

1. AFTER A LONG RUN, Campbell Jackson (10) works out in the pool with other members of the cross country team. "We always do pool workouts after we run," he said. "I don't like doing them, but they really do help." [MMacBride] 2. HOLDING ON tight, Aubrey Oller (11) battles big waves on DeGray Lake. "Wakeboarding was so much fun, but it was a rough experience for sure," Aubrey said. "I never knew how hard it would be to stand up out of the water, but the lake let me know quickly how much

effort it would take." [SHoehn] 3. AT THE GRAND CANYON, Cade Haak (11) snaps a picture with his sisters. "I've seen many beautiful places, but the Grand Canyon has been the most amazing by far," he said. "The pictures are amazing, but the real thing is like a movie. It's so calm and peaceful and it was fun being able to be a tourist in that environment." 4. DURING A TRIP TO THE TYLER ZOO, Bre Jones (12) feeds lettuce to a giraffe. "I was in Tyler for a college tour when my parents found a zoo billboard

with this giraffe on it," she says. "We decided to stop and I really wanted to feed the giraffe." 5. WHILE ON A TRIP TO NEPAL, Krishab Bashyal (12) practices a Brahmin cultural tradition. "My grandma wanted to see my bratabandha, a tradition for men when they enter manhood and learn about the culture and different laws, before she passed, so we made the trip to Nepal so she could attend," he said. "My dad's eldest brother was the one who gave me the blessing."



LILLY PACE (10)



KATHRYN DAVIS (12)



VARSITY CHEER

HOME for the summer

Camps and workshops kept students on the road during the summer. Cheer went to SMU and journalism students workshoped at UT. Students like Lilly Pace spent several weeks at summer camps like Brookhill.



on standby

Hang out at the pool all day, work on a tan, take a quick swim when it gets too hot—the perfect summer job. However, that wasn't always the case. Savannah Hoehn (11) actually used her lifeguard training when she rescued a child who was drowning. "I had just gone on break and my coworker screamed my name. I looked up and he had just pulled a kid out of the pool who was laying there lifeless," she said. "I started freaking out, so I started CPR and eventually got him conscious. It was scary." Easton Jones (11) had the more traditional lifeguarding experience. "I really enjoyed my job. It felt like I was babysitting; all I did was play the kids," he said. "It was a lot of fun, and it was really chill and relaxing and a good way to spend the summer."



"It always felt like I was going to hangout with friends; it never really felt like a job." — JESSICA COLVINS (12) [THicks]

With the first day approaching, students try to keep up with their summer work, have fun

> **STUCK AT SCHOOL:** When the final bell of dismissal rang last May, some jumped for joy, threw their papers in the air and turned out of the student parking lot for the last time for three months. Others sharpened their pencils and grabbed new notebooks to prepare for another couple weeks in the classroom.

"When I made my schedule for freshman year, I didn't have enough electives to take speech and FPF, so this summer I decided to get it done," Molly Black (9) said. "I figured it would be better to just get it over with in the summer so I wouldn't be stuck in a class all year for something I could finish in three or four days."

TAKING IT HOME: Procrastination is a word most students are familiar with, especially when it comes to summer homework.

"I definitely procrastinated. It was due that Monday and I did it all the night before," Seth Sharp (11) said. "I never drink coffee, but I drank coffee that night so I was able to get it done; I definitely won't

procrastinate like that again."

ON THE RUN: From running in the heat to lifting weights, many athletes spent eight weeks at strength and conditioning camp to prepare for the upcoming season.

"I definitely saw a difference in myself once I left," Joey Etheridge (9) said. "I can run for a longer period of time without getting too tired, and I can bench press 15 more pounds than I could before."

OUT AND ABOUT: While some stayed home, other students took advantage of the time off and ventured out to new places.

"We took a road trip to Florida in our RV so we could stop along the way at some of the museums," Emma Crabtree (10) said. "We stopped at the beach for a day and then stayed at Disney World for a week which was really fun."

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