

HOCO PARADE

The annual West High Homecoming parade was held for the third year where the Iowa City community came together to celebrate a week of festivities.



1. Drumline leader, Anna Greenlee '26 marches along the streets as the final showcase in the parade Sept. 22. "Parades require a lot of endurance, but it's still really fun to play with my friends and see the community cheer for our music," Greenlee said.

2. Grace Fincham '26 smiles for the camera with the girls basketball team as they ride and throw candy to onlookers Sept. 22. *Photos by Charlotte Stephens*



BRINGING THE SPIRIT
Showing her spirit, sophomore Emmerson Reimers sits with the girls wrestling team Sept. 22. "Spirit week is the one time a year I can be obnoxious, and no one can say anything about it," Reimers said. *Photo by Charlotte Stephens*

JUNIORS VS SENIORS!

Student leaders for the powderpuff volleyball and football game share their experiences of the games.

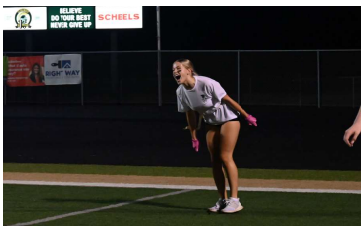
"It was a great experience because everyone took it very seriously and cared so much about it. Being a coach for volleyball and a player for flag football was super fun."
- Caroline Dickens '27



"Coaching powderpuff was a good opportunity because I got to bond with people I wouldn't usually bond with."
- Michael Moody '27

"Overall, just bonding with the senior class."
- Adam Salow '26

"It was awesome to win both the football and volleyball game my senior year. A lot of time and effort went into dominating both the court and the field."
- Lucy Gardner '26



1. Beginning the football powderpuff game, Ery Cornish '27 celebrates scoring the first touchdown for the juniors Sept. 22. "The aura was insane after scoring the first tuddle of the game. This was my peak," Cornish said. *Photo by Emily Rabe*



2. During the powderpuff football game, junior Taiseen Rahhal captures the ball and jumps in the air with excitement Sept. 22. "Being a fierce player, Rahhal brought the energy to the games both on the field and on the sidelines." *Photo by Emily Rabe*



WATCH US BRING

THE PRIDE & SPIRIT

West High looks back on all things homecoming week, from the parade, Trojan Games and Spirit Week.

The annual week of homecoming is a time that showcases the spirit and pride of West High. Starting the week strong, West began with the homecoming parade, highlighting aspects of both the Iowa City community and many of West's clubs and sports teams. Following the parade, West had its annual Trojan Games, where upperclassmen competed against one another in games of boys' volleyball and powderpuff football. Both games were close, but the seniors came out on top and won both matches. Throughout the week leading to homecoming, every day highlighted a different dress code: teacher and student swap, frat out, pink out, twin day and green and gold day.

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3. Heroes of Troy Nominees Andres Sanchez '26 and Grace Walker '26 pose out of a car as they wave to the community. "It was such an honor to be nominated by my peers, I felt really grateful," Walker said. *Photo by Charlotte Stephens*

MOUJTABA ELHINDI '27
My go to study snacks are "Yeggies" and string cheese because it's a great combination.

SPIRIT WEEK

outfits

West High students and staff snap photos with their outfit's throughout spirit week.



MONDAY: STUDENTS & FACULTY SWAP OUTFITS
Band Director Ryan Middleton, Emily Rabe '26, Colin Wehrle '27 and Band Director Brian Zagl pose in their swapped outfits Sept. 22. *Photo used with permission*



TUESDAY: FRAT OUT
Dressed in jorts and polos, seniors Ania and Eva Willis embrace the frat day theme Sept. 23. "This is basically how I dress every day," Ania Willis said. *Photo by Minna Abdalla*



WEDNESDAY: PINK OUT
Dressed head to toe in pink, Emmerson Reimers '28 and Avery Wynnes '29 show off their outfits Sept. 24. "Almost everything I own is pink, so I didn't have to do anything but be myself," Reimers said. *Photo used with permission*



THURSDAY: TWIN DAY
In matching khakis and jeans, seniors Minna Abdalla, Thara Rajagopal and Lydia Evans pose for the camera Sept. 25. "We went to Vintage Fest and got all three shirts for five dollars," Rajagopal said. *Photo by Taehm Yoon*



FRIDAY: GREEN & GOLD DAY
During the homecoming pep rally, Angeli McCambry '26 and Rowan Hamza '26 show off their school spirit, dressed in green for upperclassmen Sept. 26. *Photo by Minna Abdalla*

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- Emmerson Reimers '28

TROJAN GAMES

Consisting of powderpuff volleyball and football, juniors competed against seniors in the Trojan Games.



3. Cheering the boys on, juniors Norah Othon, Olivia Scott and Caroline Dickens kept students motivated during the close game Sept. 22. *Photo by Emily Rabe*

4. Parker Boback '26 and Christian Sawyer '27 reach for the ball at the same time Sept. 22. In a close game, the seniors won the volleyball match. *Photo by Evelyn Kraber*