

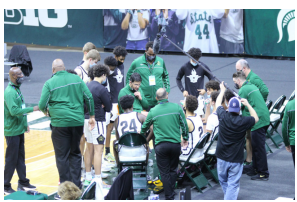
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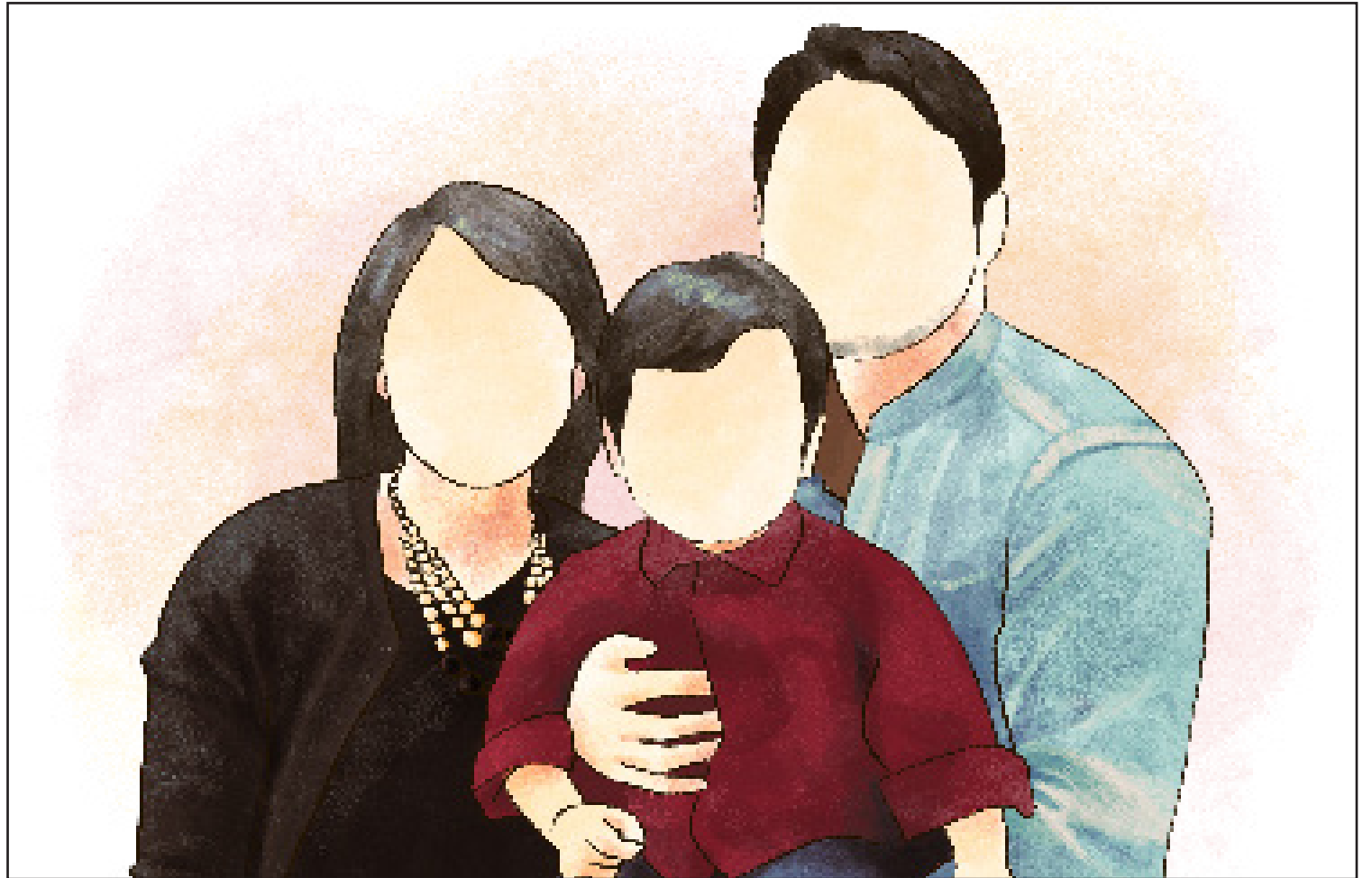
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Joyce Lee, whose husband is a biology teacher at Huron, dedicated "Young, Proud, and Sung-Jee" to her son Luka. GRAPHIC BY BRIDGIT JUNG

Fighting AAPI hate through a children's book

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Korean American Joyce Lee had a big concern. She worried about what she would later tell her now 19-month old son Luka, when he will undoubtedly ask her about the widespread

anti-Asian hate that has arisen in connection with the COVID-19 pandemic.

"What would I say to him?" Lee said anxiously.

The problem: she didn't know the answer to that question. Lee started looking for help -- specifically in the form of children's books

-- to "navigate this dilemma." However, she soon found that there was a gap in resources.

"I'm having problems trying to put language to it, and I'm a researcher who studies early childhood for a living every day," Lee, a social worker at the University of Michigan, said. "If I'm struggling,

can you imagine everyday parents and their situation?"

By May, it became clear that since there was no answer out there, Lee had to be the one to create it. "It just got really urgent," she

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Vaccine hesitancy is very real

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In the late '90s, a well known science journal published a research paper about the link between vaccinations and autism in children. It was proved false and retracted, and was later scientifically debunked multiple times. But the damage was done.

"It sowed the seeds for people to start doubting," Professor Balaji Narasimhan, the director of the Nanovaccine

Institute at Iowa State University said. "The first reason for fear of vaccination is misinformation. But there's a second aspect, more related to the acceptance of vaccines by certain communities."

What Narasimhan refers to is the Tuskegee Syphilis Experiment, in which African American men were observed with untreated syphilis. They were promised free medical care, which they never received. They were told the "study" would last six months, but they were left untreated for 40 years, despite the fact that the antibiotic penicillin was a known cure.

"Not only did it cause significant damage to the people in the experiment, it also led to a widespread and quite justified fear of clinical studies," Narasimhan said. Additionally, 10 percent of the population has a fear of needles. Vaccines are

preventions, not cures, and

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On April 29, a vaccine clinic was held in the school cafeteria. COURTESY OF ALIRAZA GURMANI

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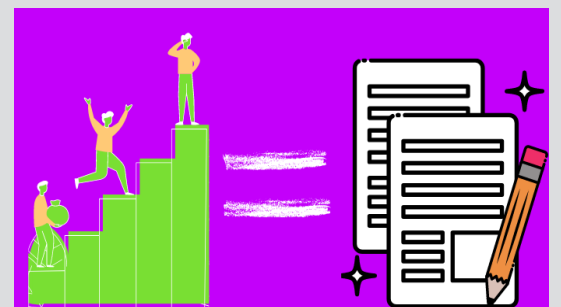
NHS standardized testing committee formed to combat inequity in college admissions

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Standardized testing is often used by colleges as a way to measure a student's academic ability. However, not every high schooler has access to the same resources that can help them prepare for these important exams. Juniors Andrew Ye, Eric Heng and Kantaro Inoki created the Standardized Testing Committee of the National Honor Society at Huron to help prepare students for the SAT, PSAT, ACT and other common high school tests.

"The goal is to provide students that do not have access to an actual tutor with SAT, PSAT and ACT information," Inoki said.

The committee provides sample tests, sample questions and other resources for students to practice with.



Juniors Andrew Ye, Eric Heng and Kantaro Inoki are the co-founders of the NHS standardized testing committee. GRAPHIC BY VISH GONDESI

They also provide one-on-one tutoring sessions with junior and senior NHS volunteers who have firsthand experience in taking these exams. Students can get questions explained to them and learn new concepts. Through these sessions, students can also learn tricks to solve exam questions and become better prepared for these tests.

"We know that social status often is reflected in test scores, and I think that everyone should have the resources and opportunity to perform well," Inoki said. "Because of COVID, there's probably a lot of people that were planning to take a prep class but couldn't, who reach out to us and get lessons, resources and tricks for free."

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