

Our Summer

TINERARY

SOME HIGHLIGHTS OF OUR BREAK: EVERYONE TOOK OFF IN DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS TO EXPLORE, WORK & SPEND TIME WITH FAMILY & FRIENDS

INTERNSHIPS

"I conducted drug discovery and development research this summer."
- **Jonah Ferber '24**

COLLEGE PROGRAMS

"I spent the summer at University of Michigan's debate program."
- **Michael Greenberg '23**

JOB

"I had a job at a capital management hotel group. There I got to work hand in hand with the project manager, architects, interior designers, and construction workers."
- **Sarah Bolja '23**

COMMUNITY SERVICE

"I volunteered at an educational charity called Horizons for three weeks, where I was an assistant teacher in a first grade classroom."
- **William Marks '25**

TRAVEL

"I traveled to Oregon, Alaska, Colorado, and Minnesota. I visited family and friends in Minnesota. In Alaska, I drove in a camper van all over."
- **Serena Wurtele '26**

SPORTS

"I played in 12 tennis tournaments this summer."
- **Christian Yeagley '25**

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From going on a family vacation to traveling around the world on a teen tour with their friends, many Upper School students took off to make new memories during the summer months. Others used their break to practice and improve in their sports, to make a difference in their communities, to expand their academic interests or to hold their first jobs or internships.

Alexandra "Ally" Maxwell '23, went around Europe where she not only explored, but also met new people from different parts of the world.

"I went to Italy and attended a

summer camp in Switzerland. I made new friends from Egypt, Dubai and Ecuador," Ally said.

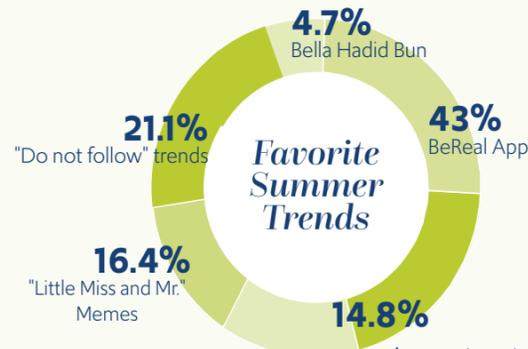
Wherever they went, students kept an eye on fun social media trends, movies, songs and fashion. 43% of students reported enjoying using the BeRealApp that posted a selfie and a photo of the surroundings.

In the end, the summer months meant spending quality time with loved ones.

"My favorite memory of summer break was spending time with my sister in California," Bella Egizi '24 said.



Avery Holzer '24 skis in Switzerland over the summer. Avery spent 28 days in traveling during the break.



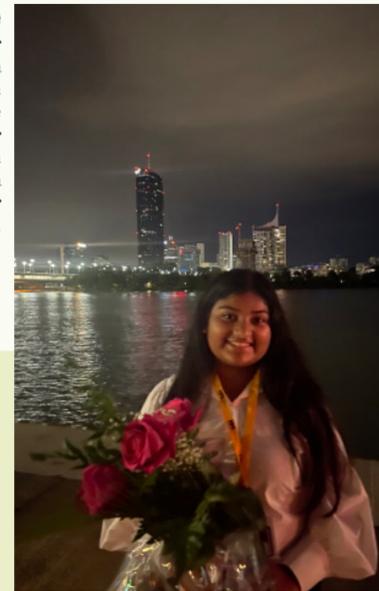
An assortment of trends: Parachute pants, TikTok Dances, Disney Filters, Stranger Things Season 4 & Minion Dress up

Seeking Opportunities

How Students Spent Their Time on Break

World Performance

Asha Gandreti '25 spent her summer playing the viola and violin in Musikverein in Vienna, Austria. She has played the viola for five years and the violin for eleven years. Asha received flowers after her international performance.



Nathan Scher '24 went on a teen tour this summer. One of his favorite activities was going to a baseball game in Seattle. "One of the highlights of my summer was going to a Seattle Mariners game. It was fun to go because I got to spend a lot of time with my friends at the game," Nathan said.



Ellie Mukamal '26 spends her summers at Camp Micah in Maine. "While I am there, I take every given opportunity to make the most of each moment. Whether I am playing sports, doing arts, or spending time in the bunk, I enjoy the company of all of my best friends," Ellie said.



Over the summer, Alexander Weinberg '25 played in many competitive junior golf tournaments across the country in different states including: California, Alabama, New York, and South Dakota. One of the most important experiences for him was participating in the U.S. Kids World Championship in Pinehurst, North Carolina. "In these tournaments you have the opportunity to meet kids from all across the country and the world," Alexander said. "I really enjoyed traveling during the summer and participating in these tournaments because it allows me to chase my dream of someday playing professionally on the PGA Tour." Alexander is an active member of the boys varsity Golf team and dedicates many hours every week to his training.

Calling All Athletes

A look into the experiences of some of the students who played sports this summer.

Sara Pearl Adler '24 spent her summer in the Netherlands at a rowing camp. She coxwained boats of all ages of rowers including collegiate level rowers. "Coxwaining in the Netherlands was one of the best experiences I have ever had. I went to the country alone and made tons of new friends and learned many rowing skills," Sara Pearl Adler '24 said. Sara continues to bring the skills that she learned from the summer to the Pine



The Girls Volleyball Team began their team training over the summer. The team practiced together for a month and planned out different plays for the year. This was also valuable time to grow together as a team. Members of the varsity team connected with new freshman players before the year began.