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Setting a state record by clinching a twelfth state title, the varsity football team gathers after the 51-8 win against Smithson Valley in the 5A Division I championship game Dec. 15 at AT&T Stadium. Seniors Hauss Hejny and Hawk Patrick Daniels accounted for six touchdowns to lead Aledo to the historic victory. "Winning's always exciting. I mean, no matter how many times, it's still exhilarating knowing all that work paid off," senior guard Nathan Hall, #71, said. "Everyone constantly works just to keep the tradition going and add their names to the history book, so it's amazing when you finally see it happen." Photo by Trinity Hindman

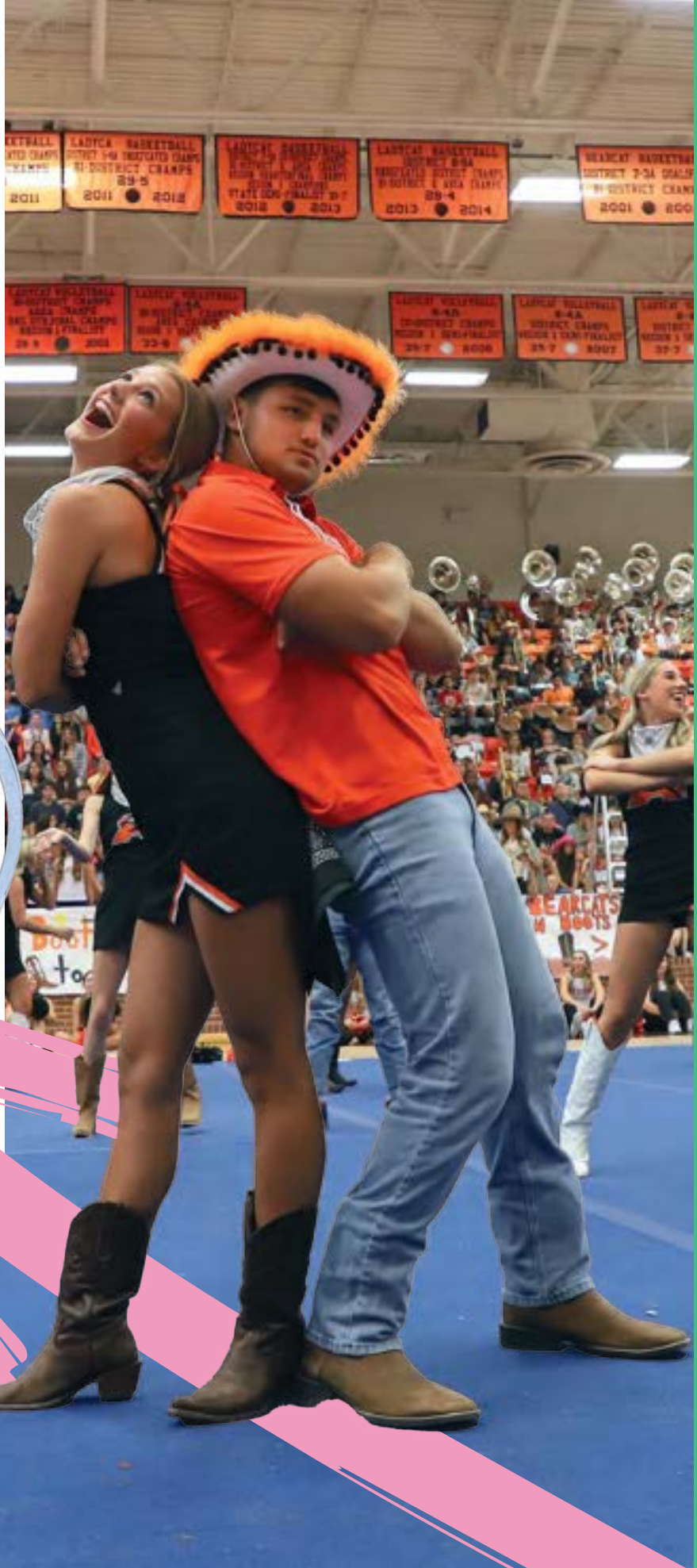
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198 Staff
609 Freshmen
576 Sophomores
491 Juniors
541 Seniors

Participating in the traditional howdy dance at the pep rally Aug. 25, seniors Daniella Tregellas and Tyson Timms strike their final pose. "Maryn, Lilly and I all got together over the summer to plan the dance and choreography that the senior cheer girls do with the football players," Tregellas said. "We then had to teach it to all of the girls and boys during the weekend." *Photo by Kenley Germany*



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**AHS & DNG MERGE. RACE TO MAKE IT TO MORIN'S ON TIME.
HANG UPSIDE IN HOCO PARADE. FRACTURE ARM.
TRUCK BREAKS DOWN,
POWERLIFTING PUSHES IT.**

Jax Hunt '10

Arms wrapped each other, seniors Lexi Steffe, Taelynn Price, Madi McDonald, Aubrey Connelly and Emily Lewis chant along with the cheerleaders Dec. 15 at AT&T Stadium. "Being in the student section at the state game was an amazing experience," McDonald said. "As a senior, I have attended the state game many times, however it was extremely special to end our last season with another championship." *Photo by Ella Flowers*



EXPERIENCE

**MARK RETURN OF MUSICALS. "FEED ME, SEYMOUR."
TOP NATION LIKE JU CHEER. WIN GRAND CHAMPS LIKE BDT.
DRAW SELF-PORTRAIT. EARN DIRECTOR'S AWARD.**

Izzy Weisenburger '11



Dressed in 70s attire, senior Allie Graham celebrates winning a game at the decades day pep rally Oct. 20. "As someone who's going to a college that doesn't have a football team, pep rallies feel more memorable this year," Graham said. The decades day pep rally was held before the Bearcats beat Denton Ryan Raiders 25-19 on senior night. *Photo by Kenley Germany*

It's just what we

**5 STRIKES. OUTTA LUCK ON EXEMPTIONS.
EXPLORE NEW PATHS:
AVIATION, ARCHITECTURE, ADVERTISING.
EARN PERFECT SCORE ON AP TEST.**

Jacob Seastrunk '11

During Mr. Shedd's Calculus BC class Oct. 10, senior Nate Ashabraner discusses possible solutions to a derivative problem. "The best part about collaborative assignments is being able to work as a group to get through difficult problems," Ashabraner said. *Photo by Jacqueline Hall*



LEARN



Matching the chemicals, sophomore John Meyer lights a match and puts out the fire with baking soda and hydrogen peroxide alongside sophomore Lilly Sale and junior Griffin Hegi. Meyer reignited the flame using manganese dioxide Dec. 7. "Mr. Meroney makes class fun, and the lab was fun because it included fire," Meyer said. "My favorite station was with the bottle and when the flames came out of the bottle. I also loved the bubble station where Mr. Meroney's hand was set on fire." *Photo by Madison Scott*

LEAD

002 *How did the two campuses merging impact you?*



Sophomores Savannah Thompson, Austyn Johnson and senior Garrett Rester work out homework problems in OnRamps Algebra II Oct. 5. "I like that we have to work in groups a lot and get to communicate with our classmates and get to learn with each other more than just sitting and working on a worksheet by ourselves," Rester said. "It helps a lot." *Photo by Emma Boyd*

**TRAVEL ALL OVER. PLACE AT STATE. *Ag Advocacy Team*
DON'T STOP. FEATURE POLITICANS ON PODCAST. *Finley Van Dyke '10*
FROM ARTEMIS TO FANCY PENS,
CREATE NEW CLUBS FOR ALL INTERESTS.**

Opening **003**
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SET THE PACE.
FINISH LIKE HXC WITH STATE MEDAL.
WIN WORLD SERIES. CELEBRATE ALUM.
CLINCH 12TH STATE TITLE.
SET ANOTHER RECORD.

Posing for Memorable Moments, sophomore JV cheerleaders Elizabeth Miller, Julia Cutaia, Summer Burton and Jocelyn Hudson participate in Flexing Friday Sept. 15. "I have an amazing team that is willing to do anything for each other," Miller said. "This season has been drastically different from previous seasons but I think it's for the better. We have improved so much as a program and have put in the work to prove it." JV cheer won first at NCA nationals. *Photo by Emma Boyd*

GRIND

BE



Sophomores Alisha Rodriguez and Marley Parker compete in an online study game for Spanish III Oct. 11. "Spanish is my favorite class because I have a lot of friends in here and I love the environment in Mr. Martinez's class," Rodriguez said. Students used Game Kit and Quizlet to practice vocabulary and proper verb conjugation. *Photo by Emma Boyd*

WE EXCEL. WE ACHIEVE. WE GROW GREATNESS.
IT'S JUST WHO WE ARE AND...

004 Which of your passions best reflects your personality?

NOT CCMR MET? TAKE TSI.
REGISTER TO VOTE. GET INFORMED.
MAKE MODEL TRAINS. SNOW BOARD.
LET PASSIONS REFLECT PERSONALITY.



In their howdy attire, the student section rallies to support the Bearcats at the game against Parish Episcopal Aug. 25. "I love the energy the student section brings," senior Sam Newburn said. "The howdy game has always been my favorite theme that I look forward to each year." The Bearcats won 50-35. *Photo by Ella Flowers*

IT'S JUST WHAT WE DO

Opening
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TRAVEL THE WORLD. VOLUNTEER ABROAD.
MAKE OUR MARK THEN REDO PARKING SPOTS.

CHEER TOO LOUD OR SIT WITH MOM.
ROCK WITH BLOW UP GUITARS. PAINT OVERALLS.
DANCE TOO HARD. LOSE A SHOE.
WHILE WE COUNT DAYS TO BREAK...



"I DEFINITELY
WANTED TO WIN
HOMECOMING COURT BUT
BEING ABLE TO
MAKE COURT
IN THE FIRST PLACE
WAS SPECIAL TO ME."
- Samantha Howeth, 12

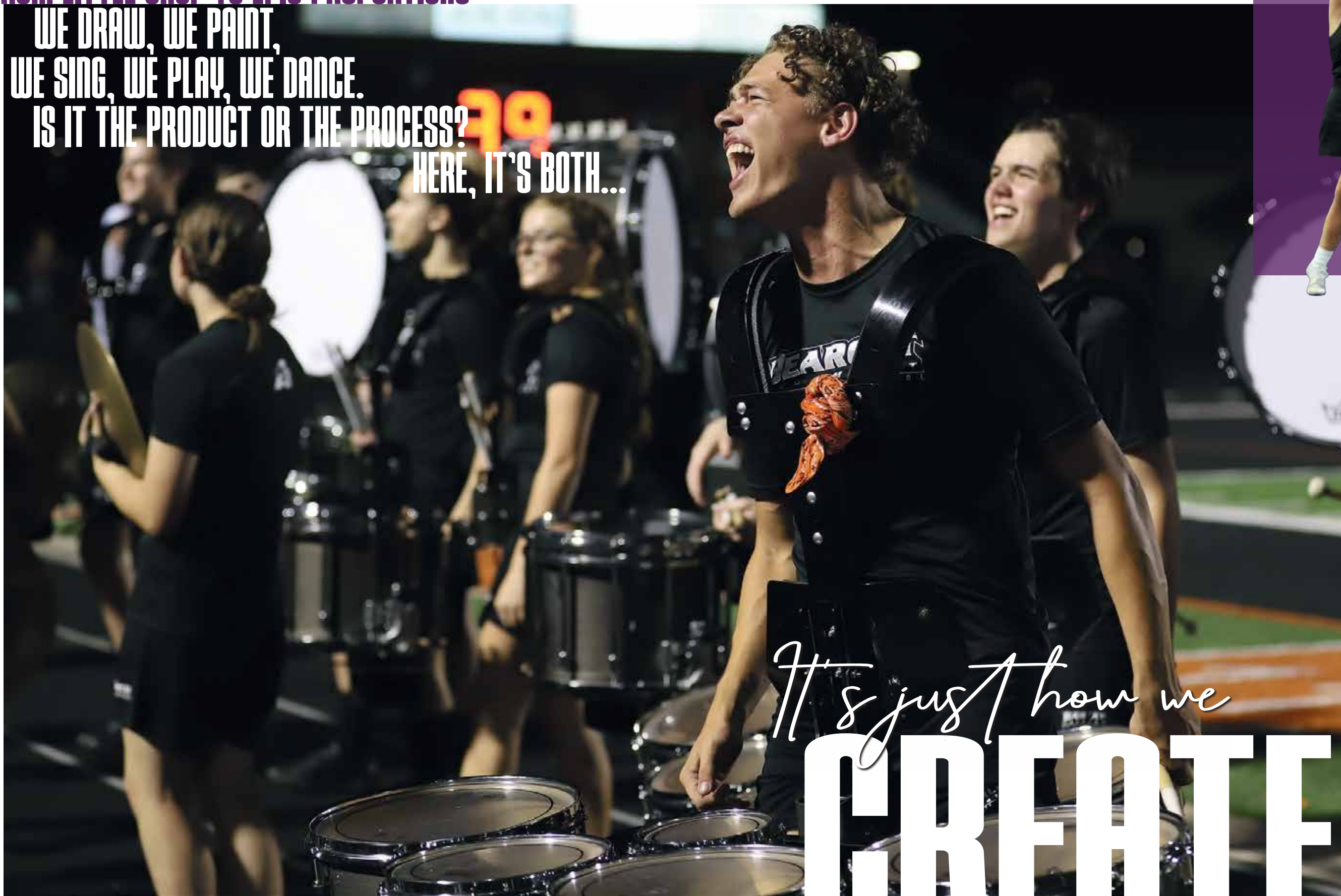


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EXPERIENCE

Up in the stands, seniors Hattiebell Polland, Samiyah Baines, Landrie Thurman, Edyn Esquivel and Mia Browne take the front row of the howdy pep rally Aug. 25. "I'd have to say that my favorite pep rally theme this year was decades," Baines said. "It was so fun to finally be able to go dress up in the 70s and gogo boots. I also loved that pep rally because I was chosen to play musical chairs and it was so fun competing against the other players in my grade." Photo by Kenley Germany

HAVANA NIGHTS ROCK UNDER FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS.
FROM LITTLE SHOP TO EPIC PROPORTIONS -

WE DRAW, WE PAINT,
WE SING, WE PLAY, WE DANCE.
IS IT THE PRODUCT OR THE PROCESS?
HERE, IT'S BOTH...



“BEING PART OF
CHEER
THROUGHOUT HIGH SCHOOL
HAS TAUGHT ME THAT
IT'S GREAT TO GET INVOLVED
IN AN ACTIVITY WITH
LIKE-MINDED PEOPLE.”
Taylor Prestige, 12

It's just how we
CREATE

In front of the student section, senior drumline captain Gavin Haddox makes noise for the varsity football game against the Parish Episcopal Panthers Aug. 25. The Bearcats won 50-35. “I always pinpoint individual people that I know will get the crowd involved if I interact with them,” Haddox said. “The faster and more animated the drumline gets, the louder the crowd gets.” Photo by Trinity Hindman

CHOOSE A PATHWAY, A PLAN, A PASSION.
AT DNG, AT AHS, IN THE CLASSROOM, IN THE LAB,
IN GROUPS, IN PARTNERS, BY OURSELVES,
LATE-NIGHT CRAMMING, FINISHING UP IN FLEX,
REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCES, HANDS-ON,
HERE AND BEYOND...



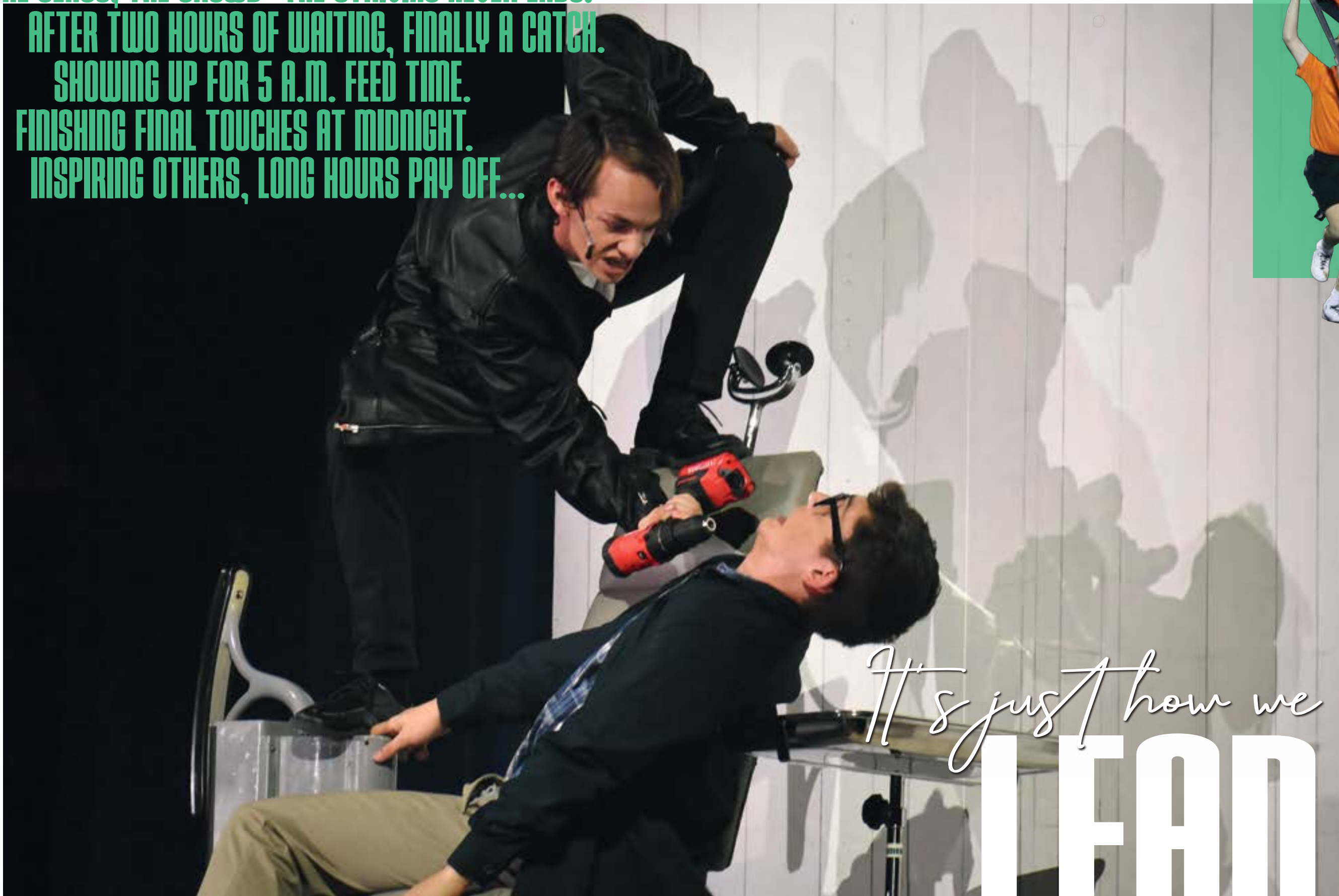
Perfecting his attempt, junior Hudson Christie lands a bubble in the hands of juniors Ella Hopkins and Emery Thompson in a lab for AP Biology Sept. 19. "We took different approaches to it, but eventually landed on using the bubble solution on Ella's hands to make it stick," Christie said. "When the bubble first stuck to our hands, we were shocked and tried to see if we could pass the bubble around without making it pop," Thompson said. "We failed." Photo by Madison Salaverry



"MY TIME AT
ALEDO HIGH SCHOOL WAS
GREAT
BECAUSE OF THE
AMAZING TEACHERS
WHO HAVE MADE
LEARNING FUN,
AND OPENED MY EYES
TO SOME
**REALLY AWESOME
OPPORTUNITIES."**
Caroline Pruitt '11

It's just what we
LEARN

FOR OUR TEAMMATES, OUR SQUAD, OUR GROUP,
THE CLASS, THE CROWD—THE STRIVING NEVER ENDS.
AFTER TWO HOURS OF WAITING, FINALLY A CATCH.
SHOWING UP FOR 5 A.M. FEED TIME.
FINISHING FINAL TOUCHES AT MIDNIGHT.
INSPIRING OTHERS, LONG HOURS PAY OFF...



Commanding the stage, junior Lucas Steele climbs atop a chair occupied by senior Henry Blake during the musical "Little Shop of Horrors" on Oct. 30. "The dentist is a very unique kind of character," Steele said of his role. "He's a dentist that's addicted to causing people pain. You don't really see that anywhere else. It's also my first time playing the villain, so that was really really fun. Performing this was a dream come true." "Little Shop of Horrors" ran from Oct. 27-30.
Photo by Emma Boyd



"I THINK
ALEDO IS GREAT
AND I LOVE
CELEBRATING
WITH THEM.
RUNNING
WITH THE FLAG IN
SPIRIT OF ALEDO
MAKES ME FEEL VERY EXCITED."

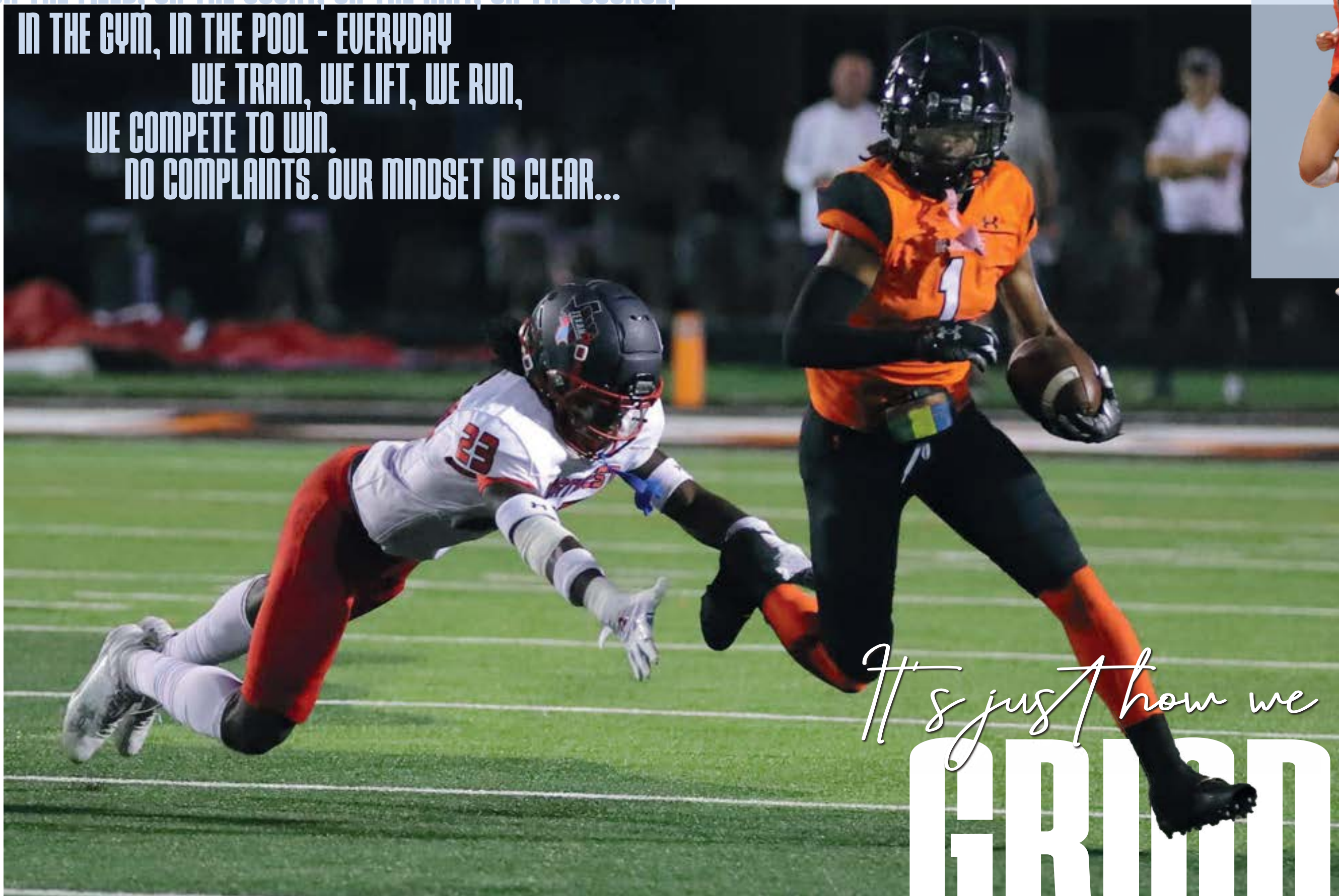
—Johann Sommers. 11

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LEAD

BEFORE THE SUN COMES UP, LONG AFTER THE SUN SETS,
ON THE FIELD, ON THE COURT, ON THE MAT, ON THE COURSE,

IN THE GYM, IN THE POOL - EVERYDAY
WE TRAIN, WE LIFT, WE RUN,
WE COMPETE TO WIN.
NO COMPLAINTS. OUR MINDSET IS CLEAR...



"OUR TEAM
HAD A REALLY
GREAT CONNECTION.
WE WENT MUCH FARTHER
IN PLAYOFFS
THAN WE NORMALLY DO,
SO I THINK WE HAD A REALLY
GREAT SEASON."

- Morgan Estevez, 11

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GRIND

In position, senior running back Hawk Patrick-Daniels, #1, runs with the ball in the game against the Northwest Texans Sept. 8. "Football means a lot to me because I know the coaches put their trust in me to play with the ability I was given to help our team to be successful," Patrick-Daniels said. "I like playing football because of the physicality and I love to score touchdowns."

The Bearcats defeated the Texans 38-13. Photo by Kenley Germany

WE PACK THE STUDENT SECTION TO GO ALL OUT.
 AIN'T NO PARTY LIKE A BEARCAT PARTY, Y'ALL.
 ARRIVE EARLY. STAY LATE.
 WE'RE NOT JUST ATHLETES OR MATHLETES -
 WE'RE EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN.
 OVERCOME CHALLENGES. CELEBRATE SUCCESS...



"THE TEAM
 TREATED ME
 LIKE THEIR LITTLE
 BROTHER.
 I LOVE
 THOSE GUYS."
 - Mark Hadoe, 10

It's just who we
ARE

At the varsity football game against Denton Ryan Raiders Oct. 20, seniors Hailey Vandiver, Emaree Gibson and Miyah Baines dress up for decades day. "It's so much fun getting to support the football team with the whole school," Gibson said. "I also enjoyed getting to match the theme of that day." Photo by Ella Flowers



On stage Feb. 21, senior Ellie Green, sophomore Curt Vermillion and junior Mason Steele rehearse the one-act play "Peter and the Star Catcher." "I enjoy theatre a lot, and being a part of that scene was pretty fun," Vermillion said. "My character, Lord Aster, was especially fun to play because he is British." "Peter and the Star Catcher," written by Rick Elice, was based off of the story of Peter Pan. *Photo by Elise Creed*

**TOSS COW TONGUES IN AG OLYMPICS.
RAISE MONEY FOR PROM AT SPRING FLING.
REMOVE ALL THOSE CEILING TILES.** *Mr. David Caruso*

At the end of fifth period April 8, students evacuated the building for an extended fire drill to witness the total solar eclipse. When the moon passed completely in front of the sun, the lights of the senior living center across from the school came on and students cheered in the darkness. "I thought it was super cool because this only happens maybe two times in our life," junior Ava Fennel said. Fennel was in lunch during the viewing and also took astronomy. *Photo by Bella McCorkel*



Fighting for the basket, senior forward Jack Sawyer, #21, makes the shot Dec. 7. "Spending time with my teammates is what made this season very special," Sawyer said. "I love how fast paced basketball is, and how it requires every player on the court to have a role." Varsity won against Liberty Christian 67-58. *Photo by Trinity Hindman*



**TRY TO DRIVE DOWN BAILEY RANCH ROAD.
CONES BLOCK ANOTHER LANE.
PRAY FOR SNOW DAY. NOPE. BUNDLE UP INSTEAD.
CHECK NEWS. SEE ROBOTICS FEATURED.** *Circuit Breakers Team 6566*



Eyes on the microscope, seniors Reagan Mitchell and Brittyn Wheeler participate in a forensics lab where students examine the DNA found in hair Jan. 19. "My favorite thing about forensics class was the experiments we got to do for different lessons and also learning so much about criminal justice and the basics of it," Wheeler said. "I had amazing friends in that class who made it so fun and there was always a positive vibe in the room every day." *Photo by Skylar Zwetzig*

Opponent pinned, junior Baillie Sessom runs the half with 0:46 seconds on the clock Dec. 11. "If you set your mind to being able to win, and actually put in the hard work and dedication into what you want to achieve, you can," Sessom said. "It all starts with your mindset. Azle is one of the toughest schools to go against, they're extremely talented and definitely an extreme challenge." Sessom qualified for regionals, placing third at district. *Photo by Trinity Hindman*



**TAKE LAST LOOK AT RED AND BLUE WALLS.
WALK STAGE AT TIM BUCHANAN STADIUM.** *Class of 2024*
TOSS CAP. MOVE FORWARD.

414 *What was your favorite experience this year?*

Closing
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As the sun rises, assistant director Dexx Moore leads the Bearcat Regiment rehearsal before school Sept. 22. "This year we revolutionized the learning process," Moore said. "We ended up spending less time spoon feeding drill to the students, putting it more on the individual." The Regiment finished the season as back-to-back area champions. *Photo by Maxwell Howe*

416 How did you make this year memorable?

EXPERIENCE

LEARN CREATE

DISCOVER

LEAD GRIND

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