Shaw



HEADHUNTERS ADD GIRLS TO TEAM

Right as the buzzer rang, junior Lila Bryson looked at senior Bryce Worley, who cried and jumped up and down when they had just realized the Lions beat Boyd, 34-24. Lila, along with junior Angela Sommers, made history as the first ever female Headhunters.

Some of the Headhunters from last year suggested to Angela that she should get a group of girls together to try out.

"I wanted to do it to push me out of my comfort zone and to do something I've never done before," she said. "All my friends were gonna try out, too, but they all dropped out and Lila was the only other one left."

The Headhunters get to pick out their nickname and number that goes on the back of their shirt.

"My name is Artemis and in greek mythology she was a huntress," Lila said. "Usually only guys are hunters, so she's kinda like me."

Lila and Angela hope that other girls in the following years will join Headhunters.

"I honestly didn't understand why it was only a guys thing," Lila said. "I mean, if you can do it just as well as them, than you might as well go on there and have fun. That's what I'm trying to do, live my high school experience to be the best."

by Kayla Thompson
photo by Elizabeth Chan



Lindsay Shields
Candice Serrin
Con Simpson
Shaterria Simpson
Christan Sinches
Karmvir Singh
Charles Stack

Brendan Smith
Naila Smith
William Smith
Zoe Smith
Rashaan Sneed
Brady Snow
Adison Sokolosky

Brianna Sols
Philip Soltys-Niemann
Angela Sommers
Samuel Song
Axel Soto
Emmanuel Soto-Morales
Marisol Soto-Morales



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committed TO THE game

JUNIOR COMMITS TO UNIVERSITY FOR LACROSSE

he hung up the phone and exhilaration overcame him as he completed the goal he worked toward his whole life. Junior Cameron Johnson committed to a Division I school for lacrosse, proving to all his peers he had special talents.

Cameron started playing lacrosse when he was in the fifth grade after his best friend introduced him to the sport. "My best friend got me into the sport, and I quit everything else after playing lacrosse for a year because I loved it so much," Cameron said. "Lacrosse wasn't like any other sport. The excitement, the thrill, the fast pace, everything about it was amazing. I started watching college lacrosse and it was what motivated me to get better. I knew someday I wanted to be that good."

Cameron dedicated most of his free time to practicing the sport, determined to prove his coaches and peers that he was going somewhere.

"No one really believed in me," Cameron said. "I was always on the C team and no one wanted to accept me onto the A team. I had to train and work on everything when I was at home and teach myself skills I probably wouldn't have learned at practice. I would go outside at least two hours a day to play wall ball and perfect everything I was bad at."

Despite lacking the coaches' support, Cameron managed to turn his career around, making varsity his freshman year.

"I worked really hard for a straight year before going into high school because I knew I wanted to be one of the best," Cameron said. "I made the varsity team my freshman year and I gained the confidence I needed. From that moment I just continued to grow. At the end of my sophomore year I got a total of 28 goals and I was named the Most Valuable Player of the varsity team and voted team captain."

Through the help of his parents, Cameron traveled all over

the country showcasing his talents and getting the attention of coaches.

"Cam has been written up in articles from 'Inside Lacrosse' as well as being showcased on The Lacrosse Network as the number two player to watch in the country," Cameron's father, Marty Johnson said. "He has been invited to play on top national teams and registered the fastest shot at the Under Armor All American games in Maryland, reaching 103 mph. His achievements outside of MISD and Texas ULL sports is a clear attribute to his passion, work ethic and commitment for the game."

According to the varsity head coach, Jeff White, Cameron is a team player that continuously improves his teammate relationships both on the field and off the field.

"Cameron is the type of player that helps others improve on their game while also being one of the best people to have a conversation with," White said. "All the kids look up to him. Cam is a great captain, he works hard but has fun doing it, which is really important to building team chemistry. Cameron is one of the best players I've ever had the opportunity of coaching because he never gives up, he is always positive, and he sets a great example for his teammates and the people around him."

McKinney is where Cameron's lacrosse career began and developed, but it certainly won't end there.

"I recently committed to the University of Massachusetts and I've never felt more accomplished," Cameron said. "I am excited to play for a team that really wants to win, and play for coaches that will help me reach my full potential. The summer going into my freshman year I played in a lacrosse camp at U-Mass. I would have never thought that in four years I would be wearing the Minutemen uniform."

by Ali van der Ziel



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Christian Sprouse
Jeremiah Standfield
Nicholas Stanley
Zaqulan Steed
Robert Steele
Parker Steward
Kaylin Stovall



Sydney Strohm
Landon Stuebner
Gavyn Stuehm
Trevor Suckling
Andrew Swerts
Nemara Taddesse
Micah Talbott



Ally Tauber
Jacob Taylor
Jacanoe Taylor York
Brynne Teichelman
Leslie Torriones
Alyssa Terry
Jalyn Thomas



Anna Thompson
John Thompson
Kayla Thompson
Krysta Thompson
Priytn Thompson
Taylor Todd
Noah Tomaszewski



Fabian Torres
George Torres
Jennifer Torres
Marlen Torres
Jathary Torres Leal
Fatima Torres Pacheco
Raul Torres Santana



Melissa Torres-Juarez
Zachary Tovy
Savannah Townsend
Hao-Lac Tran
Ket Tran
Delaney Trapp
Karsen Trenholm



Taytum Trinidad
Paul Tucharadt
Johnnanon Tucker
Nathan Tucker
Gavin Turley
Kyle Turnbow
Mitchell Tyler



Luke Tyson
Eze Ukaj
Gospel Uko
Francisco Valdez
Jerry Valentine
Gabriela Valenzuela Jaral
Tadeo Valle Monroy



Gerardo Vargas
Michael Vargas
Victor Vargas



Theron Velazquez
Sheila Velazquez Bustos
Branna Vella



Brooklyn Venhaus
Juan Verdines
Brogan Vickrey



Thais Vizzaino
Ngoc-Ngan Vo
Patrick Vrtis



Amanda Walker
Isaiah Wallace
Kendon Wallace



Aaron Walls
Riley Walsh
Nikira Walter



Kevin Wang
Megan Ward
Timothy Ward



Chase Warren
Adrian Washington
Ryan Watson



#1 ON trending

JUNIORS TALK ABOUT FASHION CRAZES COMING BACK

“Original shoes from back in the ‘80s and ‘90s like Air Max ‘90s and Air Jordan Ones”
-adrian washington

“Jean jackets are kinda a big thing for me. I like to be unique and stand out a little bit. Being my own person is a big thing for me.”
-adam robitaille

“Layering shirts over sweatshirts. I feel like it adds more to the outfit rather than it being just a sweatshirt.”
-breana nunes

“A lot of denim on denim and puffy tops and one-shoulder tops are coming back. They are a bunch of fun trends to play with because you can be androgynous.”
-marcella cassidy

“Scrunchies are coming back and the ‘80s and ‘90s fashion is coming back.”
-sue smith

“Cat-eye glasses, heelys, cheetah print. I wear cheetah print because it makes me feel spicy.”
-michelle garcia

“Ripped jeans and heelys. I want heelys really bad because you can walk and roll if you don't feel like walking.”
-ashley wolverton



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| Matthew Wolscheid Ashley Wolverton Zachary Wood Noah Woodward Riana Wright Leila Wyatt Davis Wynn | | | | | | | |
| Julie Wynne Davin Yeo Lukas Yeschick Yween Yin Zachary Younger Lily Yurchak Fatima Zaklana Ramirez | | | | | | | |
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At the student vs. teacher basketball game, juniors Lexy Quirrenbach and Olivia Deegan cheer on their friend, junior Lucas Palenzuela. photo by Aden Lantos

“
 McKinney High is a big part of my life
 and I actually enjoy coming to school.
 The teachers here have really helped me
 throughout my schoolwork and everything.”

-lexy quirrenbach



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class of 2021

During the football game against Jesuit, sophomore Alexis Diseker cheers on the football team as they run on the field. Alexis started as a Pantherette at Evans Middle School. "I've been in dance since the 7th grade," she said. "I kind of just kept going until I made it to Marquettes." photo by Melanie Russell



- Mary Abbott
- Jesus Acosta
- Kimberly Acosta
- Joana Acosta Molina
- Daniel Adage
- Muntadar Al Lami
- Ali Al Mashhad

- Sarah Al Shammari
- Cristian Aljos
- Bryan Aljos-Angiano
- Kaylee Aire
- Lana Almorzi
- Ivan Alvarado
- Jose Alvarez

- Mariana Alvarez
- Paulna Alvarez
- Jacqueline Amaya
- Roberto Amaya
- Mackenzie Andersen
- Clive Anderson
- Myles Anderson

- Celso Andrade
- Miranda Andrews
- Abagail Apgar
- Ava Aprea
- Orlando Araiza Rosas
- Irving Arellano
- Paige Arkfeld

- Angel Arredondo
- Eduardo Arroyo-Donato
- Eduardo Arzate
- Myriam Arzola
- Adriana Askew
- Reese Austin
- Megan Bacha

- Penelope Badillo
- Megan Bagby
- Clifton Baker
- Nathan Baker
- Cameron Baldwin
- Eham Barak
- Jose Barcenas

- Christian Barnes
- Felicite Barnes
- Jacob Barnhill
- Shelley Bartholomew
- Kamaree Baul
- Olivia Baustista
- Alexis Beaudette

- Ashlynn Bechtold
- Ashton Benatar
- Elijah Benitez
- Ashlynn Benitez-Borjas
- Allison Bennett
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- Zachary Bergin



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 William Culliver
 Katherine Culum
 Daishanae Cummings
 Matthew Curtis
 Destiny Daugherty
 Dane Davenport



Trey Davidson
 Caden Davis
 Claire Davis
 Jaden Davis
 Jude Davis
 Lane Davis
 Mason Davis



Samuel Davis
 Madeleine Davison
 Payton Dawes
 Emma Deaton
 Nathan Del Cid Flores
 Amberlynn Duenko
 Aleya Donovellis



Aiden Demson
 Blake Das
 Luke Das
 Jacob Diaz
 Alexander Didea
 Trey Dirksmaat
 Alexis Diseker



Lizbeth Donjan
 James Donnelly
 Austin Doroshchuk
 Michael Dorsey
 Nikas Dorsey
 Chas Dougherty
 Derman Drake



Kailey Duggan
 Jenna Dumke
 D'ryn Durschi
 Demolia Eafoni
 Nicholas Eaker
 Jennifer Echeverria Hernandez
 James Edwards



Jose Elguera
 Divaad Elke Terry
 Todd Elkins
 Ahmad Elshatali
 Michelle Enloe
 Nicholas Ernest
 Aryan Esmali Berenjestanski



Juan Eparza Loyzaga
 Elber Espinoza
 Kylo Esteves
 Matthew Estravilla
 Declan Ethersidge
 Sarah Eubanks
 Maxwell Evans



CADEN DAVIS
 BRIANNA HERNANDEZ
 ZACH BERGIN
 GIOVANNI MONTEZ
 DEMARI DRAKE

IF THE *shoefits* SOPHOMORES WEAR TRENDY FOOTWEAR

“ These shoes are from Urban Outfitters, and I got them on clearance and I was really excited whenever I saw them because I thought that they would make an interesting statement. They're definitely a pair of shoes no one else would have. —ARJUN BHARGAVA



Sydney Evans
 Ronaldo Faz
 Jacob Ferraz
 Alan Figueroa
 Miguel Figueroa-Hernandez
 Sean Fisher
 Luke Flaspohler

Aiden Flores
 Braden Flores
 Brian Foltz
 Emilio Fonseca Soto
 Reed Fort
 Aiyannah Moric Fortuna
 Tyson Fosburg

Cooper Frazier
 Peyton Frazier
 Donald Freeman
 Sean Fry
 Jeffery Funez
 Madison Gadek
 Savannah Gagnin

Maico Garambulo Hernandez
 Angela Garcia
 Arturo Garcia
 Daniela Garcia
 Edwin Garcia
 Jonathan Garcia
 Juan Garcia

Vanessa Garcia
 Nelly Garcia Gonzalez
 Esteban Garcia-Rodriguez
 Indiana Gargango
 Angela Garrido Almandarez
 Andrew Garrison
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TRIPLE threat

SOPHOMORE TRIATHLETE GOES THE DISTANCE

Coming out of the water, making sure not to be the first to get to the bikes, trying not to focus on how much his body hurts, sophomore Asher Lauderdale drills the saying, "I am a warrior. The run is my weapon," into his head as he competes for the Camtri Junior Continental Cup in the International Triathlon Union Junior Race Series. A triathlon is a race consisting of one mile of swimming, one mile of biking, and then one mile of running.

"The run is my weakness, which is a real pain," he said. "I'm one of the fastest kids on the swim. I'm one of the fastest kids on the bike, but the run is really where I struggle. There's a point where you just have to stop thinking and you just go. Now, everything is basically instincts. It's like I know how to do everything, I just have to do it."

Asher started competing in triathlons when he was 5 years old.

"There was one being put on in our town, and I was like 'Hey, that looks pretty cool,' he said. "I heard from my dad that my brother wanted to do it. And then the next year I did the same one, and just kept doing them. When I was around 7 I knew that I wanted to do this competitively."

When he was younger, he also played soccer competitively, but was forced to pick between the two.

"When I was about 10 or 11, my soccer coach told me that I needed to pick one because I would miss practices and games in order to go down to Texas to train, and obviously I picked triathlons," Asher said. "It all started with one race and a small town that I used to live in and it's been going uphill since then."

Asher competes on a triathlon team called Playtri, which is the biggest triathlon company in the country.

"We have two head coaches, there's six of us on the elite team and about 20 of us in the club," he said. "It's pretty big for a triathlon club, most of them aren't this big. Most clubs around the country, all the athletes workout on their own, and meet up once a week. But

I'm really fortunate with Playtri because we have days where we all practice together, so it is something special we have here."

Coach Morgan Hoffman has been working with Asher since 2014. "I think that he has a lot of potential and we really never know, with endurance sports, how far an athlete is going to go until they get there," Morgan said. "I think if he keeps working as hard as he does and keeps the passion that he has right now that he could take the sport really far."

Morgan believes that Asher is quite disciplined and very persistent, which makes him an exceptional athlete.

"Even when he has tough experiences or challenges or situations that other people might view as failures, he treats them as opportunities to learn and to improve and uses them to motivate himself to work harder to achieve his goals," she said. "That is a really important mindset to have for athletes at an elite level because everyone is going to experience challenges and failures. That is part of the process of becoming a great athlete and so athletes that can manage that and turn those situations into positives tend to have a much higher level of success."

Asher trains 15 to 20 hours a week in addition to going to school and being on the track and cross country teams.

"I study a lot in the car and when I get home," he said. "I never have anytime to just sit down and do homework, so on the way to practice I'll study so I can get everything done. Triathlons do not bring in a lot of money from colleges because it's not popular, so that means I need to do really good in school so I can get some academic scholarships. It's a lot to balance with school and homework and having a social life, and on top of that being an elite athlete, it's pretty hectic."

When he was 15, Asher was ranked 15th in the United States and the 5th fastest 15 year old in the country.

"You usually don't start doing the big national and international races

until your race age 16," he said. "And then it gets a whole lot more complicated because you have to start thinking about colleges and you get invited to more races."

Asher was invited to compete in his first international race in Florida.

"I feel good about myself I'm not gonna lie," he said. "It gives me a drive to do something better. I have a drive to do good in school and I have a drive to do good in everything and I try to do my best in everything. It's something to push me forward and something I have to look forward to."

The maximum amount of athletes allowed to compete in a race at a time is 75.

"It's always about who am I'm going to come out of the water with, who I'm gonna bike with, and who I'm gonna run with," Asher said. "You never wanna be the first person out of the water, because if you are your wasting too much energy drafting, and if your always leading on the bike, your wasting too much energy. It's all about going as fast as possible using the least amount of energy so you can finish strong." During the race, Asher tries not to think about the pain.

"Honestly, it hurts, I feel a lot of pain," he said. "So other than the fact that I'm thinking 'This is really hurting' I'm always thinking strategically like 'How can I go faster' and 'How can I use less energy so I can pass people.'"

Asher hopes to continue doing triathlons and wants to one day compete in the Junior Olympics.

"People say that like this is a dream, but to me it's not really a dream anymore," he said. "I have dreams to go to the olympics. I have dreams to do all of this stuff, so it's more of like a life now. It's just what I do and I couldn't imagine doing anything else."

by Kayla Thompson
photo by Landry Raymond





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post-IT

SOPHOMORES DESCRIBE THE ART OF THE 'FINSTA'

“

Personally I think it's easier for me to post stuff on it because there's not as much pressure to try and be perfect. It's just my friends on there so I can talk about random things as much as I want. I don't care if I look good, or what people are gonna say, or how many likes I get. It's basically a personal space.”



-kendra brown

“

I like to have most of my friends on an account that's more personal. It's also a way to talk about things and keep track of how my days go, and it's fun to look back at.”



-jaxon mcgraw

“

I have a finsta for the fun of it. I post all my weird and crazy pictures, and all my rants on it. My main is public and lets people see into the parts of my life I want them to see, but my private finsta is where the filters are off and only the selected few see it.”



-alijannah fortuna

Garrett Gibson
 Jackson Giddens
 Kamryn Glenn
 Johnathan Goggans



Joseph Goller
 Tristan Gonzales
 Gabriel Gonzalez
 Lesly Gonzalez



Dulce Gonzalez Flores
 Terraina Gooden
 Richard Goodman
 Caleb Gordon



Christian Gotcher
 Zion Gould
 Michael Gozola
 Michelle Granados



Stephanie Granados
 Gabriel Grant
 Jamal Grant
 Katie Green



Briana Griffin
 Kaelon Grimes
 Ethan Gutierrez
 Rodolfo Gutierrez



Valentina Gutierrez-Cely
 Americus Gutierrez-Trevino
 Cassidy Habel
 Amiri Hall



Savon Hall
 Brady Hammack
 Josiah Hammonds
 Coby Haney



Avery Harper
 Jason Harris
 Jasmine Harvey
 Alannah Heaps
 Ansley Heather
 Thomas Heather
 Aaliyah Henderson



Bryson Hennings
 Austin Herrich
 John Henry
 Ryan Henry
 Aline Hernandez
 Branna Hernandez
 Destiny Hernandez



Noe Hernandez
 Ramiro Hernandez
 Richard Hernandez
 Unai Hernandez
 Brennan Herring
 Kasia Herrington
 Kenneth Hietzel



Kayla Hickman
 Jacob Hicks
 Torrey Hill
 Jackson Holmes
 Nhn Hong
 Myeah Hoskins
 Ramteem Housseini



Grace Hubbard
 Haley Hudgson
 Cederrick Hudson
 Jada Hudson
 Elizabeth Hull
 Claire Humphrey
 Hayden Hutzler



Riley Ice
 Paco Blas Teodoro
 Kellan Isobe
 Jonnav Jackson
 Tije Jackson
 Eleanor Jennings
 Harmony Jimenez



Ashley Johnson
 Bryce Johnson
 Olivia Johnson
 Danassa Johnson-Wideman
 Jayden Jones
 Kail Jones
 Liala Jones



Joshua Josey
 Alyssa Joshua
 Clara Juarez
 Hanna Keeter
 Cooper Kelley
 Parker Kenner-Kujath



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 Oscar Key
 Bilal Khan
 Annabel Károly
 Debora Kim
 Kevin Kimuku
 Alexander King



Jacquelyn King
 Naya Klausmann
 Isabelle Knopp
 Michael Knight
 Paige Knight
 Aubrey Koch
 Garrett Koch



Kallope Kovatch
 Jacob Kowaleski
 Sarah Krick
 Thorsen Kristufek
 Andrew Kungle
 Gabriela Kuzh
 Joshua Ladhner



Shelbi Lafferty
 Christopher Lake
 Sophia LaLonde
 Rhett Lambert
 John Landrum
 Madison Lane
 Katherine Laros-Valdez



Elizabeth Latham
 Asher Lauderdale
 Adriene Law
 Emily Law
 Cynthia Le
 Jessica Leach
 Lus Ledesma



Katrina Lee
 Trenton Lee
 Jacobi Lefort
 Jessie Lomasters
 Karla Leon
 Rachel Leutenegger
 Pedro Licea



Santiago Linares Valdes
 Abigail Lindblom
 Mandy Lipsley
 Melanie Lizardi
 Mary Lonergan
 Colton Longacre
 Jonathan Longoria



Briana Lopez
 Jonathan Lopez
 Rebecca Lopez
 Guadalupe Lopez-Martinez
 Alice Lovren
 Devon Low
 Suzeth Loya



GATHER ROUND THE bunsen burner

CHEMISTRY STUDENTS MAKE S'MORES



PLAYING WITH FIRE

While in Chemistry, sophomore Kamryn Glenn roasts a marshmallow over the fire. The students were learning about moles and stoichiometry. "We weren't learning anything interesting," she said. "But I like the activities."

LIKE A BOX OF CHOCOLATES

Getting out the ingredients, sophomore Nicolas Vasquez and junior William Radcliffe prepare to make s'mores. For the experiment, they tested the ratio of chocolate to graham cracker. "The limiting factor was how much chocolate we had," William said. "So if we didn't have enough chocolate, we wouldn't be able to make enough s'mores."



HAPPY MOLE DAY

During class, junior Patrick Vrtis bites into his s'more. The chemistry classes made s'mores to celebrate Mole Day. "I really like learning about moles and to study the mole and stoichiometry," he said. "And doing our limiting factors and making them was really fun."

photos by Shadava Harris



Alexandra Lozano
 Lauren Lozano
 Noah Lukowsky
 Karyryn Lumpkin
 Abby Lunn
 Anielle Mack
 Danyla Magee



Liam Magee
 Emma Mager
 Monica Magno Madrigal
 Noah Mahmood
 Milana Malko
 Casey Malone
 Alexis Mapps



Maria Marin Sepulveda
 Lori Marra
 Eric Martin
 Kate Martin
 Alondra Martinez
 Jessica Martinez
 Jesus Martinez



Mariya Martinez
 Melanie Martinez
 Ryan Martinez
 Evelyn Martinez Cervantes
 Jason Mathai
 Rachel Mathew
 Geor Darnius Mays



Ava McAlister
 Brooklyn McAlpin
 Noah McBratley
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 Blake McGraw
 Jaxon McGraw
 Krystal McGregor



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WE GOT THE
power
SOPHOMORES COMPETE ON THE VARIETY
POWERLIFTING TEAM

POWER UP

While squatting 405 pounds, sophomore William Thompson focuses on getting the weight down and back up. Will felt confident because he had already lifted this amount before. "I was a little bit scared because it was my first varsity meet I've ever had," he said. "But in the end it was really good and I had a lot of fun with the guys and lifting weights."



Adrian Wilson



Adrian Wilson



Adrian Wilson

SECOND IS THE BEST

At his first varsity powerlifting meet, sophomore Omarion Reed squats 225 pounds. At this meet, Omarion placed 2nd overall. "I was really just trying to focus on getting my depth, trying to stay low and get back up," he said. "At first I was kinda nervous but then I got into it and excited about getting second place."

GOING FOR GLORY

During the home meet, sophomore Divaad Elke Terry bench presses 205 pounds. The upperclassmen have inspired Divaad to work harder. "Knowing that I'm going against other people just motivates me more," he said. "I watch the upperclassmen and other people compete which makes me wanna work harder."

all-state OF MIND

TWO MUSICIANS ADVANCE IN COMPETITION

Sitting in a room, surrounded by machines, with only one other person, junior Tyler Augillard nervously plays his music after months of practicing, to soon know that he would be traveling to San Antonio to perform in the All-State orchestra. All-State Orchestra is a competition between all of the best high school students across the state. "It's a whole lot more advanced because the music is a lot harder," Tyler said. "And once you make it to all state you get to go to San Antonio and play in the orchestra." Tyler plays the cello and made the Philharmonic Orchestra, the second orchestra out of three. "The first two years I was like just strolling by I didn't really consider it," he said. "But this year I decided that I was gonna practice really hard, almost like

everyday in June and August. I wanted to make it because it would be like a milestone for me." Along with playing bass in orchestra, sophomore David Sparks plays tuba in the band, but wasn't able to do All-State Band. "TMEA has a rule where you can only do one area audition," he said. "And the area audition is the one that determines if you make state, so I just did the best I could which is get first in Region on tuba." Although he couldn't make both, David still wants to pursue music. "My mom made me do orchestra, but I wanted to do band, so I just picked the biggest instrument to annoy her," he said. "I think I wanna pursue something in performance or composing after high school."

by Kayla Thompson



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 Hunter Paul
 Anna Payne
 Glens Paz



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 Procu Denton
 Alejandra Perales Valadez
 Bryan Perez
 Sophia Perez



Stivar Perez Marin
 Hunter Perhot
 Cade Perry
 Lauren Peterson
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 Timara Phillips
 Luis Picon Paderna



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 Alayna Pierson
 Dakota Piper
 Alejandra Piscicelli
 Hogan Polston
 Ezekiel Porter
 Jack Porter



Adrianna Premsavat
 Tyler Price
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 Carlos Puga Vega
 Dylan Pulte
 Syed Qarshi
 Carson Quirrenbach

Muskan Qureshi
 Sahil Rajesh
 Jacob Ralph
 Carisela Ramirez
 Jenna Ramirez
 Judith Ramirez
 Julian Ramirez

Branden Ramirez De La Fuente
 Raida Rasul
 Omarion Reed
 Nathan Reneau
 Ada Marie Reyes
 Jorge Reyes
 Sean Eric Reyes

Jilan Reynolds
 Skyler Rhoads
 Alexandra Richard
 Julia Richards
 Mathew Richardson
 Jyael Rico
 Bradley Ross

Cameron Rivas
 Brandon Roberts
 Erin Roberts
 Aaron Robinson
 Alexis Robinson
 Zachery Robinson
 Treasure Robinson

Sydney Roderroth
 Alejandro Rodriguez
 Arnel Rodriguez
 Daniel Rodriguez
 Dylan Rodriguez
 Aleida Rodriguez Navarette
 Braylan Rodriguez Rivas

Jacob Rodriguez
 Braeden Rogers-Tracy
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A NEW *beginning*

JENNIFER ECHEVERRIA DESCRIBES CULTURE SHOCK IN NEW COUNTRY

Lost and looking for the bus in the busiest city in America. New York City, sophomore Jennifer Echeverria and her mother asked a stranger for directions. Jenny's mother doesn't speak English, so when she asked the woman for directions, she ignored her. Her mother asked once more, and this time the woman became frustrated and began yelling racial slurs at them. The woman told Jenny's mother to catch up on her ESL lessons and walked off. Traumatized, Jenny stood there in shock.

"My mom had the idea to ask a woman where the bus was," Jenny said. "The woman ignored her and then started questioning where we were going and what we were doing." Jenny and her family moved from Coyoacan, Mexico City, Mexico when she was 2 1/2 years old.

"I don't remember coming here," Jenny said. "But I do remember the culture shock of learning a new language while I grew up. I only knew Spanish from my parents."

According to Jenny, trusting people in Mexico is somewhat of a luxury. Insurance companies don't make it a top priority to have your best interests at heart, and police can sometimes choose money over your safety.

"From stories I've heard from my family living there, crime is everywhere," Jenny said. "People are kidnapping other people. Mexico City is a big city, so obviously the crime is going to be big. I remember talking to my uncle who lives in Mexico City, and his bank was robbed. Most of his money was gone and he went to his insurance company. They basically said that it wasn't their problem."

For Jenny's mother, Ericka Echeverria, safety was a main factor into their family's decision to pack their bags and head to the United States.

"Although we lived in a neighborhood that was normal," Mrs. Echeverria said. "You would still hear stories about people getting robbed or kidnapped around us. Jenny was only a toddler at the time, so I worried about her safety."

After moving to Texas, Jenny noticed how different Mexico was from the US. From the government to the traditions.

"I don't celebrate the Fourth of July or New Year's Eve," Jenny said. "But Homecoming and Prom was something completely different. I mean, Americans will do what Americans will do. I'm Mexican-American since I grew up here, so I understand both sides. It's the Mexican traditions that Americans misinterpret."

Mexican traditions, such as El Dia de Los Muertos and Cinco de Mayo, are a few of the things that had made their way from the tropical Mexico to the open fields of the US.

"I don't celebrate either of them," Jenny said. "But, I know that El Dia de Los Muertos is a sacred holiday to the Mexican

people. To dress up as calaveras is disrespectful, and make it an excuse to drink is super annoying. Or when Non-Latino Americans dress up in sombreros and go as Mexicans for Halloween, is highly offensive."

Knowing the struggles that Mexicans and Hispanic-Latinos endure on a daily basis, is to know what they endure everyday and for the rest of their lives.

"I feel like if a person with a super Mexican name like 'Guadalupe Garcia' or something, were to apply for a job, a person by the name of 'Margaret Johnson' would get the job," Jenny said. "It wouldn't matter the background or the experience of either person. The employer would think, 'Oh, they probably don't speak English or they're undocumented, and I don't want to deal with ICE. It's messed up, but that's just the way it is. And it's not okay.'"

Jose Echeverria, Jenny's father, noticed that Jenny has become used to how things run in the US.

"I had to learn a completely new language, move far away from almost all my family, and arrive in a completely new environment. But Jenny's gotten used to how things work and now her main language is English."

Learning English and straying away from her Mexican roots put a strain on her relationship with her parents and family, even though she knows Spanish.

"The language barrier has been frustrating," Jenny said. "Because, yeah I speak Spanish, but I didn't go to school for it. My parents did. Sometimes if we were arguing, or just having a conversation, I couldn't get my point across. I couldn't describe my vision, my point of view, my perspective. It was always hard growing up, even now, seeing kids having in-depth conversations and being able to express themselves perfectly always frustrated me. I mean, some kids have the generation gap that affects them, but on top of that I have the language barrier."

Jenny always wanted to revisit her home, but is never given the chance. She communicates with her family members back in Mexico, but not meaningful face-to-face interactions.

"Even if I do meet my family, I feel like it would be awkward because at the end of the day, I'm talking to a random person that I've never met and don't know anything about."

Reconnecting to her Mexican roots in an important goal in Jenny's life. Having the connection of her birthplace and herself refresh would be reassuring.

"I want to go back to Coyoacan," Jenny said. "I want to live there for at least a year, kind of bask in my Mexican heritage. Because I haven't been given the opportunity to explore it yet. I feel like I need it, not for everyone else, but for me."

by Savannah Cruz





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#oddly satisfying

VIRAL VIDEOS DRAW SOPHOMORES' ATTENTION

“ I like the slime ones because it’s satisfying to watch it fall down.”

— *declan etheridge*

“ The soap-cutting ones amuse me while I’m bored and I like the sound it makes.”

— *mayia martinez*

“ My favorite satisfying videos are soap-crunching because it’s relaxing and the sound it makes is nice.”

— *lily stalter*

“ I love the ones where they put the glitter in the foam and squeeze it and the colors come out all pretty.”

— *emma deaton*

“ The chalk-cutting are the best for sure because they are the most satisfying.”

— *carson quirrenbach*

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Avery Russ
Lindsey Russell



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Vanessa Saavedra
Preston Sabetpour
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 Nicolas Vasquez
 Liliana Vasquez-Torres
 Christian Vega Lemus
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 Meagan Wagner
 Preston Walker
 Duncan Walsh
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 Megan Warren
 Kai Trill Washington
 Morgan Waters
 Dangelo Watson
 Jennifer Weber
 Addison Westbrook



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 Katelyn-Alse Whatley
 Kylie White
 Lauren White
 Trinity White
 ZaKayra Williams
 Aaron Willoughby



Jamel Wilson
 Olivia Wilson
 Robert Wilson
 Ryan Wilson
 Elizabeth Witzbach
 Andrew Wing
 Owen Winquist



Hayden Winstead
 Kaleb Wolf
 Paige Wood
 Westleigh Wood
 Whitney Wood
 Dylan Woods
 Cade Worden



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 Kyra Worman
 Xiaoyue Xia
 Ethan Yonas
 Kathryn Youn
 Benjamin Yu
 Vincent Yu



Devon Zavala
 Thomas Zimmerle

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Luis Acosta Cofradis
 Cisha Armour
 Zachery Bass JR
 Maria Berg
 Joseph Bernard
 Aaron Blasingame
 Kejuan Boyd
 Marcelo Cabrera
 Tania Chambers

Levi Cruz
 LaVarion Davis
 Guadalupe De Leon
 Precious Densby
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 Madison Ford
 Tyra Foster
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 Judith Gomez
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 Richard Gomez
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 Almazna Torres

Anthony Trevino
 Kaleb Turner
 Francisco Valdez
 Maria Velez Jara
 Michael Whitehurst JR
 Zaniya Williams

At the football game against Allen, sophomore Brayden Senter asks Liliany Medina to Homecoming with roses and a drumstick. photo by Landry Raymond.



& THEN
 A LOOK AT WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

“I was proposing to my girlfriend for Hoco. I just thought it would be a cool thing to do, for drumline & in front of the student section.”
 -brayden senter

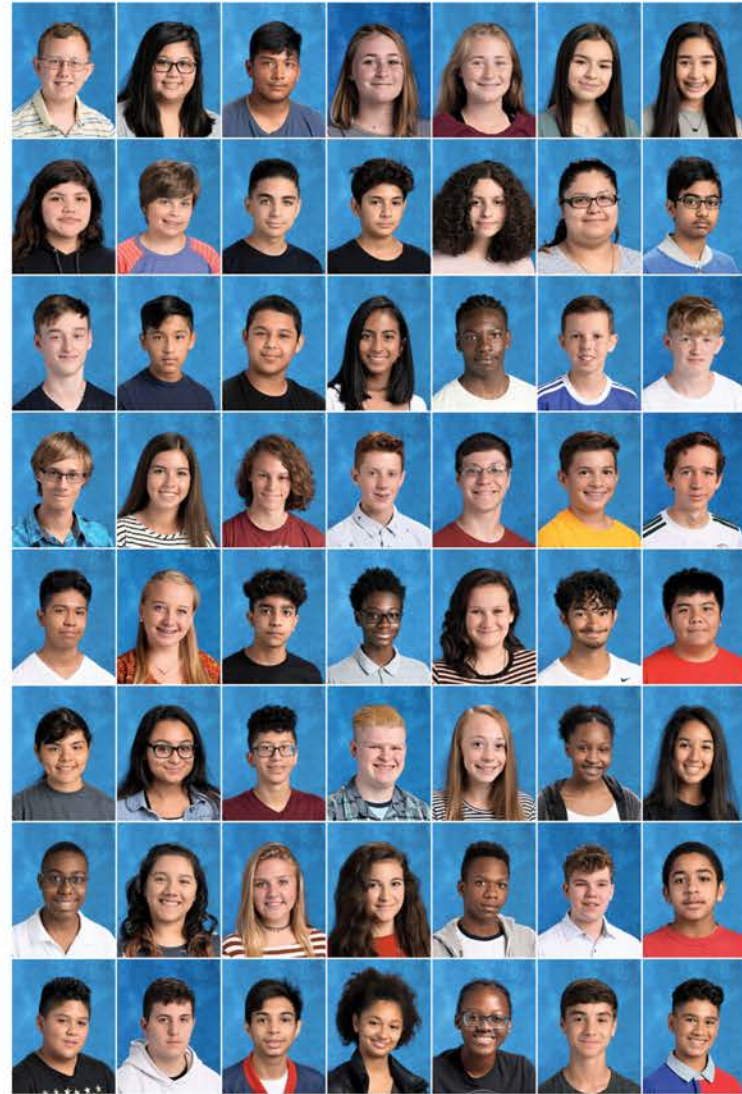


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class of 2022

While working on his robot, freshman William Grmela prepares for his next competition. The robotics classes hold their own competitions, then the winners get to move on to real competitions. "I'm interested in mechanics and cars," he said. "So I thought this class would be similar to that and it's pretty cool to build robots." photo by Melanie Russell



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 Martin Acosta
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 Hope Adler
 Anna Aguilar
 Mayrim Aguilar

Karla Aguirre Raigoso
 James Ake
 Juro Atyol
 Abdullah Al Juboori
 Salma Al-Rifai
 Emily Alejandre
 Rayaan Ali

Rickey Allen
 David Alvarado
 Roman Alvarado
 Paola Alvarez Ornelas
 Alex-Neil Anamkwe
 Cayden Anderson
 Elijah Anderson

James Anderson
 Jaaneh Anderson
 William Anderson
 Braden Anthony
 Mason Archacki
 Levi Ardila
 Christopher Arevalo

Kevin Arredondo-Martinez
 Macey Ashman
 Nicolas Ashore
 Gabriel Asedu-Mensah
 Olivia Austin
 Greyson Avary
 Mario Avila

Janizet Aviles
 Judy Ayala
 Orlando Ayala Torres
 Triston Bachynski
 Madeleine Bailey
 Destiny Baker
 Zoe Balderrama

Braelon Banger
 Helene Barillas Benavente
 Madison Barnard
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 Drayton Barnes
 Tyler Bartholomew
 Jose Bartram

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Russane Bickham
Savannah Biehunko



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Imani Black
Irish Blackstock
Sophie Bledsoe
Peyton Bodin
Vijay Bohra
Srenikrit Bontha



Aydan Boots
Alexander Boyd
Zachary Boyd
Gwyneth Boylan
Alexa Boyle
Mackenzie Bradham
Sebastian Bravo



Layla Brewer
DeShawn Brooks
Christopher Brown
Kimberly Brown
Parker Brown
Rumee Brown
Scottie Broyles



Dax Bryson
Ariya Bulot
Kastlyn Burke
Maya Burns
Katie Cabana
Lacie Cabana
Cole Cable



Gianna Cabo
Kylie Calagna
Tanner Call
Asharia Calmes
A | Camacho-Aviles
Colin Campbell
Aiden Canady



Ajaja Canon
Lauren Cantrell
Autariana Cantwell
Ansley Carpenter
Elana Carrillo
Valeria Carrillo
Kamern Carter



Ernesto Casas
Anthony Castaneda
Ashley Castaneda
Carson Castilleja
Ana Castillo
Roman Castillo
Kelly Caver



Jaden Cearley
Noah Chambers
Avery Chan
William Chea
Justin Chen
Meagan Childress
LaKaita Childs



Kadin Christensen
Hektor Cosik
Gavin Clark
Herman Clark
Peyton Clark
Rider Clark
Roman Clausen

JUST A TEENAGE bookbag
FRESHMEN CARRY STYLISH BACKPACKS

“ I got it for free so I used it. It was a gift to my mom, and she didn't want it, so she gave it to me.”
-LAUREN KERBER

Backpacks shown: CATHERINE WYNN (tropical print), KAMRYN HARDY (blue), KENNEDY CONNIFF (black patterned), DEDRICK MENDOZA (black), JACK MALEK (purple), MAGGIE LEDEZMA (black).

Tote bag shown: Blue and red polka dot pattern.



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RIGHT TO work

GEOMETRY STUDENTS PLAY GAMES

RACKING UP POINTS

In Geometry, freshman Mackenzie Bradham works out a problem on a white board. When the students solved a problem correctly, they got a sticker and points that added up at the end of the period. "We had three categories of problems and each category had a different point value," she said. "If you solve the problem correctly, you got that many points and so at the end of the class we added up how many points you had based on the problems that you solved."

EASY AS PI

In Mrs. Megan O'Hara's class, freshman Bianca Diaz and sophomore Bianca Rodriguez work on a review. The students were doing a project for Pi day. "I enjoy working in groups," Bianca Diaz said. "It just depends on who I am with."



Spencer Claytor
 Sherman Clear
 Jonathan Coleman
 Thornn Coley
 Isaiah Colon
 Jabree Conaway
 Cade Conner

Kennedy Conniff
 Julia Connolly
 Oriana Contreras
 Maylin Contreras-Medrano
 Mackenzie Coop
 Alanna Copado
 John Corcoran

Alyssa Corley
 Austin Corley
 Mariana Cortes Pena
 Moriyah Covington
 Andrea Anne Crabtree
 Jeremiah Crawford
 Emma Crespo

Nathaniel Corder
 Dwayne Crowder
 Jade Cummings
 James Curtis
 Cooper Cyrier
 Sarah Cauwala
 Jackson Dagley

Evan Dailey
 Marissa Dansby
 Daniel Das
 Benjamin Davila
 Hudson Davis
 Kamlah Davis
 Zamana Davis Herron



Madisen Dawes
 Emma Dawson
 Diego De La Rosa
 Karina De Los Santos
 Blessed Deorove
 Johnny Del Rio
 Emily Devine

Zaria Dexter
 Bianca Diaz
 Joel Diaz
 Sahadi Diaz Rodriguez
 Ashton Dibernardo
 Andrew Didea
 Joshua Dixon

Arianna Doggett
 Ersan Dominguez
 Samiyah Donnell
 Samuel Donnelly
 Sarah Doshier
 Vanessa Douglas
 Victoria Dry

Hannah Dudos
 Robert Dudley
 Ragna Duran Garcia
 Ishkughan Dyvigh
 Lily Ecker
 Tatiana Edwards
 Abbie Eicher

Noor Ejaz
 Lauren Eilers
 Alexander Elsworth
 Milena Erne Ojeda
 Melanie Escobar
 Aramis Escudero
 Karsen Eubanks

Coreyonna Evans
 Joy Ewell
 Wesley Farmer
 Ariana Farokhna
 Sydney Faller
 Suzanna Ferguson
 Ivan Fernandez

Caitlin Fetrow
 Samuel Fiean
 Ramon Fino
 Zelenn Fiore
 H Elena Fisher
 Abigail Flores
 Arlith Flores

Nahum Flores
 Sofia Flores
 Isabel Flores Jimenez
 Emmanuel Flores Torres
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 Ryan Fong
 Alyssa Ford

mind **OVER** matter

FRESHMAN NOLAN WARD
WORKS TOWARD BEING ON
AMERICAN NINJA WARRIOR



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as he stands next to his opponent, freshman Nolan Ward waits on the platform, listening for the buzzer to begin the race. But before he got to the American Ninja Warrior Junior stage, Nolan began his journey when he was in elementary school.

"I first saw American Ninja Warrior on TV when I was seven," Nolan said. "I was just like 'Oh, that'd be pretty cool if I could do it,' and then I realized I could about two years later. So that's when I started training and getting ready. That's when I started to really push myself."

His mother, Wendy Ward, noticed this and saw it as an outlet for her son to express his passion.

"He had never really been able to do group sports because he has Asperger's, which is a high functioning form of autism, making the social aspect of things like sports stressful for him," Mrs. Ward said. "So when he saw that American Ninja Warrior was an individual sport, he became really interested in it. Back then there weren't a lot of gyms around the area where he could practice, so he would just make everything into an obstacle. A couple years later, American Ninja Warrior started on TV, and he's been hooked ever since then."

Nolan met his coach, American Ninja Warrior athlete Karsten Williams, in 2014.

"The first time I met Karsten Williams was when I was in third grade," Nolan said. "At that point I had never really met a Ninja athlete, and when I met him, it was crazy because it was the first time I ever met anyone that was on the show. He's influenced me a lot by training me, preparing me, and encouraging me."

Since meeting Nolan, Karsten has noticed a big change in him.

"When I first met Nolan he was a little shy, quiet, and reserved," Karsten said. "But now he definitely talks a lot more, his confidence is up, and he's more social."

Nolan's biggest change through it all has been his confidence. "When he first started, specifically competing, he would get inside his head and allow that to strip away at his confidence," Mrs. Ward said. "You could see it physically play out. So I think that's the area where he's grown the most. He's become stronger, so he's more confident in his skills. You can see that when he competes, because he knows his abilities and he feels confident in them."

As his coach, Karsten has trained Nolan to be successful, and

help him chase his dreams.

"His biggest accomplishment was getting on American Ninja Warrior Junior," Mr. Williams said. "I know that was a dream of his to get on there, and he even got the buzzer his first time on there. I just want to see him continue to compete in competitions and keep improving. He has a really strong desire for Ninja Warrior. It's his passion, and I don't think anyone else is as passionate as Nolan is."

Nolan has had successes and continues to strive for more. "My best memory has definitely been going to the National Ninja League finals and American Ninja Warrior Junior," Nolan said. "I want to keep doing really well in competitions, and do well on the adult show once I'm old enough."

Nolan trains several times a week to prepare himself for competitions.

"I train about three to four times a week, or six to seven hours a week. I mostly work on my strengths and weaknesses when I train. But, mostly I work on my weaknesses, like agility and balance obstacles."

Outside of training, Nolan tries to find balance with his social life.

"It can be hard sometimes to balance because training is very hard, and to be at a really high level you have to be training all the time. But I think in the end it's worth it."

His mother also worries about him, knowing her son is hard on himself.

"When he was on the TV show, we had to talk a lot beforehand because he's really hard on himself," Mrs. Ward said. "When he does get knocked down, he takes it really hard on himself. American Ninja Warrior has been really good for that. I worry about him being disappointed in himself, and hard on himself. Even how he's going to react in the moment with that disappointment of falling and failing on an obstacle, and that he wouldn't want to continue if he failed."

But through it all, people find inspiration through Nolan.

"He has inspired me, because in his own life he's been dealt a lot of obstacles with his diagnosis," Mrs. Ward said. "He's had to overcome a lot of difficulties with that, and he's worked hard to overcome those. So, in regards to relating that to American Ninja Warrior, it's pretty awesome to see him tackle obstacles in that sport the same way he has had to tackle obstacles in his

own life. He'll get knocked down or he'll fall down and it inspires me to see him get back up and try again. The same goes for life. He'll get knocked down, but he gets back up and he tries again."

He has even inspired his coach in a big way. "Through working with Nolan, I've inspired him to go after his dreams and work hard for the things that you want," Karsten said. "Through the process of him coming out of his shell and opening up, it has definitely inspired me to work a little harder and not hold back, and continue to push forward towards my dreams. Seeing him grow as a kid and as a ninja, he's rubbed off on me."

Every day Nolan continues working toward his future. "I know his dream is to be able to be on the adult version of the show, which he can't do until he's 19," Mrs. Ward said. "I would just like to see his passion grow and continue as he trains towards that goal in a couple of years."

He is now training to be on American Ninja Warrior because he has reached the age limit for competing on American Ninja Warrior Junior.

"It's different training for American Ninja Warrior," Nolan said. "For American Ninja Warrior Junior I was training mostly speed because it's a race lane course where two competitors go up against each other. But with American Ninja Warrior, it's basically just one course where you have to go on there and make it to the end. You really do focus more on all around skills."

Through his years of training and competing, American Ninja Warrior has given Nolan the chance he always wanted.

"It has given him purpose and meaning that he wouldn't have, had he not found American Ninja Warrior," Mrs. Ward said. "It's allowed him to showcase his athletic ability that he couldn't have found in another area. It's given him an outlet to be athletic."

No matter what Nolan is going through, Ninja Warrior has taught him the art of not giving up.

"My biggest struggle throughout all of my training has definitely been getting in my head," he said. "Like saying, 'I've done this a million times, I don't think I can do it again,' but, I keep on trying and once I'm comfortable with it, it gets out of my head and I'm able to do it."

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Elas Garcia
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Angel Garcia Romero
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Annabelle Gibbs
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Conner Gilbertson
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Rebecca Goldmann
Ruby Goldmann
Vernon Gomez
Bryan Gonzalez
David Gonzalez



Madelyn Gonzalez
Kathryn Gordon
Bryan Granillo
Anna Green
Will Grmela
Avery Grossman
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Alewis Guzman
Rebecca Guzman
Emily Halbrooks
Elle Hall
Jalen Hammonds



Justin Hamzah
Jade Hankins
Tyler Hansard
Kamryn Hardy
Nia Harmon
Skyler Harp
Geordamyon Harrell



Kennedy Harris
Romeo Harris
Saniya Harris
Lebron Harrison
Skyla Harrison
Ava Hartman
Garrett Harvey



Eran Hassidi
Tyler Hayes
Noel Helquist
Cason Helton



Corbin Henderson
Shaun Henderson
Genevieve Hendrie
Abigail Henry



Kynda Henry
Andrea Hernandez
Anthony Hernandez
Fatima Hernandez



Fernando Hernandez
Isaac Hernandez
Juan Hernandez
Samuel Hernandez



Christian Hernandez Razo
Gersain Hernandez Vilanueva
Stephanie Hernandez-Borjas
Kyra Hewitt



Dylan Hightower
Ashanti Hill
Destani Hill
Joshua Hill



Macy Hoff
Olivia Hoas
Easton Holdstock
Vivian Hollis



Ismail Hozan
Anthony Huang
James Huff
Kaymber Huggins

GO WITH
THE
stream
FRESHMEN SHARE WHAT THEY WATCH

“ I’m binge-watching ‘Unsolved.’ It’s such a good show, I’m already nearly finished with season one.”
Joseph Ward

“ ‘Ninjabo’ goes so hard.”
Dante Marui

“ I’m watching ‘The Umbrella Academy.’ It’s almost like ‘X-Men’ and it’s cool. It makes me wish I had super powers.”
Carter Ross

“ ‘F is for Family’ is super funny. I finished it in less than a week.”
Harris Qureshi

“ All I watch is ‘The Office,’ over and over again.”
Olivia Lutz

“ It’s either between ‘90210’ or ‘Vampire Diaries.’ I like those shows because I don’t like drama in my life, so I watch those to help me stop my drama with my friends.”
Aiden Rickrey

“ I like watching ‘Stranger Things.’ It’s a very interesting show. I just like go on Netflix and binge watch shows.”
Avery Grosman



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Jamison Humphrey
Hailey Humphreys
Emma Hursh
Daniela Inciarte
Fernanda Iniguez Gonzalez
Jasmine Irwin



Ian Isler
Aurken Ituarte
E D Jackson
Tamari Jackson
Hampton Jaglinski
Victor James Hernandez
Soren Jakobson



Payton James
Ignacio Jaramillo
Tj Jefferson
Tyson Jenkins
Ebony Jerniga
Audrey Johnson
Justin Johnson



Kathryn Johnson
Nash Johnson
Antony Jones
Clayton Jones
Isiah Jones
Kayley Jones
Preston Jones



Timothy Jones
Trina Jones
Carson Jordan
Jerzee Jordan
Keerson Jordan
Cesar Juarez Jimenez
Julia Jung



Kassia Jungohan
Adam Jusic
Katelynn Kadera
Jayla Kallu
Alaura Kanell
Elysa Kanell
Andrew Kanter



Lydia Klegg
Alewa Keith
Gavin Keith
Lorina Kelley
Ashton Kelly
Jade Kempf
Lauren Kerber



Sarahbel Khawas
Sara Khraoui
Yasmin Khraoui
Scott Khoury
Muhammad Khurram
Nathann Kidane
Joshua Kim



Joshua Kim
Won-Jae Kim
Bryan Kinmer-Minor
Maya King
Angelena Kinney
Katherine Kirkpatrick
Nina Kirkuki



Ryan Kocorowski
Delanie Korenthal
Andin Lac
Isaac Lafontaine
Jose Landeros
Austin Landers
Derek Lane



WHO'S THAT bitmoji?

1. ANDREW KANTER
2. BLAIR SAYERS
3. PAYTON STORM
4. MACKENZIE COOP
5. SYDNEY VEST
6. KYLIE CALAGNA
7. GABE MCADAMS
8. KAMERIN CARTER
9. SARA KHRAOUI
10. NOAH JOHNSON
11. NICK FRAZIER
12. VICTORIA DRY
13. LILLY NASSERY AND NIA HARMON
14. MADISON BARNARD
15. RYAN FONG

JUST IN case

FRESHMEN HAVE DECORATIVE PHONE CASES



RACHEL SOWARDS



JENNIFER PERALES



KARLEIGH RAMIREZ



BLAIR SAYERS

“These are skate stickers. I’m not a poser. I don’t wear Vans and Thrasher shirts and just don’t skate.”

-jerry cornarench



William Larios
Hope Luvook
Stephen Lazarus
Justin Lee



Magdalena Ledezma
Peyton Lee
Andrew Lenhard
Mille Leon



Kaylee Lewis
Angie Liang
Sergio Licea
Sabrina Lim



Abigail Littrell
Julian Long
Cesar Lopez
Christian Lopez



Hector Lopez
Venus Loya Marquez
Christopher Lozano
Tony Lozano



Taylor Luero
Amanon Luckett
Makayla Lunsday
Athena Lunsford



Olivia Lutz
Christy Ly
Maurice Lyles
Trustun Lynn



Ryland Lyons
Kyn Madison-Davis
Rukuzo Mahlamwana
Jackson Malek



Aiden Maliskas
Avlyn Malone
Alan Mancera Ontiveros
Stephanie Mancillas
Israel Maroz
Gilbert Margraves
Victoria Marosa



Taryn Martin
Dante Martinez
Izel Martinez
Jessica Martinez
Jose Martinez
Leonor Martinez
Maria Inocencia Martinez Arreda



Sara Martinez Molina
Emma Masterson
Karla Mata
Makiah Matlock
Robert Matthew
Gabriel McAdams
Thatcher McClure



Lydia McConnell
Richiya McFadden
Kaandren McIntyre
Aja McKnight
Landon McLaws
Anna McNeely
Artemis Medellin



Nathaniel Meier
Vanessa Mejia
Gustavo Melendez
Spencer Melita
Daisy Mendoza
Edrick Mendoza
Amaya Mendoza Garcia



Eduardo Meza
Kendra Meza
Yareli Meza
Isabel Milla
Jordyn Miller
Isaac Milligan
Trae Millinder



Christian Mitchell
Morrow Mitchell
Sophia Mitchell
Karson Mixon
Daniel Mondragon Garcia
Jacob Montefalcon
Joseph Montgomery



Elias Montoya
Jacob Montoya
Kayla Montoya
Karlen Moore
Kenna Moore
Keshawn Moore
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Obe Morales
Silvia Morales Orozco
Loree Moran
Taigyn Morehead
Brady Morgan
Dennis Morrison
Karina Morua



Matthew Moschel
Alena Moses
Abdullah Mueen
Arnold Mugita
Ana Muller
Manuel Muniz
Bruno Munoz



Daisy Munoz
Jose Munoz
Elisha Murley
Lauren Murphey
Page Myers
Aidan Myczak
Tomas Najera



Kelsey Napier
Lily Nassery
Dylan Naulty
Tyler Navejas
Sampson Nazario
Alexis Nelson
Dajia Nelson



Madison Nguyen
Viet Nguyen
Liam Nichols
Equan Norwood
Whitney Ocampo
Ivan Otagi
Emmanuella Osoje



Hannah Okeru
Yari Olivieri
Timothy Olsson
Christopher Olvera Romero
Aiden O'Malley
Okufemi Ornatayo
Emile Opoku



Kaleigh Ortega
Leslie Ortega
Rene Ortiz Pineda
Myles Otuke
Jamin Palmer
Judith Palos
Giovanna Panarotto



Anastasios Pappas
Dana Parker
Nikolas Parker
Colin Payne
Imma Paz
Jeffrey Pearson
Elisabeth Peek



Diego Pena
Christian Perales
Jennifer Peres
Sandro Perez
Kallyn Perry
Josephine Pettit
April Phillips



Alyssa Phlofoky
Arnaldo Pineda
Brayan Pineda
Cindy Pineda
Danna Pineda
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Evan Plyler

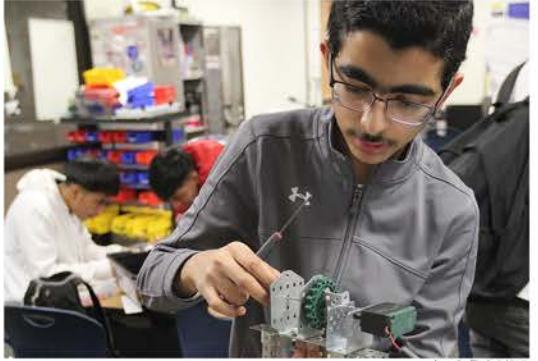
FRESHMEN &
the machine
9TH GRADERS LEARN TO BUILD IN ROBOTICS



LONG TIME COMING
While fiddling with the screwdriver, freshman Sanaa West, attaches the gear ratio to allow her wheels to move. Sanaa has been interested in robotics since she was in middle school. "Last year I took a high school credit course in introduction to engineering," she said. "We programmed Lego robots and I thought I would try it in high school."

OUT OF TOWN
In preparation for the TSA competition, freshman Amariou Luckett designs a robot with his partner. Amariou moved from Oklahoma, where he also participated in robotics. "Since like technology a lot I thought I would try robotics," he said. "This is actually my second year in it."

IF AT FIRST YOU DON'T SUCCEED
While experiencing technical difficulties, freshman Muhammad Khurram, helps his partner make a robot. Muhammad likes to see the robots come to life. "My first robot failed," he said. "But it was still nice to see the robot come together, even if it was barely moving."



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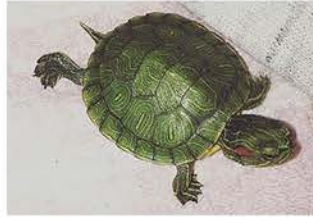
PICK OF THE litter

FRESHMEN HAVE UNUSUAL PETS

RED-EARED SLIDER TURTLE

"It's a boy and I got him two years ago. My friend had one and I wanted to get one too."

-kaleigh ortega



Sophia Pollard
 Yahir Pomaes Rivera
 Zaria Porter
 Chloe Power

Zarean Preston
 Alexander Price
 Lauren Prince
 Belkis Puerto

Roberto Quevedo
 Jasmine Quezada
 Christopher Quinn
 Adrian Quiruga Jaldin

Abdul Qureshi
 Harris Qureshi
 Angelica Ramirez
 Karleigh Ramirez

Riley Ramirez
 Sierra Ramirez
 Lamarria Ransem
 Abigail Rasnick

Mohammad Rastkaraghazadeh
 Tyler Rau
 Kegan Beckley
 Laney Regan

Anna Reich
 Jesus Resto Vega
 Nikita Revenkov
 Carlos Reyes

Mayrin Reyes Manoz
 Taylor Rhoden
 Colin Rhodes
 Dylan Richardson



Ryan Richardson
 Stephanye Rico Gomez
 Jared Riley
 Katlin Riis
 Dylan Rivera
 Sakia Rivers
 Colin Roach

Tamika Roberts
 Anyssa Robertson
 Alexander Robins
 Brennan Robledo
 Carlos Rodriguez
 Gabriel Rodriguez
 Rocky Rodriguez

Victoria Rodriguez
 Alexis Rodriguez Rubio
 Branda Rodriguez Varela
 Keelan Rogers
 Aidan Rogge
 Gabriella Roman
 Fernando Romero

Carter Ross
 Chelaysia Royal
 Linda Ruiz
 Mekah Ryder
 Victor Sachse
 Elijah Sainguste
 Armin Salehkhah

Erick Salinas
 Meredith Salinas
 Andrea Sanchez
 Christian Sanchez
 Victor Sanchez
 Ivan Sanchez Magno
 Laci Sandberg

Geoffrey Sanderson
 Sheila Sandoval
 Caleb Santiago
 Katherine Santos
 Ta'iyah Savage
 Blair Savers
 Brylin Schrock

Wesley Schultz
 Justin Scott
 Myson Scott
 Dameron Scott-Hartfield
 Sydney Shakespear
 John Shapiro
 Deonna Shepherd

Gabrielle Simmons
 Shatavia Simpson
 Brooklyn Sims
 Keyton Sims
 Maddison Simmes
 Brandon Slowik
 Natalie Smith

BEARDED DRAGON

"They're cool-looking. Its name is Tommy, after my friend in science."

-emma hursh



CHICKENS AND BEES

"We get free eggs and honey. We've had the chicken for about two years and we got the bees last summer. The chickens' names are Susan, Clementine and Nelly."

-gabe hughes





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riding high

FRESHMAN
 COMPETES ON
 HORSEBACK

it was her turn to go into the ring. She took a deep breath and gripped her horses' reins before he sauntered in. She prepared them both for the jump. Freshman Kenna Moore was an equestrian rider and 2022 NCEA recruit.

"Riding for me is like an escape from reality," Kenna said. "When I'm having a hard time in school or something is stressing me out, I can always go to my barn and not worry about anything else besides how I'm going to ride. Being an equestrian, I think it's so important to connect with your horse. Having a bond with my horse lets me understand more how to ride him and how to communicate with him more."

Kenna rides with her friend, Kate Stark. They spend lots of time at the barn to train their horses and work on their technique.

"Riding with Kenna is always fun," Kate said. "When we train together, we spend a few hours a day at the barn prepping for competitions. We train over the jumps and work on getting our body stronger. It takes a lot of effort, time, and hard lessons before competitions pay off though as they make us stronger and more competitive."

Kenna and her horse, Duplukato, compete in hunter jumping where they are judged based on their accuracy, grace, and elegance on a course.

"Before I started riding," Kenna said, "I tried almost every sport I could, but I always lost interest. I never could finish the season because it started to get boring. When I started riding I thought I would quit like the other sports, but everyday the challenges got harder and I kept my interest."

Competitions are the place where Kate says she feels like her hard work pays off.

"After months of training," Kate said, "You have a few minutes to perform and not mess up. You usually have to wake up before the sun even comes up and go memorize at least three courses that you will have to perform for the judges. It's extremely stressful and you can only hope your horse will be in a good mood. You warm up with your horse and then it's time to actually compete. You get a ton of adrenaline before you walk into the ring, knowing you want to win and show off in front of the others watching."

The girls' favorite part about competing is the support and encouragement they receive from their teammates.

"My favorite part about the shows," Kate said, "Are when you and your teammates are there for each other. It's the best feeling when your whole team is there clapping for you when you do great and consoling you when you don't perform your best. On top of that, it's basically a two-day sleepover with your best friends so the nerves usually get laughed away before the competition even starts."

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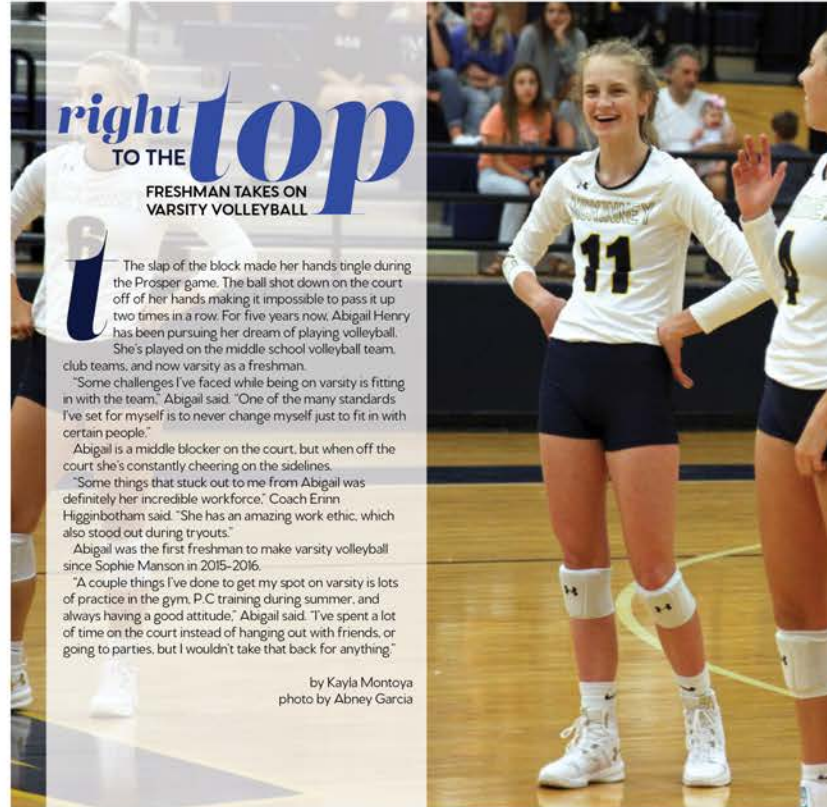


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Roman Smith
Korbin Snellgrove
Jacob Snavely
Kaya Sols
Abigail Sombrenno
Jaxon Soto
Lizette Soto Machado



Rachel Sowards
Avery Spears
Ayden Spellen
Benjamin Stadler
Jaron Stager
Joshua Standfield
Kyle Stanley



right TO THE TOP
FRESHMAN TAKES ON
VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

The slap of the block made her hands tingle during the Prosper game. The ball shot down on the court off of her hands making it impossible to pass it up two times in a row. For five years now, Abigail Henry has been pursuing her dream of playing volleyball. She's played on the middle school volleyball team, club teams, and now varsity as a freshman.

"Some challenges I've faced while being on varsity is fitting in with the team," Abigail said. "One of the many standards I've set for myself is to never change myself just to fit in with certain people."

Abigail is a middle blocker on the court, but when off the court she's constantly cheering on the sidelines.

"Some things that stuck out to me from Abigail was definitely her incredible workforce," Coach Erinn Higginbotham said. "She has an amazing work ethic, which also stood out during tryouts."

Abigail was the first freshman to make varsity volleyball since Sophie Manson in 2015-2016.

"A couple things I've done to get my spot on varsity is lots of practice in the gym, P.C training during summer, and always having a good attitude," Abigail said. "I've spent a lot of time on the court instead of hanging out with friends, or going to parties, but I wouldn't take that back for anything."

by Kayla Montoya
photo by Abney Garcia



Jackson Steele
Brandon Stevens
Shawn Stevens
Mikayla Sticher
Alan Szwawence
Payton Storm
Auckey Stuart

Iscairelys Suarez Diaz
Dennis Suias
Dawson Sullivan
Mancey Surman
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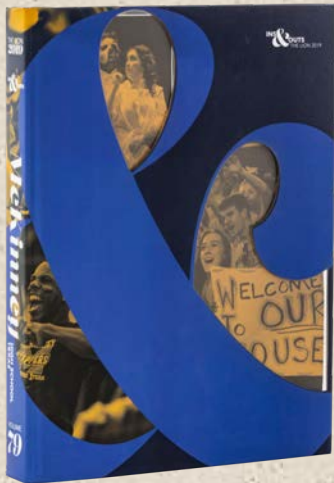
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Nicholas Thai
Nicholas Thomas
Gwenynth Tillman
Alexander Timmons

Connor Taterness
Omar Torres
Brianna Torres Garcia
Antonio Torres-Rodriguez
Alonso Tovar
Blake Trevino
Cassandra Trevino Alvarez

Payge Trinidad
Faely Turley
Parler Turner
Laurenkate Tyler
Mia Tyson
Tianwan Tyson
Jose Umama

Ethan Ung
Isaac Urbik
Emma Valek
Rosaleo Valero
Ethan Vance
Montgomery Vandermeer
Jake Vanderzel

Alan Vega
Jeremiah Vega
Samantha Vega
Matthew Vella
Keegan Venhaus
Sydney Vest
Aidan Vickrey



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Joshua Viches
Samuel Villa
Devin Vincent
Ana Paula Visconti
Nigan Vo
Ethan Vuong
Randall Wade



Karsyn Walker
Sabrina Wallace
Aiden Walsh
Joseph Ward
Nolan Ward
Nasya Washington
Dylan Wasserman



Zoe Webb
Emily Weber
Tanya Webster
Tyrice Webster
Sanaa West
Tierra Wheeler
Seth Whigham



Jacob White
Coby Wiegat
Jadyn Williams
Abigail Wilson
Koryn Wilson
QuinDasha Wilson
Victoria Wilson



Aurora Wimer
Robin Wietke
Caitlyn Wolscheid
Kevin Woodfill
Emma Wyatt
Jordan Wyle
Catherine Wynn



Alexander Xu
Noe Nahum Yanez Flores
Kaitlyn Younger
Leslie Zapata
Skyler Zimmerman
Natalia Zuriga



NOT PICTURED

Salma Al-Rifa
Sophia Angelucci
Rajni Burns
Zari Boacham
Aaliyah Benitez-Borjas
Connor Brennan
Erin Britton
Alejandro Camacho
Daniel Castillo
Sandra Centeno Rios

Santiago Chavez
Gilberto Contreras
Peyton Davies
Sahad Diaz Rodriguez
Alexander Didea
Gabrielle Edwards
John Escamilla
Shontavia Evans
Sofia Flores
Naseer Gay

Sergio Gomez
Christopher Gonzales
Gustavo Gonzalez
Kimberly Gordon
Kevin Granados Alejos
Davison Grant
Holly Hammer
Mykell Haynes
Tazalynn Hudson-Sherman
Demi Husband

ADarius Iglehart
Kirsty Inglis
Averyn Johnson
Isabell Leutenegger
Abigail Lozano
Ashton Luttrell
Jitzelle Madrid
Jimmy Martinez
Bryan Medina Muniz
Kayla Miller

Adem Montenegro
Demaudre Olsson Bagley
Athenyiah Palmer
Tristan Parker
Tionna Powell-Finn
David Rodriguez
Victoria Rodriguez-Koch
Maryam Shahab
Ivree Sorey
Shawn Stevens

Livanous Taylor
Derrina Wade
Ashera Wallace
Jiya Williams
Bryan Yanes

“Basketball has made me realize that I can do a lot more than I thought. Before I was on the team, they were already a big family, and they just brought me into that.”
-alex anamekwe

& THEN
A LOOK AT WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

During the basketball game against Allen, freshman Alex Anamekwe prepares to pass the ball to his teammate.



Adrian Wilson



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With sheet music in hand, choir directors Ms. Cindy Johnston and Mr. Parker Lessman sing Christmas carols. This is the second year the staff has gone to sing at the nursing homes. "I love the reactions of the people in the nursing homes," Ms. Johnston said. "They light up when they hear something they recognize and you'll see them mouth the words along with you or chime in and sing." photo by Adrian Wilson



Marianne Abraham SPED paraprofessional
Rosana Adams Spanish
Ross Anderson world history, football
Alan Arbabi principal
Kelly Armbruster English instructional coach
Sharon Arnold American Sign Language I-III
Pre-AP ASL, I-II, ASL Club
Jenna Baker STC

Bonnie Banks FAC
Joann Bautista SPED paraprofessional
Mark Bayer Humanities, AP Human Geography,
WHAB Club, UIL academic coordinator, UIL
current issues and events and social studies
Susan Bell House of Pride counselor
Alyssa Boehringer journalism I, yearbook, MHSI
and online adviser, UIL coordinator, UIL, journalism
and ready writing, Traditions Committee
Robert Boone PALS, teen leadership, football
Chelsea Boyd The Collective

Jason Braddy technology integrator, debate,
technoCats
Kelly Briley Cosmetology I-II, Mane Street Salon
Megan Brooks Pre-AP Geometry, basketball
Ana Brown Pre-AP Precalculus
Mike Bruck US history, the Voice of MSD
Saskam girls soccer, Athletic Hall of Honor
Jayne Burdick world history
Joe Cable athletic support

Chris Cass percussion
Greg Castillo art I, art II-IV
Andra Chick environmental systems, AP
Environmental Science, Environmental Club
Jesse Chin chemistry, girls soccer
Shelby Chin art I, photo I, photo II
Curtis Christian photo I, photo II, AP Photo,
MHSI, Yearbook, Traditions Committee,
Headquarters
Kaitlin Christian Pre-AP English I, English I,
creative writing, The Lost Art

Ullana Clark AP English IV
Rebecca Collora Pre-AP English I, English I,
student council
Mary Connell inclusion
Susan Cook inclusion
Jenny Cope office manager, principal's secretary,
Traditions Committee
Jeff Cranmore House of Strength counselor
Justin Crocker English IV

Becca Culotta Pre-AP English I, English I,
precalculus
Ana Cunningham Pre-AP Precalculus,
precalculus
Sandra Dieckman German I, German II, Pre-AP
German II, Pre-AP German III, German Club,
German National Honor Society

Kristy Dillard
Jennifer Dixon Pre-AP Biology, tennis
Chance Dorris AP Psychology, psychology,
swim
Madison duPont math models

Alice Dutton Pre-AP Chemistry, AVID
Brandi Earl precalculus
Ana Maria Ellis Pre-AP Spanish II, Spanish II,
Spanish Club
Stacie Entzminger child guidance, interior
design, Ready Set Teach
Gail Erger bookkeeper
Cindy Erhart AP English IV, humanities
Austin Fitts SPED paraprofessional

Ivonne Galarza ESL
Julia Gameros ESOL I-II, Read 180, practical
writing
Dzana Gharbavi Pre-AP English II, English II
Lidia Giacadi ESL
Leslie Gilbreath Pre-AP Algebra I, algebra I, UIL
math, number sense and calculator coach
Amanda Gorman Pre-AP English II, English II,
student council
Christina Gregorian physics, college prep math



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future MAN

HARVARD GRAD ENGLISH
 TEACHER HAS SIGHTS SET
 ON PHD

his mom had him at 17 and worked as a waitress between Golden Corals to make ends meet. When his parents were 25 they got a divorce which sent him and his two siblings on a spiral of moving across the country. They ended up moving to Chicago for a while and when he was about 15 or 16 they came back to Texas, still very poor at the time. Despite the constantly changing childhood, AP English 3 teacher, Mr. Izak Santana still managed to look on the bright side.

"Some of my worst memories growing up were seeing my mom having to deal with so much pain, whether that was physical active pain or hearing her cry herself to sleep," Mr. Santana said. "It wasn't a great childhood but I always felt very loved and very fortunate to be with my mom."

Mr. Santana didn't let his childhood define who he was and what he would do with the rest of his life. He kept a constant positive outlook on his memories as a kid.

"My mom could only do so much," Mr. Santana said. "She was working 60-70 hours a week and my teachers and coaches took a lot of the brunt of trying to rear me. They marked me out as a smart kid, a kid who deserved to have opportunities."

The encouragement from coaches and teachers helped Mr. Santana stay on track and led him to exceed in school, which later resulted in him getting into college.

"I had to deal with the stuff poor people deal with, like abuse, drugs, fears," Mr. Santana said. "I had lots of teachers and coaches kinda looking out for me and when I went to college, I didn't really know what I wanted to do. I thought I wanted to be a football coach or something like that because I played football in high school and it meant a lot to me."

Getting into Harvard was made possible by his professors who saw the potential in Mr. Santana.

"I had professors encouraging me to get my masters degree and so I threw caution to the wind and applied to a bunch of masters programs and I was able to get into Harvard," Mr.

Santana said. "I thought that it was a really good opportunity so I went there. When I was there I was planning on doing a lot of PhD work. That's what had been a dream of mine since undergrad, but I got married right before I moved to Boston and in doing so, I hooked my trailer up with another person and so the decisions aren't just mine."

The decision to get married changed Mr. Santana's motives of what was important in his life. This resulted in his dream job as becoming a religion teacher getting put on pause, and led him to work as a teacher.

"After I graduated and got my masters, we headed back to Texas and I felt around for whether I wanted to do pastoral work in churches. It was a lifelong dream to be a teacher, and to have influence on kids," Mr. Santana said. "I decided I was qualified for it at the time. I took the test and thought it was something I was very interested in, it was a calling so I did it and I'm very happy I did."

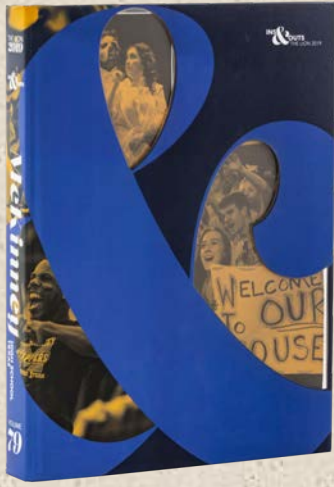
Despite his love for teaching, Mr. Santana still wants to pursue his lifelong dream of inspiring and helping others in a different way as a religion teacher.

"I've always wanted, even as I graduated with my masters to go back to get my PhD and teach religion. That's my dream job. That's what I really want to do," Mr. Santana said. "I really love the university and love to see the students and the culture that's there."

In March, Mr. Santana was accepted into one of his dream schools, the University of Chicago.

"My wife and I decided I was going to apply to PhD programs around the country and so things are looking good right now," Mr. Santana said. "You never know, they're hypercompetitive and other things are going well right now so hopefully by next fall I'll be in a PhD program, and hopefully 5-7 years after that I'll be teaching in some university, and if I'm lucky, in Texas."

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Ryan Gros advanced quantitative reasoning, baseball, football
Robert Gupton intro to engineering design, principles of engineering, digital electronics, Engineering Club
Karen Gutierrez House of Scholarship secretary
Angela Hageman nurse
Lauren Hall biology
Tim Harke district technician
Hannah Harkins Pre-AP English I, English I

Kristen Harris AP US History
Summer Hartman English II
Melissa Hemby human services, child development, education, human growth
Erin Higginbotham PE, volleyball
Cathy Hockaday resource, inclusion
Jennifer Hodnett health, Partners PE, girls basketball, track
Theresa Horvath AP Pre-AP Computer Science, AP/BC Calculus, UIL computer science, computer applications and accounting coach
Melissa Howard House of Courage counselor
Amanda Hughes Art I, Pre-AP Art II, NHS
Elizabeth Hurst AP Physics, physics, track, volleyball
Jennifer Huttler Algebra II
David Isabelle resource, inclusion
Robert Jackson resource, inclusion
Boniface Jacobs Latin II, Pre-AP Latin II, AP Latin IV

Jeff Jacobsen principles of business/marketing, entrepreneurship, girls golf
Cindy Johnston choir
Bailee Jones student teacher
Fred Jordan SPED paraprofessional
Shannon Kelly French I, Pre-AP French II, Pre-AP French III, AP French IV
Tina Kelman Newcomer Center, ESOL I, ESOL II, social intelligence for newcomers
Andrea Kenworthy English I, Pre-AP English II

Mira Khalil attendance secretary
Kamran Kivnani algebra II, AP Statistics
Shelly Kramer House of Accountability principal
Elise Landrum Math instructional coach, UIL math, number sense and calculator coach
Heidi Lario Pre-AP English I, English I, Poetry Club
Jessica Lawrence theatre, International Thespian Society
Ryan Ledford algebra I, football, baseball

Julie Lee athletics secretary
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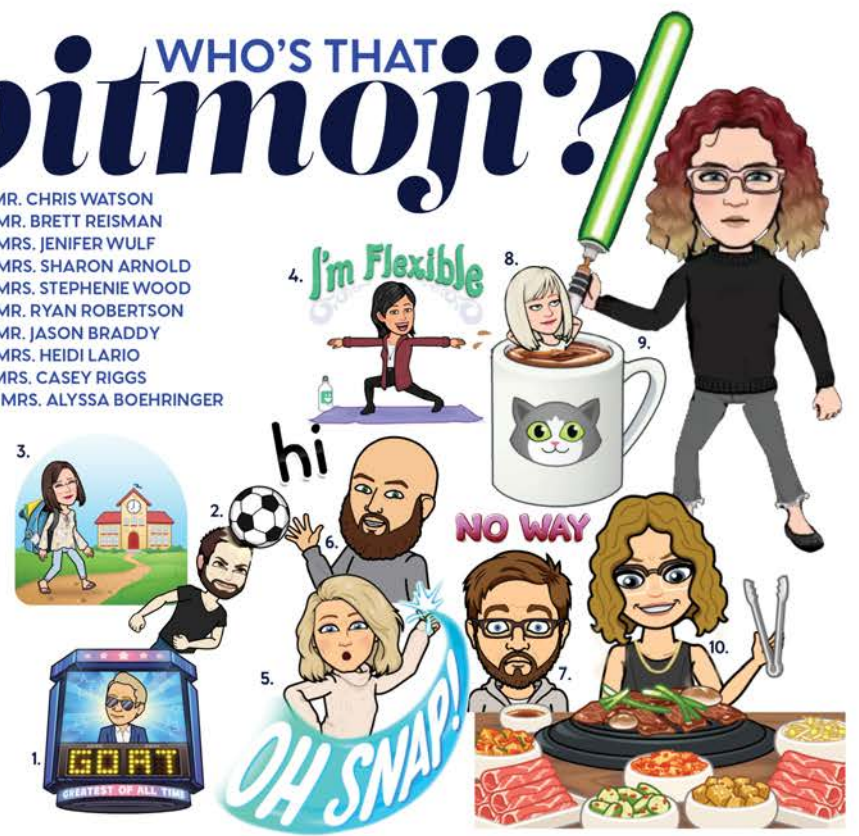
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Michael Matland SPED paraprofessional
Ryan Martin professional communications, health, football
Heather Matkoff Pre-AP Chemistry
Stephen Matkoff Principles of Architecture, construction technology, advanced construction management, building trades

Aida Maya Spanish I
Nathan McAfee aviation I-III, robotics I-III
Sandy McCarty world geography, football
Richard McGowan AP World History, AP European History, humanities, UIL, social studies and current issues and events coach
Suzy McKinney registrar's assistant
Ron McPhatter JROTC
Charles McPherson STC



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1. MR. CHRIS WATSON
2. MR. BRETT REISMAN
3. MRS. JENIFER WULF
4. MRS. SHARON ARNOLD
5. MRS. STEPHENIE WOOD
6. MR. RYAN ROBERTSON
7. MR. JASON BRADY
8. MRS. HEIDI LARIO
9. MRS. CASEY RIGGS
10. MRS. ALYSSA BOEHRINGER



Melanie Meyer AP English III, humanities
Robert Mierow Pre-AP Algebra II, algebra II
Kim Montgomery House of Courage secretary
María Moon Spanish speakers Spanish I Pre-AP Spanish II
Dondi Moran art II, AP Art
Monica Morgan associate principal's secretary
Amy Neely studio/dance I-II, aerobic dance, Marquettes

Jessica Nevarez STC
Ryan Newhouse AP Calculus, AP Statistics, Traditions Committee
Rhena Nordberg biology, environmental systems
Candace O'Brien physics, MHS Teacher of the Year
Justice O'Brien good girl
Sara Odom fashion/marketing, sports/marketing, money matters
Megan O'Hara Pre-AP Geometry, geometry



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Meara O'Neill orchestra
Annuar Ortiz House of Scholarship principal
Jan Ovessen resource, inclusion
Paola Pachon ESL
Alex Pantarotto Spanish II, girls soccer
Patti Parker SPED clinical
Lori Patterson resource, inclusion

Scott Patterson AP Economics, boys basketball
Kristen Pereira AP US History, AP Art History
John Pierce art I, Pre-AP Art II, Art II, AP Art
Alan Pocock English II, English IV, boys soccer
Jeremy Price e-High, baseball
Ross Pruitt science instructional coach
Julina Purl clinic

Chelsea Radford Pre-AP Chemistry, chemistry, cheer
Trish Ramos JROTC
Erica Ranel US history, social studies, instructional coach, volleyball
Shawn Ratcliff inclusion
Chris Rednour government, boys golf
Aaron Renzenbrink band
Bret Reisman AP World History, world history, soccer



Ken Ringel band
Jonathan Rodriguez world history, Traditions Committee

Gigi Rose associate principal
Tiffani Rosendall inclusion
Rhonda Rothbard SPED paraprofessional
Katye Rutledge graphic design, digital interactive media, photo I, The Lost Art, Traditions Committee

Michael Sanders resource, inclusion
Izak Santana AP English III, Philosophy Club
Kelsey Souza geometry
Shenglin Selinger e-High
Scotty Serio PE, swim and dive
Justin Smith IPC, astronomy, football, track
Laura Smith AVID, Key Club

Brittany Southerland ISM, AVID, Traditions Committee
Anthony Sowe English III, football, track
Kristen Spain media resource specialist
Shelly Spaulding House of Leadership principal
Juliana Stalter Pre-AP Biology
Adrianna Stephens studio dance, aerobic dance, Marquettes, Traditions Committee
Aly Stephenson band, Traditions Committee

UNCOMMON objects

STAFF KEEP WEIRD STUFF IN THEIR CLASSROOMS

"I used to watch Bob Ross on PBS with my dad when I was growing up. I also have a t-shirt and a mug that says 'happy little trees.'"

MRS. JAYME BURDICK

MRS. ANDREA CHICK

MRS. KELLY MADER

MRS. AMANDA HUGHES

MR. CURTIS CHRISTIAN

MR. JOHN PIERCE

MS. DONDI MORAN

MRS. KAITLIN CHRISTIAN

MS. KAYTE RUTLEDGE

MS. AMANDA SWAN

MS. CAROL WINTERS

MS. KRISTEN PEREIRA

MRS. EMILY TOLHUIZEN

MR. JONATHAN RODRIGUEZ

MRS. AMANDA GORMAN

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Elizabeth Strajgas Ferral English IV
Ginger Sudduth clinic
Amanda Swan Pre-AP English II, English II
Margaret Talley Pre-AP English I, English I
Georgette Taylor Pre-AP English II, English II
Emily Tolhuizen AP World History, AP Art History



Scott Trapp Pre-AP World Geography
Chris Turner House of Strength principal
Melissa Vance AP Biology, Pre-AP Biology
Mitch Vandenberg House of Courage principal
Kina Vinson law enforcement I-III, Law Enforcement Explorers Program, Traditions Committee
Kelsey Vining physics, girls soccer
Lisa Walters media resource aide



Chris Watson government, economics, personal finance literacy
Katie Watson AP Chemistry, forensics, Chemistry Club, cross-country
Wes Watson health, boys basketball
Meredith Wendt Algebra I, volleyball, track
Tamera Wesley Softball, girls soccer
Santa Williams SPED paraprofessional
Sean Williams welding I-IV, Traditions Committee



Carol Winters AP English III humanities, ILL, literary criticism and spelling
Amanda Wisdom FAC
Cristine Wood inclusion, resource
Samantha Woodson Pre-AP English II, English II
Donald Worley inclusion, writing
Diana Wright House of Strength secretary
Jenifer Wulf Pre-AP Algebra II



Angela Wylie House of Scholarship counselor
Alissa Zachary English IV, cheer
Sandra Zapata SPED paraprofessional
Laurn Zuercher algebra I



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Shelley Bertucci STC
David Bernal DSSC
Melinda Bowman geometry
Liz Broadley FAC
Andrew Brown astronomy, football
Lee Bryant functional fitness, team sports, football
Leigh Castillo medical terminology, health science
Clint Coffman world geography, football
Clay Davis cross country, track, outdoor education
Megan Demman chemistry
Tyler Elders physics, softball
Ana Maria Ellis Spanish II Pre-AP, Spanish II

Laura Gunter English III
Ryan Hale Pre-AP World Geography, World Geography
Deb Harris assistant athletic coordinator, functional fitness, team sports, individual sports, girls basketball
Jeff Harvick orchestra
Scott Innes functional fitness, team sports, boys basketball
Elias Kawesa geometry, football
Rick Lemons principles of agriculture, livestock production, advanced animal science, welding
William Maloney US History, soccer
Joshua McFarland anatomy and physiology, chemistry
Lisa Perry inclusion

Veranna Phillips inclusion
Casey Riggs Pre-AP Computer Science, AP Computer Science, AQR, UIL, computer science
Ryan Robertson AP US History, US History, football
Will Rupert US History, government
Will Secord e-High, football
John Toal economics, baseball
Shantel Watkins inclusion
Collin Walls Theatre I, Tech Theatre
Collin Walls Theatre I, Tech Theatre
Zack Zimmerman animation, digital interactive media, football
Ana Zeng AP Physics, AP Physics C



PLAY TOGETHER, STAY TOGETHER
 Crying tears of joy, seniors Sophie Manson, Caroline Swan, and Macey Winburn celebrate. After winning round two of playoffs, the emotions were high. "All three of us have played together since 7th grade," she said. "We have become really close over the years on the court and off."

Abney Garcia



Melanie Russell



Sydney Schaefer

BLOCK IT UP

While jumping up, juniors Samantha Hicks and Olivia Deegan block the ball so it doesn't come over. This was during the Boyd game so Samman made sure they didn't get a kill on them. "This was the most packed gym we've ever had," Samantha said. "The score was 14-16 so it was super close."

KILL FOR THE WIN

While going for a kill from the middle, junior Olivia Deegan hits the ball. During the Boyd game, Olivia was ready to kill the ball for their Crosstown Showdown. "Macey set me a really good quick set," she said. "I was excited to hit the ball because it made the score 17-2."



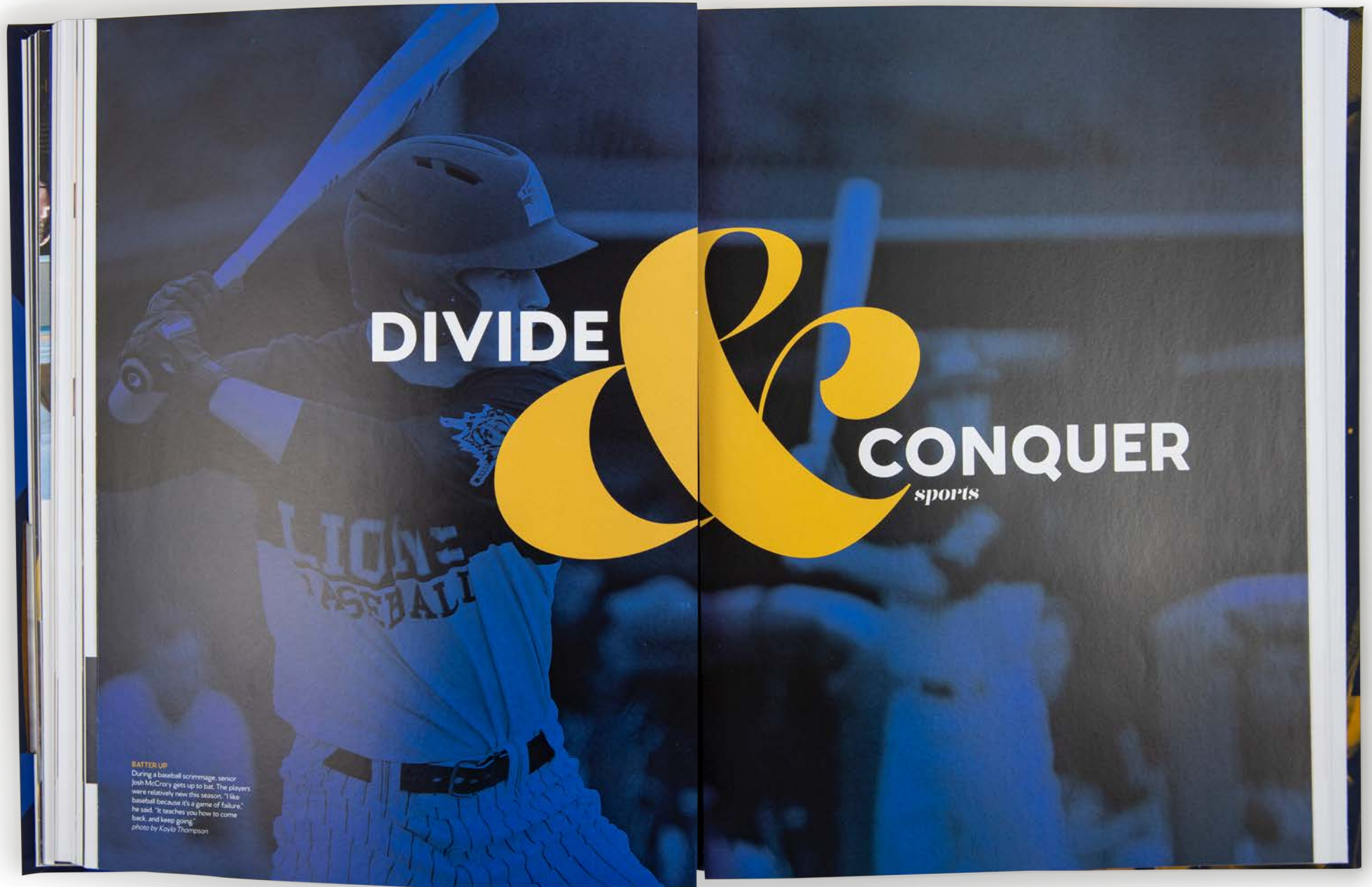
Abney Garcia

ONE POINT WONDER

After scoring a point, senior Caroline Swan cheers after she kills the ball during a close game. During the 5th set at the Boyd game, the score was extremely close. "You can see in everyone's face the emotion that was going through our bodies," she said. "It was a combination of relief and confidence with excitement."



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We walked out of Ron Poe and sprinted into our new MISD stadium. And as soon as we went out onto the field, we immediately had to go back inside for another stupid rain delay. We cried after beating Boyd and rushed into Whataburger after the game to plant our flag and took to Twitter to make sure everyone knew that McKinney was Gold. But we're more than just beating our rivals. The volleyball team fought their way to the third round of playoffs and the soccer boys played until the buzzer went off when it was 0-0 against Prosper. And even though sometimes we found ourselves out of bounds, our heads were still in the game.

4-7 FOOTBALL SEASON ENDS IN PLAYOFF GAME

GOING FORWARD

During the game against Prosper, sophomore Ron Poe said he felt like he got the most out of the game. "I don't know if I was the best player, but I was the best player," he said. "I don't know if I was the best player, but I was the best player."



375 ESTIMATED MINUTES SPENT WAITING DUE TO RAIN DELAYS DURING FOOTBALL SEASON

SCORE
It was a great game, but the rain was a real problem. The game was delayed for a long time, and it was really frustrating. The game was delayed for a long time, and it was really frustrating.



TEAMWORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK
The team worked really well together. They were all in sync, and they were all in sync. They were all in sync, and they were all in sync. They were all in sync, and they were all in sync.

COME TOGETHER
The team came together and worked really well. They were all in sync, and they were all in sync. They were all in sync, and they were all in sync.



THE INS AND OUTS OF

SPORTS

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THE 2018-2019 SEASON: 868 sets BY MACY WINBURN, 85 kills BY SAMMIE HICKS

BEFORE INTO PLAY
During a match against Prosper, senior Sammie Hicks received the ball. Sammie has been playing volleyball since third grade. "I was the team captain of it, the growing together, and the different stuff you can learn from it," she said. "I like playing outside because I'm able to do all the skills that volleyball requires."

PITCH PERFECT
It's a sophomore, senior Grace Cole. Her senior season, she was named MVP because she gets to control the game. "I can choose whether I want to hit or pass the ball or not," she said. "The game is really fun on my shoulders."

82.0 mph pitch CALIE HANCOCK
60.0 mph pitch JORDAN CARLSON



SWIMMING FOR DAYS



22.81 50 free style JAMES SHADDOLETT
24.90 80 free style RUBEY MATTHEWS
1:01.21 100 butterfly ALY GRENDE

PATHWAY TO SUCCESS

At a recent, sophomore Ally Grende earned the 100 butterfly title. She was named MVP of the season. "I was really happy to win the title, and I was really happy to win the title. I was really happy to win the title, and I was really happy to win the title."



NOTHING BUT NET



NOTHING BUT NET

76 DUNKS TOTAL IN BOYS BASKETBALL

CALLING THE SHOTS
The team worked really well together. They were all in sync, and they were all in sync. They were all in sync, and they were all in sync.



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BROTHERLY FINALE
Making it through the mud and rain junior Nick Maclean went through the finish line. This was right after he completed the district race. "My brother and I both went on to regionals," he said. "It was a really cool feeling to know we both moved on."



OFF TO REGIONALS
Running to the finish line, junior Graeme Maclean runs to make it to regionals. This was a local race at Meyer's Park. "I got 5th place so I got to advance to regionals," he said. "It started to get competitive because all of the guys are trying to make it to regionals as well." photo by Aden Lantos



ONE STEP AT A TIME
Taking his last few steps, sophomore Asher Lauderdale fights to finish the district race. While it poured rain Asher pushed through the mud to finish his race. "This wasn't my best race of the season, to say the least," he said. "It was my last race so I just wanted to finish" photo by Aden Lantos

FAST AND FURIOUS
With a determined face, sophomore Jesus Martinez is completing his second district meet. This is his second year on varsity running at Meyer's Park. "My personal record for the three-mile was 17 flat," he said. "I love doing cross country and competing." photo by Aden Lantos



BIG SMILES FOR A BIG RACE
Giving Rachel Hyden a big hug junior Anna Buraczky is smiling with joy after finishing their hard race. During the district race, Anna and Rachel both complete their last meet for their junior year after running for three years together. "It was a really emotional meet because all the seniors are leaving," she said. "I can't imagine being separated from these people."



LAST RACE
While pushing through the last mile senior Britney Morales is determined to finish. This was her last race as a senior so she was very sad when it was over. "This was the district meet, and I was doing really bad," she said. "It was my last race so I was sad when it was over"



Elizabeth Chan

seeing TWINS ADVANCE TO REGIONAL MEET DOUBLE

The twins stepped up to the starting line. The white paint stared back at them as they waited for the gun to start the regional cross country meet. Juniors Nick and Graeme Maclean were the top two runners and both of them qualified for the regional meet.

"It was just like in the movies," Graeme said. "Where you're getting ready to start and it's completely quiet. And you had the second. Everyone's anticipating the start and the gun fires and it's just chaos from there." Even if it felt like the movies, the races were quick-paced. "Our race at regionals was very packed and it was quick off the start," Nick said. "We had to go really fast and we had to keep up that pace to stay at the very front." The twins were happy with their results and the race, with Graeme clocking a time under 16 minutes and Nick just above 16 minutes.

"Right about in the middle, beginning half of the season I had an issue with my hips and I wasn't able to run for a couple of weeks," Nick said. "And that really hurt me a little bit. I never really came back completely 100 percent and I missed out on a couple weeks of training." While one twin was facing injuries, the other was working on keeping a good mental mind set, especially after the previous years of injuries.

"Last year I was injured for the first half of the season and I came back in for like three meets and only two weeks of practice," Graeme said. "I always like to think that it's a down. But that doesn't always mean I'm always going to be down. It's going to go back up eventually, I just got to stick in there for the up." Their father Ian Maclean said when the boys were in middle school, they all went for an afternoon jog and as Mr. Maclean fell back behind them he was filled with pride watching his four sons running together.

"That's just a beautiful thing," Ian said. "Watching them all run together." Both the twins have benefited from being teammates as well as brothers. They've benefited physically and mentally. "Every run is a race," Graeme said. "You can't lose. You can't let your guard down. It helped that Nick was injured this season." Through the twins success and all those that have pushed them along the path of running, they both enjoyed it. "You know it's not always about the PR's though," Graeme said. "It's just about getting out there. It feels great to get out there and run. After a long day of hard work sometimes, it's just nice to take a break from all that. PR's are nice too though. Medals, those are all nice. But sometimes it just feels good getting out there."

story by Asher Lauderdale
photo by Elizabeth Chan



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kelvin THOMAS
STATS

RUSHING YARDS **373**
TOUCHDOWNS **15**

TOTAL YARDS **1,419**
PASSING YARDS **1,076**

Melaine Hussain

FEEDING OFF THE ENERGY

Motivating the players, Coach Zack Zimmermann keeps their heads in the game. After having a week of practice, Coach was anxious for the outcome. "Going into the game, we knew we would have to play our best," he said. "There was a lot of excitement and we fed off each other's energy" *photo by Landry Raymond*

GAME FACE

Running onto the field senior Trey Pearson puts his game face on. This game was not only against Boyd but it was also important to win to move on to playoffs. "I wanted to end this streak," he said. "I knew when we were running out on the field we were going to take care of business."



OUT OF MY WAY

Protecting his quarterback, senior Ethan Lane blocks the linebackers from the Boyd defense. Ethan plays as the right tackle. "I really love being one of the biggest guys on the field because I get to knock everyone down," he said. "I like that I get to protect and block."



NEW RECORD
During the J Pearce game, senior Cordrick Dunn steps on a player from the opposing team. He ran for 325 yards which broke a personal record. "The crowd reacted pretty well, they went 'ooohhh'" Cordrick said. "It was a big play and great experience for me."
photo by Abney Garcia



BALL CARRIER DOWN

Trying to pass rush, junior Mitchell Tyler attempts to get the quarterback. The Plano East game was in double overtime so getting the ball carrier was very important. "This was one of the most exciting atmospheres of the whole season," he said. "The crowd was into it since it was such a close game."

ONE MORE time

LIONS MAKE PLAYOFFS AGAIN

The giant video board glowed as it began its countdown from 15 seconds. When the buzzer rang, ecstatic shouts flew from the home side of the field. The Lions won over the Boyd Broncos 34-24, and would advance to playoffs for the second year in a row.

The Lions fell in the first round of playoffs against Wylie Pirates 28-38.

"Going to playoffs felt amazing," sophomore Bryce Johnson said. "The atmosphere was something else when we beat Boyd. Seeing 'The McKinney High' on top and knowing I was a part of it was crazy. Don't ever count us out."

Despite the excitement of winning against Boyd, the players said they were ready to put in the work necessary to take on the Wylie Pirates.

"Making playoffs was relieving yet exciting for me," senior Danny Lenard said. "Because we went to playoffs last year too. It created this huge electric atmosphere through the school and everyone who was there celebrating with us at the stadium."

Senior Jack Vinson said the victory wasn't just for the football team, it was for everyone in the stands who came out to support them.

"It honestly feels amazing to be recognized and appreciated on senior night," Jack said. "But without our fans, coaches, and everyone who was McKinney High-related who was there that night, we could not have been able to get that dub."

Danny said there was no way to describe how beating Boyd felt. "It felt like we actually changed history for the school and the culture," Danny said. "It was just awesome. The locker room was crazy, insane. It was just insane. Just everything - I honestly just can't describe everything that went on after the game. It was surreal."

The Lions made it to playoffs two years in a row when they were seeded to be last in the district. They ended the season fourth in the 6A District 9 with a record of 4-3.

"Being that it was not just your normal win," Jack said. "The locker room was electric that night. We had clinched playoffs and made history. After that night, I don't think McKinney High football could get closer as a family. To make history as big as that, you just forever cherish the memory, knowing it's something you get to tell your kids one day."

by Elisha Stokes

“MY HEART STOPPED FOR A BRIEF MOMENT WATCHING THE EAST GAME BECAUSE I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT WAS GOING TO HAPPEN NEXT.”

13 DANNY lenard, 12

Elizabeth Chan

KINDRED *spirits*

CHEERLEADERS SHARE THEIR STORIES

"I really enjoyed going to UIL and staying at the Omni hotel. While we were there we ate at a restaurant and dressed up fancy for a team dinner, and we bonded, and shared laughs."

MIA CASSIDY, 10

My favorite memory in cheer was during the Boyd game. The last couple of seconds of the football game right before we won. It was an unforgettable moment when the Lion fans in the new stadium went crazy. Also, the energy was super high."

NATALIE BROWN, 12

"My favorite memory of this year would be cheering on our boys at playoffs. The moment when we first got the touchdown at playoffs was such an amazing feeling and the crowd was so hyped up."

CYNTHIA LE, 10

"Throughout the whole year, I would have to say my favorite memory was when we beat Boyd. Everyone in the crowd was so excited. I'll never forget how proud I was to be a lion."

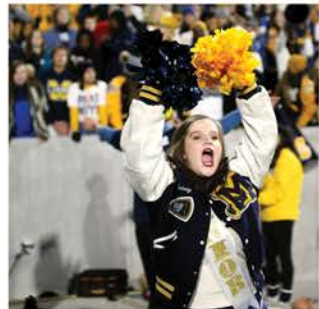
ALYSSA LUNA, 11

"One of my favorite parts about cheer this year was the lock-in at McKinney High. It was a lot of fun, and it helped our team get a closer bond. The lock-in made me feel like I had known all the girls for forever and it was welcoming for us upcoming freshmen."

sydney rest, 9

aiden DENSON, 10

"I love seeing all the little kids faces light up when I walk by."



TWO CELEBRATIONS CALL FOR A WIN
Hoping for a win against Boyd, senior Betsy Stokes cheers during the football game. Betsy was honored on senior night. "Not only was this senior night, but it was our crosstown game," she said. "We won so it was great."



OVERTIME SADNESS
Reacting to losing the game in double overtime, sophomore Taylor Canon squats down in sadness. The Lions lost their Homecoming game against Plano East. "We were trying to stay positive for the football players," she said. "Even though they played great it was just upsetting in the moment."



BEST SUPPORT GROUP
Getting the crowd ready for the Homecoming game, senior Maven Maloney smiles up at her friends. This was during the Homecoming game. "I remember all my friends were in the front row," she said. "They were cheering and laughing at me because I was dancing." photo by Elizabeth Chan



FLYING IN THE AIR
Arching her back in the air junior Breana Nunez is tossed up in the stunt during the Homecoming pep rally. "I love flying because I've done it for so long," she said. "I personally love stunting way more than anything else."
FROZEN SMILE
Putting on a smile in the cold, sophomore Cassidy Habel is cheering on her team. This was during the first playoff game against Wylie. "Even though it was freezing cold," she said. "This was definitely my favorite game. It was so exciting." photo by Elizabeth Chan



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DANCE REGIONALS
RESULTS

JV received **high points** in hip hop, military pom

JV won a **super sweepstakes** and choreography award in jazz

Varsity received **three super sweepstakes** and choreography awards for pom, kick, hip hop and contemporary

Technique awards for pom, kick, hip hop and contemporary

High scores in pom, kick, hip hop and contemporary

Best in class super team: Technique, high point and choreography award

Best in class elite team: Choreography, technique and high point in open, contemporary and hip hop

FRONT AND CENTER

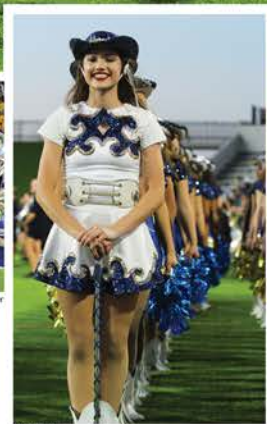
With a smile, senior Brook Naulty leads the Marquettes during their halftime performance. The Marquettes were the first to perform in the new stadium. "I was really excited and terrified because this was my first year as captain so I was responsible for everybody," Brooke said. "My favorite memory was senior night, my mom surprised me and showed up on my yard line during the traditional routine and that was really special"



Elana Baker

LEADING THE WAY

As halftime approaches, junior Kyle Dauper stands on the sidelines preparing to perform. "My favorite thing is going out onto the field with my team underneath the Friday night lights looking into the stands seeing all the people that we get to entertain," Kyle said. "I'm not as nervous as I used to be but I still do get butterflies because I still want to go out there and do my best."



Melanie Russell

MINI MARQUETTES

On the field, senior Emily McAfee performs with the girls from the Marquette Mini camp. Emily was able to dance with her cousin on the field. "It was really cool to have her dance next to me," Emily said. "Whenever they took the picture, my little cousin got to put on my hat and it was really cute."

Elizabeth Chen



CARING TO dance

MARQUETTES GET BETTER THROUGH COMPETITION

As the Marquettes watched each performance before they went on, their anticipation grew for when they would begin their own performances at South Padre and eventually Nationals.

"We saw different types of teams in South Padre that helped get us ready for the National Competition," junior lieutenant Jill Deglandon said. "In McKinney it's just a different atmosphere. We saw different stuff we've never seen before."

During their trip to South Padre, they experienced things like horseback riding on the beach and ziplining.

"It was fun and made the trip even better because we had time to chill out before the actual competition," freshman Christy Ly said. "I enjoyed every moment of it and can't wait for next year."

All soloists placed in South Padre and the Elite team was one of the top-ranked teams there.

"There were a lot of good teams there so we saw a lot of competition," Jill said. "Competing trains us to get better. You only get better from watching others and getting inspired."

The team was thankful that they got this opportunity to make memories and dance together at South Padre.

"My favorite part of both trips was experiencing this together because everyone enjoyed themselves, had fun, made memories, and became even closer than before," freshman Maddie Barnard said. "This made my year and I am ready for whatever comes next."

by Anna McNeely
design by Sydney Caldwell

DANCING WITH ATTITUDE

As the crowd cheered loudly, junior Brooke Belton dances to the beat and the cheers. They performed their hip hop routine during the pep rally. "We were really hyped and it was around the end of the dance so we were making facial expressions and just having fun," Brooke said. "I'm really confident about it because there are a lot of things I'm not good at but this is one thing I know for fact, I feel really confident in what I'm doing."



Adrian Lantao

BOP TILL YOU DROP

After finishing the traditional routine, senior Katherine Davidson waits to transfer into the next dance. The Marquettes do two dances during half time. "I wanted to become an officer because I really look up to them my freshman year," Katherine said. "I liked how they lead the team and I wanted to help make the team better."



Melanie Russell

PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

While performing at the Homecoming pep rally, sophomore Victoria Bustos laughs with her dance partner, Alexis Dieker. The Marquettes have been practicing the dance since August. "The dance is a special now to me," Victoria said. "But it is a little bit repetitive."



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Elana Baker

HITTING AGAINST BOYD

While playing doubles, junior Amy Kate Bilyeu competes against Boyd. She has been playing tennis since middle school. "When playing tennis, I try to get the ball in the court where the players are not at," Amy Kate said. "I stayed because of the people, my closest friends are in the team."



Melanie Russell

KEEP YOUR HEAD IN THE MATCH

After the match, senior Andre Alquiza shakes his partner's hand. He joined tennis because of the people in it and how much he enjoys playing. "Tennis is a very mental game," Andre said. "I try to stay positive and to not be too hard on myself, or my partner, in order to win."



Albany Garcia



UP TO THE TIEBREAKER

During the tiebreaker, senior Trenton Brooks dives for the ball. The match had to go to the tiebreaker, which ended 10-8. "My mom played tennis and she told me I should join," Trenton said. "I'm sad about the fact that it's my last year. This is the most fun I've had in high school." photo by Mariana Ramirez

THE **deciding** POINT
TENNIS TEAM COMPETES AGAINST BOYD

Senior Brandon Mathey faced a tough match in the fall season against the top seed from Boyd. It was the third set tiebreaker and he was down 8-3 but managed to gain some confidence to catch up to Benjamin Dubois.

"I had a tough season overall because I played some of the best kids in state and having close matches like that bettered me as a player because it made gain some confidence and made me think that I can be just as good as them," Brandon said.

Brandon played some of the best kids from state such as Caden Moortgat and Matthew Cole and ended up beating Matthew Cole but lost to Caden Moortgat. But the most closest match he had this season was against freshman Benjamin Dubois.

"Ben is a very nice kid off court but on court he can be quite intimidating and he has poor temper," Brandon said. "I can say that I don't have the best temper but when it came to Ben, he was throwing his racquet around and hitting the balls all over the court due to anger. Matches like these are the hardest because not only do you have to deal with frustration from yourself, but also from your opponent."

Ben had won the first set and Brandon had won the second set. Both sets were very close and both boys were now tied 1-1. That's when the tiebreak had started and it was intense.

"In the tiebreak, I was down by a lot and in that moment, I was losing confidence and I wasn't going for many offensive shots," Brandon said. "I started just getting the ball in because I was scared of missing, meanwhile Ben's confidence was skyrocketing because he was going for all the balls which is why he was leading by a lot. I was down 3-8 and that's when I realized I have to go for my shots because I knew I would've lost the tiebreak easily just defending the whole time."

Brandon had won the next five points which evened out the tiebreak to eight all. He started going for shots and being more offensive.

"Once I started attacking the ball and going up to volley and coming back, my confidence reboosted and I felt so good but Ben's attitude and mentality just started going down," he said. "He went back to throwing his racquet and just screaming at himself. Both of us were two points away from the match which was slightly nerve racking but that match could've been anyone's."

Unfortunately, Brandon lost the tiebreak 10-8 but he walked away happy from his performance.

"Even though I lost, it was a very close match and all respect goes to Ben because he is an outstanding player," he said. "Of course the loss hurts because it's Boyd, but we beat them in doubles fairly easily which makes me feel better. Hopefully next year, McKinney can redeem themselves."

story by Nicole Bolkunova
spread by Lilian Lima



FOREHAND THE DREAM

While hitting a forehand, senior Haven Hymes goes for the ball. She has been playing tennis since middle school tryouts and loves the sport. "Learning how to communicate with a new person is the best part of it but also the most challenging," Haven said. "My grandpa wanted me to play tennis. He thought I could be like Serena Williams one day. He wanted me to become his little prodigy." photo by Melanie Russell



Sydney Schnelle

THE DEUCE IS WILD

As he performs a backhand groundstroke, senior Brandon Mathey gives his best at the match. He has been playing tennis for 10 years and started playing when he would visit his grandma. "I learned a bit from my grandma and then picked it up through a coach. I fell in love with it," Brandon said. "In this sport, you're by yourself out there. You have no one to rely on but yourself. And at the end, I wouldn't think that you would make friends out of competition, but you do."

SERVE IT, FEEL IT

While serving, junior Grant Kieschnick hits the ball as hard as he can. He started playing tennis in seventh grade. "I like tennis because when you hit the ball it feels good," Grant said. "You can feel the vibration going through your body when you hit the ball." photo by Mariana Ramirez

WINNING LIONETTES LEARN LESSONS FROM CROSSTOWN SHOWDOWN feeling

The Lionettes were up in the fourth quarter with the Boyd Broncos not far behind. There were seconds left on the clock and as it ticked down the crowd went wild.

The Lionettes basketball team won against Boyd 59-48.

"This game felt really good to win," senior Michaela Newkirk said. "This game was important because not only was it the crosstown showdown but because all the other sports had beat them and we wanted to continue that sweep for our school and not let anyone down."

The McKinney side of the stands was full of supportive parents and friends.

"My favorite part of the game was the energy we got from the crowd," senior Erin Jackson said. "During crosstown showdowns, we're always able to feed off of the crowd's energy and enjoy the game a lot more."

Starter Trinity White said that the team was glad to beat Boyd.

"Beating Boyd always feels good," Trinity said. "Because they're our rivals and everyone comes out to support both the girls and boys teams. I feel like we all just got closer as a team because of it."

The team's huddles during timeouts and halftime were crucial to the outcome of the game.

"It was a close game throughout," Michaela said.

"We all were there for one another and we just kept encouraging each other which made the game more fun and it led to a W."

Being a leader for the underclassmen was a big part of playing basketball this season for Erin.

"It was great to get to mentor and lead the underclassmen this year," Erin said. "I got a lot closer to all my teammates and it was nice that they could come and talk to me for advice or if they had something on their mind. It could be stressful at times, but I'm glad I got to experience it."

The girls were able to grow closer as a team on and off of the court.

"With being on varsity for my third year this year," junior Erin Fry said. "Was different as far as the group of girls goes, we were able to get along better. We were friends off the court and being so close made things easier."

Michaela said that her coaches really helped her grow as a person over the course of the season.

"All the coaches in the basketball program are amazing," Michaela said. "The love and support they give us on and off the court shows how much they care for us as players and students. The lessons they teach relate both in life and on and off the basketball court. I will always appreciate them for that."

by Elisha Stokes

PASSING FOR A VICTORY

During the Allen game, sophomore Trinity White looks for someone to pass the ball to. Trinity is the youngest player on the team. "If you're a younger person on varsity, they expect you to be timid around the older people," she said. "It shows how hard you work to be on the next level."



Mariana Ramirez



Abigail McAdams



Mariana Ramirez

ATTACK MODE

During the Allen game, senior Michaela Newkirk holds onto a rebound. The girls lost with a score of 56-59. "Any time we reached a peak it was always a good breakthrough for us," she said. "It's gone by really fast, and I wouldn't really change it for anything else."

JUMPING TO VICTORY

During the Plano West game, junior Taylor Jackson jumps for the ball. The girls played against an American All-Star player.

"People get selected their senior year for the American All-Star McDonald's game," she said. "It's an accomplishment that we beat her, because she's a good player."

photo by Mariana Ramirez



Mariana Ramirez

HEAD IN THE GAME

While at the Plano West game, junior Samantha Hicks finds someone to pass to. The girls struggled during the first quarter, but picked up during the fourth quarter. "I like playing because it's a stress reliever," she said. "I like how much of a team sport it is and how much people have to contribute." photo by Mariana Ramirez

HEATED RIVALRY

In the crosstown rivalry game against Boyd, junior Nic Porter goes in for a layup. They won with a score of 59-43. "This was my third time having a crosstown showdown," she said. "It was a great atmosphere, and a good crowd."

MAKING THE BASKET

At the Plano West game, senior Erin Jackson makes a move to the basket. The girls won with a score of 46-43. "That was senior night and also middle school night," she said. "It was a big win for us, good environment and lots of energy."



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A family THING

LIONS DEFEAT BOYD
 ON SENIOR NIGHT

Senior Aaron Brown gained possession of the ball off of a rebound. He made direct eye-contact with the Boyd Bronco who shot the ball. Seconds later he was on the other side of the court making his first dunk on a fast break.

The McKinney Lions beat Boyd on their Senior Night 74-60 in their second Crosstown Showdown of the season.

"Senior Night was a blessing because my family came down here," Aaron said. "To see me play from California and Prosper to see me against a personal rival. I didn't play very good the first time we played them so I knew I had to play better in order to win."

The boys were excited to celebrate senior night against their crosstown rival and to come out with a win.

"It's always good to beat your rival so it felt amazing," senior Terrell Vincent said. "And everyone else in other sports beat them so we had to step up and make sure we won. Senior Night was a big night. I never imagined I'd be in this position. It was so cool to see all the families of the seniors all together cause they come out every single game and are our biggest supporters."

Brothers Terrell and Devin Vincent were able to play together this year creating a new dynamic to the team.

"Senior Night was fun," freshman Devin said. "But kind of sad knowing that this was my last time playing with all of the class of 2019. It was cool playing with my brother, he has had a big role in my basketball career. Knowing this was my last year playing with him kinda sucked."

Without the support of their coaches Aaron said they wouldn't have been able to defeat their crosstown rival during their winning drought. "Our coaches were important to us," Aaron said. "Because they all cared for us as people, wanted the best for everybody, and pushed us when we needed to be pushed. Coach Imes especially pushed us all. He made us all better men and I'm blessed to have had him for three years. I'm blessed I had all my coaches for the last several years."

by Elisha Stokes

FACING THE ENEMY

Looking at his opponent, senior Terrell Vincent tries to intimidate him. The team won against Boyd 66-44. "Basically I was into him, getting into his head," he said. "Coach is always harping on us, that we gotta play defense get onto the people."

LOOK OF CONFUSION

On the sideline, senior Aaron brown looks shocked at the game. Aaron's favorite thing in basketball is shooting. "Shooting is kind of difficult for some people, but I find it is easy," he said. "It takes a lot of practice, and it's fun when you make a lot of shots."



Melissa Rios



Abney Garcia



Morano Ramirez

MAKING THE BASKET

In the Jesuit game, senior Andrew Pitts dribbles the ball across the court. The team was defeated with a score of 67-80. "We tried to stop them from shooting, but that didn't work," he said. "Our offense was pretty good, but our defense was OK."

JUMP MAN

During the game, freshman Alex Anamekwe jumps up for a tip ball. Being one of the youngest on his team, Alex looks up to his older teammates. "I learn a lot from them," he said. "It's higher level. It's little things like knowing what I can do."

Photo by Adrian Wilson



Abney Garcia



Abney Garcia

CALLING THE SHOTS

During the Jesuit game, Senior Byron Schoby tries to score. Byron played the position of point guard. "I do a lot before games to prepare," he said. "I workout, run, shoot, little bit of everything."

EXCITEMENT ON THE COURT

While on the court at the North game, Coach Scott Imes celebrates with his players. "I really respect how hard our guys have worked," he said. "I'm amazed with how much they're able to do."

90% FREE THROWS
 78 TOTAL REBOUNDS
 33:33 GAMES PLAYED

“Beating Highland Park at home was an unforgettable feeling knowing we haven't beat them in a couple of years.”

Lucas PALENZUALA #23

Landry Raymond



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SWIM AND DIVE COMPETES AT DISTRICTS

When the horn sounded, all junior Anika Newland could hear was her heart pounding in her chest and distant cheering in the background. Months and months of staying after school and waking up early in the morning, all led to this moment. Winning at district sends swimmers on to regionals and hopefully state.

Anika has been competitively swimming since she was 10, and has been on the varsity swim team since freshman year.

"Everyone has the opportunity to go to districts, as long as coach thinks they should," Anika said. "We put in hard work starting at the beginning of the season to show that we want to place and improve our time. Almost everyone beats their personal records at districts. It was really great when we realized it was the fastest we have ever swam."

Junior Taylor Todd has been on the varsity swim team since freshman year, and has been competitively swimming since she was 13.

"I have always been pretty good at swim, but when I found out I made it to regionals, I couldn't believe it. I've been working so hard so I would do well at districts but I didn't think I would actually make it," Taylor said.

Although District 9-6A is a tough meet with competitive schools, freshman Yasmin Khiraoui, freshman Sara Khiraoui, junior Aubry Matthews, and junior Taylor Todd were able to advance to regionals.

"Districts were pretty hard but I put in so many hours and it all paid off in the end," Taylor said. "Regionals didn't go as well as I wanted but I'm glad I made it so I will be better prepared for next year. The team is like a family with all of us working together to advance as a team. Next year all of us are hoping to make it to regionals and possibly advance to state."

by Jordan Glenn
spread by Mariana Ramirez

AGAINST
THE
clock

Elizabeth Chan



DROPPING TIME

At the Plano East meet, freshman Kaitlyn Burke swims the 100 yard butterfly. Kaitlyn manages to go faster as meets go on. "It's pretty tough for me," she said. "I drop a couple seconds every time."

WINNING SOME

At the district meet, junior Taylor Todd is distraught after the 100 breaststroke. Taylor had made regionals the year before and wanted to improve her performance. "That was the individual event I wanted to make regionals in," Taylor said. "I made regionals in the 200 medley relay and the 200 free relay." photo by Mariana Ramirez

Elizabeth Chan



ALMOST THERE

At the Boyd vs. Allen meet, sophomore Dylan Hetzel swims breaststroke. Dylan missed regionals by 4/10 of a second. "It was a really good season this year," he said. "There was a lot of growth for our team and me personally."

CHEERING ON

As she screams, freshmen Yasmin Khiraoui cheers on her teammate. Yasmin likes to prepare for swim meets by hyping up her teammates and herself. "I don't like to be calm or relaxed," Yasmin said. "I like to get all energized and jumpy." photo by Elizabeth Chan



diver

"It felt pretty good. I thought I could have gotten first but I messed up on a couple dives. I was pretty close behind first place."

278
POINTS IN A SINGLE MEET

2nd
PLACE AT DISTRICT

BRENDAN hardy

Mariana Ramirez



GATHERING AROUND

In mid-air, senior Ashlynn Sullivan tucks before diving into the pool. Swimmers line up around the pool to cheer on the divers. "Diving always helps get the swimmers ahead," Ashlynn said. "It gives the swimmers a good chance at winning the meet." photo by Mariana Ramirez

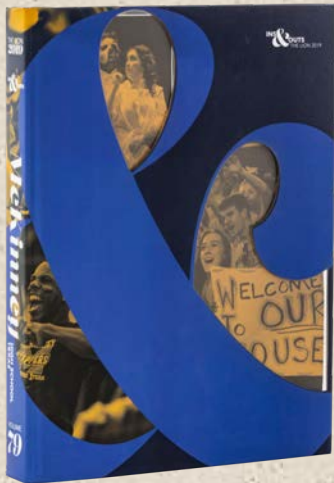
Elizabeth Chan

BREATHE

At the Plano East meet, sophomore Zack Rowe swims the 200 free relay. "I think I did my best," Zach said. "I had my best time during that event." photo by Elizabeth Chan

TAKE A LEAP

At the beginning of an event, freshman Sara Khiraoui leaps into the pool to swim the 100 backstroke. Sara likes how competitive swim can get. "I like the energy that's in it because it gives me a chance to release all my anger," she said. "It gives me all this adrenaline that makes me go really fast."



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fight CLUB

ATHLETES BATTLE OBSTACLES ON AND OFF THE MATS

Senior Rebekah Landrum started wrestling to learn how to fight. "Or just learn some basics in that area," she said. "Kickboxing was expensive, so when I found out that they had wrestling, I got super excited. I'm kinda sad I didn't learn that we had it sooner. I'm a senior and I didn't discover it until halfway through junior year."

Lizbeth Torres said that she likes the way wrestling makes her feel whenever she steps on the mat.

"Wrestling made me feel more secure about myself and stronger," Lizbeth said. "I lost fear of all my insecurities and I grew to be more confident in myself. Wrestling completely changed my life for the good."

The girls are thankful for the support that their coach gave them throughout the season.

"Coach Worthy has been very patient and supportive of me," Lizbeth said. "Throughout this whole learning experience. Not only with me, but with my teammates as well. At the beginning of the wrestling season, I always felt like I was never improving and just thinking that I didn't belong in this, but Coach would always tell me that there was potential in me. He knew that I could excel, but it was up to me to go through any tough obstacle that came in my way."

To win a match, the girls must pin their opponents shoulders to the mat and Rebekah did just that in the last match.

"My favorite part of the season was when I actually won a match," Rebekah said. "It was even better because it was the last match I wrestled. I had been out for two months from an injury I got during practice, so that made me even more excited that I won after being out of it."

Lizbeth said that there was never a worry about losing since the whole team was supportive and it taught her to learn from her mistakes.

"My favorite part of the season was when I got to learn more moves," Lizbeth said. "During our practices. This was the most hardworking part of the season, but also the most rewarding because it was when we all showed our improvement whenever we attended matches against other wrestlers and knowing that it paid off."

by Elisha Stokes

BUCKLE UP

At his first match as a senior, Christian Knighton body-slams his opponent. He trained everyday during the summer with his national wrestling team. "I plan to do wrestling in college," he said. "With high school wrestling I'm going to miss how competitive everyone is."

GUIDELINES FROM THE SIDLINES

At North, Coach Donald Worthy uses his hands to communicate with his players. He had to be extra animated because the JV players were unsure of what to do. "I love passion and enthusiasm," Coach Worthy said. "I get to teach all sorts of kids, the quiet and the loud ones."



Mariana Ramirez



Ekana Baker



THE FINAL COUNTDOWN

At the last duel before senior David Florence pins down his opponent. He had come from McKinney North High School. "It was good to see everyone," David said. "The guy I was wrestling is actually my best friend." photo by Mariana Ramirez



Ekana Baker

WRESTLING THE ANTICIPATION

From the sidelines, seniors Justin Frazee, Garrett Baycroft and Christian Knighton cheer on their teammate. The match was against the rival, McKinney Boyd High School. "This season was really tough and competitive," Garrett said. "It helped me get better as a wrestler."

3 season
TOURNAMENTS WON

29
GAMES WON

17
GAMES LOST

justin FRAZEE

"You get what you put in. You always play as long as you show up. I love the self discipline wrestling has taught to me."

Mariana Ramirez

"I received my 3rd place medal. It was my first year doing wrestling so I was really excited when I placed at districts because it was the first time I placed. Being a senior I learned that it's never too late to start something."

JESSICA MUNOZ, 12



"I was so happy when I got 2nd place for districts. I went against a freshman that was really good but I ended up winning. This makes me realize how hard this sport really is."

PASSIONER PARTHAM-JOHNSON, 12



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mental GAMES

FOR GOLFERS,
 THE CHALLENGE IS ALL
 IN THEIR HEADS

Stepping up to the tee box, sophomore Reed Fort starts to think about the last tournament and how he played. The more he thinks, the more tense he becomes. As he grips his golf club, he is worried he might mess up.

"Your physical game is important but it's more about getting out of your own head," Reed said. "I have trouble with it because once you start hitting bad shots, it's almost impossible to stop hitting them because you're in a bad head-space."

When she arrives at a tournament, sophomore Sophie LaLonde talks with her friends to cool down her nerves.

"I talk to my teammates to calm down and realize that golf is supposed to be a fun sport. It's not about being stressed," Sophie said. "Then I relax a little bit which helps my game, too."

Sophie started to play golf because of her older sister.

"I got to go watch her tournaments and see how much fun she was having," Sophie said. "She inspired me to try out and play golf."

Sophie started playing in middle school but got serious during freshman year.

"I started taking it more seriously in freshman year because I had to try out to be on the team," Sophie said. "I was really hoping to play varsity so I started doing more tournaments outside of school to be ready for my try out."

Reed is inspired the most by Coach Chris Rednour.

"I look up to Coach Rednour so much," he said. "He taught me to never putt with a muddy ball."

Reed said that it is not physically hard but the mental part is what is challenging.

"It is not the most physically demanding sport, but it is the toughest game because you don't have a team to rely on," he said. "It's all on you. You're the only person who can dictate your score."

story and spread by Sydney Caldwell

FOCAL POINT
 While looking at the ball closely, sophomore Madison Tremble lines up a putt. She tries to not think about her amount of strokes in a game. "I try to just focus in on the shot," Madison said. "Even if you do something wrong, you're never completely done for."

DRIVIN' IT IN
 With her driver, junior Sarah Hurd tees off a hole. This season, Sarah shot her personal best of 76 at one of the tournaments. "My personal average is the lowest it's ever been," Sarah said. "It's really encouraging me to keep going and keep getting better." photo by Aden Lantos



EYES ON THE PRIZE
 At a golf tournament, junior Jeffrey Rhoads swings his club. Jeffrey's dad introduced him to golf 10 years ago. "At first I get a little nervous but after I meet the people in my group and socialize with the people I get a little less nervous," Jeffrey said. "But I am focused most of the time and I just want to do my best."

Landry Raymond

Eliana Baker



Mariana Ramirez



Eliana Baker

REED THE GREENS
 With Coach Chris Rednour, sophomore Reed Fort receives suggestions for his next hole. At UIL tournaments, coaches are not allowed to tell them what to do exactly. "Golf has taught me not to get inside my own head," Reed said. "It is more of a mental game than a physical one and just always keep looking forward."

SLOW AND STEADY
 Using an iron, senior Damian Christensen takes an approach shot to the green. After Damian quit hockey he decided he would take up golf because of an inside joke. "It's calming and relaxing. It's a nice change of pace," Damian said. "The school year is non-stop or dead but golf moves at a nice steady pace."



Eliana Baker

FOLLOW THROUGH
 To hit the ball, freshman Madden Sinnes swings his club. Madden is going to play first for districts. "You have to stay focused at all times," Madden said. "You can't get too distracted from things and you have to stay relatively strong"



Eliana Baker

PUTT UP WITH IT
 At General Creek, senior Ben Hayden putts the ball. Ben started playing golf his sophomore year. "It's made high school a little more exciting," Ben said. "It gave me more stuff to do."

best score of
82
 7 handicap
MARY ABBOTT, 11

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THIS IS *our* time

TEAM ENDS DROUGHT AGAINST BOYD WITH 1-0 WIN

Senior Emmanuel Martinez received the ball and saw an opening in Boyd's defense to shoot the ball. Senior Gregory Lopez was beside him shouting at him to get the ball in the net. Within seconds, the ball was in the goal and the Lions were celebrating the first and only goal of the game. The McKinney Lions beat Boyd in the Crosstown Showdown for the first time in six years 1-0.

"Scoring the only goal of the game was amazing," Emmanuel said. "But the most important thing was winning the game. We were really happy after beating Boyd. It only took us six years to beat them, so it felt really good to be able to do that."

The team was proud to have a win against Boyd, especially for the seniors to be able to enjoy that experience.

"The initial feeling I got the moment when we beat Boyd was satisfaction that we made our friends and families proud of us," senior Micah Ardila said. "It was an amazing feeling to take down Boyd after most of the other sports already had. As a guy who's been there all seven games we've played against them, it's nice to have a win senior year."

After the goal was scored, Coach Alan Pocock and Coach Maloney gave the boys tactics on how to hold out the game while they were ahead.

"Coach Maloney and Coach Pocock are both at the heart of this program," Micah said. "Pushing us and coaching us to be the best version of players that we can be. Their constant work during practice and games combined with their rather unnoticed behind-the-scenes work organizing fields and making lesson plans are a testament to their positive impact on the team."

The boys celebrated on the field after winning the game by running onto the field and congratulating each other.

"After the game, my first instinct was to get down on the ground and catch my breath because I was exhausted," Micah said. "Then I went over to Boyd's coaches and players as well as the referees and shook their hands for a good game because I was always taught that was the right thing to do. After that, I went over to the fans and it was an electric feeling to see them all so happy."

The boys were so excited to be able to have the support they did when they were able to defeat Boyd for the first time in years.

"I don't think the fellow students, families, cheerleaders, drum line and others realize the impact they have on the team," Micah said. "The win against Boyd was a combination of everybody's efforts, not just the team. On a personal note, the fans, along with God and myself, give me something to play for and that's an intangible thing to have."

by Elisha Stokes



SIX YEARS TOO LONG

While dribbling the ball away from his opponent, senior Micah Ardila attacks the goal. The boys were confident in knowing they had the skills to beat Boyd. "I remember a feeling I got at the end of the game," he said. "Knowing the satisfaction of beating Boyd for the first time six years felt really good."

PLAY TO WIN

During the pre season Allen tournament, senior Alexander Ralph receives and kicks the ball. The Lions won with a score of 3-1. "It was a great feeling winning early on in the season," he said. "Components worked out how they wanted to in cold weather."



Kayla Thompson

GOOD CHEMISTRY

While looking at the ball, senior Davin Price crosses the ball off to Micah Ardila. After tying the game, the boys felt good about the outcome. "Having good chemistry this year has made us a very successful team," Davin said. "I think we will even make it to playoffs."

THIS IS OUR TIME

In the new stadium, senior Stephen Kooker heads the ball. This was the first time in three years that they have beat Boyd. "It was a really fun game to play in," he said. "We actually won."



Abney Garcia



Lauren Peterson



Gabby Rogge



Aden Lantos

PLAY YOUR HEART OUT

Getting fouled on, sophomore Ethan Crozco gets his jersey pulled by the other team. "I remember playing really well even though we lost," he said. "Knowing we could beat North, I was upset but glad we played well."



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SMILING FROM EAR TO EAR

Running with joy, junior Estelle Flanagan celebrates a goal against Boyd. This was Estelle's first goal of the season. "Boyd is usually our best game so we're up and ready to go," she said. "We're more intense and just ready."



Marana Ramirez

POSITIVITY IS KEY

Running after the ball, senior Maddy Peake tries to keep ball away from opponent. She felt that Boyd was their best played game. "Although we didn't get the results we wanted, we were all very proud," she said. "We played hard the whole game while keeping a positive attitude."



Elizabeth Chan

CELEBRATION TIME

Crowded by her teammates, freshman Kaya Solis celebrates after scoring. They played McKinney North and won with the score of 1-0. "At the time we were doing well," said Kaya Solis. "I didn't want to lose a game. I felt as if I had to score."



Elizabeth Chan

standing OUT

MOST IMPROVED PLAYER MAKES BIG IMPACT

Overwhelmed by shock and the cheering of her teammates, senior Kennedy McAllister walked onto the stage to accept her award for Most Improved. According to teammates Kennedy is seen as a dedicated role model on the varsity soccer team.

"I'm playing my senior year because of my teammates," Kennedy said. "I love my club team and being on the field but if it weren't for my teammates here I wouldn't have such a strong passion for playing high school soccer. I love the environment I'm in all the time with them. I love the support we give each other and I love playing alongside my best friends. Having great teammates is the best aspect of soccer, it's the best feeling."

Kennedy's love for her teammates is a mutual feeling.

"Kennedy is one of the strongest, most kind hearted people I know," junior.

Karsen Trenholm said. "She never fails to leave her all on the field and try to put a smile on everyone's face. She's the kind of teammate that picks you up when you feel down and I admire that about her."

Through her determination and positive attitude Kennedy enhanced her game.

"We have banquets at the end of the year and all the girls vote on who receives the awards and I got most improved," Kennedy said. "It meant a lot because I felt like I actually did get a lot better. Throughout the season last year I started playing more and more, then toward the end of the year I was playing a lot. Now I play every game."

Despite the outcome, Kennedy believes that the best moment of the varsity season was playing McKinney Boyd at the new MISD stadium.

"It was crazy how many people came there to watch us," Kennedy said. "The guys soccer team was there and there was so much support from the fans. The atmosphere was really intense because Boyd was in second place and we scored on them. Everyone had a great attitude and we pulled together as a team, and even though we lost, we left feeling like winners."

by Ali van der Ziel



Elizabeth Chan

alyssa TERRY

“ Soccer is something I've been doing for a long time. Being on varsity is an experience we should all have.”

8 TOTAL GOALS 2 POINTS IN ONE GAME

Marana Ramirez



Marana Ramirez

A HUMBLE LOSS

Going in for a header, senior Kennedy McAllister cuts off her opponent. The Boyd game was the first game the team felt they could win with their new formation. "We didn't even care we lost," she said. "We left the game feeling really good because we played our hardest and almost beat them."



Elizabeth Chan

PUSH THROUGH THE PAIN

Trying to get the ball away from the forwards, junior Savannah Townsend is surrounded by her opponents. Being injured during this game, she was nervous to play. "Even though I was in a lot of pain, it was all worth it," she said. "We ended up winning the game against our rival."



Elizabeth Chan

A HAPPY ENDING

During the Boyd game, junior Alannah Malone dribbles the ball in front of an opponent. The girls lost the Boyd game 3-1. "We were still happy at the end for how well we played," Alannah said. "We were making progress as a team."

EAT YOUR HEART OUT

While playing against McKinney North, sophomore Rhyia Newkirk nutmegs a player. Toward the end of the game as the Lionettes scored more goals, the game became more aggressive. "We went out there and played our hearts out," Rhyia said. "North was really competitive. It was a close game."



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WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS
Fist pumping in the air, senior Junior Leon wins second place for basketball. He practiced dribbling, passing, and shooting before the tournament. "I'm going to work harder for next year," Junior said. "I love supporting my teammates, and seeing them get first place or whatever place they do get."



A TEAM ABOVE ALL
While looking at his teachers, freshman William Jea Chea gives a thumb up. He does not enjoy sports. "I love gemstones," William said. "Sardonyx and sapphire are my favorite."
GREATNESS IN THE MAKING
After winning at bocce ball, senior Bianca Pazmino receives a medal with her friend, Isabel Flores.



MASTER OF MANY SKILLS
While in one of her many events, senior Bianca Pazmino rolls a bowling ball. She loves to participate and cheer on her fellow friends. "I like playing sports," Bianca said. "I like being with friends too."



HEAD IN THE GAME
While at Special Olympics, senior Jacob Windham tosses a bocce ball. He was awarded first place in the sport. "It's fun and different then what I'm used to," Jacob said. "I'd rather do track and field. It's my favorite." All photos by Elana Baker.



ON THE ball

SPECIAL OLYMPICS
ATHLETES COMPETE
IN BASKETBALL,
BOCCE BALL, BOWLING

"It feels great to be an athlete. I have fun with my friends. I love shooting in basketball. It feels amazing to play."

ERROLYNN FLORIDA, 11

"It feels great. I like to learn new stuff when we go to the events."

ISABEL FLORES, 9

"It's cool because you get to see all your friends. I like the 100-meter dash because you have to run fast."

JACOB WINDHAM, 12

"I love winning gold medals. I won one for basketball but my favorite is track and field because I like to exercise."

NIKHIL BONTHA, 9



COURT IS IN SESSION
Mid-shot, senior Reya Martinez squats before tossing the basketball. Referees stand watch, cheering the athletes on. "I really like basketball," Reya said. "Shooting is fun. I ended up winning second place in bowling and fourth place in basketball."



PUSHING IT TO THE LIMIT
While his partner places the ball on the ramp, junior J.D. Banner pushes it off. He took first place in the event. "I liked knocking the pins down," J.D. said. "I did not like the sounds."



KEEP ON ROLLING
Rolling a bocce ball, freshman William Jea Chea waits for the impacts of the balls. He can not wait for the next Special Olympics. "I liked playing this game," William said. "It's very good."

SHE SHOOTS, SHE SCORES
After bouncing a basketball, freshman Isabel Flores prepares to take a shot. She had won fourth place in a special event. "I like riding on the bus together with all my friends," Isabel said. "I like Special Olympics because you can hang out with a group of friends and do sports."





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“ I DID THE 4X100. I HAVE BEEN PREPARING FOR THIS RACE FOR THE WHOLE SEASON, AND GOT REALLY EXCITED FOR IT.”
 -*erica hancock, 11*

14.00
 100 Meters
31.00
 200 Meters

Elizabeth Chan



Elizabeth Chan

FIRST IN THE HEAT
 Clearing the bar, junior Adnan Washington cleared 5'10". Not only does he do high jump, but he also competes in running events. "I like winning," he said. "I enjoy going and competing in the meet, it feels really good."
STAY IN MY LANE
 Running with the baton sophomore Luke Millis was focusing on not dropping the baton, and staying on the edge of his lane. He was the third leg in the 4x1 relay. "I really had to focus to stay on the very inside of my lane," he said. "If the other guy had passed me we would have lost the race." *photo by Elizabeth Chan*



IN THE AIR
 In the air, freshmen Marissa Dansby competes in the long jump. This is her first year on varsity. "I got more in my groove as the race went on," she said. "I jumped 15'10" so I was glad I was getting back to my better scores."



Elizabeth Chan

throwing

ATHLETES TAKE ON FIELD EVENTS **SHADE**

S Stepping up to the metal ring, he looked down the triangle field and at the number markers. The round ball found its home in his hand as he put it up to his shoulder, crouched into the "power stance", twisted with his hips, and threw the ball as far as he could with a grunt of success.

Ethan Lane is a varsity thrower in his senior year. The life of a thrower consists of weight lifting and hours upon hours of technique work, until everything rolls smoothly and you achieve the most distance in your throws.

"Daily practice is really just working on different ways to throw," Lane said. "For the most part, we just practice our full spin like we would in competition, just repetition and practice."

The repetition gets their bodies familiar with how to move and throw. With the perfected balance technique and strength, they get the most distance in their throws.

"It's about your strength and finesse," JV thrower William Thompson said. "Knowing how to throw the ball and having the finesse to get distance."

Throwing, like most other sports, is not just about brute strength. To throw good you also must have the right mental mindset.

"Every time you get out there, you just want to close everything out," Lane said. "Especially for discuss it's a lot of form based so you have to focus on every aspect as you throw."

The two throwing competitions are shotput and discus. Shotput is a metal ball that weighs 16 pounds and discus is an object shaped frisbee weighing three pounds.

"It's not always about brute strength." JV thrower Adrian Gallegos said. "Shotput is 50/50 technique and strength and discus is more 90/10. You can be the strongest guy but if you don't have the technique you won't throw well."

Throwers and runners on the team scarcely ever see each other but they seem to have more in common than meets the eye.

"Runners and throwers are more similar than people know," Thompson said. "Runners pump their arms for speed and throwers use their arms and upper body for strength to throw. Runners use their hips to move their legs and start off the blocks and throwers use their hips for tork throw. Where we use the same muscles just for different things."

With hours of practice and control, repetition and tweaking things for the right technique, and knowing how to control your mind the throwers strive, often left forgotten by much of the track and field team.

"You have to always have the same 'I can do it' mindset," Varsity thrower Dallas Kearnet-Yelland said. "Just because you don't throw as far you did the previous time, doesn't mean you should give up. You just always have to strive."

“ EVERY TIME YOU GET OUT THERE, YOU JUST WANT TO CLOSE EVERYTHING OUT.”
 -*ethan lane*

by Asher Lauderdale



Elizabeth Chan



Liam Lima

PROGRESS MAKES PERFECT
 High-fiving her friend, sophomore Aliza Crider cleared a personal record of four feet, four inches. "My friend Jaxon McGraw came to congratulate me," she said. "It was a great feeling to see that I have progressed."

WORTH IT
 At the Prosper meet, junior Yanixa Hernandez performs a pole vault. This is her third year doing track. "I really enjoy competing in this," she said. "Doing everything I can to get better makes it all worth it."

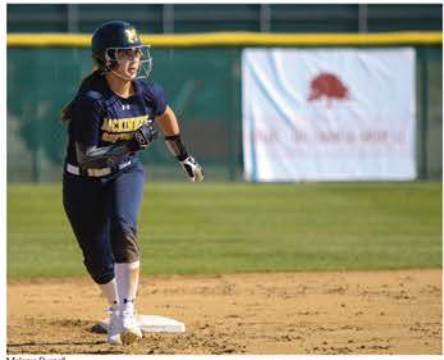
Adrian Wilson



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NO SHOW SEASON

On second base, junior Kalei Christensen runs to score on Hebron. Kalei played on a select team outside of school. "It's been a good year even though the results don't show it," Kalei said. "I've played with some amazing girls."



Mariana Ramirez

COLLEGE COMMIT

During a close play, senior Rhyann Durbin puts her foot on the bag to stay in the game. Rhyann plays second, shortstop, left field and center. "I plan on playing softball in college," Rhyann said. "I am going to play at Arkansas Tech University."



Mariana Ramirez

SECOND GUESSING

During a pitch, junior Emma Ponder decides to not swing her bat. One thing Emma thinks of while hitting, are colors. "If I think too much I get anxious," Emma said. "So I think of a color, it's one color everytime." photo by Mariana Ramirez



Mariana Ramirez

OUT OF LEFTfield

COACH HAS STROKE BEFORE GAME

Struggling to get the words out. Balance out of line, before the JV game. Coach Tyler Elders started showing symptoms of a stroke. He didn't show up to practice the next day and that is when the assistant Varsity Coach Kelly Armbruster told the team that Coach Elders had a TIA – a mini-stroke. "Everybody broke out in tears," freshman Giselle Terrones Rascon said. "We all cried for 10 minutes. Then he told us the story." Coach Elders's symptoms started before the Allen game. "The Friday before spring break we were playing Allen," Coach Elders said. "I just didn't feel right so I was taken to the emergency room." Coach Elders had an easier recovery than most. "Luckily for me, I was back to my normal self by midnight," Coach Elders said. "The following day, I was up walking and speaking normally again." Thanks to Coach Elders' quick recovery, the

team managed to unify and continue the season without missing a beat.

"My favorite part about playing softball is coming together as one family," Giselle said. "Also being together playing the sport we all love."

"To prepare for district or any game, working together as a team and believing each other keeps them going."

"I'm really excited for districts," Jordan said. "We have one of the hardest districts in Texas. If we all work together as a team, we can do it."

Coach Elders is using his stroke to fix choices in his life.

"I do think anytime something like this happens it's a good reminder for us to work on our diet and physical activity," Coach Elders said. "This job can stress you out. It's a lot of long hours and we don't always make the best choices."

by Avery Russ
spread by Sydney Caldwell



Mariana Ramirez

ALL OUT, ALL THE TIME

At the softball game, sophomore Lexi White stares onto the field. This is Lexi's first year on varsity. "It has definitely taught me how to be better as a team, and how to work together," she said. "If one person doesn't do their part then everything else is screwed up."

PERFECT TIMING

During the softball game, freshman Aubrey Hutzler hits the ball. Aubrey was a third baseman and catcher. "It took a lot of work because it took a while to get my timing down," she said. "It's been really surprising for me because I didn't think I was going to be able to do as much as I did as a freshman and adjust so quickly."



Mariana Ramirez



Mariana Ramirez

NOT SO EASY PEASY

In a huddle, sophomore Kenzie Miles talks with her team. Kenzie has played select softball since she was ten years old. "Softball has taught me a lot of patience," Kenzie said. "And things don't come easy."

HEART TO HEART

After the Allen district softball game, Ms. Kelly Armbruster and Allen Coach Philip Spaniel console the team. Coach Tyler Elders was hospitalized before the game. "We went in very hopeful like any game," she said. "When you're playing with a heavy heart and worried about your coach, it makes it hard to focus on the task at hand."



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step up TO THE PLATE

SENIORS RISE TO LEADERSHIP ROLES

he made his way toward the middle of the diamond, ballcap hung low over his eyes. Once he was up on the mound, he looked at the batter challenging. Senior Murphy Bostick pitched a complete game shutout through six innings during the Denison tournament.

"My favorite part about baseball, is just the fact that I love to play the game and being good at what I do makes the game a lot more fun for me and my teammates," Murphy said. "I've always loved the game, always respected the game, and have just tried to have fun no matter where I play."

With the team this year being underclassmen heavy, it gave the seniors a chance to help their teammates more than ever before.

"I really enjoy mentoring and leading the underclassmen," senior Peyton Roof said. "Because they look up to me and the other upperclassmen on and off the field. The coaches have really made the team come together more by having team dinners, working us out, and turning us into better men and baseball players."

Senior Ryan Hallstrom said that this year is a lot different from the past years he's played. "Since we lost so many seniors," Ryan said. "Being one of the most experienced varsity player on the team left me with a lot of responsibilities. Mentoring and teaching the underclassmen is fun because I like being able to take what the coaches have taught me about how to do things the correct and proper way and teach it to them."

Peyton says that the pressure of the game fuels the team on and helps them towards victory.

"Being a pitcher is great because you control the game," Peyton said. "The pressure is crazy because whenever you have to come in with bases loaded with one out and the winning run on second, you can not be timid or scared. You have to believe that you are dominant and that your team will back you up."

The baseball season was off to a good start and the Lions have continued to play hard.

"My favorite part about baseball is my teammates," senior Caleb Hammack said. "This game would not be possible if it wasn't for all of the team contributing either offensively or defensively. I have learned so much about the game from my coaches. They taught me things that I would have never learned elsewhere both in baseball and in life."

Without the coaching staff, Murphy said, they wouldn't be able to win and have team unity.

"The coaching staff is great," Murphy said. "They really stay engaged with the athletes. Coach Gros and Toal do a good job keeping everyone engaged in workouts and practices as well as Coach Price putting everything together."

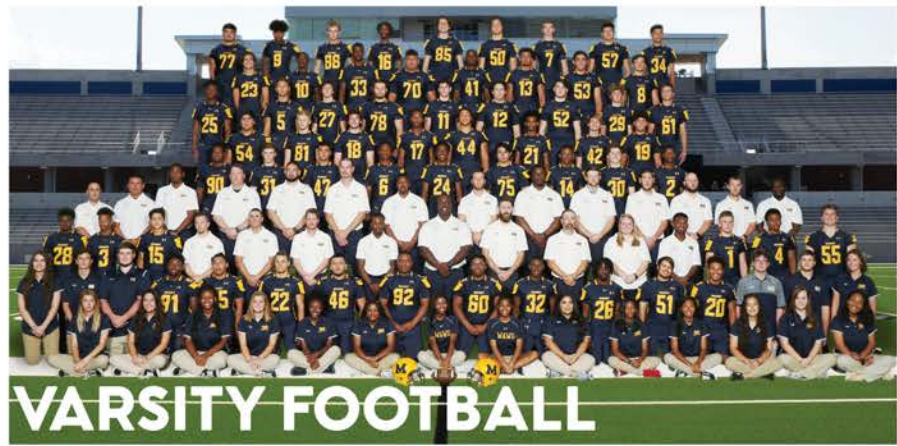
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photos by Kayla Thompson

STRIKE OUT

During a game against Frisco, senior Murphy Bostick winds up to pitch. Murphy was working on trying to keep throwing strikes and to get the ball by them. "If they hit it, it's a force weak context, so we could make a play and get the outs," Murphy said. "Baseball is a stress reliever for me and I like it more than anything else."

RIGHT OFF THE BAT

During their second scrimmage, sophomore Bryce Johnson puts down a bunt to advance the runner over. He sacrificed himself so the team could score and put them in the lead. "We like to play this game called 'spike ball' it's in our locker room and gets us amped up and ready to play," Bryce said. "All of my family has played baseball and it comes naturally for me."



VARSITY FOOTBALL

SITTING: Macie Sison, Elyna Torres, Halmah Coppage, Kyra Worman, Tatiana Brooks, Christian Gotcher, Taylor Jackson, Janie Neal, Leslie Terrones, Makiyah Hughes, Coni Simpson, Maya Rosenberg, Cassidy Crane, Danielle Johnson **KNEELING:** Kelly Falcon, Cade Caballero, Nathan Baker, Maurice Brown-Anderson, Eric Menchaca, Jack Moses, Jaycob Rodriguez, Jeremy La Foucade, Will Thompson, Auldynn Chambers, Jeremy Saint-Hilaire, Nico Ramirez, Christian Knighton, Braden Ritter, Garrett Morrison, Jenna Dumkie, **FIRST ROW:** Brandon Williams, Isaiah Wallace, Isaiah Rojas, Coach Justin Smith, Coach Ryan Gros, Coach Ross Anderson, Coach Elias Kawasa, Head Coach Marcus Shavers, Athletic Trainer Jake Manns, Coach Andy Brown, Athletic Trainer Emma Gautreaux, Coach Elliot Parkman, Logan Murphy, Datron Brooks, Josh Gordon **SECOND ROW:** Coach Joe Cable, Coach Ski Gonzalez, Coach Anthony Sowe, Coach Sandy McCarty, Coach Ryan Martin, Coach Clint Coffman, Coach Robert Boone, Coach Zack Zimmerman, Coach Trey Bryant, Coach Will Secord, Coach Shaun Ratcliff, Coach Ryan Robertson, Coach Ryan Ledford, Coach Fred Jordan **THIRD ROW:** Kaleb Dixon, Josh McCrory, Emiliano Rodriguez, Cordrick Dunn, Andrew Pitts, Chris Benitez, Xavier Lewis, Ryan Jeffries, Kelvin Thomas **FOURTH ROW:** Pedro Franco, Spencer Morrow, Will Bolin, Dallas Robinson, Trey Pearson, Nemara Taddesse, Jordan Rednour, RJ Carver **FIFTH ROW:** Adhian Shepherd, Jack Vinson, Lance Coddington, Ethan Lane, Cooper Frazer, Jacob Pfingst, Adrian Gallegos, Jack Newley, Colin Gunn **SIXTH ROW:** Cam Rivas, Jalon Rocquemore, Devin Miles, Omar Almaraz, Isaiah Montgomery, Darryn Leonard, Devin Vasquez, Nick Simpson **SEVENTH ROW:** Juan Verdines, Chanior Johnson, Bryce Johnson, Aaron Brown, Ethan Black, Mitchell Tyler, Seth Cox, Aaron Dietz, Rafael Mejorado

VARSITY: 4-7

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| NORTH | 13 | 31 |
| IRVING MACARTHUR | 14 | 21 |
| PEARCE | 22 | 38 |
| PROSPER | 07 | 35 |
| ALLEN | 14 | 54 |
| PLANO | 17 | 07 |
| PLANO WEST | 17 | 12 |
| PLANO EAST | 42 | 45 |
| JESUIT | 24 | 14 |
| BOYD | 34 | 24 |
| WYLIE | 28 | 38 |



Lantry Raymond



Melrose Russell

READY TO FIGHT

After getting a pep talk from Coach Ryan Martin, junior Chris Benitez knows that the team needs to come back on the scoreboard. This was the first game against North. "I was really mad that we were losing," he said. "I just wanted to kick them in the teeth."

FUN RUN

At the Allen game, sophomore Seth Cox runs out of the tunnel. The Lions fell 14-54. "Running out is just a feeling you will never forget," he said. "We were getting really hyped up in there for the game."



Mariana Ramirez

FIRST YEAR

After the Boyd game, junior Cavan Natal hugs junior Jacob Pfingst after their victory against Boyd. This was both their first year on varsity so they felt accomplished to be on the winning team. "I was thrilled," he said. "It was the best feeling in the world to beat Boyd."



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JV 20-10

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| Frisco HS | 02 | 00 | Plano West | 00 | 02 |
| J Pearce | 02 | 00 | Plano East | 02 | 01 |
| Hebron | 02 | 00 | Marcus | 01 | 02 |
| Bishop Lynch | 02 | 00 | Jasper | 02 | 00 |
| Coppell | 01 | 02 | Highland Park | 02 | 00 |
| McKinney North | 02 | 00 | Boyd | 02 | 00 |
| Rockwall | 02 | 00 | Plano | 02 | 01 |
| Argyle | 02 | 00 | Allen | 02 | 01 |
| Denton Guyer | 02 | 00 | Carroll | 00 | 02 |
| Prosper | 00 | 02 | Prosper | 00 | 02 |
| McKinney Boyd | 01 | 02 | Allen | 01 | 02 |
| Heritage | 02 | 01 | Plano | 02 | 00 |
| Lake Highlands | 00 | 02 | Plano West | 01 | 02 |
| Allen | 02 | 01 | Plano East | 02 | 00 |
| Plano | 02 | 01 | Boyd | 02 | 00 |

COACH: Meredith Wendt
SITTING: Alexis Quirnenbach, Rachel Nguyen. **KNEELING:** Paige Arkfeld, Aubrey Koch, Georgia Prince, Ainsley Heather.
FIRST ROW: Alexis Beaudette, Annabel Kairo, Coach Meredith Wendt, Rachel Mathey, Christian Mitchell. **SECOND ROW:** Morgan Waters, Demari Drake, Elizabeth Wiltzsch, Lauren White.

FRESHMEN 9A 18-11

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| Frisco HS | 02 | 01 | Plano Clark | 02 | 01 |
| J Pearce | 02 | 00 | Berkner | 03 | 00 |
| Hebron | 01 | 02 | Sachse | 02 | 01 |
| Bishop Lynch | 01 | 02 | Plano Clark | 02 | 00 |
| Coppell | 02 | 00 | Flower Mound | 00 | 02 |
| McKinney North | 02 | 00 | Plano Shepton | 02 | 01 |
| Argyle | 02 | 00 | Plano McMillen | 02 | 01 |
| Denton Guyer | 02 | 00 | Boyd | 01 | 02 |
| Prosper | 01 | 02 | Prosper | 00 | 02 |
| Centennial | 02 | 00 | Allen | 00 | 02 |
| Wheatford | 02 | 01 | Plano Vines | 02 | 00 |
| Frisco | 02 | 00 | Plano Jasper | 01 | 02 |
| Hebron | 00 | 02 | Plano Williams | 02 | 00 |
| Allen | 02 | 02 | Boyd | 00 | 02 |

COACH: Rebecca Culotta
SITTING: Kayden Tanner, Elysia Kanell. **KNEELING:** Ana Muller, Macy Hoff, Katherine Kirkpatrick, Anna Bulot, Elisabeth Peek. **FIRST ROW:** Emma Dawson, Ryland Lyons, Coach Rebecca Culotta, Mackenzie Coop, Sophia Pollard.

FRESHMEN 9B 6-19

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| J Pearce | 02 | 01 | Sunset | 03 | 00 |
| Coppell | 00 | 02 | Plano Vines | 02 | 01 |
| Bishop Lynch | 00 | 02 | Plano Williams | 02 | 00 |
| Coppell | 00 | 02 | Flower Mound | 00 | 02 |
| McKinney North | 00 | 02 | Plano Shepton | 01 | 02 |
| Denton Guyer | 00 | 02 | Plano McMillen | 01 | 02 |
| Prosper | 00 | 02 | Boyd | 00 | 02 |
| TCLA | 02 | 01 | Prosper | 01 | 02 |
| Plano Jasper | 00 | 02 | Allen | 00 | 02 |
| McKinney North | 00 | 02 | Plano Vines | 00 | 02 |
| Allen | 00 | 02 | Plano Jasper | 00 | 02 |
| Plano Clark | 00 | 02 | Plano Williams | 02 | 00 |
| | | | Boyd | 00 | 02 |

COACH: Elizabeth Hurst
SITTING: Emilie Opoku, Jade Kempf. **KNEELING:** Annabella Garcia, Josephine Pettit, Amaris Escudero, Mackenzie Bradham. **FIRST ROW:** Zaria Dexter, LaKala Childs, Coach Elizabeth Hurst, Kayla Montoya, Payge Trinidad. **SECOND ROW:** Diana Parker, Tamari Jackson.



COACHES: Erinn Higginbotham, Erica Ranel
SITTING: Abigail Wheeler. **KNEELING:** Kristen Copeland, Lunden Evans, Emily Phillips, Samantha Hicks, Jenna Ross, Kendall Copeland.
FIRST ROW: Coach Erinn Higginbotham, Hannah Yonas, D'Erricka Franson, Bailey Hebert, Macey Winburn, Danielle Harrison, Erica Ranel
SECOND ROW: Abigail Henry, Olivia Deegan, Caroline Swan, Sophie Manson.

VARSITY 26-12

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| Frisco HS | 03 | 00 | Rockwall | 03 | 01 |
| Lowjoy | 01 | 02 | Argyle | 03 | 02 |
| Paschal | 00 | 02 | Denton Guyer | 03 | 02 |
| Frisco Lonestar | 02 | 01 | Prosper | 00 | 03 |
| Azle | 02 | 00 | Allen | 03 | 00 |
| Sanger | 02 | 00 | Plano | 03 | 01 |
| Southlake Carroll | 02 | 00 | Plano West | 03 | 00 |
| South Grand Prairie | 02 | 00 | Plano East | 03 | 00 |
| Hebron | 03 | 00 | Boyd | 03 | 01 |
| Bishop Lynch | 02 | 03 | Prosper | 00 | 03 |
| Coppell | 03 | 01 | Allen | 03 | 02 |
| Aledo | 02 | 01 | Plano | 03 | 01 |
| Cedar Park | 01 | 02 | Plano West | 00 | 03 |
| West Magnolia | 02 | 00 | Plano East | 03 | 00 |
| Denton Guyer | 02 | 01 | Boyd | 02 | 03 |
| Lake Travis | 02 | 01 | Plano West | 01 | 03 |
| Seven Lakes | 02 | 01 | Sachse | 03 | 00 |
| Keller | 00 | 02 | Rockwell Heath | 03 | 01 |
| Conroe Oakridge | 00 | 02 | Plano West | 00 | 03 |



LIGHTS OUT NIGHT
 Grabbing her teammate senior Bailey Hebert, senior Caroline Swan congratulates her for getting the winning kill to that set. "We were down and then we came back thanks to Bailey," she said. "I was so relieved for her since she just kept putting the ball away."

LOUD AND PROUD
 Jumping out of her chair, sophomores Georgia Prince and Lauren White scream for her teammates after getting a kill. She loves getting loud and proud of her friends during the game. "Cheering is one of my main focuses," she said. "If we get down on our feels then we won't play well so I like to cheer them on."



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CROSS COUNTRY

SITTING: Lauren Prince, Jason Soto, Rebecca Goldmann. **KNEELING:** Rachel Hyden, Katrina Forsyth, Rose Murphy, Alexa Ojeda, Adilene Rangel, Kelly Krueger, Kaelyn Meza, Yisel Angeles Brena, Madeleine Bailey. **FIRST ROW:** Alex Elsworth, Andrew Cope, Chasen Zimmer, Jesus Martinez, Graham Wilson, Branden Rogers-Tracy, Carter Walters, Luke VanStory, Jaron Staiger, Sindid Moin. **SECOND ROW:** Coach Megan Brooks, Coach Clay Davis, Britney Morales, Emma Christopher, Anna Buraczyk, Samuel McWhirter, Asher Lauderdale, Sean Williams, Rosie Stoddard, Lauren Kate Tyler, Ana Castillo, Coach Katie Watson, Coach Tamara Wesley. **THIRD ROW:** Caroline Coleman, Roshell Grant Wesley, Graeme Maclean, Emmanuel Martinez, Davin Price, Kevin Wang, Stephen Kooker, Jessica Leach, Amanda Walker.

schedule

BOYS VARSITY

Ken Garland Invite
Lovejoy XC Invite
McNeil Invitational
Wichita Falls Rider invite
9-6A District XC Meet
Region II XC Meet
State XC Meet

BOYS JV

Plano Invite XC Meet
Frisco Invite XC Meet
McKinney Boyd XC Meet
Ken Garland XC Meet
Lovejoy XC Invite
Denison XC Meet
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9-6A District XC Meet



running AGAINST THE GRAIN

“Carb-loaders are potluck meals that the whole cross country team participates in the night before a meet. It's filled with not only food, but we get to bond with each other as a family whether it's volleyball, swimming, or ping-pong.”
ROSE MURPHY, 12



GETTING A NEW PERSPECTIVE
Finding the best angle for her putt, sophomore Peyton Frazer focuses on her next stroke. This was at the Tribute in the colony. “I like to take my time and go around the putting green,” she said. “You can see if you need to go high or low just looking from a different angle.”

A CANCELED DAY

Waiting on the officials to cancel the tournament, sophomores Reed Fort and Will Taylor are discussing the weather. It was 36 degrees outside and raining. “I don't know why they would even make us come out here knowing the weather would be bad,” Reed said. “It was too cold for golf.”



GOLF

SITTING: Sarah Hurd, Alex Lozano, Peyton Frazer, Mary Abbott. **KNEELING:** Katherine Ortiz, Madison Tremble, Ben Hayden, Cooper Cyrrier, Madden Sinnes, Damian Christensen, Will Grmela, Reed Fort, Gabriel Hughes, Paige Wood. **FIRST ROW:** Coach Jeff Jacobsen, Karsyn Walker, Faith Adler, Joey Spencer, Trip Allen, Jeffrey Rhoads, Evan Daley, William Taylor, Kaley Duggan, Sophia LaLonde, Coach Chris Rednour. **NOT PICTURE:** Morgan Mir and Vincent Yu.

schedule

BOYS VARSITY

PESH
Lovejoy
PESH
Prosper
North
Prosper
Prosper
Paris
Districts
Districts

BOYS JV

JV Teams
PESH
Lovejoy
PESH
North
PESH
PESH
Prosper

GIRLS VARSITY

Bridlewood
Cotton Wood Creek
Bridlewood
District Preview
Districts
Reginals
State Tournament

GIRLS JV

Lake Park
Oak Hollow
Watters Creek
District Preview
Districts

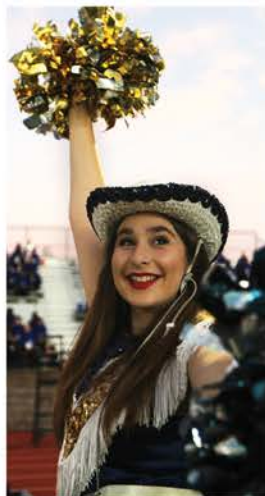


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VARSITY MARQUETTES

KNEELING: Alison Mejia, Hannah Kim, Sophie Zellars, Alyssa Archacki, Kennedy Claytor, Kitra Henry, Alyssa Wisdom, Emily McAfee, Brook Naulty, Katherine Davison, Emma Hall, Julianne Barragan, Jessica Barrera, Clareece Greene, Meghan Brown-Anderson, Shyda Ryder, Makayla Baul, Jewel Sorey.
FIRST ROW: Brooke Belton, Alyssa Davis, Hannah Arriaga, Lindsey Russell, Madison Salmonson, Maddie Newkirk, Kayla Clark, Jill Deglandon, Kylie Dauper, Chloe Orozco, Jaly Thomas, Nikira Walter, Amber Sandberg, Rachel Moran, Lexi Diseker. **SECOND ROW:** Libby Hull, Kennedy Stone, Destiny Hernandez, Alex Richard, Hailey Butts, Emily Lopez, Lydia Marquina, Victoria Bustos, Katelyn Whatley, Alena Reich, Ashley Magno, Grace Hubbard, Abby Lunn, Ava McAlister, Iliana Larios, Londein Conner. **THIRD ROW:** HElena Fisher, Jade Cummings, Christy Ly, Abigail Wilson, Scottie Broyles, Alexa Boyle, Emma Wyatt, Natalia Zuniga, Dylan Wasserman, and Emily Halbrooks.



VICTORY LINE UP
 While waving her pom-poms, sophomore Victoria Bustos stands in the Victory line waiting for the players to come out. The Prosper game was rescheduled for Thursday because of an anticipated rain delay. "I really enjoy doing the victory lines," she said. "I can't wait for the start of the game because we get to get all lined up for this."

Mariana Ramirez

SMILE AND POSE
 While striking a pose, senior Alyssa Wisdom performs in the halftime show. The Marquettes start preparing during the last week of June and continue through August. "At that point I was relieved," Alyssa said. "We finally got to show what we had spent our summer on."



Gabby Rogge



JV MARQUETTES

SITTING: Lily Ortiz, Victoria Dry, Angela Garcia, Laci Sandberg, Abby Cantwell. **KNEELING:** Michelle Enloe, Lexee Moran, Grace Francis, Ellie Hall, Anna McNeely, Lanee Garcia, Sofia Frederick. **FIRST ROW:** Whitney Wood, Deysi Subias, Libby Latham, Alexis Anderson, Danyelle Masi, Sasha Lule, Abigail Flores, Valentina Gutierrez, Mariah Mignogna, Alyssa Joshua



Elizabeth Chan

CHEER UP
 Cheering on the football team, senior Clareece Greene stands with the other Marquettes. "Every pep rally the Marquettes cheer on the other teams," she said. "We also get to perform, which I love."

BIG SMILES FOR SCHOOL SONG
 While holding each other's pinkies junior Ashley Magno is showing her excitement for the pep rally. This was during the Lionpolooza Homecoming pep rally. "This was toward the end while we were performing the school song," she said. "I was showing my school spirit."



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COACHES: Coach Alex Pantarotto, Coach Jason Chin, Coach Ryan Newhouse, Coach Temera Wesley.
SITTING: Kaitlyn Fox, Rhya Newkirk, Rosa Hernandez, Emily Elliott, Shelbi Lafferty, Kaya Solis. **KNEELING:** Madison Lane, Peyton Sorensen, Katie Bonifacio, Alysa Terry, Estelle Flanagan, Jessica Munoz. **FIRST ROW:** Coach Jason Chin, Coach Ryan Newhouse, Jayna Leach, Amanda Pfeil, Coach Alex Pantarotto, Maddy Peake, Kennedy McAllister, Coach Mike Bruck, Coach Tamera Wesley. **SECOND ROW:** Hannah Perez, Alannah Malone, Savannah Townsend, Karsen Trenholm, Hannah Cobb, Julie Wynne, Taryn Martin, Megan Bagby.

VARSITY: 5-3-10

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| SHERMAN HIGH | 07 | 00 |
| PARIS HS | 01 | 00 |
| NL | 05 | 00 |
| PITTSBURG | 08 | 00 |
| NORTH | 01 | 00 |
| WYLIE | 00 | 00 |
| PROSPER | 00 | 05 |
| ALLEN | 00 | 06 |
| PLANO | 02 | 02 |
| PLANO WEST | 00 | 01 |
| PLANO EAST | 01 | 02 |
| BOYD | 01 | 03 |
| PROSPER | 00 | 05 |
| ALLEN | 01 | 02 |
| PLANO | 00 | 03 |
| PLANO WEST | 03 | 05 |
| PLANO EAST | 03 | 03 |
| BOYD | 00 | 07 |



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PINK HEADBANDS
TO SUPPORT
PLAYER'S MOM



A COMMUNITY OF LOVE
Hugging her mom, junior Estelle Flanagan celebrates her mom with a special surprise from the team. Estelle's mom was diagnosed with stage four breast cancer so the team surprised her with flowers and a dedication. "From this experience it shows that there's a community here," she said. "Everyone cares about everyone, I love it."

"My mom and I had no idea that the team was doing this. We were both crying."
estelle flanagan, 11



SITTING: Carlisela Ramirez. **KNEELING:** Rosalinda Santana, Chloe Anderson, Addie Westbrook, Sarah Krick, Mia Moore. **FIRST ROW:** Jordan Jenkins, Reyna Aguilera, Erin Brindza, Coach Tamera Wesley, Hailey Jo Wilson, Zoe Clough, Maddie Davison. **SECOND ROW:** Ava Royo, Alice Lovren, Maddie Chin, Ansley Carpenter.

JV:0-17

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| ROCKWALL HEATH | 00 | 00 |
| ROWLETT | 00 | 01 |
| SHERMAN HIGH | 08 | 00 |
| NORTH | 00 | 00 |
| WYLIE | 00 | 01 |
| PROSPER | 00 | 01 |
| ALLEN | 00 | 06 |
| PLANO | 01 | 03 |
| PLANO WEST | 00 | 03 |
| PLANO EAST | 00 | 02 |
| BOYD | 00 | 03 |
| PROSPER | 00 | 03 |
| ALLEN | 00 | 02 |
| PLANO | 00 | 01 |
| PLANO WEST | 00 | 02 |
| PLANO EAST | 00 | 02 |
| BOYD | 01 | 02 |



SITTING: Zaria Dexter. **KNEELING:** Leslie Zapata, Taegan Morehead, Marissa Dansby, Lauren Prince, Emily Devine, Zoee Webb, Madeleine Bailey. **FIRST ROW:** Lauren Murphey, Aidan Vickre, Emma Valok, Coach Jason Chin, Macey Ashman, Taylor Lucero, Blair Sayers. **SECOND ROW:** Olivia Frey, Lacie Cabana, Katie Cabana, Mackenzie Coop.

FRESHMEN: 7-2-6

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| SHERMAN HIGH | 01 | 00 |
| LOVEJOY | 01 | 00 |
| WT.WHITE | 02 | 00 |
| SACHSE 2 | 05 | 00 |
| SOUTH GARLAND 1 | 01 | 00 |
| NORTH | 00 | 00 |
| HIGHLAND PARK | 00 | 01 |
| ALLEN | 00 | 03 |
| WAKELAND | 01 | 02 |
| BOYD | 01 | 00 |
| HIGHLAND PARK | 00 | 01 |
| ALLEN | 00 | 00 |
| WAKELAND | 00 | 01 |
| NORTH | 00 | 01 |
| BOYD | 02 | 01 |



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SITTING: Page Knight, Jenna Ross, Alexander Slack. **KNEELING:** Ethan Orozco, Jesus Martinez, Abel Garcia, Alex Ralph, Aaron Galaviz, Giovanni Montez, Micah Ardila, Alberto Gutierrez. **FIRST ROW:** Dylan AuBuchon, Jake Myers, Zach Cable, Coach William Maloney, Rafa Mejorado, Coach Alan Pocock, Rudy Santana, Stephen Kooker, Kadin Medrano. **SECOND ROW:** Ryan Watson, Cayden Rowen, Daniel Eaker, Davin Price, Emmanuel Martinez, Greg Lopez. **NOT PICTURED:** Manager Max Sepulvado.

VARSITY: 16-2-8

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| CENTENNIAL | 01 | 00 |
| HEBRON | 02 | 01 |
| FRISCO | 02 | 01 |
| IRVING | 03 | 01 |
| ADAMSON | 04 | 00 |
| RICHARSON | 05 | 00 |
| NORTH | 01 | 02 |
| PROSPER | 03 | 00 |
| ALLEN | 00 | 01 |
| PLANO | 00 | 01 |
| PLANO WEST | 03 | 06 |
| PLANO EAST | 01 | 00 |
| JESUIT | 02 | 01 |
| BOYD | 01 | 00 |
| PROSPER | 00 | 00 |
| ALLEN | 00 | 01 |
| PLANO | 03 | 02 |
| PLANO WEST | 04 | 02 |
| PLANO EAST | 01 | 00 |
| JESUIT | 01 | 00 |
| BOYD | 01 | 02 |
| NAAMAN FOREST | 02 | 01 |
| BELTON | 03 | 02 |
| GARLAND SACHSE | 02 | 02 |



Landry Raymond

HUG ME BROTHER

Celebrating with his teammates, senior Aaron Galaviz jumps around with Rafa Mejorado and Alberto Gutierrez. This was the first time in six years that they have defeated Boyd. "We have a lot of chemistry on the team," he said. "We're just trying to finish off the season strong."



Aden Lantos

HEADS UP

Passing the ball to a teammate, junior Emmanuel Martinez looks for Ethan Orozco to pass the ball off during one of their preseason games against Richardson. "Being around my teammates is a lot of fun," he said. "Whenever we work together we play a lot better."



SITTING: Ernesto Mendoza, Ryan Henry, Miles Garrison, Franklin Garcia, Levi Ardila. **KNEELING:** Bryan Alejos, Gerardo Vargas, Ali Al Mahshadi, Eduardo Garcia, Ashton Rowen, Cristian Alejos. **FIRST ROW:** Israel Manzo, Bruno Castro, Spencer Claytor, John Pita. **JV Coach:** Brett Reisman, Erik Santana, Mason Parr, Brayden Senter, Santiago Linares. **SECOND ROW:** Luis Picon, Alex Thompson, Santiago Acosta, Preston Sabetpour, Calvin Doyle, Carson Byrd.

JV SOCCER

JV: 8-3-8

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| DENISON | 06 | 00 |
| SHERMAN | 04 | 01 |
| IRVING | 02 | 00 |
| CREEKVIEW | 03 | 02 |
| SACHSE | 03 | 02 |
| NORTH | 01 | 00 |
| PROSPER | 00 | 00 |
| ALLEN | 00 | 06 |
| PLANO | 00 | 02 |
| PLANO WEST | 00 | 03 |
| PLANO EAST | 00 | 03 |
| BOYD | 02 | 01 |
| PROSPER | 01 | 01 |
| ALLEN | 00 | 01 |
| PLANO | 01 | 00 |
| PLANO WEST | 01 | 02 |
| PLANO EAST | 00 | 02 |
| JESUIT | 00 | 00 |
| BOYD | 01 | 02 |



SITTING: Cade Conner, Nikita Revenkov. **KNEELING:** Caison Helton, Victor Jaimes, Ersain Dominguez, Ryan Richardson, Dylan Richardson, Preston Jones, Alejandro Beracochea, Alonzo Tovar. **FIRST ROW:** Brandon Slowik, Arnaldo Pineda, Gustavo Melendez, Cole Cable. **JV2 Coach:** Scott Trapp, Tony Torres, Korbin Snellgrove, Obie Morales, Gavin Clark. **SECOND ROW:** Zach Bell, Dax Bryson, Sebastian Bravo, Scott Khoury, Armin Salehkhah, Carter Ross, Chris Arevalo, Finley Davis.

JV2 SOCCER

FRESHMEN: 3-3-9

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| DENISON | 04 | 01 |
| SHERMAN | 01 | 05 |
| IRVING | 02 | 05 |
| HEBRON | 02 | 02 |
| IRVING | 00 | 03 |
| NORTH | 01 | 02 |
| PROSPER | 00 | 06 |
| ALLEN | 02 | 01 |
| BOYD | 00 | 00 |
| PROSPER | 00 | 02 |
| ALLEN | 00 | 01 |
| FRISCO | 02 | 00 |
| JESUIT | 00 | 05 |
| FRISCO | 00 | 00 |
| BOYD | 01 | 04 |



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JV: 11-12

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| DENISON | 55 | 34 |
| URSULINE | 46 | 47 |
| DENTON RYAN | 54 | 34 |
| WYLIE | 46 | 41 |
| IRVING MAC ARTHUR | 39 | 30 |
| BISHOP LYNCH | 39 | 60 |
| HIGHLAND PARK | 38 | 30 |
| DENISON | 38 | 37 |
| PLANO VINES | 55 | 24 |
| PLANO WILLIAMS | 57 | 37 |
| SACHSE | 42 | 45 |
| PROSPER | 41 | 27 |
| ALLEN | 34 | 61 |
| PLANO | 35 | 55 |
| PLANO WEST | 29 | 66 |
| PLANO EAST | 24 | 54 |
| BOYD | 50 | 40 |
| PROSPER | 35 | 43 |
| ALLEN | 27 | 62 |
| PLANO | 54 | 49 |
| PLANO WEST | 24 | 33 |
| PLANO EAST | 17 | 71 |
| BOYD | 49 | 53 |



COACHES: Jennifer Hodnett.
SITTING: Jasmine Harvey. **KNEELING:** Branna Vella, Choma Uka; Kennadi Borkins, Ally Ruble. **FIRST ROW:** Tyra Foster, Megan Warren, Jaxon McGraw, Karlen Moore, Jerzee Jordan. **SECOND ROW:** Kimberly Gordon, Emma Tuel, Macie Sisson, Edom Kidane.

FRESHMEN:

14-7

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| DENISON | 49 | 15 |
| IRVING MACARTHUR | 38 | 33 |
| FRISCO REEDY | 38 | 20 |
| FRISCO | 35 | 21 |
| BISHOP LYNCH | 31 | 56 |
| PLANO VINES | 48 | 18 |
| VAN ALSTYNE | 35 | 41 |
| SACHSE | 20 | 38 |
| ALLEN | 20 | 36 |
| PLANO CLARK | 35 | 34 |
| PLANO SHEPTON | 27 | 22 |
| PLANO McMILLEN | 45 | 42 |
| PLANO CLARK | 22 | 15 |
| BOYD | 43 | 24 |
| PROSPER | 20 | 38 |
| ALLEN | 32 | 37 |
| PLANO VINES | 31 | 16 |
| PLANO JASPER | 37 | 38 |
| PLANO WILLIAMS | 39 | 41 |
| PLANO SHEPTON | 36 | 29 |
| BOYD | 42 | 32 |



COACHES: Megan Brooks.
MANAGERS: Makiah Matlock.
KNEELING: Yaneli Meza, Kamin Carter, Saki A Rivers, Kamillah Davis, Mia Tyson, Gabrielle Roman, Avlyn Malone. **FIRST ROW:** Alanna Copado, Olufemi Omosotayo, Kalyin Perry, Alyssa Corley, Kennedy Harris, Bianca Diaz. **SECOND ROW:** Imani Black, Laney Regan, Alana Moses, Tamari Jackson, Nathanim Kidane, Vanessa Mejia, Hannah Oleru.



COACHES: Deborah Harris, Jennifer Hodnett, Megan Brooks, Paige Loy.
SITTING: Erin Fry. **KNEELING:** Sarina Nunez, Erin Jackson, Trinity White, Taylor Bouck, Briana Griffin. **FIRST ROW:** Halimah Coppage, Naomi Anamekwé, Nic Porter, Michaela Newkirk, Samantha Hicks, Chynna McDonald. **SECOND ROW:** Jessica Halderman, Taylor Jackson, Alexis Poell.

VARSITY: 11-15

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| DENISON | 39 | 48 |
| LIBERTY | 28 | 36 |
| WYLIE EAST | 58 | 46 |
| RICHARDSON | 55 | 49 |
| DENISON | 55 | 53 |
| MACARTHUR | 43 | 37 |
| ARGYLE | 45 | 41 |
| BISHOP LYNCH | 56 | 59 |
| HIGHLAND PARK | 61 | 15 |
| DUNCANVILLE | 47 | 79 |
| SACHSE | 33 | 41 |
| PROSPER | 43 | 44 |
| ALLEN | 37 | 62 |
| PLANO | 55 | 48 |
| PFLUGERVILLE | 46 | 38 |
| PROSPER | 53 | 70 |
| CYPRESS RANCH | 46 | 63 |
| PLANO WEST | 53 | 50 |
| PLANO EAST | 53 | 59 |
| BOYD | 59 | 48 |
| PROSPER | 36 | 53 |
| ALLEN | 34 | 54 |
| PLANO | 53 | 55 |
| PLANO WEST | 58 | 51 |
| PLANO EAST | 49 | 59 |
| BOYD | 51 | 59 |



SENIOR SADNESS
In the Plano West game, senior Erin Jackson tires to get around her defender. It was a win on senior night. "It was a nice way to almost end the season," she said "At first I didn't really feel anything about it, but as the game went on, it started to get emotional, it was a great game."



THE FINAL COUNTDOWN
During the Crosstown Showdown, junior Erin Fry makes her way to the basket. They played against Boyd and were defeated 34-43. "It was the last game of the season and Boyd came ready to play," she said "With it being our last game and the seniors' last game it didn't end how I wanted it to."



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VARSITY: 13-16

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| MARCUS | 72 | 60 |
| FRISCO | 61 | 64 |
| TOMPKINS | 50 | 70 |
| FORT BEND ELKINS | 71 | 77 |
| PEARLAND | 56 | 69 |
| PLANO EAST | 56 | 62 |
| LAMAR | 57 | 40 |
| THE COLONY | 58 | 70 |
| HIGHLAND PARK | 74 | 69 |
| LAKEVIEW CENTENNIAL | 58 | 72 |
| JOHN PAUL II | 47 | 67 |
| FOSSIL RIDGE | 79 | 47 |
| BELL | 62 | 58 |
| LAKE HIGHLANDS | 90 | 78 |
| NORTH | 61 | 64 |
| PLANO | 66 | 58 |
| PLANO WEST | 80 | 74 |
| PLANO EAST | 72 | 61 |
| JESUIT | 67 | 80 |
| BOYD | 59 | 48 |
| PROSPER | 72 | 78 |
| ALLEN | 61 | 60 |
| PLANO | 60 | 67 |
| PLANO WEST | 66 | 85 |
| PLANO EAST | 69 | 56 |
| JESUIT | 48 | 56 |
| BOYD | 74 | 60 |
| PROSPER | 69 | 57 |
| ALLEN | 55 | 74 |



COACHES: Coach Scott Patterson, Coach Wes Watson, Coach Scott Imes.
MANAGERS: Xavier Henderson, Andrew Clay, Matthew Scott, Logan Fish.
SITTING: Byron Schoby, Terrell Vincent. **KNEELING:** Khali Cleaves, Andrew Pitts, Eze Ukaji, Lucas Palenzuela.
FIRST ROW: Devin Vincent, Coach Scott Patterson, Coach Wes Watson, Coach Scott Imes, Mohamed Hassan. **SECOND ROW:** Blaise Roney, Thomas Moses, Joseph Allam, Alex Anemekwe, Marshal Edwards, Aaron Brown.



WATCH YOUR HEAD
Catching the ball, senior Andrew Pitts jumps in front of it to throw to senior Aaron Brown. "I was just trying to get the shooter's ball and play defense," he said. "After that play, I threw the ball at Aaron's head on accident."



THREES FOR DAYS
Guarding the ball, junior Lucas Palenzuela looks at senior Andrew Pitts to pass the ball for the three. The team was thrilled to beat their crosstown rival. "Toward the end of the game we were beating Boyd pretty bad," he said. "It's just funny to watch them lose."



ENERGY UP
Clapping for his teammates, junior Eze Ukaji is engaged while being on the sideline. This game was a fight against Prosper. "I try my best to cheer on my teammates who are on the court," he said. "We just have to make sure we keep the energy up for them."



JV BLUE: 4-15

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| FLOWER MOUND | 56 | 48 |
| FRISCO | 50 | 53 |
| COLONY | 35 | 48 |
| HIGHLAND PARK | 47 | 53 |
| LAKEVIEW CENTENNIAL | 66 | 55 |
| LAKE HIGHLANDS | 57 | 61 |
| NORTH | 49 | 67 |
| PLANO | 41 | 76 |
| PLANO WEST | 34 | 62 |
| PLANO EAST | 41 | 66 |
| JESUIT | 47 | 64 |
| BOYD | 49 | 48 |
| PROSPER | 55 | 60 |
| ALLEN | 58 | 67 |
| PLANO | 23 | 45 |
| PLANO WEST | 43 | 61 |
| PLANO EAST | 37 | 56 |
| PROSPER | 48 | 46 |
| ALLEN | 56 | 62 |

COACHES: Coach Scott Patterson, Coach Wes Watson, Coach Scott Imes.
KNEELING: Colby Goodwin, Jamal Wilson, Jacob Barnhill, Dylan Dusset, Zaqualan Steed. **FIRST ROW:** Sean Fry, Max Evans, Coach Scott Imes, Jacob Clanton, Maxx Playo. **NOT PICTURED:** Blake McGraw.



JV GOLD: 13-16

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| MARCUS | 51 | 56 |
| NORTH | 62 | 65 |
| COLONY | 38 | 54 |
| HIGHLAND PARK | 42 | 68 |
| NORTH | 64 | 53 |
| PLANO CLARK | 42 | 67 |
| PLANO SHEPTON | 46 | 57 |
| PLANO WILLIAMS | 65 | 46 |
| JESUIT | 71 | 57 |
| PLANO VINES | 36 | 45 |
| PROSPER | 44 | 55 |
| PLANO SHEPTON | 57 | 76 |
| PLANO VINES | 49 | 74 |
| PLANO JASPER | 44 | 71 |
| PLANO WILLIAMS | 51 | 60 |
| JESUIT | 40 | 43 |
| PROSPER | 48 | 63 |
| PLANO MCMILLEN | 53 | 62 |

COACHES: Coach Scott Patterson, Coach Wes Watson, Coach Scott Imes.
KNEELING: Keiton Childs, Caleb Gordon, River Clausen, Chas Dougherty, Cade Perry. **FIRST ROW:** Dean Moore, Shamar Bland, Coach Scott Imes, Joe Bergin, Trey Dirksmaat.



FRESHMEN BLUE: 12-9

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| FLOWER MOUND | 47 | 62 |
| FRISCO | 47 | 47 |
| COLONY | 64 | 57 |
| HIGHLAND PARK | 58 | 54 |
| LAKEVIEW CENTENNIAL | 79 | 33 |
| LAKE HIGHLANDS | 55 | 63 |
| NORTH | 43 | 53 |
| PLANO CLARK | 62 | 63 |
| PLANO SHEPTON | 59 | 63 |
| PLANO MCMILLEN | 56 | 67 |
| JESUIT | 49 | 54 |
| BOYD | 74 | 63 |
| PROSPER | 60 | 62 |
| ALLEN | 52 | 55 |
| PLANO VINES | 61 | 69 |
| PLANO JASPER | 76 | 48 |
| PLANO WILLIAMS | 61 | 48 |
| JESUIT | 64 | 62 |
| BOYD | 82 | 41 |
| PROSPER | 64 | 58 |
| ALLEN | 63 | 61 |

COACHES: Coach Shaun Ratcliff, Coach Ross Anderson.
SITTING: Corbin Henderson, Joseph Ward.
KNEELING: Ryan Fong, Myson Scott, Koryon Wilson, Josh Dixon, Harris Qureshi.
FIRST ROW: Eli Santjoste, Jackson Steele, Coach Shaun Ratcliff, Coach Ross Anderson, Malik Swangon, Jeffrey Pearson. **SECOND ROW:** Noah Johnson, Thatcher McClure, Gabriel Mensah.



FRESHMEN GOLD: 5-13

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| HIGHLAND PARK | 35 | 50 |
| LAKEVIEW CENTENNIAL | 51 | 45 |
| LAKE HIGHLANDS | 52 | 56 |
| NORTH | 51 | 61 |
| PLANO CLARK | 59 | 63 |
| PLANO SHEPTON | 46 | 54 |
| PLANO MCMILLEN | 57 | 59 |
| JESUIT | 63 | 51 |
| BOYD | 48 | 40 |
| PROSPER | 44 | 82 |
| ALLEN | 28 | 92 |
| PLANO VINES | 64 | 58 |
| PLANO JASPER | 49 | 64 |
| PLANO WILLIAMS | 60 | 50 |
| JESUIT | 29 | 51 |
| BOYD | 63 | 60 |
| PROSPER | 29 | 75 |
| ALLEN | 35 | 82 |

COACHES: Coach Shaun Ratcliff, Coach Ross Anderson.
MANAGERS: Koryon Wilson.
SITTING: CJ Brown, Andin Lac. **KNEELING:** Dwayne Crowder, Vijay Bohra. **FIRST ROW:** Giovanni Pantarotto, Coach Shaun Ratcliff, Coach Ross Anderson, Drew Lenhard. **SECOND ROW:** Aiden Maliskas, Fernando Remirro, Matthew Vella.



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VARSITY SCHEDULE

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| HEBRON | 1/26 |
| LITTLE ELM | 1/30 |
| LOVEJOY ROUND ROBIN | 2/2 |
| FRISCO HERITAGE | 2/4 |
| WYLIE EAST | 2/12 |
| LAKE CREEK | 2/14 |
| HUFFMAN HARGRAVE | 2/14 |
| VICTORIA WEST | 2/15 |
| KLEIN CAIN | 2/15 |
| WESTSIDE | 2/16 |
| MONTGOMERY | 2/16 |
| HEBRON | 2/21 |
| TEXAS HIGH LITTLE ELM | 2/21 |
| WT WHITE | 2/22 |
| NORTH FORNEY | 2/22 |
| ARGYLE | 2/26 |
| ROCKWALL HEATH | 2/28 |
| DENISON | 3/1 |
| DECATUR | 3/2 |
| PROSPER | 3/5 |
| ALLEN | 3/8 |
| PLANO | 3/12 |
| PLANO WEST | 3/14 |
| PLANO EAST | 3/19 |
| BOYD | 3/26 |
| PROSPER | 3/29 |
| ALLEN | 4/2 |
| PLANO | 4/5 |
| PLANO WEST | 4/9 |
| PLANO EAST | 4/12 |
| BOYD | 4/18 |



COACHES: Coach Tyler Elders, Coach Kelly Armbruster
SITTING: Rhyann Durbin, **KNEELING:** Georgia Prince, Kenzie Miles, Giselle Terrones, Taylor Bouck, Aubrey Hutzler, Payton James.
FIRST ROW: Emma Ponder, Lauren White, Alexis Poell, Jordan Cabana, Kalei Christensen.

JV SCHEDULE

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|-----------------|------|
| FRISCO HERITAGE | 2/4 |
| WYLIE EAST | 2/12 |
| NORTH FORNEY | 2/26 |
| PROSPER | 3/5 |
| ALLEN | 3/8 |
| PLANO | 3/12 |
| PLANO WEST | 3/14 |
| PLANO EAST | 3/19 |
| BOYD | 3/26 |
| PROSPER | 3/29 |
| ALLEN | 4/2 |
| PLANO | 4/5 |
| PLANO WEST | 4/9 |
| PLANO EAST | 4/12 |
| BOYD | 4/18 |



COACHES: Coach Rebecca Culotta, Coach Paige Loy
SITTING: Karleigh Ramirez, **KNEELING:** Sofia Murgua, Elysa Kanell, Katrina Lee, Brooklyn Venhaus, Bryanna Barton, Mackenzie Bradham, **FIRST ROW:** Saraa West, Zoe Balderrama, Courtney Bonlen, Emma Dawson, Adriana.

VARSITY SCHEDULE

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| DENTON | 1/11 |
| FRISCO | 1/18 |
| SHERMAN | 1/22 |
| ROCKWALL | 2/1 |
| COPELL | 2/15 |
| NORTH | 2/19 |
| PROSPER | 3/4 |
| DENION | 3/18 |
| KEMAH | 3/29 |



COACHES: Coach Jennifer Dixon, Coach Ryan Hale.
SITTING: Jordan Oberbillig, Avery Smith, Presley Cantrell, **KNEELING:** Andre Alquiza, Nathan Moon, Grant Kieschnick, Brandon Mathey, Brady Coate, Trenton Brooks, **FIRST ROW:** Coach Ryan Hale, Audrey Stuart, Haven Hymes, Andrea Diaz, Amy Kate Blyeue, Nicole Bolku-nova, Emily Kite, Brittney Parr, Coach Jennifer Dixon.

JV SCHEDULE

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| BOYD | 2/4 |
| FOSSIL RIDGE | 2/12 |
| PEARCE | 2/23 |
| DENISON | 2/26 |
| ALLEN | 3/7 |
| PROSPER | 3/25 |
| ALLEN | 4/14 |



COACHES: Coach Jennifer Dixon, Coach Ryan Hale.
SITTING: Jilian Reynold, Laine Biggs, Mason Davis, Danielle Copado, Maiya Martinez, **KNEELING:** Geno Schwalen, Nikolas Parker, Billy Bryson, Geoffrey Sanderson, Colin Campbell, Sean Reyes, **FIRST ROW:** Coach Ryan Hale, Isabelle Knepp, Macy Hoff, Annabel Kiroy, Maite Versavel, Audrey Bickerstaff, Mallory Hoff, Nhi Hong, Coach Jennifer Dixon.



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VARSITY SWIM

COACHES: Coach Scotty Serio, Coach Chance Dorris.
SITTING: Taylor Todd, Aj Arredondo, Lihan Molinar, Sara Khiraoui, Kathryn Youn, Elena Myrice, Yasmin Khiraoui, Kaitlyn Law, Adrian Teruel, Abigaily Sheffield, Aubry Matthews.
KNEELING: Joseph Kim, Jordyn Baird, Lauren Pennell, Kaylee Lewis, Ellie Hall, Sydney Feller, Katie Green, Cade Holdstock, Tyler Foster. **FIRST ROW:** Coach Scotty Serio, Dylan Hetzel, Christopher Lake, Joshua Josey, Andrew Safstrom, Mamedoo Dyeght, Shanaka Bringham, Davis Holdstock, Jacob Madsen. **SECOND ROW:** Coach Chance Dorris, Joseph Montgomery, Zackery Rowe, Ashleigh Bickerstaff, Jakob Shackleton, Valerie Landis. **NOT PICTURED:** Anika Newland, Elizabeth Chan.



JV SWIM

COACHES: Coach Scotty Serio, Coach Chance Dorris.
SITTING: Landon McLaws, Kameron White, Karsen Eubanks, Laine Garcia, Emily Law, Kyle White. **KNEELING:** Alexandra Campos, Adriene Law, Emma Hursh, Kaitlyn Burke, Alayna Gutierrez, Alexys DeNovellis. **FIRST ROW:** Coach Chance Dorris, Peyton Lee, Joshua Kim, Garrett Harvey, Sebastian Nelson, Gavin Turley, Coach Scotty Serio. **SECOND ROW:** Tyler Bartholomew, Jesus Barroso, Ivan Alvarado, Diego Pena.



DIVE

COACHES: Coach Scotty Serio.
FIRST ROW: Tomas Ramos, Brendan Hardy, Ashlynn Sullivan, Indrani Garganigo, Claire Humphrey, Lila Bryson, Joshua Ladner.



BOYS TRACK

COACHES: Coach Anthony Sowe, Coach Elias Kawesa, Coach Ski Gonzalez, and Coach Justin Smith.
FIRST ROW: Lance Coddington, Auldynn Chambers. **SECOND ROW:** Cameron Rivas, Benjamin Davila, Carter Walters, Gavyn Stuehm, Jaxon Soto, Braden Anthony, Jaron Staiger, Alexander Elsworth, Luke VanStory, Greame Maclean. **THIRD ROW:** Coach Elias Kawesa, Trenton Thomas, Nolan Belton, Christopher Gonzalez, Mario Lopez, Adnan Washington, Isiah Rojas, Mario Johnson, Dante Martinez, James Anderson, Coach Justin Smith. **FOURTH ROW:** Nikai Dorsey, Jordan Rednour, Brody Milken, Mathew Richardson, Colby Calagna, Avery Chan, Timothy Ollison. **FIFTH ROW:** Gregory Mitchell, Dvaad Terry, Omarion Jermaine Reed, Damarus Jackson, William Thompson, Tyler Hansard, Jacob Lefort, Timothy Jones, Andrew Cope. **SIXTH ROW:** Coach Anthony Sowe, Luke Mills, Noah Woodward, Vaughan Swanner, Gospel Uko, Nemara Taddesse, Alexander Timmons, Arnold Mugita, Graham Wilson, Asher Lauderdale, Coach Ski Gonzalez. **SEVENTH ROW:** Colby Haney, Ethan Lane, Aaron Dietz, Adnan Gallegos, Matthew Juliano, Joshua Vilches, Taylor Bell, Adnan Wilson.



GIRLS TRACK

COACHES: Coach Meredith Wendt, Coach Jennifer Hodnett, Coach Elizabeth Hurst, and Coach Clay Davis.
FIRST ROW: Jasmine Quezada, Monica Magno, Yanixa Hernandez, Gillian Gray, Leila Wyatt, Nikki Laurensse, Aliza Crider, Marina Novell, Jaxon McGraw. **SECOND ROW:** Coach Meredith Wendt, Karmah Davis, Aaliyah Torres, Erica Hancock, Edom Kidane, Tamar Jackson, Jessica Halderman, Kendall Copeland, Candice Sim, Coach Elizabeth Hurst. **THIRD ROW:** Ana Castillo, Rebecca Goldmann, LaurenKate Tyler, Rose Stoddard, Arianna Doggett, Avery Grooman, Ashanti Hill, Meagan Childress, Adlene Rangel. **FOURTH ROW:** Coach Jennifer Hodnett, Maya Burns, Tori Wilson, Sydney Lewis, Kameron Carter, Roshell Grant Wesley, Alanna Copado, Blake Childress, Eva Nassery, Coach Clay Davis. **FIFTH ROW:** Cecily Allridge, Miven Maloney, Elektra Burnett, Jessica Rane, Lily Nassery, Micah Bell, Peyton Lewis.



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BOYS SCHEDULE:

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| WARRIOR INVITATIONAL | 11/16 |
| QUAD | 11/19 |
| RUMBLE AT THE ROCK | 11/30 |
| FRISCO REEDY | 12/5 |
| WAKELAND | 12/13 |
| WYLIE | 12/15 |
| OUTLAW INVITATIONAL | 1/2 |
| TRINITY TROJANS | 1/12 |
| PLANO EAST | 1/16 |
| WOLVERINE INVITA-TIONAL | 1/18 |
| JAGUAR | 1/26 |
| NORTH | 1/31 |
| DISTRICT | 2/7 |
| REGION | 2/6 |
| STATE | 2/23 |

GIRLS SCHEDULE:

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| WARRIOR INVITATIONAL | 12/4 |
| QUAD | 2/12 |
| RUMBLE AT THE ROCK | 2/26 |
| FRISCO REEDY | 3/5 |
| WAKELAND | 3/8 |
| WYLIE | 3/12 |
| OUTLAW INVITATIONAL | 3/14 |
| TRINITY TROJANS | 3/19 |
| PLANO EAST | 3/26 |
| WOLVERINE INVITA-TIONAL | 3/29 |
| JAGUAR | 4/2 |
| NORTH | 4/9 |
| DISTRICT | 4/12 |
| REGION | 4/18 |
| STATE | 4/18 |



WRESTLING

COACHES: Coach Donald Worthy, Coach Ryan Robertson.
FIRST ROW SITTING: Alejandra Perales-Valadez, Jennifer Perales, Lizabeth Torres Almanza. **SECOND ROW SITTING:** Christian Knighton, David Folorusho, Jack Moses, Diego Fuentes, Aidin Mohebi, Elijah Early, Garrett Baycroft. **KNEELING:** Jessica Munoz, Noah Woodward, Samuel Hernandez, Garrett Gibson, Hunter Perhot, Thomas Heather, Rhett Megert, Vanessa Perales. **FIRST ROW:** Coach Doandl Worthy, Kegan Reckley, Passioner Parham-Johnson, Pedro Franco, Reece Murphy, Joshua Perales, Alexis Nelson, Christian Lopez, Justin Fraze, Rebekah Landrum, Jonathan Coleman, Coach Ryan Robertson.



SPECIAL OLYMPICS

FIRST ROW: Junior Leon, Jacob Windham, Leon Le, Isabel Flores Jimenez, Bianca Pazmino, William Jea Chea, Willem Blass, Jacob Banner. **SECOND ROW:** Jose Munoz, Isaac Hernandez, Errilyn Florida, Mitchell Beckner, Graeme Herring, Ivan Ohagi. **THIRD ROW:** Srenkhl Bontha, Tais Molina Gutierrez, Keandre William, Alyssa Peralta, Quan Daisha Wilson, Aurelia Martinez, Alexander Didea. **NOT PICTURED:** Ashton Dibernardo, Wesley Farmer, Anthony Huang, Jan Michael De Jesus Aponte, Alexis Ornelas.

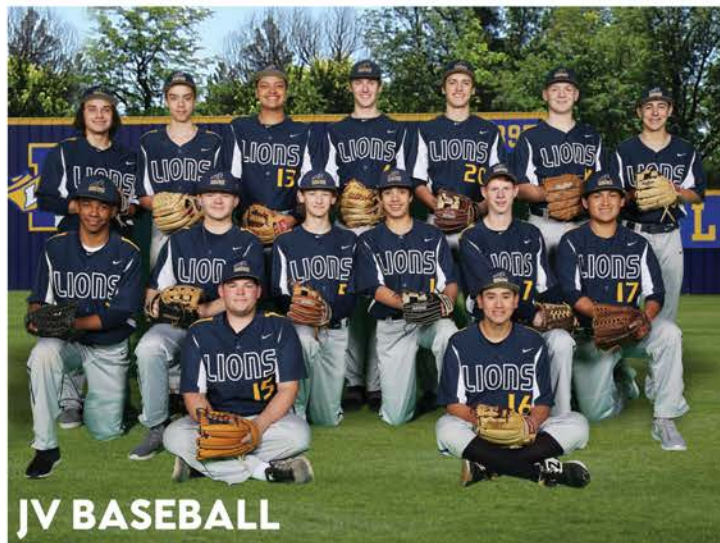


VARSITY BASEBALL

SITTING: Austin Oden, Will Repp, Nick Madsen, Josh McCrory, Caleb Hammack. **KNEELING:** Jesse Jones, Peyton Roof, Robert Madsen, Jack Card, Ryan Hallstrom, Nathan Baker. **FIRST ROW:** Landon Kerkmaz, Josh Bostick, Murphy Bostick, Seth Cox, Trenton Hoover, Bryce Johnson, Kael Kristufek.

VARSITY SCHEDULE:

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| LOVEJOY | 2/2 |
| FRISCO | 2/5 |
| DENTON | 2/9 |
| FRISCO | 2/13 |
| LITTLE ELM | 2/16 |
| FRISCO LONE STAR | 2/21 |
| DENTON | 2/21 |
| HEBRON | 2/22 |
| ARLINGTON MARTIN | 2/22 |
| THE COLONY | 2/23 |
| FRISCO INDEPENDENCE | 2/28 |
| DENISON | 2/28 |
| FRISCO CENTENNIAL | 3/1 |
| HIGHLAND PARK | 3/1 |
| SAN ANGELO CENTRAL | 3/2 |
| HSAA | 3/7 |
| DENISON | 3/7 |
| CEDAR HILL | 3/8 |
| PROSPER | 3/12 |
| ALLEN | 3/19 |
| PLANO | 3/26 |
| PLANO WEST | 4/2 |
| PLANO EAST | 4/9 |
| JESUIT | 4/16 |
| BOYD | 4/23 |



JV BASEBALL

SITTING: Curtis Nowak, Tony Lozano. **KNEELING:** Dylan Dusset, Zachary Dotson, Cade Clark, Tristan Evans, Jaydon McPherson, Mark Baca. **FIRST ROW:** Christopher Logsdon, Keegan Venhaus, Jacob Diaz, Wyatt Murph, Aaron Robinson, Collin Campell, Collin Rhodes.

JV SCHEDULE:

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| LOVEJOY | 2/2 |
| FRISCO | 2/5 |
| DENTON | 2/9 |
| FRISCO | 2/12 |
| LITTLE ELM | 2/16 |
| AUBREY | 3/7 |
| SHERMAN | 3/8 |
| DENTON BRASWELL | 3/8 |
| PROSPER | 3/12 |
| ALLEN | 3/19 |
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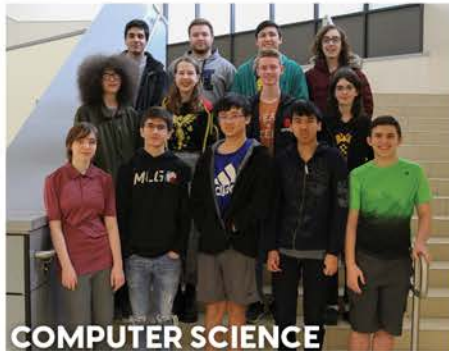


UIL ACADEMICS



CURRENT ISSUES AND EVENTS AND SOCIAL STUDIES

COACH: Richard McGowan, Mark Bayer
FIRST ROW: Aadhar Kulshrestha, Griffin Ryan, Porter Slack, Tim Ho. SECOND ROW: Nitish Patel, Angelina Braese, Jacquelyn King, Azan Khan, Alexandra King.



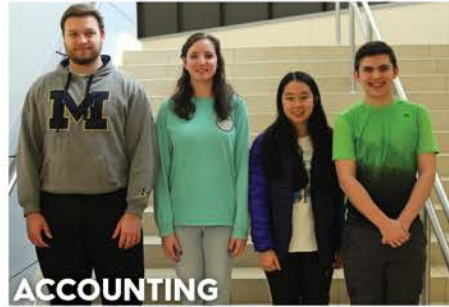
COMPUTER SCIENCE

COACH: Theresa Horvath
FIRST ROW: Miriam Hiestand, Diego Reynoso-Jimenez, Heiton Zang, William Imaican, Isaac Cope. SECOND ROW: Jacob Hicks, Katelynn Kadera, Nicolas Maclean, Jackson Dagle. FIRST ROW: Saffat Ahmed, Ethan Lane, Leonard Humphrey, Lucas Zimmer.



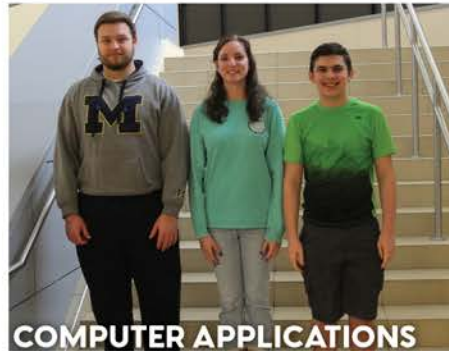
SCIENCE

COACH: Elise Landrum, Leslie Gilbreath
FIRST ROW: Liam Nichols, Alec Weigel, Aubrey Hutzler.



ACCOUNTING

COACH: Theresa Horvath
FIRST ROW: Ethan Lane, Caroline Deitch, Christina Zhang, Isaac Cope.



COMPUTER APPLICATIONS

COACH: Theresa Horvath, Casey Riggs
FIRST ROW: Ethan Lane, Caroline Deitch, Isaac Cope.



MATH, NUMBER SENSE AND CALCULATOR APPLICATIONS

COACH: Elise Landrum, Leslie Gilbreath
FIRST ROW: Liam Nichols, Zachary Younger, Ethan Ung, Alec Weigel, Hektor Cszik.



SPELLING AND VOCABULARY

COACH: Carol Winters
FIRST ROW: Emile Opoku, Kayla Nguyen, Sharon Oh, Ben Yu, Nitish Patel. NOT PICTURED: Annabel Kilroy.



LITERARY CRITICISM

COACH: Carol Winters
FIRST ROW: Hektor Cszik, Colin Payne, Alec Weigel, Adriene Law, Anna Payne, Lucas Zimmer. NOT PICTURED: Jacob Harsch, Teo Jakobson.



JOURNALISM

COACH: Alyssa Boehringer
FIRST ROW: Sarah Eubanks, Asher Lauderdale, Kara Otuke, Elisha Stokes. NOT PICTURED: Ali van der Ziel.

DISTRICT results

CURRENT ISSUES AND EVENTS

1ST PLACE TEAM

1st Place – Nitish Patel
3rd Place – Aadhar Kulshrestha
4th Place – Porter Slack

COMPUTER APPLICATIONS

3rd Place – Caroline Deitch
6th Place – Ethan Lane

EDITORIAL WRITING

3rd Place – Ali van der Ziel

FEATURE WRITING

6th Place – Elisha Stokes

HEADLINE WRITING

5th Place – Ali van der Ziel

LITERARY CRITICISM

2ND PLACE TEAM

1st Place – Alec Weigel
5th Place – Jacob Harsch
6th Place – Lucas Zimmer

NUMBER SENSE

2ND PLACE TEAM

3rd Place – Brennan Herring

SCIENCE

2ND PLACE TEAM

1st Place – Cade Holdstock
1st Place Physics – Cade Holdstock

SOCIAL STUDIES

1ST PLACE TEAM

1st Place – Tim Ho
2nd Place – Alexandra King
3rd Place – Cole Crawford
4th Place – Porter Slack

SPELLING AND VOCABULARY

6th Place – Nitish Patel

ONE ACT PLAY

DISTRICT CHAMPIONS BI-DISTRICT CHAMPIONS



ONE ACT PLAY

TEACHERS: Jessica Lawrence, Collin Wells, Sharon Arnold.
FIRST ROW: Isha Lal, Keely Anders, Michelle Garcia, Camille Taylor, Jenna Crabb, Mr. Colin Wells, Eva Grace, Mandy Lipssey. SECOND ROW: Landon Stuebner, Markia Graves, Brycen Bohl, Emory Otto, Cameron Brown, Abbigail Sem, Kathryn Ladner, Anna Thompson, Angela Sommers, Sam Williams, Ali Lenhard, Caden Cox, Ms. Jessica Lawrence, Carter Outon, Annette O'Dell, Mrs. Sharon Arnold.

ORCHESTRA

FIRST ROW: Matthew Dexter, Alyssa Leazure, Grant Kieschnick, Arielle Mack, Mathew Richardson, Tyler Aguilard, David Sparks. **SECOND ROW:** Emily Halstrom, Gabriel Parada, Kevin Wang, Sean Reyes, Madison Nguyen, Rachel Hawkins, Rachel Nguyen, Crisana Speer. **THIRD ROW:** Cade Holdstock, Alec Weigel, Philip Stolfa, Sonal Patel, Sarah Czuwala, Sarah Chun, Zelinn Fiore. **FOURTH ROW:** Jacob Myers, Samuel Song, Sean Williams, Alan Chan, Jacob Symalla, Annabelle Gibbs, Leria Jordan.



CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

FIRST ROW: Laney Regan, Megan Ducan, Madeline Mott, Ruby Goldmann, Paige Myers, Christina Zhang, Ashley Goodmark, Leonardo Cortes. **SECOND ROW:** Maisha Shaeef, Renata Castillo, Kathryn Youn, Jack Porter, Leilani Monjaraz, Ariana Palomo, Sarah Doshier, Rebecca Goldmann. **THIRD ROW:** Brooke Aily, Annabel Kilroy, Zoe Cobbel, Adriene Law, Aubrey Johnson, Jonathan Cogwell, Matthew Juliano, Davis Hudson. **FOURTH ROW:** Adrianna Garman, Elysa Kanell, Cheyenne Ahmed, Meagan Wagner, Alexander Elsworth, Moses Marrufo, Joshua Kim, Lorelei Nichols, Tyler Nguyen.



PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA



CONCERT ORCHESTRA

FIRST ROW: Kyle Hutcheson, Jennifer Cortez, Julia Jung, Whitney Ocampo, Cassandra Cruz, Amy Herrera. **SECOND ROW:** Bruno Munoz, Skyler Harp, Christian Gotcher, Catherine Wynn, Maria Angeles, Morica Magno, Ethan Barak. **THIRD ROW:** Brendan Gross, Kyra Hewitt, Uriel Juarez, Francisco Munoz, Tyler Rau, Destiny Daugherty, Brian Chhetry. **FOURTH ROW:** Aj Camacho, Viet Nguyen, Peyton Bodin, Hudson Davis, Ivan Alvarado, Francisco Tabora Torres, Schuyler Robinson.



PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA

FIRST ROW: Sarah Kirkpatrick, Esther Kim, Magdalena Ledezma, Aila Reyes, Indrani Garganigo, Nicholas Thai, Aubrey Johnson. **SECOND ROW:** Abigail Coats, Larissa Duray, Jackson Malek, Audrey Stuart, Melessa Torres, Adilene Rangel, Adrian Teruel, Caitlyn Mote, Emily Halstrom. **THIRD ROW:** Melanie Russell, Ian Isler, Kaylen Sexton, Sarah-bel Khawwas, Garrett Gibson, Enjie Fu, Vincent Yu, Sandro Tamburri. **FOURTH ROW:** Finley Davis, Vijay Bohra, Shawn Wei, Justin Le, Yael Rico, Ethan Milligan, Benjamin Merrell, Nick Vannoy.



SINFONIA ORCHESTRA

FIRST ROW: Jason Hoglund, Ethan Vuong, Natalie Smith, Orana Contreras, Sophia Adilogun, Emma Hopkins, Sofia Margueta. **SECOND ROW:** Justin Chen, Alanna Copado, Naomi Rodriguez, Cindy Sanchez, Regina Yin, Mikya Best, Ronnee Brown, Karsen Eubanks. **THIRD ROW:** Mark Baca, Alexander Xu, Eduardo Gutierrez, Zachary Bergin, Braelon Banger, Lila Bryson, Victoria Manosa, Jaden Davis. **FOURTH ROW:** Sebastian Nelson, Ethan Ung.

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OF CLUBS

ALL-REGION:

Violin: Emma Hopkins, Sean Reyes, Madison Nguyen, Sarah Czuwala, Gabriel Parada.

Viola: Jake Myers, Sarah Chun, Zelinn Fiore, Jacob Symalla.

Cello: Tyler Aguilard, Arielle Mack, Matthew Richardson, Alyssa Leazure.

Bass: David Sparks, Matthew Dexter.

ALL-STATE:

Tyler Aguilard, Cello
David Sparks, Bass

UIL CONCERT & SIGHT-READING:

Symphony Full Orchestra:
Sweepstakes

Philharmonia Orchestra:
Sweepstakes

Sinfonia Orchestra:
Sweepstakes



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CHOIR

FIRST ROW: Kennedy Claytor, Megyn Riley, Niranjana Banerjee, Tyler Price, Hanna Keeter, Keely Anders, Grant Wheeler, Travis Halbrooks, Carter Outon, Noah Mahmood. **SECOND ROW:** Alexis Short, Allison Bennett, Addison Westrook, Amanda Batson, Sarah Stoddard, Aliyanarah Fortuna, Betsy Stokes, Morgan Cole, Amanda Walker. **THIRD ROW:** Nathan Del Cid, Ki'hya Houston, Matt Camaligan, Brycen Bohl, Kamryn Lumpkin, Skylar Shaw, Madison Pieczynski, Allison Navejas, Cameron Brown. **FOURTH ROW:** Zarek Vanlaningham, Sarah Chun, Trinh Nguyen, Matt Dexter, Maggie McGowan, Bronte Roltsch, Taj Durtschi, Katlyn Law, Seth Npharack. **FIFTH ROW:** Carson Brown, Andrew Holmes, Jordan Yonas, Haley Tolbert, Ariana Perez, Jaly Thomas, Stephen Booker, Aaron Brown, Michael Gozzola.



CONCERT MIXED VARSITY

FIRST ROW: Jabree Conaway, Ava Hartman, Abby Littrell, Laine Biggs, Paola Alvarez, Yari Olivieri, Daisy Munoz. **SECOND ROW:** Cassandra Trevino Alvarez, Hannah Duclos, Kate Rines, Sarah Hawkins, Nicole Hernandez, Jessica Acosta, Anyssa Robertson, Emily Alejandre, Sara Martinez Molina, Carrie Grover, Maria Marin Sepolveda. **THIRD ROW:** Karla Mata, Christy Munoz, Rue Marunda, Cindy Pineda-Martinez, Victoria Dry, Alyssa Philofsky, Michelle Garcia, Alexis Powell, Sabrina Wallace, Maya Burns, Erica Hancock. **FOURTH ROW:** Victoria Rushing, Sky Okolo, Zamarra Davis-Herron, Ari Claiborne, Emily Halbrooks, Aaliyah Henderson, Judith Palos, Asharia Calmes, Abigail Peña. **NOT PICTURED:** Tatyana Edwards, Natasha Eid, Olivia Hojas, Olivia Lunz, Aheeyah Palmer, Madison Pettit, Victoria Rodriguez-Koch.



BELLA VOCE



MCKINNEY MEN TENOR/BASS

FIRST ROW: Uriel Hernandez, Cayden Anderson, Cade Conner, Caision Helton, Derek Lane, Korbin Snellgrove, Dax Bryson, Justin Duclos. **SECOND ROW:** Jacob White, George Torres, Jr, Carter Walters, Ethan Yonas, Anastasios Pappas, Jaron Staiger, Tyler Hayes, Gabriel Grant, Jason Mathai. **THIRD ROW:** Andrew Lenhard, Tyler Navejas, Jayden Jones, Roman Smith, Christian Sprouse, Aaron Willoughby, Hektor Cissik. **FOURTH ROW:** Gabriel Asiedu-Mensah, Luis Souza Vazquez, Jesus Omar Resto Vega, Corner Gilbertson, Aden Hancock, Nathan Fricano, Jason Addington. **NOT PICTURED:** Clifton Baker



ADVANCED WOMEN'S TREBLE

FIRST ROW: Mandy Lipsey, Bella Velasquez, Emily Law, Heliene Barillas Benavente, Marissa Newbold, Olivia Austin, Jordyn Breland, Jillan Reynolds, Madeleine Bailey, Maya King. **SECOND ROW:** Gwennynth Tillman, Andrea Hernandez, Macey Ashman, Ashley Johansen, Ansley Heather, Zoë Clough, Eliana Carillo Vilca, Meggie Duncan, Jade Kempf, Peyton Clark, Zaria Dexter. **THIRD ROW:** Destiny Washington, Karsyn Walker, Genevieve Hendrie, LaurenKate Tyler, Blair Sayers, Brennan Barnes, Paige Myers, Alexa Boyle, Kyra Worman, Cassidy Crane, Meredith Camphouse. **FOURTH ROW:** Hailey Sutherland, Lydia McConnell, Kendra Brown, Elie Peek, Emma Tuel, Morgan Mir, Amanda Cartier, Erin Roberts, Anna Green, Katlyn Younger, Shaterria Simpson. **NOT PICTURED:** Kaylei Jo Blacketer, Camila Belen, Dixie Dunaway, Grace Lawson, Abby Seim, Sydney Shakespear.



HARMONY VOCAL JAZZ ENSEMBLE

FIRST ROW: Jordan Yonas, Amanda Batson, Allison Bennett, Allison Navejas, Lexi Short, Maggie McGowan, Aliyanarah Fortuna, Ki'hya Houston. **SECOND ROW:** Grant Wheeler, Carter Outon, Travis Halbrooks, Matt Camaligan, Matt Dexter, Andrew Holmes



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FIRST ROW: Meara Crawford, Jacob Mills. **SECOND ROW:** Yulisa Maldonado, Makiah Matlock, Bryanna Barton, Avery Smith, Tiewan Tyson, Americus Gutierrez-Trevino, Nancy Grijalva, Gabrielle Robbins, Ivory Olivarez, Devontae Roman, Gabriel McAdams, Karina De Los Santos, Stephanye Gomez, Rachel Leutenegger. **THIRD ROW:** Audrey Perera, Kylie White, Noah Belling, Taniya Webster, Olivia Pannell, Rainey Turton, Kai Jones, Koryon Wilson, Angeles Maria, Andrea Martinez, Liy Wight, Zoe Balderrama, Giovanna Mora, Drew Brooks. **FOURTH ROW:** Ebony Jernigan, Hope Alder, Jazlyn Williams, Estrella Matthew, Marangely Ortiz, Nicholas Vasquez, Cristian Cruz, Brennan Robledo, Autumn Russell, Avery Spears, Jessica Rane, Alejandra Lozano, Logan Murphy, Garrett Baycroft. **FIFTH ROW:** Christian Lopez, Jacob Mann, Hayden Hutzler, Gavin Turley, Josiah Hammonds, Garrett Gibson, Andrew Kanter, Hunter Rose, Rene Ortiz, Mykol Escobar, Montgomery Vandermeer, Austin Acevedo, Gian Grant, Alex St. Lawrence, Manuel Huerta. **SIXTH ROW:** TJ Jefferson, Orlando Cresencia, Melvin Johnson, Naranjo Ismael, Brayden Davis, William Reis, Faith Alder, Devin Yeo, William Radcliffe, Ethan Faight, Kelvin Game, Anthony Hernandez, Luke VanStory, Trayveon Criddle. **SEVENTH ROW:** Shawn Stevens, James Huff, Brody Milken, Jakob Shackleton, Garrett Harvey, Anthony Carboni, Jamal Gibson, John Corcoran, Lindsey Xzavion, Thomas Kempf, Joshua Anchondo, Ricardo Garcia, Nicolas Vasquez, Richard Goodman.



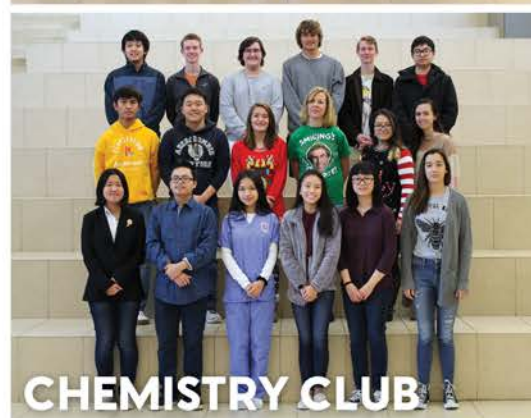
FIRST ROW: Elisha Stokes, Carly Saum, Erin Cyrier, Olivia Wilson, Maha Awan, Maisha Shaef, Taylor Williams, Christie Opoku, Breeana Corona, Madison Bradford, Bella Zellars, Victoria Carvajal. **SECOND ROW:** Marielle Sanchez, Lucy Mburu, Kylie Secrest, Brittney Parr, Emily Kite, Katelyn Elliston, Sydney Schnell, Ashlyn Collinsworth, Annette O'Dell, Zoe Zimmerman, Esther Gbonia, Kaley Iovanni, Olivia Fiean. **THIRD ROW:** Daniela Diaz, Jordyn Barrie, Maggie Austin, Hannah Perez, Emory Otto, Ariana Navarro, Rose Murphy, Hannah Durbin, Macey Winburn, Adlynn Larsen, Samantha Greyson, Anna Njera, Olivia Bruce, Grant Wheeler. **FOURTH ROW:** Haidyn Hill, Camille Taylor, Haylee Winstead, Faith Qualls, Lexi Harris, Peyton Trevino, Meredith Camphouse, Caroline Swan, Tierney Uhl, Amanda Pfeil.



FIRST ROW: Victoria Rushing, Lauren Kerber, Katelynn Kadera, Aaron Walls, Parker Kenner- Kvjath. **SECOND ROW:** Ms. Megan O'Hara, Rylie Morris, Brenden Ward, Skylar Harl, Ms. Madison duPont.



FIRST ROW: Ms. Elise Landrum, Cayden Anderson, Ismal Bzarr, Zachary Younger, Kaitlyn Younger, Hektor Cassik, Ms. Leslie Gibbreath. **SECOND ROW:** Liam Nichols, Geoffrey Sanderson, Cade Holdstock, Alec Weigel, Jacob Montefalcon, Ethan Ung.



FIRST ROW: Jiayi Cao, Tyler Nguyen, Lisa Nguyen, Rachel Nguyen, Rachel Hawkins, Amanda Cartier. **SECOND ROW:** Joseph Montefalcon, Sam Song, Peyton Sorensen, Ms. Katie Watson, Trinh Nguyen, Rosie Stoddard. **THIRD ROW:** Kevin Wang, Nicolas Maclean, Grant Ricks, Tim Jakobsen, Graeme Maclean, Tim Ho.

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MCJROTC CAPTAINS:
 Cadet Captain Avery Smith, Cadet Sergeant Major Audrey Perera, Cadet 2nd Lieutenant Jakob Shackleton

MCJROTC ACTIVITIES:
 Marine Corps Marathon, JROTC Competitions, Travis Manion Heroes Run, Community Service, City of McKinney Christmas Parade, SMU campus visit

MCJROTC AWARDS:
 1st Place Raider Challenge: Kylie White, Jakob Shackleton, William Reis, Jessica Raine, Drew Brooks
 2nd Place Female Color Guard: Avery Smith, Nancy Grijalva, Audrey Perera, Faith Adler
 3rd Place Female Physical Fitness: Meara Crawford, Nancy Grijalva, Faith Adler, Kylie White
 3rd Place Armed Drill: Garrett Gibson, Gian Grant, Nicolas Vasquez, Hayden Hutzler, Jacob Mann, Devontae Roman, Faith Adler, Hope Adler, Gavin Turley, John Corcoran, Devin Yeo

MU ALPHA THETA AWARDS:
 AMC District Champions all 3 years

MU ALPHA THETA OFFICERS:
 President: Alec Weigel, Vice President: Zachary Younger

G.S.A. PRISM:
 President: Victoria Rushing, Vice President: Valeria Gutierrez



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FIRST ROW: Grace Shi, Kayla Thompson, Erin Cynier, Marcella Cassidy, Charis Ardila, Alexa Ojeda. **SECOND ROW:** Edom Kidane, Lucy Mburu, Amanda Pfeil, Elisha Stokes, Julie Wynne, Alannah Malone. **THIRD ROW:** Reagan Brannon, Sydney Anderson, Bryce Worley, Betsey Stokes, Olivia Deegan.



GOLDEN AMBASSADOR

FIRST ROW: Kelly Krueger, Esther Gbona, Ariana Navarro, Charis Ardila, Zoe Zimmerman, Emory Otto, Samantha Greyson. **SECOND ROW:** Taylor Williams, Rose Murphy, Amanda Pfeil, Arjun Bhargava, Christina Opoku, Annette O'Dell, Hannah Durbin, Matthew Barrows. **THIRD ROW:** Ms. Kristen Pereira, Sam Williams, Brady Schroeder, Breeana Corona, Jacob Harsch, Victoria Carvajal, Micah Ardila.



CULTURE CLUB

FIRST ROW: Joy Ewell, Angelina Rodriguez, Emily Houser, Teagan Coady, Ms. Sharon Arnold. **SECOND ROW:** Kacie Herrington, Parker Kenner-Kujath, Sophia Perez, China Satorley, Jalyin Serrano. **THIRD ROW:** Kayla Thompson, Emily Hallstrom, Price Penton, Colleen Carr.



ASL CLUB

megan ward
THE STORY BEHIND THE SHIRT

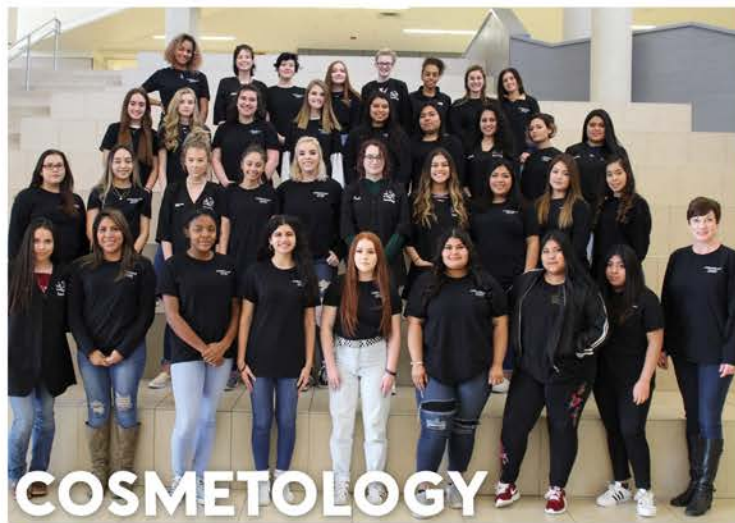


“The “LY” sign is the same shape as the part under the “M” in McKinney so I thought it would be a good idea to mesh them together. I was the only one who submitted a design so I knew my shirt would get picked. I also want to be a graphic designer, so I like to create stuff on the shirt.”



HOSA

FIRST ROW: Ms. Leigh Castillo, Tyler Nguyen, Emily Kite, Brittney Parr, Lisa Nguyen, Maisha Shaef, Marielle Sanchez, Adlyn Larsen, Maha Awan, Paige Knight, Cynthia Lee, Maya Rosenberg. **SECOND ROW:** Justin Rigor, Amna Hyder, Brooke Aly, Aila Mane Reyes, Muskan Qureshi, Kendall Wallace, Emily Gaytan, Erin Brindza, Julia Ross, Jenna Ramirez. **THIRD ROW:** Con Simpson, Natasha Eid, Savannah Bertucci, Elizabeth Bolin, Teresa Segroves, Zoe Clough, Madison Lane, Maci Sager, Peyton Frazer, Karina Hamzeh. **FOURTH ROW:** Danielle Harrison, Camille Taylor, Abigail Bolen, Peyton Trevino, Amanda Pfeil, Hannah Perez, Hanar Hussain, Lina Pham, Jenna Dumke.



COSMETOLOGY

FIRST ROW: Damaris Hernandez, Reyna Ramirez, Janae Dotson, Gabriella Paredes, Estella Salazar, Laura Hernandez, Alejandra Juarez, Lucero Garambullo, Ms. Kelly Brylee. **SECOND ROW:** Fatima Zaldana Ramirez, Brigitte Espinoza, Alyssa DeForrest, Jacklyn Krisher, Elena Scheffler, Lucille Jean Madoni, Hailey Sorora, Beatriz Alvarez, Hanna Monsivas Sanchez, Cynthia Patricia. **THIRD ROW:** Fernanda Castellanos, Hannah Higginbotham, Kaley Pippin, Gillian Gray, Eileen Ramirez, Deysi Torres, Yesenia Flores, Gabriella Salinas Rivero, Rocio Cono Gonzalez. **FOURTH ROW:** Amaya Roberts, Madison Stoker, Teagan Coady, Chloe McKinney, Madison Collard, Alyssa Elbasser, Savannah Nicholson, Madison Morrison.

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HOSA:
HOSA Area Competition, and HOSA State Competition

ASL CLUB:
President: Colleen Carr, Vice President: Kayla Thompson, Secretary/Treasurer: Parker Kenner

ASL CLUB ACTIVITIES:
Homecoming Carnival game, Signing the National Anthem at the Homecoming game, Signing songs at The Well, Silent Movie, Silent Game and Silent Dinner Nights, and field trip to Austin at the Texas School for the Deaf.

GOLDEN AMBASSADORS:
Golden Ambassadors act as official tour guides and greeters for MHS. They take part in many activities such as award ceremonies, 8th grade tours, and graduation.

CULTURE CLUB OFFICERS:
Co-President: Annette O'Dell & Christie Opoku
Secretary: Ariana Navarro
Parliamentarian: Sarah Gorham & Arjun Bhargava
Historian: Brady Schroeder & Emory Otto
Treasurer: Jacob Harsch



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FIRST ROW: Judith Ramirez, Teresa Ramirez, Arely Chavez, Aaron Walls, Nicole Hernandez, Ms. Ana Maria Ellis. **SECOND ROW:** Davis Wynn, Elham Zidel, Jesus Barroso, Martha Hernandez, Alan Benitez.



SPANISH CLUB

FIRST ROW: Hannah Perez, Adlyn Larsen, Andrea Diaz, Kelly Krueger, Logan Hibbard, Rylie Jo Morris. **SECOND ROW:** Eliana Baker, Keith Miller, Kendra Brown, Caroline Coleman, Ms. Dzana Gharbavi.



FASHION CLUB

FIRST ROW: Leah Boatman, Aden Lantos, Sydney Anderson, Lexi Harris, Kayla Thompson, Abney Garcia, Eliana Baker. **SECOND ROW:** Sydney Caldwell, Adison Sokolosky, Gabby Rogge, Sydney Schnelle, Landry Raymond, Abigail McAdams, Lauren Peterson, Keyshawn McClenon. **THIRD ROW:** Melanee Russell, Shadavia Harris, Adrian Wilson, Tatiana Brooks, Elizabeth Chan, Larsha Lugo, Lilian Lima, Randyle Farmer, Mariana Ramirez.



YEARBOOK STAFF



WHAB

FIRST ROW: Kelly Krueger, Sharon Oh, Alexa Ojeda, Amanda Walker, Cheyenne Ahamed, Reagan Forl, Rachel Hyden, Lauren Savage. **SECOND ROW:** Annabel Kilroy, Sindid Moir, Tyler Aguilard, Sam Song, Maha Awan, Michelle Garcia, Savannah Funk, Anna Buraczky, Elizabeth Wilzbach. **THIRD ROW:** Kadin Medrano, Stephen Kooker, Graeme Maclean, Kevin Wang, Jacob Ernest, Nicolas Madaean, Ryan Watson, Chasen Zimmer, Matt Camaligan.

FIRST ROW: Lily Hight, Casey Malone, Allison Metzzen, Ms. Sandra Dieckman. **SECOND ROW:** Cindy Sanchez, Rebekah Cabral, Richard Goodman, Gabe McAdams. **THIRD ROW:** Max Medina, Noah Lukowsky, William Radcliffe, Juan Esparza Loyzaga.



GERMAN CLUB

FIRST ROW: Taylor Williams, Arjun Bhargava, Samantha Greyson, Adlyn Larsen, Maya Rosenberg, Marielle Sanchez, Kelly Krueger, Caroline Coleman, Maisha Shaeff. **SECOND ROW:** Anna Najera, Savannah Funk, Sarah Gorham, Emory Otto, Amanda Pfeil, Christie Opoku, Rose Murphy, Chasen Zimmer. **THIRD ROW:** Trenton Brooks, Caroline Swan, Jacob Harsch, Annette O'Dell, Brady Schroeder, Ariana Navarro, Bryce Worley, Nick Simpson.



ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB

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SPANISH CLUB OFFICERS:
President: Elham Zaei,
Treasurer: Teresa Ramirez,
Secretary: Aaron Walls

SPANISH CLUB ACTIVITIES:
Hispanic Heritage celebration, Caroling to a local nursing home, Christmas dinner, Carnation Sales, fundraising, museum visits.

YEARBOOK AWARDS:
2019 PeaceMaker Finalists, and CSPA Gold Crown Award

ENVIRONMENTAL CLUB OFFICERS:
Co- Presidents: Adlyn Larsen and Samantha Greyson,
Secretary: Maya Rosenberg,
Treasurer: Marielle Sanchez

GERMAN CLUB OFFICERS:
President: Collin Peabody,
Vice President: Rebekah Cabral,
Secretary: William Radcliffe,
Treasurer: Max Medina

GERMAN CLUB ACTIVITIES:
National German Week, Teach German Day, Nikolausfest, Gingerbread Contest, Mavs Night with Dirk Nowitzki, Winterfest, Texas State German Contest, Deutscher Samstag, and much more



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STUDENT COUNCIL

FIRST ROW: Ms. Amanda Gorman, Annette O'Dell, Ariana Navarro, Taylor Williams, Amanda Pfeil, Charis Ardila, Alma Carvajal, Ms. Rebecca Collora.
SECOND ROW: Shana Almiron, Haley Tolbert, Olivia G Wilson, Olivia R Wilson, Jenna Ramirez, Vanessa Saavedra, Maha Awan, Syeda Qarshi, Julia Connolly, Christian Mitchell. **THIRD ROW:** Caroline Potts, Kaitlyn Eshbough, Arjun Bhargava, Olivia Dreagen, Sydney Anderson, Lucy Mburu, Michelle Garcia, Bianca Rodriguez. **FOURTH ROW:** Bryce Worley, Braden Schroeder, Jackson Kirkham, Zaki Firuz, Logan Williams, Macy Hoff, Ana Muller.



PALS

FIRST ROW: Coach Robert Boone, Alexis Quirrenbach, Sadie Bearg, Keely Chapa, Bella Zellars, Faith Qualls, Zoe Zimmerman, Alyssa Davis, Charis Ardila, Katelyn Bonifacio. **SECOND ROW:** Haidyn Hill, Alea Wilborn, Abigail Calhoun, Sophie Ludwig, Anna Buraczyk, Olivia Filean, Josephine Robey, Julie Wynne, Ally Tauber, Conner Lewis, Jady McDonald. **THIRD ROW:** Halimah Coppage, D'Erricka Frierson, Ashleigh Bickerstaff, Karsyn Gorman, Sidney Williams, Maggie Austin, Elyssa Eisenberg, Danielle Harrison, Chymna McDonald, Sydney Strohm. **FOURTH ROW:** Daniel Castle, Kaleb Dixon, Colby Calagna, Lucas Palenzuela, Cavan Natal, Cade Clark, Savannah Townsend, Kennedy Curry.



BROADCASTING

FIRST ROW: Emma Triana, Yrssel Mateo, Elisha Stokes, Samantha Richards, Sydney Beck, Ally Tauber, Marybeth Plaster, Reed Fort. **SECOND ROW:** Zamarious Jackson, Hassan Ejaz, Madalyn Newkirk, Emily Houser, Sara Hummadi, Karsyn Gorman, Noah Kim, Gabriel Hughes. **THIRD ROW:** Joan Palma, Stefan Egger, Garrett Morrison, Jaysen Williams, Cameron Johnson, Anika Newland, Cordrick Dunn, Branna Barrows.



HEADHUNTERS

FIRST ROW: Daniel Eaker, Bryce Worley, Blake Weaver, Nathaniel Jeffries, Lila Bryson. **NOT PICTURED:** Adam Vernier, Angela Sommers.



DEBORAH
Yelling with his mannequin. Deborah, junior Blake Weaver, cheers on the sidelines during the Plano Senior football game. "I got Deborah at the beginning of the year," he said. "We got to take one of the dolls home and paint it."



Melanie Russell

HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL
Reenacting a scene from High School Musical, junior Lila Bryson is lifted up by her fellow Headhunters. She was acting as Sharpay during the pool scene. "We were just goofing around," she said. "Bryce was making it really funny".

SCREAM AND SHOUT
At the pep rally on the day of the Crosstown Showdown, senior Bryce Worley and junior Blake Weaver do the senior battle cry. "I just love to yell and show my school spirit," he said. "We get to be loud for everybody".

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BROADCASTING AWARDS:

1st place video ATP Fall Contest – Emma Triana

MHSI won 1st Place Best of Show at the TAJE Fall Fiesta

TAJE Fall Fiesta Individual Awards:

Superior Video News Story – Karsyn Gorman

Superior Video News Story – Emma Triana

Superior Commercial/PSA: Samantha Richards

Best of the Best Broadcast Video: Ally Tauber, Anika Newland, Sam Richards

STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS:

President: Victoria Carvajal
Vice President: Taylor Williams
Senior Class President: Ariana Navarro
Treasurer: Annette O'Dell
Secretary: Charis Ardila
Parliamentarian: Amanda Pfeil

STUDENT COUNCIL EVENTS:

Parking Spot Painting, Fish camp, Blood Drives, MORP, Prom, Fill the Bus, Mactown Miracles, Jolly Jive, Kate's Dance, Lionpalooza, Dec' the Halls, etc.



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FIRST ROW: Jonathan Cogwell, Erin Cyrier, Sydney Beck, Nitish Patel, Chasen Zimmer. **SECOND ROW:** Reagan Brannon, Caroline Swan, Jacquelyn King, Adlyn Larsen, Avery Smith, Brittney Parr, Angelina Braese, Porter Slack, Mariana Paola Arias.



INTERACT CLUB

FIRST ROW: Junior Leon, Jacob Windham, Leon Le, Isabel Flores Jimenez, Bianca Pazmino, William Jea Chea, Willem Blass, Jacob Banner. **SECOND ROW:** Jose Munoz, Isaac Hernandez, Errolynn Florida, Mitchell Beckner, Graeme Herring, Ivan Ohagi. **THIRD ROW:** Srenikhil Bontha, Tais Molina Gutierrez, Keandro William, Alyssa Peralta, Quiri Daisha Wilson, Aurelia Martinez, Alexander Didea



SPECIAL OLYMPICS

FIRST ROW: Alejandra Lozano, Mia Collin, Sarah Doshier, Maci Sager, Mackenzie Coop, Katelyn Perez, Jordyn Barrie. **SECOND ROW:** Simon Cruz, Amiri Hall, Angela Amador, Mya Robinson, Layla Johnson, Adriana Keeton, Jaiden Wilson. **THIRD ROW:** Coach Jennifer Hodnett, Rocio Cano Gonzalez, Jordyn Miller, Esther Gbonia, Hannah Durbin, Karsyn Gorman, Abigail Calhoun, Ally Tauber. **FOURTH ROW:** Aaron Walls, John Colwell, Jessica Halderman, John McGrail-Sanders, Tierney Uhl, Jasmyne Noel



PARTNERS P.E.



ENGINEERING CLUB

FIRST ROW: Roshell Grant-Wesley, Abigail McAdams, Chandler Elliott, Lesli Romero, Allison Navejas, James Halderman, Caroline Potts, Evan Varghese, Azhan Khan, Abigail Pena. **SECOND ROW:** Madeleine Davison, Christina Zhang, Miriam Hiestand, Alec Weigel, Katherine Davison, Mark Taylor, Eran Hassidi, Jhoan Nelson, Jackson Dagley, Aaron Walls, Amberlynn Demko. **THIRD ROW:** Madeleine Mott, Sarahi Rocha, Chasen Zimmer, Tyler Rau, Saffat Ahmed, Alexander Robins, Sky Okolie, Michael Stallbaumer, Sam Davis, Benjamin Merrell. **FOURTH ROW:** Peyton Sorensen, Jorge Sandoval, Jonah Hill, Evan Plyler, Ismail Hozain, Zachary Bolten, Amarian Luckett, Jacob Hicks, Andrew Canthers.



STEP TEAM

FIRST ROW: Roneika Weaver, Sophia Perez, Deionna Shepherd-Cole, Jalauna Dewberry, Oriana Contreras, Erica Hancock, Coreyonna Evans, Shatterria Simpson. **SECOND ROW:** Amani Parish-Worth, Adrienne Rooters, Taikya Savage, Jonnay Jackson, Jakira Crawford. **THIRD ROW:** Brittany Ochoa, Azalea Cole-Conner, Za Kyra Williams, Trina Jones, Brianna Ochoa. **FOURTH ROW:** Yudari Bishop, Keandre William, Zamaria Davis-Herron. **FIFTH ROW:** Ms. Natasha Hayden.

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INTERACT CLUB

OFFICERS:
Co-presidents: Erin Cyrier, Nitish Patel, Chasen Zimmer, Sydney Beck, Jonathan Cogwell
Vice President: Porter Slack
Secretary: Mariana Arias
Treasurer/Historian: Jacquelyn King

ENGINEERING CLUB

OFFICERS:
President: James Halderman
Vice President: Allison Navejas
Treasurer: Caroline Potts
Secretary: Evan Varghese
Reporter: Lesli Romero
Sargent at Arms: Chandler Elliott
Historian: Abigail McAdams

STEP TEAM CAPTAINS:

Captain: Roneika Weaver
Co-Captain: Shatterria Simpson

STEP TEAM AWARDS:

2nd place in National competition, 3rd in Regionals

PARTNER'S P.E

ACTIVITIES:
Special Olympic Bowling, Bocce, Basketball and Track & Field



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NHS

FIRST ROW: Natasha Eid, Emily Hallstrom, Avery Smith, Emily Kite, Hudson Davis, Madeleine Mott, Megan Duncan, Taylor Williams, Nick Simpson, Emory Otto, Jacob Harsch, Alec Weigel, Christie Opoku, Adlyn Larsen, Anna Najera, Maha Awan, Abigail Powell, Kayla Thompson. **SECOND ROW:** Kylie Dauper, Ashley Goodmark, Christina Zhang, Rachel Hawkins, Kalei Christensen, Charis Ardila, Sydney Anderson, Justin Rigor, Cheyenne Ahamed, Nitish Patel, Olivia Wilson, Sydney Beck, Mazha Shaeeef, Gabriella Paredes, Elisha Stokes, En-Mei Shi, Victoria Carvajal, Adriana Diaz. **THIRD ROW:** Kendall Copeland, Kristen Copeland, Anna Buraczky, Alexa Ojeda, Reagan Ferl, Lisa Nguyen, Samantha Greyson, Sophie Manson, Tierney Uhl, Ally Tauber, Hannah Durbin, Annette O'Dell, Ariana Navarro, Breana Corona, Zoe Zimmerman, Amanda Pfeil, Kayla Munjoma, Colleen Carr. **FOURTH ROW:** Edom Kidane, Lorelei Nichols, Kaitlyn Eshbaugh, Keely Anders, Maggie McGowan, Samuel Song, Daniela Diaz Duran, Lucy Mburu, Angelina Braese, Karsyn Gorman, Chloe Guthrie, Erin Cyrrier, Delaney Bora, Maya Rosenberg, Colby Cox, Caroline Coleman, Rose Murphy, Jayna Leach. **FIFTH ROW:** Ariana Perez, Trinh Nguyen, Zachary Younger, Mark Baca, Joseph Montefalcon, Reagan Brannon, Camille Taylor, Jessica Halderman, John McGrail-Sanders, Matthew Juliano, Johnathan Cogwell, Jose Chiquito, Davis Holdstock, Stephen Kooker, James Halderman, Allison Navejas. **SIXTH ROW:** Justin Frazee, Davin Price, Alberto Gutierrez-Irizarry, Lauren Savage, Amanda Walker, Elisabeth Stokes, Mackenzie Sumner, Sarah Gorham, Ryan Watson, John Thompson, Daniel Eaker, Elham Zaei, Naomi Rodriguez, Brady Schroeder, Cayla Simpson, Markia Graves, Nikira Walter, Austen Oden. **SEVENTH ROW:** Kevin Garcia, Jacob Shackleton, Anika Newland, Michelle Garcia, Taytum Trinidad, Rachel Landis, Emily Phillips, Andrea Ruiz, Mariana Sanchez, Sydney Strohm, Taylor Bouck, Sophie Ludwig, Elizabeth Chan, Abigail Calhoun, Jordyn Bard. **EIGHTH ROW:** Tim Jakobson, Hannah Freeman, Graeme Maclean, Sara Hummadi, Marybeth Pfister, Madelyn Coleman, Taylor Cole, Lindsay Shields, Megan Wagoner, Lena Jordan, Eric Boatman, Andre Alquiza, Trenton Brooks, Benjamin Runyan, Jose Esparza Loyzaga, Erin Smith. **EIGHTH ROW:** James Moses, Grant Keschrick.



GERMAN NHS

FIRST ROW: Miriam Hiestand, Angelina Braese, Sheila Velazquez, Juan Esparza Loyzaga. **SECOND ROW:** Collin Pysakbody, Rebekah Cabral, Katie Cullum, Savannah Gagarin, Jared Glatz.



LAW ENFORCEMENT

FIRST ROW: Melanie Russell, Jena Maib, Emma Mager, Jeremiah Vega, Sam Surprenant. **SECOND ROW:** Brandon Dacom, Everett Lind, Rebekah Landrum, Ernesto Munoz Paga, Noah McBride, Ms. Kina Vinson.



DEBATE

FIRST ROW: Kenya Moore, Nathan Hughey, Maryam Shilub, Cayla Simpson, Tamm Nassenry, Jiayi Cao, Annabella Garcia, Kalliope Kovatch. **SECOND ROW:** Sonal Patel, Ariana Palomo, Avery Harper, Taylor Bell, Zachary Bolten, Lydia Kegg, Jessica Rodriguez, Tanushree Chakr, Nya Satturley, Camila Belen, Dante Whitehead. **THIRD ROW:** Wesley Thomas, Karmvir Singh, Rodrigo Quiroga Jaldin, Evan Piyer, Nicholas Thomas, Kaleb Wolf, Davis Holdstock, John Corcoran, Pafne Montoya, Braden Ritter.



PRINCIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL

FIRST ROW: Mr. Alan Arbabi, Alexa Ojeda, Erin Cyrrier, Cayla Simpson, Caroline Potts. **SECOND ROW:** Mitchell Tyler, Michelle Garcia, Alma Carvajal, Sydney Anderson, Cade Caballero. **THIRD ROW:** Asher McAlister, Nya Satturley, Namira Hossain.

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NHS OFFICERS:
President: Jacob Harsch, Vice President: Nicholas Simpson, Secretary: Alec Weigel, Historian: Emory Otto, Treasurer: Christiana Opoku

NHS ACTIVITIES:
Various service projects for the community and the school, including helping at graduation, schedule pick-up, and deck the halls

DEBATE CAPTAINS:
Captains: Nathan Hughey, Cayla Simpson, Jack Connolly, Sonal Patel, Jessica Rodriguez, Jiayi Cao

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS:
Chief: Samuel Alejos Surprenant
Captain: Emma Mager, Lieutenant: Ernesto Munoz Paga, Sergeant: Jena Maib, Corporal: Melanie Russell

LAW ENFORCEMENT AWARDS:
1st Place in active shooter

PRINCIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL:
Principal's Advisory is a student committee that meets monthly with the principal to discuss school issues, student activities, and suggestions improving the school.



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KEY CLUB

FIRST ROW: Ms. Laura Smith, Gabe Perada, Hanar Hussain, Sara Hammadi, Kelly Krueger, Caroline Coleman, Masha Shaef, Arjun Bhargava, Eva Nassery, Rachel Hawkins, Maha Awan, Rachel Nguyen, Aubrey Koch. **SECOND ROW:** Kailyn Perry, Jossette Nunez, Lisa Nguyen, Danielle Copado, Valeria Gutierrez, Muskan Qureshi, Hannah Perez, Adlyn Larsen, Newsha Salehkhah, Adlene Rangel, Christina Zhang, Jenny Cao. **THIRD ROW:** Sarah Chun, Skyler Shaw, Jacob Montefalcon, Joseph Montefalcon, Logan Courtney, Lily Nassery, Tori Wilson, Kevin Garcia Lopez, Jorge Sandoval Ruiz, Jose Chiquito. **FOURTH ROW:** Daisy Quirino-Garcia, Jennifer Tom, Trinh Nguyen, Ashley Goodmark, Annabel Kirov, Kimberly Acosta, Nathanim Kidane, Edom Kidane, Jesus Barroso.



POETIC LIONS SOCIETY

FIRST ROW: Anielle Mack, Sonal Patel, Madison Chin, Giseller Terrones Rascon, Karen Moon. **SECOND ROW:** William Anderson, Nathaniel Jeffries, Ronae Brown, Jayden Jones, Aaron Willoughbg.

tall TREE

Don't ever, let your strength be broken
You are strong
You are here
You are everything someone should fear
Your determination
Know for yourself
Knowing that
Loyaltes hands, are right under me
As I fly to be free
Thank, for the moment
Knowing no one can discourage me
I've longed for the strength and support of others
Not realizing I need the support of me
Burgundy
Blue
Purple too
Grow, from your roots tree
Successful is all you destined to be
Throughout a lifetime of tears
Stand tall
The tree is starting to grow
With your own nurturing
You can prosper
With progress leading, to a success you see
It might have started off, as a indecisive mystery
Only to truly realize
The biggest burdens and branches are given to the
strongest people
Do not be, the leaves that fall
You stand proud and tall
For your victory

BY KATE PEPPER, 12



TECHNOCATS

FIRST ROW: Mr. Jason Braddy, Aaron Walls, Thomas Zimmerle, Marissa Newbold, Kaleb Wolf, Josh Berry, Ms. Kristen Spain. **SECOND ROW:** Morgan Cole, Kian Saffer, Caroline Detch, Laila Jones, Kyle Hatcherson, William Thompson. **THIRD ROW:** Noah Lukovsky, Zachery Robinson, Joseph Goller, Chandler Elliot, Bailey Hebert, Nemara Taddesse.



FFA

FIRST ROW: Brooklyn Venhaus, Brooklyn Ross, Katie Griffin, Bethanie Galvan, Hayden Mollat. **SECOND ROW:** Caden Davis, Calle Norris, Taylor Green, Edward Balderrama, Faith Lavook, Blake Weaver, Xavier McGarrell, Jack Moses, Preston Walker. **THIRD ROW:** Luke White, Garrett Jasper, Kevin Garcia, Connor Daily, Matthew Fry, Luciano Furo, Hayden Winstead, Will Taylor.



PREPPING PIPER
While wiping her cow, sophomore Brooklyn Ross prepares Piper for the next livestock show. Students kept their animals at the McKinney FFA barn. "In the shows, you want the cow's fur to be as big and as clean as possible," she said. "I have to keep her groomed until the showing."



HEAVIER CLASS
While walking across the ring, senior Bethanie Galvan prepares to show at the Collin County Livestock Show. "I was going into my class which is separated by weight divisions," she said. "I was towards the heavier end with him since Pedro is really big."

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FFA:
President: Katie Griffin,
Vice President: Bethanie Galvan,
Secretary: Brooklyn Ross,
Treasurer: Hayden Mollat,
Reporter: Brooklyn Venhaus,
Sentinel: Matthew Hamilton

KEY CLUB OFFICERS:
President: Maisha Shaef,
Vice President: Caroline Coleman,
Historian: Arjun Bhargava,
Web Master: Eva Nassery,
Treasurer: Rachel Hawkins,
Editor: Gabe Parada

KEY CLUB ACTIVITIES:
Halos T-Ball, Salvation Army Bell Ringing, Clean up MHS, make cards for people, and Wags and Whiskers.

BAND



BARITONES
FIRST ROW: Eva Espinosa, Isabel Mila, Michaela Brooks, Linda Ruiz, Kahlí Gonzalez, Sara Khraoui **SECOND ROW:** Francisco Contreras, Vernon Gomez, Edward Balderama, Christian Barnes, Carlos Rodriguez, Dylan Rivera, Colleen Carr **THIRD ROW:** Nathan Tucker, Jackson Giddens, Westin Wade, Nick Frazier, Haven Vanlandingham, Andrew Sunde.



TUBAS
FIRST ROW: Michael Newhouse, Nick Ladis, David Sparks, Jacob Faraz **SECOND ROW:** Michaela Newkirk, Zoe Balderrama, Caleb Banks, James Ake.



CLARINETS
FIRST ROW: Hanna Keeter, Brooklyn Ross, Marybeth Plaster, Madelyn Coleman, Kacie Herrington, Brianda Rodriguez, Allison Hockaday, Jayda Ross **SECOND ROW:** Kayla Thompson, Madi Gonzalez, Kayley Jones, Hannah Freeman, Bryan Gonzalez, Dylan Hightower, Bella Garcia **THIRD ROW:** Eric Boatman, Jeffrey Liang, Sam McWhirter, Alana Moses, Eli Hardin, Campbell Sutka, Kalliope Kovatch, Tripp Spence.



FLUTES
FIRST ROW: Abby Lillard, Taylor Cole, Lizbeth Rodriguez, Karleigh Ramirez, Megan Bacha, Brisa Garcia, Saniya Harris **SECOND ROW:** Kathryn Johnson, Bridget Kozlowski, Symone McGarrell, Julia Connally, Juaneh Anderson, Hope Adler **THIRD ROW:** Aiden Walsh, Abi Bolen, Audrey Bickerstaff, Caitlin Fetrow, Chloe Guthrie, Caroline Deitch, Drea Tilman.



MELLOPHONES
FIRST ROW: Anna Payne, Abby Powell, Ben Stadler, Ava Aprea, Jacob Montefalcon, Nolan Ward **SECOND ROW:** Nikolas Parker, Annika Fought, Colin Campbell, Rachel Sowards, Meredith Salinas **THIRD ROW:** Alex Leal, Jacob Clanton, Ben Runyan, Ben Anderson, Nathaniel Nease, Mason Archacki.



SAXOPHONES
FIRST ROW: Montel Brooks, Eric Schmidt, Vivian Hollis, Reid Taylor **SECOND ROW:** Griffin Ryan, Alex Boyd, Joey Goller, Joseph Montefalcon, Last row: Teo Jakobsen, Andrew Swerts, Henry Mollat, Christopher Quinn.



LIZARDS
FIRST ROW: Greyson Avari, Allyson Plaster, Wendy Dzak **SECOND ROW:** Benjamin Yu, Mary Lonergan, Jordyn Brown, Lily Yurchak **THIRD ROW:** Max Mattson, Zack Pope, Issac Milligan.



DRUMLINE
FIRST ROW: Jose Esparza Loyzaga, Aidan Hatcher, Carey Hayes, Megan Wagoner, Xavier McGarrell, Brayden Senter. **SECOND ROW:** Jack Holmes, Lindsay Shields, Dylan Richardson, Erin Smith, Ian Clark.



COLOR GUARD
FIRST ROW: Renata Castillo, Ali Lenhard, Mayra Salinas. **SECOND ROW:** Kayla Nguyen, Jacie Shakotko, Marissa Newbold, Ava Hartman, Abby Eicher. **THIRD ROW:** Sarah Neubauer, Heather Ditter, Crisana Speer, Jacquolin Rackler, Dani Hernandez. **FOURTH ROW:** Philip Soltys-Niemann, Athena Lunsford, Zoe Coppel, Mallory Johns, Gemma Bryant, Savannah Gagnri.



FRONT ENSEMBLE
FIRST ROW: Jake Snively, Megan Bagby, Riley Ramirez, Bailey McGurty, Derek Lane. **SECOND ROW:** Amarian Luckett, Amberlynn Demko, Sam Davis, Soren Jakobsen, April Phillips.



TRUMPETS
FIRST ROW: Price Penton, Milene O'jega, Miranda Andrews, Emily Houser, Lauren Peterson, Yasmin Khiraoui, Micah Bell, Caleb Santiago, Alaura Kanell. **SECOND ROW:** Trenton Brooks, Jeffrey Justus, Ben Scheurer, Jarizet Aviles, Joan Palma, Michael Schaumburg, Raul Torres, Zachary Bell, Samuel Villa, James Curtis. **THIRD ROW:** Brock Morgan, Aaron Schenck, Luke Tyson, James Anderson, Dylan Pultz, Nabil Habibi, William Anderson, Ethan Vance, Brennan Herring.

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elephant
 "One part of the show was about elephants. I had to put an elephant on there simply for the fact that I wanted to remember what was so special about the show."
 HANNAH FREEMAN, 12

lion
 "At the beginning of the season, I knew I wanted to put a lion on the stick once I won it. So when I did win, I went to the thrift store and bought a lion. His name is Lionel."
 KAYLA THOMPSON, 11

swan
 "I chose a swan to put on it because the color guard captain Ali, was dressed in an amazing swan outfit and had a beautiful solo. It was also in our marching piece."
 KAYLEY JONES, 09



clarinet OF THE WEEK

"I kinda went all out. Since the stick always matches the theme, we did this year I wanted to bring some bright and natural stuff for the wild nature of our show. Also to make it more attention-grabbing I put some feathers, and ribbons to make it look cooler."

HANNA KEETER, 9



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ITS
FIRST ROW: Michelle Garcia, Isha Val, Keely Anders, Emory Otto, Annette O'Dell, Era Grace, Sam Williams, Anna Thompson **SECOND ROW:** Angela Sommers, Ali Lenhard, Kendra Brown, Mandy Lipsey, Katlyn Younger, Anna Gram, Lauren Savage, Olivia Austin, Abby Littrell, Maya King, Kimberly Brown, Britney Morales **THIRD ROW:** Maddie Gonzalez, Brycen Bohé, Skylar Rhoads, Landon Stuebner, Markia Graves, Camille Taylor, Emma Triana, Bella Suarez, Genivene Hendrie, Noel Hellquist, Kennedy Glenn **FOURTH ROW:** Abby Seim, Alyssa Ford, Evan Dailey, Dylan Naulty, Alec Foltz, Clayton Jones, Richard O'Connor, Cayden Garrison, Isaac Urbik, Tristan Lynn



STRESS LETTERS
Receiving letters from the Opera ghost, seniors Carter Outon, and Camron Brown freak out because the demands are so high. "I played Andre," he said. "This character made me push to be just like him."



SURPRISE ON STAGE
Waving her fan, senior Annette O'Dell is shocked when Fop finds out about the secret affair with Carlotta. "This was when Mr. Arbabi was on stage," she said. "I was gasping because of the news that we heard, but also laughing that the principal was on stage."



CLEAR A PATH
Making sure everyone was out of the way, junior Lauren Savage is yelling at everyone to make sure junior Isha Lal (Carlotta) has plenty of room. This was during the first scene of the musical. "I played Carlotta's assistant," she said. "My job was to freak out when Carlotta freaks out."



THE LOST ART
FIRST ROW: Hanar Hussain, Zoe Smith, Lina Pham, Allison Meitson, Milana Malko, Megan Ward, Kai Gutierrez **SECOND ROW:** Mrs. Kaitlin Christian, Sara Hummadi, Jeremiah Amparo, Haylee Winstead, Darion Spearman, Ms. Katye Rutledge **THIRD ROW:** Cole Anderson, Gabe Gonzalez, Aiden Denson, Nathan Unsted, Jason Mathai, Lilly Harlorice, Sarah Moorehead.



FRENCH CLUB
FIRST ROW: Madame Shannon Kelly, Debora Kim, Ester Kim, Melanie Russell, Grace Kelly, Sarah Kirkpatrick **SECOND ROW:** Lilhan Molinar, Jenna Dumke, Rey Montgomery, Abby Littrell, Noel Hellquist **THIRD ROW:** Ivan Fernandez, Jorge Sandoval, Rebekah Landrum, Katelynn Kadera.

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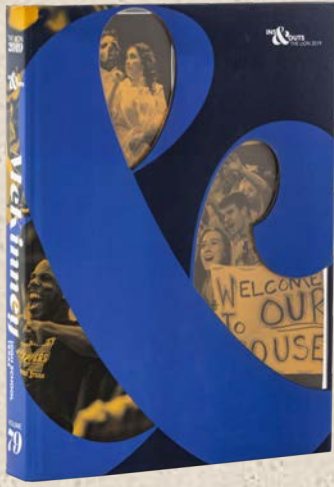
ITS OFFICERS:
President: Annette O'Dell
Vice President: Emory Otto
Head Judge: Eva Grace
Historian: Sam Williams
Secretary: Keely Anders
Community Chair: Michelle Garcia
Public Relations: Isha Lal
Treasurer: Anna Thompson

ITS ACTIVITIES:
Trick or Treat so Kids Can Eat, North Texas Giving Day, Texas Thespians Festival

ITS AWARDS:
Troupe 3604 won many awards at the State Festival

FRENCH CLUB OFFICERS: President: Melanie Russell, Vice President Sarah Kirkpatrick, Treasurer Jenna Dumke, Secretary Jorge Sandoval, Reporter/Historian: Jacquelin Rackler.

FRENCH CLUB ACTIVITIES: Armistice Day dinner at La Madeleine, "Kurios: Cabinet of Curiosities" Cirque de Soleil movie, Holiday Dinner at Frogg Creperie, Gingerbread House contest with German Club, Krewé of Barkus Mardi Gras dog parade, Cajun dinner at Razzo's, "Berthe Morrison: Woman Impressionist" exhibit at the Dallas Museum of Art, Baking lessons to make macarons, Spring Banquet at Bonnie Ruth's



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Emily McAfee



Fast forward 20 years to 2039. You're reminiscing over your senior year. What will you remember?

Friends, laughs, pep rallies, dancing, dancing and more dancing. But I hope you also remember your dedication, leadership, commitment and most of all strengths. These were/are the things that made/make you amazing!

Back to 2019. Over the past 18 years you have grown by leaps and bounds with your chin in the air. We could not be more proud of you! Keep it going. Find your burning desire... never look back... only over your shoulder...

We'll be there for you always, always and always.



Chandler ELLIOTT



Congratulations Chandler!
 We are so proud of all you have done. We love you!
 Mom, Dad and Logan

Rebekah LANDRUM



Life is a great big canvas. Throw all the paint on it you can. - Danny Kay

Congratulations to our creative and determined Rebekah. We are so very proud of you.

Love you bunches.

Mommy, Daddy, Daniel, Sara and Keaton



Michael & Tara NEWHOUSE



You have brought joy to all our lives in so many ways through the years. We have always known how lucky we are to have such a loving grandson who is gentle, yet so strong in many ways, PawPaw would have reminded you to always "expect the unexpected!"

Love, Meme and PawPaw



Thank you for being such a kind, compassionate, and loving big brother and son. Mom and Dad love you very much and also remind you that your future is just beginning - make the most of the opportunities in life and work hard to achieve your goals. Keep the music in your heart all your life and passion for wherever life takes you.

Much love, Mom, Dad, and Xedo.



What a lovely young lady you have become. Thank you for being such a loving, warm-hearted gal. We are so blessed to have you as our granddaughter to enrich our lives. PawPaw would have also told you "expect the unexpected!"

Love, Meme and PawPaw



Our Taku! When a loving mother of fluffy Xedo: free-flowing river through the Ozarks. Mom and Dad love you very much and remind you that your future is not set - there is no fate but what you make of it. Always remember that your imagination is more important than knowledge. Keep working hard all your life and never give up... always have that smile in your heart and humor on your lips.

With much love,
 Mom, Dad, and Xedo.





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Will BOLIN

Will,

Congratulations! We are so proud of you and everything you have accomplished. We can't wait to see what your future holds.

Jeremiah 29:11

Love, Mom, Dad, Elizabeth & Sarah

Emily ELLIOTT

We are so proud of the young woman you've become and look forward to seeing what you achieve in life. Remember, you can achieve anything you set your mind to achieving. Dare to dream BIG and follow your heart. We'll be here to cheer you on always.

Love, Dad, Mom, and Hannah

KALEY Iorinelli

You will always be my Laylay. I love you and am very proud of the awesome woman you have become. You have a genuine loving heart and want to take care of everyone and fur-baby we find. You will always be loved and watched after. God is always with you and his angels will watch over you.

Love, Mom



Leanne MOSS

She is clothed with strength and dignity and laughs without fear of the future.

You are more precious than jewels. As your family we will always be in one of the three places: In front of you to cheer you on, behind you to have your back, or next to you so that you never walk alone. You have a dream; keep your eyes focused on the reward at the end. Dreams come true when you are willing to work for it. The stumbling blocks in life will become your stepping stones to success, making that dream come true.

From Dad, Daniel and Mom

Keely CHAPA

Dear Keely,

The years have flown by and you will soon graduate from high school to start the next phase of your life. The joy you have given us throughout your journey so far has been a gift to our family. Every day we count our blessings that God chose us to be your parents. On the day that you were born, you opened our hearts to a love that we could never have had imagined. Your future is in your capable hands and we are so excited that we will be able to witness all that life unfolds for you. Our love for you has no beginning and no end!

Love, Daddy, Mommy, Christian and Stormy

HANNAH Durbin

Hannah,

I can't believe you are already a Senior! You have grown into a wonderful young woman with a heart of gold. You make us laugh every day with your big personality and you make our hearts proud because of your kindness and gentle spirit. You are going to do wonderful things and we can't wait to see what this next chapter in your life will bring. Thank you for being an awesome kid and don't forget to call at least five times a day when you leave for college.

Much love, Mom, Dad, Chris, Connor and all of the animals

Jordan REDNOUR

Congratulations Jordan!

The past 18 years seemed to have passed in a flash. You went from a hyper little guy that liked to dress up in super hero costumes to an amazing, kind, respectful young man. You have been such a blessing in our lives. We are so proud of you and can't wait to see what your future holds.

Love, Dad, Mom & Christian



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You are such a blessing to this family and we are beyond proud of the strong, independent person you have become! You are one of the hardest-working people we know and you will do great things with your life. Press forward to your extraordinary potential and we will walk with you all of the way.

Love you forever and always.

Mom, Dad, Kendra, Zach and Ella

AMANDA Pfeil

Nathan BAKER

Eighteen years have gone by so fast. We are so very proud of you and have been blessed to watch you grow into a very good man. We know you have worked very hard and we can't wait to see what will come next. Never give up and always remember that we will be here to support you and cheer you on. We love you very much.

Mom & Dad

We are so proud of the young lady you have become. From the day you were born, you have brought so much happiness to our lives. You have entertained us with your stories and observations of the world around us. We are so grateful you are ours!

We Love You All The Way To The Moon And Back! And More...

Julianne BARRAGAN

Well the day has finally come, time to move ahead with your journey to adulthood. We are very proud of you and all of your accomplishments. Keep dreaming and striving forward, your dreams, allow no obstacles to keep you from your goals. We love you a ton!

Mom, Dad, Samuel, Jackson, Cécéla

Olivia FILEAN

Emily SAYLOR

I can't believe how quickly the time has passed. You have become a strong, confident and caring person. I can't wait to see what the future holds for you. I am so proud of you.

Love, Dad

Hooray, You're Graduating!!!!

We think you're awesome.

Love you,
Dad, Mom, Collier,
and Andrea

Carson BROWN

You are funny, intelligent, witty, independent, genuine, loyal, and Christ-centered with the most original laugh we've ever heard. We could not be prouder of your accomplishments as well as the young lady you have become.

Always be true to your heart, believe in yourself, make good choices, accept all that you are, forgive others and always forgive yourself. We can not wait to see where your path leads you and the adventures you will go explore. We love you.

Mom, Tim, Timothy, Ben & Meredith

Colleen CARR



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Samantha GREYSON

We are amazed how the last 17 years have flown by and now you are graduating high school. We have cherished every minute of it and are so proud of the independent young woman you have become!

Love, Mom, Dad, and Alex



Callie NORRIS

Callie, We are so proud of the kind-hearted, fun-loving, faith-filled young lady you have become. We rejoice in your accomplishments thus far, and we know this is only the beginning. Dream big, Ladybug!

Love, Dad, Mom, and Sam
 For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."
 —Jeremiah 29:11



CARTER Outon

Carter,
 Congrats on your graduation. We blinked and you grew up. It's been such a joy watching you become the man you are, and we are looking forward to watching you explore and conquer the world. Keep singing, and keep God first. Know you have a family that loves, adores and supports you.

Love,
 Dad, Rissa, Madison X 2, Mom, Tim, Jackson, Morgan, Nana, Wendy, & Dad



Haidyn Elise HILL

Our Haidyn Girl
 We are all so proud of the young woman that you've become! There's been a lot of "firsts" since you were born...first smile, first word, first step. Even as you get older...first bff, first sleeperover, first camp, first cheer competition...These "firsts" will continue through our lives & will always be very special. Just like YOU! Your heart, intelligence, ambition & beauty (inside & out) has always been known. That "strong-willed" child that you once were will now become a determined, successful woman, no doubt about it! We are excited about this new chapter in your life (and ours) that is about to begin. Haidyn, our hearts are so full of love for you! Our prayer for you today & always is that you keep God close to your heart & that He guides & protects you from harm for eternity.

All our love,
 Daddy, Mommy, Savannah, Jillian, Easton, Mimi & Grandpa, Nana, Rocky, Sugar & Charlie Bear



I know the plans I have for you ... plans to give you hope & a future
 Jeremiah 29:11



We are so proud of everything you have accomplished and can't wait to see where your next journey takes you. We love you so much!

Love,
 Dad, Mom and Noah



Sydney SCHNELLE



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Ilyssa QUESENBERRY



You have been through some serious challenges over the years but you've proven yourself to be quite the determined fighter! No matter what the obstacle placed in your way, you've met it head-on and persevered. We are so amazed and proud of you more and more every day. With your intelligence, talents, personality and determination we know that you will be able to achieve anything that you set your mind to. Always remember... "I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength" (Phil. 4:13).

Love always and forever, Mom & Dad.



Dear Olivia,

What an incredible and unique individual you are! Since the day you were born you have amazed us with your creativity, energy, strength, intellect and drive. Your relentless pursuit of excellence has ensured your success in everything you have participated in, from art to sports to academics. We wish you happiness and satisfaction as you pursue your goals in the next chapter of your life.

We love you to the moon and back! Mom, Dad and Charles

Olivia WEBER

Olivia WILSON



What a joy it has been watching you grow to be such a wonderful young lady. We know God has wonderful things in store for you. We love you to the moon and back. Continue to "Dream BIG, Olivia."

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Sydney



Jonathan COGWELL



We are so grateful that God blessed us with you, you are a constant source of positivity, strength and resilience. Keep your sense of humor and always remember who and whose you are and everything will fall into place. We are so proud of all you have accomplished and can't wait to see what God has in store for you in the future. You're ready, on zip-zip on!

Joshua 19

Love always,

Mom, Dad and Aaron



ABIGAIL Calhoun



You have been sunshine in our family since you were born. Your double dimple smile lights up any room you are in. You work hard and give your all to everything you do. You love God and His children, especially those that are frequently forgotten. Go get that great big world girl!

Love,
Mom & Dad



Since the day you were born you have been a blessing to us. You are smart, funny, a great soccer player but most of all you are very humble. It has been a joy watching you grow into the young man you have become. We are so proud of what you have accomplished and excited on what the future holds for you. Remember the Lord loves you very much and he will always be with you.

Joshua 19 "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

We Love You Today and Always,
Dad & Mom

Gregory LOPEZ



Brooke,

We love your drive and commitment, your determination and individuality. We love everything you have become and everything you will be. Continue to follow your dreams with passion and never give up on what you love.

Love you always,
Mom & Dad



Brooke ALY

Erin Cyrier



Dear Erin,

What a joy it has been to watch you grow into a young woman. You have a contagious smile and your love for people have created relationships that will last beyond high school. You are such a hard worker, and whether it's academics, music, or ministry, you do it all with excellence and joy. We are excited for your future and can't wait to see what God has planned for the next chapter of your life.

Be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.
1 Corinthians 15:58

Love - Mom, Dad & Cooper



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Senior Officers



Senior Kick Company



Four-Year Seniors



Senior Hip Hop



Senior Elite

To the often imitated but never duplicated Marquette Senior Class of 2018...

We have cherished our time with you! We dub you the class with impressive talent that is packed with personality. We hope the Marquette experience has shown you that you are capable of much, your attitude dictates your success and smiling with your whole heart makes life more full. Thank you for working hard, leading with pride, the laughs, the tears, the phenomenal dancing, always being "the best" and for each of you being you.

Love ya', mean it,
Mrs. Neely and Mrs. Stephens

Breana CORONA

Bree Bree!

You have been such a blessing in our lives. We are so very proud of the amazing person you are. We know God has a great future planned for you!

Love you always- Mom, Casey, Britain, Andrew & Case

"May He give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed." Psalm 20:4

Champ GONZALES

Congratulations CHAMP 2019 McKinney Graduate We love you and are so proud of you.

Always remember you are Braver than you believe Stronger than you seem Smarter than you think & Loved more than you know.

KALEB Dixon

What a tremendous honor, privilege and blessing it is to call you son, brother, grandson and friend. You are such a remarkable young man. You are smart, hardworking, gentle and kind. Your character always shines through. People are always telling of your kindness. You have everything you need inside of you to continue to succeed in life. Continue to stand in who you are because you are amazing. You are loved, treasured and respected more than you can ever imagine. We cannot wait to see all of the extraordinary feats that you will accomplish in life.

Congratulations Kaleb

TRENTON Brooks

Trenton, in the blink of an eye you grew into a compassionate, loving, kind, responsible, intelligent, athletic, funny, and overall amazing young man we are so proud of. Your ability to overcome challenges and rise to the top in all aspects of your life, is truly inspirational. Stay true to yourself. The future is yours and remember, "if you have a DREAM you're going to need to follow it. If you have a DREAM never look back."

We love you to the moon and back!

Alberto GUTIERREZ-IRIZARRY

Congratulations Alberto!

We are all extremely proud of you. Not only are we blessed by all your great accomplishments, but also by the kind and caring person which you have become. Remember to continue working hard towards all your goals and dreams, as nothing will ever be outside your reach. Keep believing in yourself, just like we always have and will continue to believe in you. The sky is the limit now, so enjoy your journey and always keep that sense of humor and kindness showing. Un caballero ante todo.

Que Dios te bendiga siempre! Te Queremos mucho... Papa, Mama, Andrea y tus Abuelos



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William MARSHALL EDWARDS II

Congratulations Marshall!

God has blessed our family with you. You never cease to amaze us with your acts of unselfish unconditional love. Remember Phil 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me", and nothing can stand in the way of your path. Never change your laid back attitude and what you believe in.

Love you always,
 Father, Mother, and Sister



Aly GRIDER



Wow – these past four years have flown by! You have grown into a beautiful and caring young woman, right before our eyes. We are so blessed to call you our daughter and we can hardly wait to see where your determined spirit and independence will take you, both in college and beyond. We pray that God will continue to watch over you and protect you when we can't. We love you and are so very proud of you and excited for your future!

Love – Mom, Dad, Makenzie, Sadie, Sophie and Scarlett

ANNETTE O'Dell



We are so proud of all you have accomplished! Your hard work has paid off. "May you continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." 2 Peter 3:18

We love you!
 Mom, Dad and Marie

MEGAN Wagoner

Megan,

Our smart, funny, spirited, tender-hearted girl! We couldn't be prouder of the young woman you have become! Hold tight to your faith and keep your eyes fixed on God, and we can't wait to see where He takes you next! We'll be cheering you on every step of the way. Joshua 19

Love,
 Mom and Dad



HANNAH Freeman

Hannah,

We are so proud of you. You never fail to bring laughter and joy to us and all those around you. We can't wait to see what God has in store for you at Samford and beyond. We pray that you always stay centered in His will for your life. Jeremiah 29:11

Love,
 Mom and Dad



God is within her, she will not fail

Lenia Mechelle JORDAN

A Star since Birth

You had us believing in your impending stardom from day one. We knew in 5th grade when you received the Star Student award at Walker Elementary that such an honor was just a stepping stone for you, as the sky is the limit. The past years taking advanced classes, participating in the honor society, orchestra, cheerleading, tennis, drill team, and numerous other organizations have you well on your way to shining even brighter. Lenia, Mommy and Daddy are bursting with pride and can't wait to see where you lead our hearts next. You're our star, baby girl – our beautiful, shining star, eternally.



GARRETT Morrison

We are incredibly proud of the young man you have become. We know God has big plans for you. Congratulations Garrett!

We love you,
 Dad, Mom, Gracie and Bandit

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not men." Colossians 3:23



Jordan YONAS

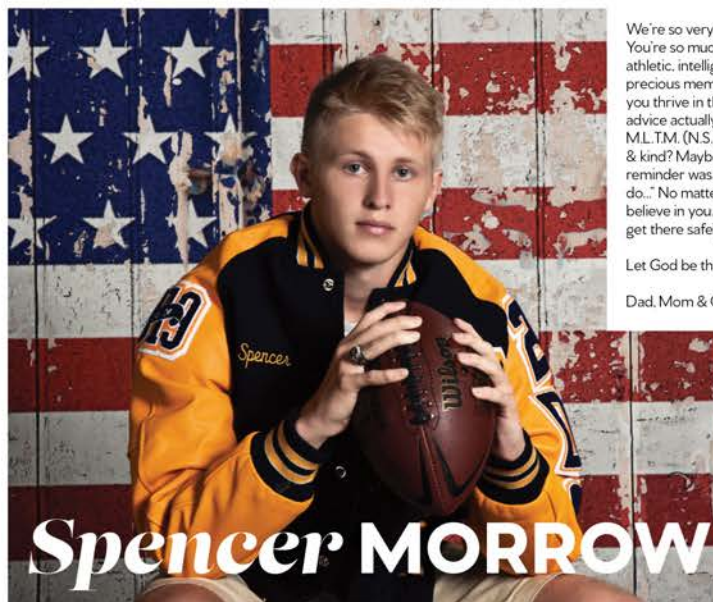
We are so blessed to have a remarkable first-born like you. You are dedicated, courageous and incredibly wise beyond your years. You are a World-Changer! We couldn't be more proud of you!

Love you,
 Dad & Mom
 xoxoxo





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Spencer MORROW

We're so very proud of the man you've become! You're so much more than our handsome, athletic, intelligent & hilarious son & bro. Too many precious memories flash as we prepare to watch you thrive in the "real world." We wonder what advice actually stuck. Give 'em the game face? M.L.T.M. (N.S.)? Can't never could? Stay humble & kind? Maybe the most important childhood reminder was simply, "We love Spencer. Yes we do..." No matter where you go in life, we will always believe in you. Just don't forget to text when you get there safely.

Let God be the light along your path.

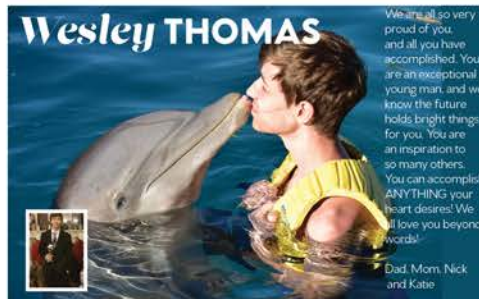
Dad, Mom & Cam



NICO Ramirez

You have great things ahead. Don't let anything or anyone, including yourself, hold you back. You are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem and smarter than you think! We are all so proud of the man you are becoming and we wish you the very best!

Love,
Your Family



Wesley THOMAS

We are all so very proud of you, and all you have accomplished. You are an exceptional young man, and we know the future holds bright things for you. You are an inspiration to so many others. You can accomplish ANYTHING your heart desires! We all love you beyond words!

Dad, Mom, Nick and Kate



Your caring and loving heart coupled with your passion for all to be heard and have a voice is just a small example of your beautiful soul. Anything you set your mind to in life is achievable and we are watching with gleaming eyes! Wow, a third generation MHS Lion graduate derived from the Cobbel, Clark and Smith family! Conquer your dreams and know we are proud and honored to call you our daughter!

Love, Mom, Dad and Mia

Zoë COBBEL



CARLY Saum

Congratulations! Where did the time go? You are starting a new chapter in your life. You have grown into an amazing woman, wise beyond her years. Words can't describe how special you are. Relationships you nurtured with family, friends, and others speak volumes to your character. We are blessed you are our daughter. We look forward to the things you will do, places you will go and people you will meet. We will always be here for you. Your future is bright and full of promise. If we could give you one thing, it would be to see yourself through our eyes so you can see how amazing you are!



Benjamin RUNYAN

Ben, you have been a blessing to our lives and we thank God for that. You never cease to surprise us; from your red hair to your desire to become a pilot and everything in between. We are excited to see how God will use your life in the upcoming years.

Love,
Mom & Dad



Mariana & Marielle SANCHEZ



Marielle & Mariana.

We're so proud to the beautiful ladies you've become. Wherever your adventures in life may take you, we pray that you will always be safe. Now it's time for something new, and as your biggest fans, we can't wait to see what happens next! Relish every moment and never forget your way back home.

Love you always!
Mom & Dad





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Brady SCHROEDER

Every second of every day has been pure joy. We are forever proud and amazed at your dedication! These next 4+ years are going to be life-changing! Enjoy every minute!! We will miss the laughter and hugs most of all when you are away. We love you more than you will ever know!

Love, Mom, Dad and B



Erin, we are so very proud of you and all that you have accomplished. Your determination and dedication will serve you well as you follow your dreams into the future!

All of our Love,
Mom, Dad & Shane

ERIN Smith



ANDREW Cope



It isn't always easy being the oldest of six, but you have been a great leader and everything we could hope for in a first-born child. We are so pleased with your work ethic as evidenced in your own choice to take close to 20 A.P. classes and to earn your varsity letters on the cross country and track teams. You are an intelligent, charming, witty young man, and we know you will accomplish all that you came to earth to do. Families are forever and the gospel is true! We love you more than you may yet know. All our best--and congrats!!!

Love,
Mom & Dad, Isaac, Eloise, Joseph, Rose & Miniam

Abigayle SHEFFIELD

Words cannot express how proud we are of you! We are proud of the little girl you were then and the strong, beautiful woman you have become. You will always find challenges, and challenges will always find you. Opportunity is a byproduct of challenge. Never settle. Never doubt yourself. Never back down from what you truly believe in. We wish you blessings, strength, adventure and happiness as you're taking on this world.

"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will." **Romans 12:2**
Love,
Mom, Dad, and AJ



Brittney PARR

It's been an absolute joy to watch you grow into such a beautiful, caring young woman. Your faith, compassion, strength, quick wit and kindred heart are just a few characteristics that have made the last 18 years so amazing. Stay true to your heart, believe in yourself and keep walking with Christ as the center of your life. The world is at your fingertips and always remember you can do anything you set your mind on.

We love you with all our heart!!!
Mom, Dad, Ashley and Mason

2 Corinthians 5:17



Jordan WITMER

It's hard to believe that you are graduating high school. We are so proud of the young man you have become. Over the years, we have watched you grow into a kind hearted, honest and caring young man. We have loved watching you play basketball and always admired how hard you played. Your future is bright and we can't wait to see what path God takes you down. We love you very much and will always be here for you.

Love, Dad, Mom, Trae, Damon and Brooke



Matthew ANDERSON

Matthew,

What a joy you have been these past 18 years. You are bright, happy, and loving. We could not have asked for more. Your future is wide open and we cannot wait to see what great things you do. We are always behind you!

With love,
Mom, Dad, Liz, Jon, Stephen, Cat and Elijah



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It has been such a pleasure watching you grow into the wonderful person you are today. We love your passion for God, family, friends, and school. We also love your competitive nature and your willingness to tackle situations out of your comfort zone. We see big things in your future.

We love you dear Mom, Dad and Hayden.

Tierney UHL

Matthew JULIANO

They say good things come in small packages. You sure entered this world as a very tiny human. But we blinked and you grew up. Now you have BIG dreams, BIG goals and BIG opportunities. We couldn't be more proud of the man you have become and we know that God has BIG plans for your future. We can't wait to see what is in store for you. We love your kind heart, quick wit, sense of humor, love of life, thirst for knowledge, thoughtful words and charm. Stay true to yourself along your journey! We just know you will go far and do great things!

With all our Love, Mom, Dad & Brittany

Matthew JULIANO

Natalie BROWN

Congratulations to our sweet daughter! You are such a blessing to our family. You bring so much happiness to our home. Enjoy this fun and exciting time! Keep your faith and positive outlook. May God bless you and guide your heart throughout life's adventures! We wish the best for you and the MHS Class of 2019!

We love you! Mom & Dad

Go Lions!

Natalie BROWN



FAITH Qualls

You've come a long way baby.

We are so very proud of who you have become. You are a blessing to us all, and we are excited to see what the future holds for you!

You are braver than you think, and stronger than you appear. We love you more than you can comprehend!

FAITH Qualls

Brady COATE

Congratulations kid, we are all so very proud of you. Good luck in finding your way (Dustin says out the door). Go do stupid, crazy, amazing fun things and chase your dreams. Be smart, learn lots, and try new things (I can't insert Dustin's advice here, you can talk to him later.) We love you very much. B! Now go make us even more proud!

Love, Mom, Dustin, Karissa and Caitlin

Brady COATE

Jaedyn GREENE

Rooney.

You have been a Fighter since the Very Beginning and have gone after anything you've wanted, without even looking back! Arkansas has No idea what they have in store for them! You have brought us so much love, happiness and knowledge on many different subjects! Here's to watching you continuing to chase your dreams and succeeding at everything You Put your Mind to!

We Love you, So Much.

Mom, Xanny & Michael

Jaedyn GREENE

Lunden EVANS

You are loved beyond words Lunden! Life's journey is about to begin for you, we wish you happiness and joy in your adventures you are about to embark on. You are God's gift to us, never forget that!

Love you, Dad, Mom, and Max

Lunden EVANS



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Alexander LEAL



Twelve years have gone by like the breeze through the trees. We have celebrated your triumphs and conquered your obstacles as a family. You have emerged from your journey a respectful young man. Now you are about to set out on your own. Be proud of where you came from, and courteous to those you pass on your way up. Always remember, keep your feet on the ground, and keep reaching for the stars!

We love you, Mom & Dad

Jeremiah 29:11 - "For I know the plans I have for you" says the Lord.



Betsey STOKES



You are completely spectacular! We love your wit and sarcasm. We love how driven you are to achieve. It has been so much fun watching you face and conquer challenges all through school. Your life in college and beyond is going to be filled with many big adventures. We can't wait to see what amazing things you accomplish. Take the time to consider all of your choices, then follow your path with a passion but don't forget to have fun.

We love you and are immensely proud of you! Dad, Mom, Bo, Tommy, and Vince.





MACKEY



Macey, We have watched in amazement you grow into the person you are today. With your talent and determination, the sky's the limit! We're so proud of you! Now it's time for something new, and as your biggest fans, we can't wait to see what happens next! Stay sweet, stay fierce, and most importantly, stay you!

We love you, Bill, Mom, Morgan and Kenzie



HAVEN VanLandingham



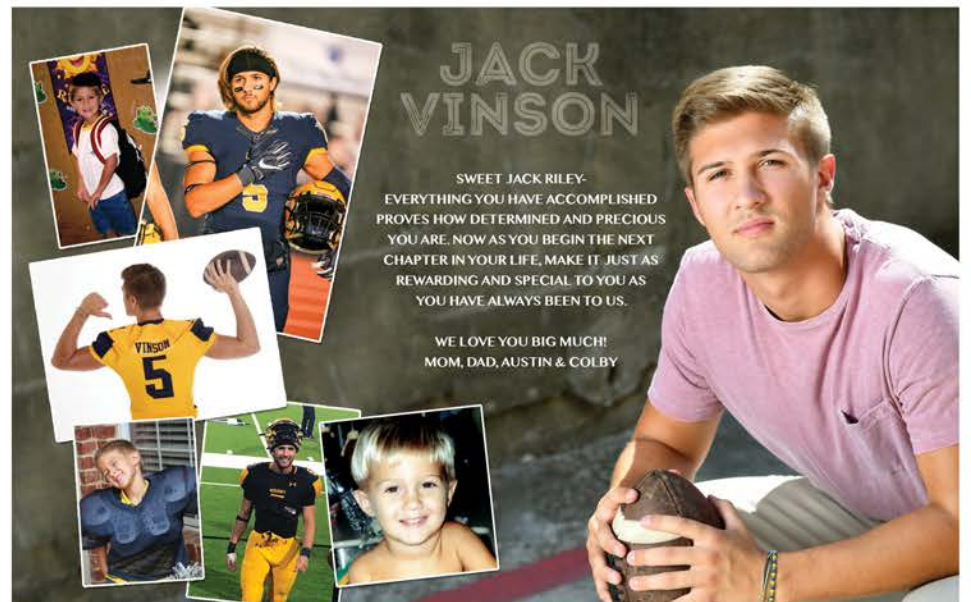
It just seems like yesterday that you started at McKinney High. Just think of all you have learned. "We are especially proud of you being 1st chair in 2nd Band and your excellent marching skills with the Royal Priolo Band." Your studies of Art and Graphic Design will help you achieve your dream of becoming a Video Game Designer. Continue to treat others with kindness like you have always wanted to be treated. Your future is only limited by your determination to succeed.

Love, Mom, Dad, and Elliot












JACK VINSON



SWEET JACK RILEY- EVERYTHING YOU HAVE ACCOMPLISHED PROVES HOW DETERMINED AND PRECIOUS YOU ARE. NOW AS YOU BEGIN THE NEXT CHAPTER IN YOUR LIFE, MAKE IT JUST AS REWARDING AND SPECIAL TO YOU AS YOU HAVE ALWAYS BEEN TO US.

WE LOVE YOU BIG MUCH! MOM, DAD, AUSTIN & COLBY



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Connor WRIGHT



Congratulations, Connor Dear!

We are so proud of you and blessed to have watched you grow into such an amazing young man. You are so determined, resilient, faithful and have the most compassionate heart. You can accomplish anything you set your mind to, and we can't wait to see where your journey takes you!

We love you!
 Mom, Dad, Logan & Avery





RYAN Hallstrom



Congratulations Ryan!

We love you!
 Love, Dad & Mom

SOPHIE Manson



Sophie,

Cherish your past as you look to your future while living your dreams to the fullest.

We love you,
 Dad, Mom, and Claire

Maggie AUSTIN



Mag Pie,
 We are so proud of you. Always be true to yourself, be brave, and enjoy the journey...

"Your life will be a great and continuous unfolding"

We all love you to the moon and back.

Mom, Dad, Ruby, and Millie







Maven MALONEY



Maven we are all so proud of you. Not just for all of your accomplishments but also for the smart, sweet, big-hearted young lady you've become. Follow your own path with your head up high above any naysayers. You're destined for greatness.

We love you, Mom, Dad and Merek




TRIPP Spence



We have been blessed watching you grow into a young man with such a caring and compassionate heart. You are loved beyond words. May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed. Psalm 20:4
















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Domenic NUÑEZ

Son, we are so proud of the amazing person you've become. You are loyal, strong and determined to succeed. Keep believing in yourself, don't give up and trust in the Lord that He may continue to guide and direct you.

"You are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem and smarter than you think."

Love always, Dad, Mom, Dante & Aliana

Ariana NAVARRO




Congratulations Ariana!

It has been a joy watching you grow into a young lady, leader, and an avid learner. Your dedication to your community and education is inspirational. Your loving and fun heart radiates through your actions, smile, and dimples. As you move on to the next chapter of your life, remember you are loved, learning is an everyday process. FAITH can move mountains, encounter all with kindness, goals you set are goals you get, and HECHALE GANAS! Always strive to be a better version of yourself. We love you very much and we are excited to see God's plans for you.

Love,
 Mom, Dad, Elias, & Abram

LUKE Acosta




We are so proud of you, and the young man you have become! You have worked so hard and achieved so much! We are excited as you begin this next phase in your life, and know God has great things planned for you! We love you!

Mom, Dad, Preston,
 Jessica, & Emily

Caleb ATCHLEY



Greatest Child Ever.

(Don't tell your sister.) We're so proud of the man you have become and are so excited to see what your next chapter will bring. Always remember, you'll never be as cool as your Mom, but you've come close.



Benjamin HAYDEN




What's important is that you make the leap. Jump high and hard with intention and heart. Pay no attention to the vision that the committee made up. YOU GET TO MAKE YOUR LIFE. (Cheryl Strayed) Continue to be amazing!!

Love, Mom, Dad & Abby

Lexi HARRIS




Our baby girl. We couldn't be more proud of the young lady that you have become. You are beautiful, intelligent, caring, witty, and wonderful. You've brought so much joy into our lives. We couldn't imagine or want anything more than what God has given us in you. We can't wait to see what adventures await in this next season of life. But no matter where you go, know that you always have a place to come home to and a family that loves and supports you unconditionally. We love you more today than yesterday.

He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end. Ecclesiastes 3:11

Love,
 Mom, Dad, Jaxon, Coy & Reagan



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With SO much pride we say CONGRATS! Watching you grow into the most amazing person full of determination and such a kind heart. You are beautiful and funny with a little (sometimes a big) dash of sass. You truly are a Blessing and our ray of sunshine. So, as you enter this next chapter, go confidently, pray always, follow your dreams, and remember "Every step you take starts with courage" (once said by a very wise person).

We love you soooooo much Sister, Mom, Dad, Evan, Bo and Priss

Taylor WILLIAMS

RANDYLE Farmer

We are so very proud of all of your wonderful accomplishments. You are such a lovely, talented, kind, and intelligent young woman.

We know you will be successful and genuine in all of your future endeavors. We are so excited for you and love you so much!



KENNEDY Claytor

Well done Ken! We love you beyond measure and wish you the very best in this next chapter of life. May God continue to guide, provide and protect you every step of the way. Be unapologetically you and let your light shine brightly no matter where you are.

Love, Mom, Dad, Spence, Kass & Grandma



Eric BOATMAN

Everywhere you journey in your life, you will go with the love of your family. Forever we will be with you. You are the joy in our life, source of our dearest memories, inspiration for our fondest wishes and the greatest gift we have been given. You are remarkable and amazing!

We couldn't be more proud of you! You have so much ahead of you, remain true to who you are. Stay the course and you will be unstoppable in the future.

Love, Dad, Mom and Leah



Katilyn PEPPER

You are extraordinarily beautiful Katilyn. You are the strongest person I know Katilyn. You are the absolute best thing in my life Katilyn. Your drive, your passion and your determination make you a simply remarkable young lady. You have skills and talents no one else has Katilyn. You have a personality that makes you uniquely you.

You are amazing Katilyn. You are my inspiration baby. You are LOVED forever and always more than you will ever know.

-Mom



Hannah PEREZ

OUR - big hearted, contagious energy, song bird, "Sidekick," dancing queen, laughs in awkward times, old soul, music is life, corn-lovin', never met a stranger, willing to lend a hand, ear or shoulder, never been one to color inside the lines - HANNAH. Never change my sweet girl. Never settle, stay humble, know your worth and stay true to yourself. We can't wait to see where your heart calls you to go, do and be. You have brought us all so much happiness and laughter. You put the color inside of our world! How lucky we are to get to love and be loved by you. We've always known you will do amazing things in your life that will change the lives of others. "Ohana"

Love you mostest, Mommy, Daddy, Natti, Bubby, Mima & Chuy




Diego VALDEZ

To our "Yeguis" - We knew this proud day would come. To our Smart, Handsome, Loving, Caring, Humble, we could go on and would run out of space. You've made life so EASY for us. You're ALWAYS there for us. Words can't explain how honored and blessed we are to have you as our Son. Since we took you to your first day of Kindergarten we knew you were destined for greatness. We knew you would like adventures when you were thrown down the stairs in your Spiderman sleeping bag! Continue to do what you're doing and never forget that God has said what you are: Special, Blessed & Everything you touch Prospers.

Diego, Gracias por tu dedicacion, esfuerzo y todo lo que has logrado. Por ser el Hijo que lucha por sus ideales y principios. Dios bendiga tu vida y gue tus pasos siempre. Te amamos!

Dad, Mom, Ambar & JC



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THE ONE WITH THE PARKING SPOT

Over the summer, senior Bridget Kotolowski welcomes senior year by painting her parking spot. "It was so cool because I had my friends painting with me and I got to design it after my favorite TV show, friends." Bridget said. "It says 'the one with my senior year' at the bottom."



Kayla Thompson



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LAST CHANCE

After playing his last game, senior Danny Lenard hangs his head down. The loss was the week after a history-making victory against cross-town rivals McKinney Boyd. "I was crying," Danny said. "It was our first playoff game and I thought we'd make it further." *photo by Abney Garcia*

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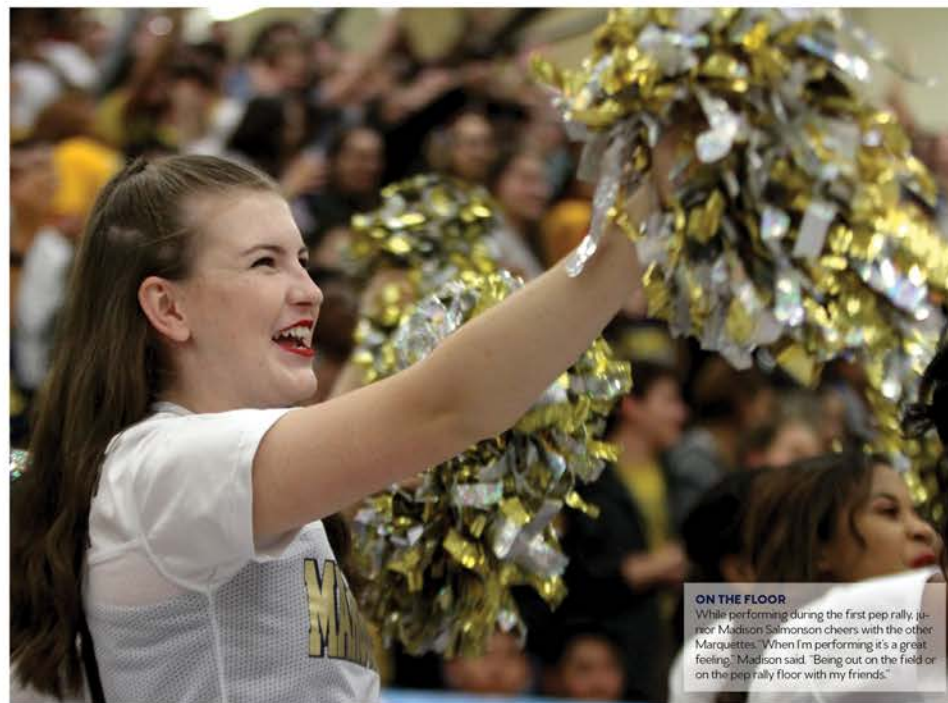
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While working on his paper mache project, senior Domenic Nunez dips a piece of newspaper in mod podge. He was making the donut from "The Simpsons." "I'm in AP 3D art," Domenic said. "It lets you express your feelings in ways you can't explain."



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While performing with band, freshman Bryan Gonzalez opens the game with the school song "I like performing, it makes me feel good." Bryan said, "I get nervous sometimes with everyone watching but I get really focused in the music." photo by Kayla Thompson

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While moving down the court, senior Byron Schoby makes a pass to his teammate. "I was trying to get an easy lay-up against Highland Park." Byron said. "I do a lot to prepare for a game but I know when I'm ready because I feel good in what I do."

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During his performance in "The Phantom of the Opera," senior Cameron Brown shows the fellow Phantom characters the newspaper. Phantom had the longest rehearsal time of any play the theatre put on. "It was the longest time I've ever worked on a show so it was really hard," Cameron said. "Especially because we didn't have the space but it was really fulfilling in the end."



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KEY TOPICS SENIORS
Everyone else

CHALK IT UP TO FRIENDSHIP

While at gymnastics practice, junior Rachel Landis chalks up her hands. "My teammates are like my sisters," Rachel said. "I spend 20 hours a week with them so I love them with my whole heart."



Sydney Anderson



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A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

After the first game against North Mrs. Boehringer takes a selfie with photographers Juniors Landry Raymond, Aden Lantos and seniors Melanie Russell, Gabby Rogge and Abney Garcia to celebrate the good lighting in the new stadium. Photobombed by Bryce.

PICTURE PERFECT

At the Homecoming game, photo guru Mitchell Franz shows photographers Juniors Mariana Ramirez and Elizabeth Chan how to use a 400 mm lens.



PEACE OUT

In San Antonio for the Fall Fiesta convention, seniors Lexi Harris, Eliana Baker and Lily Lima and sophomores Leah Boatman and Sydney Caldwell throw up peace signs in a cool mirror pic.



PARTY TIME

At the annual journalism Christmas party, the yearbook staff and broadcasting staff comes together to celebrate the holidays at Mrs. Boehringer's house. Mariana Ramirez won "finger hands for finger hands" and Mrs. Boehringer was grateful for her avocados.



WINNER WINNERS

After the award ceremony at the TAJE Fall Fiesta San Antonio convention, sophomores Leah Boatman, Sydney Caldwell, seniors Eliana Baker, Sydney Schelle, Lily Lima, Lexi Harris, Samantha Richards and Sydney Beck receive awards on behalf of the Lion yearbook and MHSI.

IN THE BEGINNING

On Sydney's 17th birthday in June, yearbook editors and ding dongs senior Lexi Harris, and juniors Kayla Thompson and Sydney Anderson went to a yearbook workshop to begin planning the theme for the yearbook.



INSIDE the staff

To the staff and friends of the staff.

Abby, your overwhelming positivity helped us finish out the year, and thanks for designing those couple of spreads.

Abney, you took the most awesome photos that we didn't know we needed until you shot them. You were an incredible photo editor.

Aden, thanks for being an overall cool guy. Except all the burping (you owe us \$500).

Adison, that homemade french toast was the most interesting item we had for dinner. Thanks for getting all those random interviews.

Adrian aka 'Lil Yachty, your good photos made up for your corny jokes (almost).

Gabby and Eliana, thank you for all the amazing photos. Shutter Schesters forever.

Esmeralda, you moved schools and were brave enough to join yearbook. Thank you for interviewing all those random people for us.

Keyshawn, Keyshawm!!!! Sorry yelling your name became an inside joke. Thanks for naming all those people in the groups. We hope the McDonald's thing works out.

Laisha, thank you for those cool pictures and writing all those captions. We are truly grateful. **Landry and Liz**, y'all were the dynamic duo of the year. All of your photos and your dancing blew us away. Also, thank you for getting all those interviews and helping us out.

Lauren, we know you love band, but thanks for always being there when we needed you.

Leah and Sydney C., you really branched out this year. Thank you for writing those stories and completing those pages, good luck whipping your hair back and forth for the next two years.

Lily, thanks for bringing the Brazilian culture to the staff, and for all the spread, photos, interviews and captions you got for us. Have fun with Lexi at ACU.

Mariana, you watched The Office a lot but still got those all those great photos edited and took control of the new teacher spread. Thank you!

Melanie, that title page photo was and still is:

absolutely stunning, just like you.

Randyke, thank you for always being the first person to volunteer when we needed help.

Shay, thank you for proofreading every single page in the yearbook. You were the only one we trusted and you have the coolest belt, too.

Sydney Beck, even though you weren't technically in yearbook, just in the periods, you still got those interviews and had those connections. Thanks.

Bryce and Stefan, you are now officially unbanned.

To the parents, thank you so much for providing those delicious dinners! We couldn't have gotten through work nights without y'all.

Ms. Marchal and Ms. Lopez, we're sorry for coming in everyday asking for the same students' schedules over and over again. This book would never get done without y'all. Words can't describe how important you are to us. Thank you so much.

Mitchell Franz, per usual, thank you for teaching our photographers how to be the best and for smashing confetti eggs on our heads in San Antonio and convincing Mrs. B to ride that Bird.

Jim Jordan, your advice is always helpful. Thank you for helping guide us in the right direction with this year's book once again. We're so grateful.

Mike, we used every page in three different "Ask Mike" notepads. Thank you for being our best friend through this entire process.

All the other yearbook gurus who helped us along the way, including: Bruce Wattersen, Margaret Sorrows, Judi Coolidge, Gary Lundgren, Martha Akers, Cindy Todd, Becky Tate and even Dow Tate (Garda). Thank you for steering us in the right direction.

Jill Chittum, you're truly the best. Thank you for figuring out all of our ambitious plans and making them a reality. We love you.

Thank you again to the whole staff. You are beautiful - inside and out.

Love,

Your editors, Lexi, Kayla and Sydney

CAUGHT YELLOW-HANDED

At the Gloria Shields Workshop in June, sophomores Lauren Peterson, Leah Boatman, and seniors Tatiana Brooks, Abney Garcia, Melanie Russell and Randy Farmer wear yellow gloves, similar to mimes.

FOODIES

At Mi Tierra in San Antonio, Mrs. Boehringer takes a selfie with photo guru, Mitchell Franz and the rest of the journalism staff that went on the trip.



PERFECT PHOTO DOESN'T EXIST

During a deadline, seniors Keyshawn McClennan, Adrian Wilson, sophomores Leah Boatman, and juniors Aden Lantos and Landry Raymond take an iconic photo wearing their hoods.



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most overplayed SONGS

It's not easy trying to find a playlist that 26 people can agree on, especially when you have to sit in the same room for hours into the night. These were the songs we knew by heart by the end of the year. Not complaining.

"Bennie And The Jets" by Elton John
"California Dreamin'" by The Mamas & The Papas
"The Final Countdown" by Europe
"You Get What You Give" by New Radicals
"No Rain" by Blind Melon
"Mr. Jones" by Counting Crows
"Tiny Dancer" by Elton John
"Bittersweet Symphony" by The Verve
"You Can Call Me Al" by Paul Simon
"Buddy Holly" by Weezer
"Come On Eileen" by Dexy's Midnight Runners
"Son Of A Preacher Man" by Dusty Springfield
"Go Your Own Way" by Fleetwood Mac
"Heart Of Glass" by Blondie
"Just What I Needed" by The Cars
"My Sharona" by The Knack
"Our House" by Madness
"Mr. Blue Sky" by Electric Light Orchestra
"Sledgehammer" by Peter Gabriel
"Under Pressure" by Queen and David Bowie
"Girls" by Beastie Boys
"Cut Your Hair" by Pavement

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THEME EXPLANATION

We chose the theme "Ins and Outs" because of the vast changes our campus experienced – almost 50 new staff members, a new stadium and a new performing arts center. We emphasized the ampersand you see continuously throughout the book. We didn't want it to be your average "what's in and what's out" theme. Through the use of duotones, we were able to add dimension to our sidebars, dominant photos, and make some things look like they're popping out (get it?). With the triangular arrows leading to a sidebar, the reader can know what is going on inside the picture that was taken. This provides more context of what's going on inside and outside of the photo. On the cover, the reader can peek through the window to see inside the book. And on each divider, a gatefold provides an inside look at that section. Not straying far from our typical gold and blue color scheme, we added a royal blue to compliment our classic navy and gold.

editors



WHAT WE said

"Is this Sail?"
ABBY McADAMS

"I was born at night, but not last night."
MRS. BOEHRINGER

"What degree do we italicize photo bys in?"
LEAH BOATMAN

"Wait, did everyone know anchovies are fish?"
LEXI HARRIS

"Hey do you guys want to see me in dog form?"
SYDNEY ANDERSON

"I can't hear you. You're sitting."
ELIZABETH CHAN

staff



ANOTHER ONE
During the Boyd game, junior Emmanuel Martinez celebrates with his teammates. Emmanuel had just scored the winning goal. "We were having a good season so we had a lot of support that game," he said. "We all get along really well which translates onto the field" photo by Abney Garcia



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We applauded the cast of "Phantom" and we were only down by three against Plano East at the Homecoming game.

We waited for opportunities to get NHS hours and get to see the impact we have made on the community.

In the beginning, seniors were counting down the days until graduation, but now they don't want this year to end.

We're more than every other high school. We go all-in, whether we're building a house for Habitat for Humanity or finishing that last problem on our Physics study guide. And what we get out of it, is what we put into it.

That's just the

ins & outs
of McKinney High.

&
NOW
WHAT?

CLOSE ONE

At the crosstown basketball game against North, seniors Diego Espinosa and Danny Lenard cheer after senior Byron Schoby makes a three point shot. The game ended in a loss 61-64. "I remember the atmosphere being very electric," Danny said. "We were winning at first for the longest time and then toward the end it got kind of tied up." *photo by Abney Garcia*



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