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**FACULTY AND STAFF: 80** 

At the end of the 8th Annual Goat Appreciation Day parade, Devlin Ewing Barta '25 cuddles her dog Atreyu, nicknamed Atta, while counselor Ms. Emily Nader laughs and Brianna Thach '25, Victoria Tran '25 and Madelyn Albarado '25 pet Mr. Shawn Bliss's one year old goat, Bluebonnet.

# KEREN JIMENEZ '20

"Our community gives students the opportunity to develop and learn from our mistakes, and as a senior I can see how this will help me later on."

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Our truth is not truth with a capital T, just our truth, what we know, what we believe, what we do. We are students, athletes, competitors, actors, musicians, and activists. We are serious and we love to goof off. There have been a lot of new opportunities as well as new challenges. This is our truth.

# **EXPOSURE**

Em Hogard '21 poses for a long exposure light art photograph during Commercial Photography. The photo was taken by classmate Madison Frederick '20.



# STRESS TEST

Isaac Porier '22 adds weights to one of the major joints of his Boomilever build for Science Olympiad while Isaac Slotboom '21 watches. The joint held over 7 kilograms, about 15 pounds, greatly surpassing Porier's expectations.





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# NO BALLOONS NEEDED

Sophomores Aidan Ewing, Poet Nickell, Vela Falco have a water fight with Korbin New, Elisa Munoz, Avery Thomas and Sean Bumgardner during the first annual Not Your Ordinary Friday (NYOF) on the last day of the Summer Quarter. Instead of doing activities with a mix of grade levels, students stuck with their classmates to build community and celebrate the beginning of fall break.

#### **FUELED BY TORTILLAS**

Ms. Kira Lowery, seventh grade science teacher observes Eric Briones and Milo Stangland complete the tortilla lab. During the lab students burn tortilla chips to find out how many calories were in the chips. Nate Hinojosa '25 said, "It was a fun lab, but it made a lot of smoke. Luckily we didn't set off the fire alarm."

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Spring is the season we really showcase the unique - and weird - culture of our school with favored traditions. It began with the Goat Appreciation Parade, and moved on to prom, the spring musical "The Little Mermaid," rock band, guitar, and choir concerts, and ended with the annual kickball game. Amid the fun there was plenty of standardized testing, projects, and final exams. We got reports of changes in our beloved homeroom time as well as news that we would have a new principal for the upcoming school year. We hoped for a new basketball goal and made do with what we had. We said good bye to the seniors and left for summer break. by Mikyla Johnson

## CARTOON FUN

Lila Valadez '20 poses as Betty Boop with Minion alumnus Alex Al-Tabatabaie '19





## TRASH CAN BALL

Busyo Adams '25 raises his arm to block Chase McDuffie '23's shot during a lunchtime game of trash ball while Raul Mondragon-Heredia '23 and act as the backboard and Empress Irene Charles '25, Natalia Perez '25, Tennessee Pitchford '25 watch. This was a common lunch game. The outdoor goal was broken for most of the year.





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Sebastian the Crab played by Aurelia Savener '22 conducts a singing lesson with King Triton's daughters, Aquata played by Jordan Frederick '20, Atina played by Naomi Omiya '22, Adella played by Hailey Hernandez '22, Allana played by Avery Thomas '22, Arista played by Emma Lowther Adrina played by Kayla Huddle '20during the production of "The Little Mermaid."

## MURDER GOAT

Amy Page '25 and Maeve McElwee '25 march in Goat Parade with Ms. Amber Lovas' homeroom. Their homeroom made an homage to "Murder Pony," changing it to "Murder Goat."

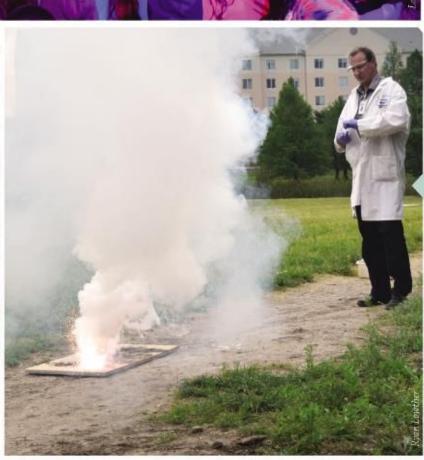


Chemistry teacher Dr. Mark McPhee performs reaction demonstrations of exothermic chemical reactions that produced various colored flames and smokes. Dr. McPhee said, "It's really just a pyrotechnics fun day."



**FUN WITH FIRE** 

"Goat Day was a first for me as a new student. Seeing the goats show up was a lot of fun and really cool."



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Off to see the wizard class of 24 members Alondra Torres,

Veda Travis, Emma Wilson, Lucy Jacobs Abigale Ingle, Jessica Castimore and Ryan Wilson skip to the parade's finish line.

# HERE WE GOAT AGAIN

At the third annual Goat Day Parade, costumed students once again carried signs pushing the limits of bad puns and marched to celebrate goats. The annual parade allows students to take a break from the hectic testing season, hang out with friends and support the cross country team by buying Goat Day t-shirts.

# YUMMY

At the parade's end, class of '25 students Brynn Stewart, Alex Capers, Samuelle Pierce, and Carmen Cartlidge gather on the white top and continue celebrating goat day with frappuccinos in their hands. Stewart said, "The best part of the parade was shouting the parody lyrics 'Our milkshakes bring all the goats to the barn,' and drinking our frappuccinos."



# **FANDOM**

Ms. Amber Lovas' class of '25 homeroom march to show their love for Murder Pony Goat. Milo Ogden carried the sign while classmates Noah Axtell, Amy Page and march beside him.



JOE SOMERS '25

# TRUTH IS...

"Sometimes Merlin,
my Jenday conure is
really stubborn but
he is cute and he is a
really good bird. He
mostly whistles but
says 'CAT!' whenever
he sees one of my
sister's cats."



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# HE'S GOT SPIRIT

Cheer goat Ivan Castillo '23 waves his pom-poms and shouts as he is pulled along the parade route by Alex Munoz '23.

# IT'S MORPHIN TIME

Power Rangers, protectors of goats and class of '21 members Mikayla Rivers, Kaleb Warren, Jasmine Thompson, Dasia McClain, Madilyn Gilbert, Jenny Marquez, Tate Trueheart-Madden, Matthew Hausmann, Ella Hollandsworth, Isaac Slotboom, Marlissa Medina, Jayden Avila, and Paisley Ogden prepare to march in the parade.

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# MAKEY MAKEY

Makey Makey is a Cricut kit that allows students to make a physical component and connect it to their game instead of having to use the everyday keyboard buttons to control their creations. Our students made controllers with materials such as foil, paper and model magic.





- 1. Joshua Rundquist '25 gets ready to share his project Rundquist said, "Playing video games, sharing our projects and with kids and seeing how their faces light up was great."
- 2. Deven Harvey '25 puts the final touches on his project Harvey said, "I like inventing things." Amy Page explains how to play her game to Emma Warren. Warren '25 said "I really liked last year's STEM fair! I thought that the Fire Run game was really coolsss."
- 4. Gillian Duderstadt '25 sets up her game. Dunderstadt said, "Deciding how to make the controller was the best."





# DJ

Travyon Garcia-Parker '24 built a computer completely from recycled parts. He also bought a speaker and started to play music throughout the entire gym. Garcia-Parker says "It's hard to DJ and make sure your computer does not turn off randomly."



PROUD

Sixth grade teachers Ms. Amy Holton (technology) and Mr. Dan Omelchuck (science) supervise the STEM Fair. Ms. Holton said, "Stem fair is an opportunity for our middle school students to show the fourth and fifth graders all the fun things we do in science and

technology classes. "

# PRINT IT

Nikki Gauldin '24 and Aaron Johnson '25 showing off their Science Olympiad built they made from their 3D printer. Nikki Gauldin '24 said, "Stop asking what we are printing."





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# This watermark will not appear in your final yearbook STEM Fair Science, Technology, Engineering, Math

The NYOS STEM fair has been hosted by the secondary teachers Ms.Holton, Mr.Omelchuck, and Ms.Lowery for 4 years. Over the years students have built

projects and models to learn about the basics of STEM. This vear our students created multiple different inventions from a wide spread of technology

applications like; Makey Makey, Ozobot, and Scratch to help them improve their projects and make them interactive.



# **GAME TIME**

Audrey Capers '25, Eliza Alvey '25, Devlin Ewing Barta '25, Anya Armkentch '25, Anika Titsworth '25, Play the game Fire Run. Capers, Titsworth, and Armkentch built the game in Scratch, a platform for younger students to learn professional coding in a child-friendly way. The Super Mario based game was about different forms of energy. To win the game players had to escape a burning building and kill the boss.

# WORK FOR IT

Mr. Jesus Aguilar, Mrs. Kira Lowery, Ava Coker '24, Maria Solorzano-Figueroa '24, and Mrs. Jessica Rodriguez watch snails as they pull cups of rocks. They wanted to find out how much weight the snails could pull. The snails' incentive was a reward of lettuce. They learned that an average snail can hold up to 3 times their body weight.



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A theme was never chosen for the 2019 prom, but no matter. The formal attire, elegant hair-dos, and glowing lights made the evening one to remember.





 Grace Burton "20 and Cameron Young "20 laugh together as they compliment one another. Young said, "I was glad to see she found her dress, it was a relief."

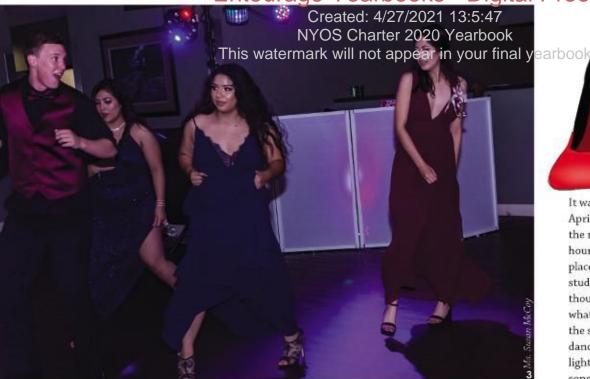
2. Roisin Chavez '19 slow dances

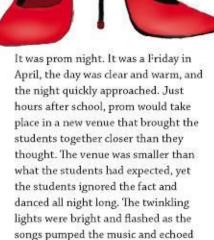
- with Taryn Harvey '20 while slow songs play throughout the venue. 3. Frankie Shanks '20 and Sarah Montgomery '20 calmly sway to the music as the night comes to a close. Although Montgomery and Shanks are dancing calmly here, Montgomery said she still enjoyed "going wild with [her] friends."
- 4. Casey Dufner '19 and Lila Valadez '20 hold hands while moving to the music. Dufner danced throughout the night, continually encouraging Valadez to dance. Valadez said, "Casey was much more energetic than I was, but seeing him having so much fun made me want to join in."
- Cecilia Gibby '20 and Ethan Jarvis '20 look into each others eyes and laugh while they slow dance together.





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6. Seniors, Skyler Townsend, Jaqueline Marquez, Esmeralda Lopez, and Alexa Hernandez, follow the trending dance to the song, Caballo Dorado.

throughout the hall as the night wind-

ed to an end.

- 7. Seniors, Fiona Adams, Tony De La Rosa, Frankie Shanks, Avery Caldwell, dance together as a group, while on the dance floor.
- 8. Danyelle Caldwell slowly dances while holding hands with a fellow
- 9. Seniors Tony De La Rosa, Ishaaq Abukhadier, Avery Caldwell, Chance DeVos, Ethan Jarvis, and Saxon Ballew line the wrapped stairway as they prepare for a posed picture of their tuxedos.



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EMILY STERLING '20 "Leaving the dance and going to IHOP was fun, even though I was tired."

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# SURF AND TURF

1. Ayla Hanson '22 and Seth Holton '22 perform as Ariel and Prince Eric during a ball scene.

2. Raphael (Austin) Pain '25 and Joseph Somers '25 fight over who gets to cook the lobster. Pain said, "I was not cast as or intended to play Chef Louie, but in a last minute change of events I took the role."

3.Jess Johnson '22, Grace Lilly '20, and Alyssa Webb '22, flap their wings as seagulls. Johnson said that her favorite part of the play was, "the acting community, learning the choreography, and the songs."

 Jordan Frederick '20, Avery Thomas '22, Hailey Hernandez '22, Kayla Huddle '20, Emma Lowther '22 and Noami Omiya '22 dance together awaiting Ariel's entrance.

5. David Coker '22 playing Grimsby helps Prince Eric played by Seth Holton '22 get dressed. Coker '22 said that when working with the Prince his "body language was nicer to him than to other people."



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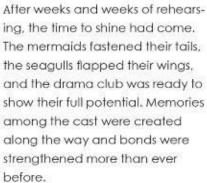
6.Grace Lilly '22 inspects a dinglehopper (fork) that Princess Ariel left behind. 7. David Coker '22 (Grimsby) and Chapin

Smith '20 (Carlotta) stand ready to do what Prince Eric commands.

8. Kayla Huddle '20 who played Andrina (Mersister) sings while Aurelia Savaner '22 who played Sebastian observes her.

9. Kyre Sessoms '21 who played King Triton scorns his daughter Ariel, played by Ayla Hanson '22, for inspecting the human world.





Ayla Hanson '22 who played Ariel said that the most memorable part of this experience was performing with her older sister Olivia Hanson 19' for the last time. She said, "This year, doing The Little Mermaid, was even more special for me because it was her last show at NYOS before graduating." Jordan Frederick '20, who played Aquata (a mer-sister), said "The most memorable part was performing because it's always so special and amazing to see it all come together." Naomi Omiya '22 said, "My favorite part of being involved in the play was being able to sing, dance, and act with wonderful people who share my passion." Alysssa Webb '22 who played a seagull said,"My favorite part of being involved was the bond and friendship that grew within the cast."









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The end of the school means a kickball tournament. Every year grade level teams compete for bragging rights. While the class of 2019 prevailed, it was a close competition. Losing by a point, the class of 2020 nearly upset the three year winning streak of the class of 2019.

#### THROW

Jahnzeb Bastaki '21 throws the ball to the pitcher to prevent base stealing. Sophomores fought hard but ultimately lost the game against the Juniors.



# KICKBALL? NAH.

Students who didn't want to play in the tournament spent the last day of school hanging out, riding skateboards, playing baseball or basketball and hiking.

> Abigail Pore '21 helps Kylie Turner '21 balance on a skateboard while Asa Johnson '21 checks Turner's form.





Guadalupe "Lupe" Carrera-Zavala, Roselin Moralez-Gutierrez '22, Danica Winn '22, Mary Bajimi '22 wear red to show solidarity with their team, but chose hanging out over playing in the tournament.

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Warren 21 pitches the ball to the opposing team, as Flavia Martinez '21, looks watch at first base. Warren said, "My team's biggest downfall was focusing too much on the seniors and then getting blown out by the juniors."

#### WATCH

Class of '23 members Angela Martinez, Karla Lopez-Perez, Uzonwanne Osemene, Noor Dashti, Vivian Tran, Hannah Thach, Lielt Bekele and eighth grade social studies teacher, Ms. Jeanne Whede watch the eighth graders versus the sophomores match. The sophomores won, moving on to a match against the juniors.



# CATCH

Saxon Ballew '20, catches the ball too late to make the out as Alec Manley '19 slides in safe to first base while Mavery Guiterrez '20 runs to assist. The match was tied, ending in a kickout. Davis Sone '19 scored the final point of the game, and the Seniors went out as three-time kickball champs.



Raquel Ledford '20 kicks a base hit during the juniors versus Freshmen game. The Juniors won, advancing to play the Sophomores. Winning again, the Juniors played in the final match against the Seniors.





**AVERY CALDWELL '20** 

# TRUTH IS...

"Playing baseball
during the kickball
tournament was fun
for me and my friends
because growing up
we all played baseball
and it was good to
play again."

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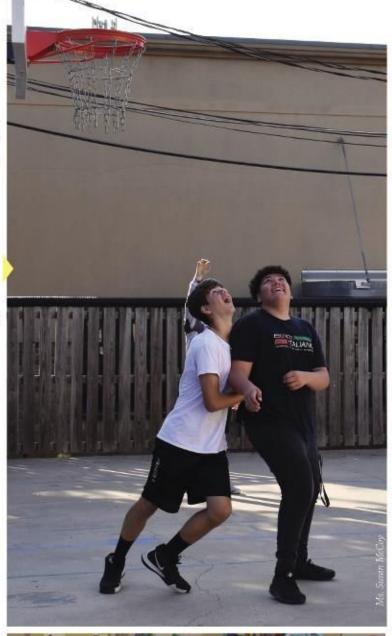
The new school year brought a lot of changes, some anticipated, like our new principal Mr. Will Jaramillo, and there were some a welcome surprises, like the new basketball goal on the whitetop. There were new classes to take, including photography, principles of health, astronomy and a P.E. for eighth graders. The most controversial change was the tightening of the uniform policy and dress code after several years of loosened restrictions.

Chase McDuffie '25 and Gustavo Martinez Gonzalez '25 play basketball on the white-top during Conditioning. The new goal was put in during the summer and was a happy surprise for the student body who had to make do with a garbage can goal for most of last year.

# DRESS CODE BLUES

When students returned to school at the end of July, they were upset, that the uniform policy had gotten stricter. Their college t-shirt day was taken away and only school or logo free hoodies could be worn. The student body was upset. Sophomores Sean Bumgardner and Kenzie Avants created a petition to revert the dress code back. Principal Will Jarmillo said, "If the students follow the current dress code, we will consider changing the dress code back to what it was last year." That wasn't enough for Bumgardner. "I feel like he came at it the wrong way. Putting us in metaphorical time-out isn't gonna fix the problem, it just agitates the students." by Logan Dukes

> Dungeon Master Josh Kannen '22 begins a quest with Zachery Lee '26 and Jasper Holton '26 Dugeons and Dragons Club exploded this year with more than 30 members.







April Winkler '21 tests the characteristics of a nail during a chemistry experiment of the malleability of metals.



Sophomores Celeste Sylvana and Jess Johnson laugh at the water balloon shenanigans happening during their class's Not Your Ordinary Friday (NYOF) celebration.

At the signal, Stella Cardona 21, Jennifer "Jenny" Marquez '21, Kylie Hankins '23, Jess Johnson 22, and Laura Martinez begin the Cedar Park Invitational on September 14, 2019.

# MILO EMBRY-JAMES '25

"I want to wear whatever sweatshirt I want."

# MATEO CAMPANA '25

"It's garbage, I want to wear whatever jacket I want."

# ALONDRA TORRES '24 "Bring back college t-shirts!"

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Henry Rawlingson Natalia Perez '25 Hailu Simean '25 Madi Albarado '25 Lance Bautista'24 Arabella Savener '24 Yuliana Hernandez '25 Anika Titsworth '25 Andrew Ho'24 Iohan Gitierrez '24 Justin Houghton '25 Jessica Castimore '24

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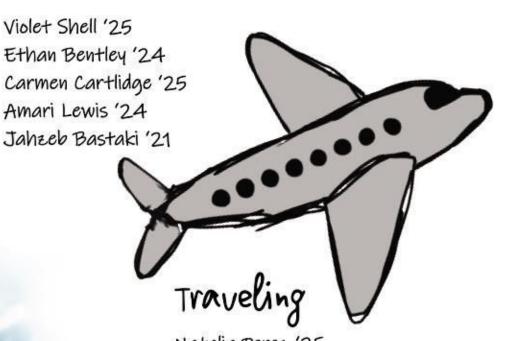
# Family Time

Diana Nguyen '20 Sami Vasquez '21 Tomm Cua '21 Flavia Martinez'21 Ms. Rebbeca Landman 7th Grade Math Teacher

# Swimming

Deven Harvey '25 Ella Thomas '25 Diana Puente '25 Kalesia Calhoun '25

# Freedom



Natalia Perez '25 Lidya Shelemo '20 Evelyn Moralez '25 Amy Somers '22

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# Video Games

Ethan Ewing '25 Liam Ward '25 Kyre Sessoms '21 Jasper Travis '21 Nathan Vu '24

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Mateo Campana '25 Ryan Wilson '24 Maleah Bond '25 Jaelin Carmicle '25 Nicole Guerra '24 Lucy Jacobs '24 Violet Shell '25

# No School

Tate Trueheart Madden '21 Joshua Rundquist '25 Milo Stangland '25 Andrew Ho'24 Owen Salerno '24 Alexandria DeLegge '25 Dominic Dang '25 Joe Somers '25 Samuelle Pierce '25 Arianna Pierce '26



# Everything

Jackson Brownlee '25 Georgia Wallace '25 Rocket Mills '25 Aiden Redmond '25 Lucy Lozada '25



Milo Oden '25

# Camp

Drake Lee '25 Aaron Johnson '25 Rocket Mills '25 Natalia Perez '25 August McQuiston '22

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# **HOW TO PREPARE**

## DON'T STRESS

"Get into the mindset and don't stress your body out. Michael Page '22

#### WARM UP

"I'm a little nervous, so I warm up and stretch." Max Munoz '21



## WORK

"We get to work pre-race, basically modifying our speed or endurance." Joshua Omiya '20

## **REV UP**

"I listen to the song War by Chief Keef." Asa Simpson '21 The cross country team got to school early, six-thirty a.m. every day, ran in the heat and the cold, pushing one another to go faster and try harder. With the help of their coaches, Mr. Shawn Bliss and Mr. Matthew Mason they got stronger, increased endurance improved their time at the races.

- Stella Cardona '21 begins the race at the McNeil Invitational.
- Anthony Sone '20 approaches the halfway point. Sone said, "I usually run weeks before the race to practice and drink lots of water."
- 3. Tony de la Rosa '20 passes the half way point. de la Rosa said, "I pray before every race[to prepare]."
- Ishaq Abukhadier approaches the finish line.
- Jennifer Marquez '21 approaches the first quarter. Marquez said
   "Cross country allowed me to grow closer to people I would never have





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VOSErEngthVarash206me from what you can do. It comes from overcoming the things you once thought you couldn't."



Angela Hernandez '23, Laura Martinez '23, Flavia Martinez 21 and Jenny Marquez '21 wait for the Cedar Park Invitational start.

the chance to and I realized how supportive people were. Whenever you were about to run the last few yards, your teammates would run along side you, pushing you to finish and once you did everyone

- 6. Flavia Martinez '21 sprints to the finish line. Martinez said, "My hardest memory would be at the starting line, and just looking around telling myself that they're faster than me, but in the end it was another practice that I can improve on." Martinez said that she enjoyed being on the team with her sister. 7. As Laura Martinez '23 nears the three-quarters point, she tries to conserve energy for the end. Martinez said, "At the beginning of the race I'm nervous. In the middle of the race I tell myself I'm almost there, and at the finish line I'm happy that the race is over."
- 8. Chance De Vos '20 passes the three-quarters point. De Vos said, "The team improved in varying capacities, what you put into XC is what you get out, like most things in life. Nothing is free and you need to work to get better. Some people do, and others
- 9. Jess Johnson '22 nears the half way point. Johnson said, "I compare myself to myself instead of others because everyone is different, and it's not fair to compare yourself to others unless you have more experience than them."



last. forever."

TRUTH IS... "Running might be temporary, but the bonds we make

WILLIAM RODRIGUEZ '21

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# Trey HUFF

Class of '24

#### **FAVORITE PART**

"My favorite part was crossing the finish line and seeing I got a new personal best.

#### HARDEST PART

The toughest part is the last 200m where you are dying but you have to go fast to finish with a better time."

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# Madelyn ALBARADO Class of '25

FAVORITE PART

'My favorite part of cross country are the people and just getting to run with them."

#### HARDEST PART

The most challenging parts are when our coach makes us do sprints up a hill or do really hard runs,"

BEST TIME: 13:45 IMPROVEMENT: -5:1



# Ella THOMAS Class of '25

# **FAVORITE PART**

"My favorite part is the stretching before we run."

#### HARDEST PART

'The most challenging part is sprinting up hills and controlling your breathing."

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# TRAIN LIKE YOUL MEA Out Ippear in your final yearbook



Eighth graders Lance Bautista and Bowie Edwards do high knees during practice. Bautista said, "It's hard to keep going and you might want to stop but the reason behind not stopping is the benefit of getting to say that you pushed yourself beyond your limits."

# THEN GIVE IT YOUR ALL













Sixth graders Annika Philippart and Naomi Taylor march in place, doing high knees to warm up before their practice run.

Eighth graders Anya De Vos and Nikki Gauldin run on a hot September Friday afternoon practice. Temperatures soared to 98\*. Gauldin said, "Running sucks, and that's a fact."



MILO STANGLAND '25

TRUTH IS... "The hardest part about Cross Country are the long run days."

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# hands in action



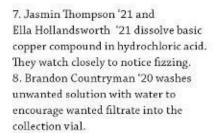




- 1. Josh Kannen '22 places a small amount of metal, coated onto an iron nail, into the Bunsen burner. He was able to correctly identify the metal as copper based on the strong green color of the flame.
- 2. Nicole Wilson '22 and Jade Modica '22 soak an iron wire in a metal condensate, preparing it for identification through observing the color of its flame. 3. Pedro Garcia Robles '21 examines his iron nail after pounding it flat with the supervision of Dr. McPhee.
- 4.Max Koppel '22 and Flavia Martinez '21 observe the iron nails that they crushed, demonstrating its malleability. Their nails had been pounded flat after smashing them with a hammer on the white-top.
- 5. Adam Drengenberg '22 Aidan Ewing '22 observe the flame produced by their metal-coated iron wire when placed in the flame of a Bunsen burner. As they observed the color, they tried to determine the identity of the metal their nail had been coated in.
- Anthony Modica '20 and Anthony Sone '20 filter copper solution and collect the filtrate in a vial for a later reaction with aluminum to create pure copper metal.













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# sign it and say it













Each year Mrs. Malena Berkshire takes her Spanish II students on a field trip to the Mercado in San Antonio. Here they practice their Spanish skills by going on a scavenger hunt, shopping and eating at a restaurant.

- 7. Ethan Davis '22 looks at Lucha Libre masks at the Mercado.
- 8. Alessandro Casadei '21, Amy Somers '22, Kenneth Page '22, Sean Bumgardner '22, Ethan Davis '22, and Aidan Ewing '22 pose for their





American Sign Language and Spanish are two of the languages taught to our highschool students. Every year both classes prepare students to discuss and teach about what they have been learning. This year students from both classes created posters about significant places and people who are part of that languages history.

- 1. Jennifer Marquez '21 examines an ASL poster about Deaf athletes.
- 2. Matthew Collier '20 and Hayden Claborn '20 read about a deaf actress named Marlee Martin.
- 3. Erin Jacobs '21 and Rae Dance '20 read about deaf athletes and sports.
- 4. Ms. Hannah Lee listens as Jessica Johnson '22 describes Spain's cultures and traditions.
- 5. Daisy Rodriguez '22 informs Ivanielys Ramos-Morales '23 about Puerto Rican culture and traditions.
- 6. Kenneth Page '22 squats down and examines a poster about the difference between Deaf and deaf. Lower case deaf describes someone who has hearing problems. Upper case Deaf describes someone who identifies with the Deaf community.

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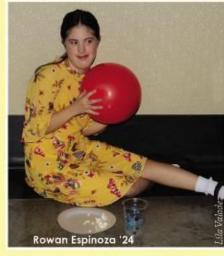


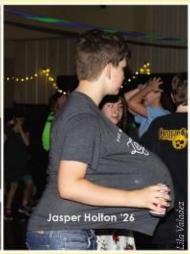


# **BALLOON TIME**

Balloons are so much more than decorations.

At the Back to School Dance, Balloon Fever spread. As soon as the students walked in, they started playing with them. Amelia Griggs '26 said "I saw a bunch of balloons and they're really fun to just throw around." As the dance progressed, more and more balloons ended up being popped and at the end, there was just a wasteland of popped balloons.





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ALL THEY WANT TO DO IS DANCE...



Texas Association of Future Educators (TAFE) members Kaylah Jacobs '20, Alexa Hernandez '20, Ja'Tavien Urdy '20, Kayle Mercado 21 take a break from selling concessions, doing the Cupid Shuffle with the middle school dance attendees.

Well that, and answer trivia questions for prizes.

- Jasper Holton '26 busts some moves on the dance floor.
- 2. Sarah Funderburke '23 gets ready to dance.
- Seventh Graders Emma Warren, Violet Shell and Kenze Likens clap to the beat.
- Logan Dukes '24, Emma Warren '25 and Georgia Wallace '25 dance to the Cupid Shuffle. Emma said, "I really liked the songs they played."
- Ms. Pierce announces the winner of one of the contests while Amelia Griggs '26 watches. Griggs won the contest.
- Class of '26 members Naomi Taylor,
   Piper Silvey and Chloe Bentley have a conversation about their school plans.







NAOMI TAYLOR '26

# TRUTH IS...

"The best part of the dance was hanging out with my friends. We had a blast."

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By focusing on game play and training hard, the volleyball team finished their season as the regional champs.

1. # 12 AnAstaja Houston-Burton '21 plays right back while digging on serve-receive. Burton said "when I know that a good server is up next, I always stay calm and steady for my team."

#1 Madison Frederick '22 sets the ball.
 #3 Kiara Shank '22 prepares to send the ball towards her warm-up partner. During warm-ups the team practices drills like hitting and setting.

 #4 Lila Valadez '20, who plays outside hitter, is making an effort to get the ball over the net with a firm hit.











# WAFFLE FUN

A new school wide event called NYOS 101 gave school clubs and organizations the opportunity to fund-raise money for their own organizations. At this event the team thought selling waffles would be the perfect treat. Each waffle was freshly cooked and customized to each customers delight.

Through this, the team quickly bonded and learned other important skills like time management and communication that they could translate to practice and games. The team will use the money to buy new jerseys and to pay the school back for new equipment.





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SHANK '22 "Being on the team this year gave me a lot of experience and touches to try new things."



- 6. #17 Lydia Sutton '23 gives her all to serve the ball over the net to get an ace.
- 7. #6 Emma Balic '23 snaps the ball on the other player while her teammate #4 Lila Valadez '20 is there to assist if needed.
- 8, #9 Elif Painaik '23 passes the ball while her teammate #14 Vella Falco '22 is ready to assist if needed.
- 9. #16 Samantha Vazquez '21 is there to pass the ball to her teammates so that they can get the ball over to attempt to score
- 10. #13 Hailey Hernandez '22 jumps up to quickly snap the ball over the net.









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# GO MATH RACERS

## **GET PHYSICAL**

During first period seventh grade math students walked out to the field, chose a starting point for the runners, then gathered on the opposite side. Their task was to gather data for a worksheet about who could run the fastest. Students chose among themselves who would run each heat. Seventh grade math teacher Ms. Rebecca Landman and co-teacher Ms. Kaidree Busi took turns timing the runners and standing at the start. Students ran fast as they could while the rest of the class recorded their times. After the data was recorded, the class returned to their classroom and worked on completing the worksheet for the remainder of the class. by Leilani "Rin" Davis



# SUPERSONIC

Isaiah "Sonic" Treston '25 races ahead of Eric Briones, '25 Yuliana Hernandez '25, and Maleah Bond '25 during a math data gathering activity. Treston said, "I could've run faster if I'd had my cleats on."

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Naomi Taylor '26





# Amelia Griggs '26



# AND GAMES

# PLAY TO LEARN

Every Friday Ms. Barta's sixth grade math classes integrate math into real world activities. On August 22th, they made rational numbers art. Aedan Green said, "Mrs. Barta is doing a spectacular iob teachina us and helping us have fun while doing it." On October 20th, the played a game called Integer War – a twist on the card game War. Katie Nguyen '26 said "It's like regular war, but the red cards are positive and the black cards are negative. You add them together and whoever gets the

> right answer first gets the cards." Chloe Bentley '26 said, "My partner is beating me, but I'm still having a good time!" by Logan Dukes





CAIDALYN HERNANDEZ '25

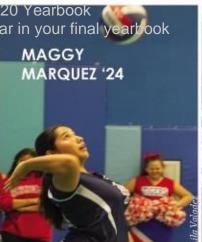
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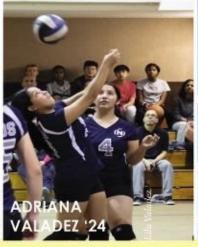
"One time I told my teacher that my sister ate my homework which, to be fair, she did take a bite out of it because she was mad at me."

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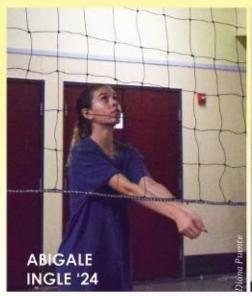


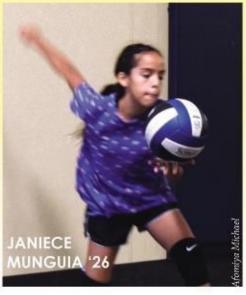






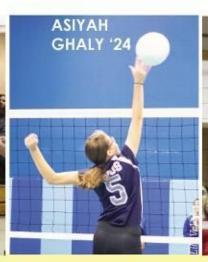


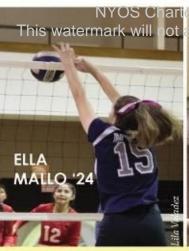




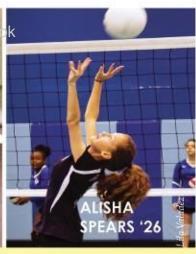


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#### ALL HEART

- 1. Coach Maria gets June Wilkerson '26,
  Adriana Valadez '24, Kalesia Calhoun '25, Ella
  Mallo '24, Asiyah Ghaly '24, Laila Fuentes '24,
  Kathy Martinez '24, and the rest of the team
  pumped up and ready to play. Janiece Munguia
  '26 said, "Coach Maria's awesome, she goes
  back and helps us with something if we don't
  understand it."
- Janiece Munguia '26 and Kathy Martinez '24 prepare to assist Samantha Morales as she prepares to bump the ball.

# MAGGIE MARQUEZ '24

"We have a supportive community that helps us to overcome challenges."

# PRACTICE TILL YOU GET IT RIGHT





At practice, these girls train hard and they have very specific ways of learning. For example, when they serve, they use a tiny little trick. They throw the ball up and count to three, then they hit the ball with all their strength with the palm of their hand. Kathy Martinez '24 is an expert at the jump serve. She is the only one on the team who has mastered it.

Supporting each other is very important to the team. When someone messes up the rest of the team always make sure they don't feel bad because there is always a second chance. They look at each other like family rather than just teammates. They always help each other. Maggy Marquez '24 said, "We have a supportive community to overcome those challenges."

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# DUNGEONS and DRAGONS









# CLIFFHANGER

As they approach a castle they seek a necromancer; a monster that revives the dead, taking them a whole 15 minutes to slay. Students still to this day enjoy a role-play board game from the 70s. What makes this game so much fun for our peers, is that they get to bond with others younger or older than them and make new friendships, Kate Rawlinson '26 says "What makes this so special for me is getting to play with other people I don't see every day." But this is not the only thing that makes it so special, also the thrill of not knowing what will happen when they go on a quest. Another peer that believes this is Rebecca Rawlingson '26, she said, "I'm most looking forward to finding out what last week's cliffhanger will take us to. We were going to a cave that had mushrooms with acid."

- Naomi Taylor '26, Max Damar '26, Mr. Fones, Jasper Holton '26, and Wesley Harrel '26. As Holton, Harrel, Damar and Taylor listen close to Mr. Fones as he starts off with their new quest.
- Kate Rawlinson '26, Rebecca Rawlinson '26, Samuel Rawlinson '25, and Henry Rawlinson '24.
- Nico Carson '25 says, "D and D is a very popular rpg which had been around for many years that I personally prefer to other rpgs."
- 4. Derek Daniel '23, Evelyn Daniel '25, Gillian Duderstadt '25, Georgia Wallace '25, and Mr. Hogard contemplate on what to do to get through the dungeon quest that he has sent them on.
- Riley Dobson '23, Julien Cooney '26, and Madeleine Tanwar '26 talk about what to do next.

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Anime club is a club for middle school and highschool anime lovers, they watch anime and read manga as well as go on school trips. The club leader is Alex Capers or as people like to call her CEO. She does everything from planning the projects to just being the mom of the club. Alex Caper's sister Audrey helps Alex with planning some of the activities that Anime club does, like; tea parties based on anime like Black Butler which is set in the Victorian era, and field trips which are formed on the Japanese culture, for example, they went to a ramen restaurant to experience traditional Japanese foods.



Eliza Alvey '25, Anika Titsworth '25, Milo Embry-Janes '25, Holly Havey '25. Have a debate about what anime intro is the best while drinking tea.







- 1. Leilani Davis '25 said, "Anime club is fun because we get to experience things we have not seen before, drawing is fun because you get to express your feelings toward a character and keep yourself occupied when you're bored."
- 2. Anika Titsworth '25 said, "Anime club is so much fun for me because we can watch anime and be goofy with friends and eat snacks."
- 3. Alex Capers and Mrs. Lowery are drinking tea and watching anime in anime club. Eliza Alvey '25 said "Audrey is kinda like Alex's mom and grandma of the club."

# MAGIC THE

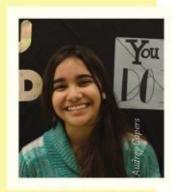
Magic the Gathering is a card game that you can play with 2 or more people. Players battle it out using a variety of cards and elements.



Jasper Holton '26 displays some of his favorite cards. Holton said, "The club is chill but also very competitive."



Samuel Rawlinson '25, and Max Demar '26 begin a round of Magic the Gathering.



LYDIA ORTON '26

# TRUTH IS...

"It's nice being able to geek out [in Anime Club] without people judging you."

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Choir is a class that brings everyone together and does fun things with each other. Mr. Chris Deyo the choir teacher, is a very supportive teacher. He encourages his students to do a lot more things that are out of their

comfort zone. At the beginning of the year, while everyone is getting to know each other, Mr. Deyo

- Michael Kannen 20', sings a verse from the 'Circle of Life' while Parker Miller '21, Ryan Lowther '20, and Seth Holton '22 sing as backup.
- Emelie Hogard 21' and Sean Bumgardner '22 duet 'Lovely' by Billie Eilish.
- 3. Ayla Hanson '22 accompanied the duo, with violin. Mackenzie Avants 22' plays piano while her and Frankie Shanks 20' sing 'Murder Song' by Aurora. Avants previouslty knew how to play piano and wanted to incorporate it into the performance...
- 4. Ayla Hanson 22', Emma
  Lowther '22 Hailey Hernandez
  22' sing "Into the West". This was
  their first performance, the three
  worked on together
- 5. Hailey Hernandez 22', Mackenzie Avants 22', Jordan Frederick 20, and Taryn Harvey 20' sing 'Bottom of the river. The four clapped and stomped as the beat to the song.
- Jordan Frederick '20, sings a solo

# ABIGAIL PORE '21

"Choir has provided a sense of community between the different grade levels in the class and a space for all of us to grow as singers."

will have songs picked out so the team will start practicing right away. After the team has done a good job at their presentations they sometimes go out to eat at chili's. Nobody gets put down in choir, they will give



each other positive feedback and suggestions on how to do better the next time.





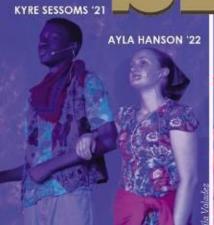






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# AVERY THOMAS '22

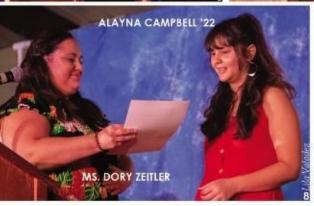
#### LEAVE IT ALL ON THE STAGE

Musical theatre, it's all about having fun with each other and just letting your hearts out while singing and acting. Everytime theatre presents, it never fails to amaze us. Every presentation there's a new theme, and it keeps getting better and better every time. In the international thespian society, it's pretty important in it's own way. Jordan Frederick '20 said, "During induction we were talking about how the international thespian society had been established at school through the hard work of secondary students. Induction is time to recruit other students that have an infinity for the theatre arts. Its celebration of our schools triumphs and it creates a successful drama club."









JORDAN FREDERICK '20



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Itermark with the appearance the last day before fall break with the first annual Not Your Ordinary Friday (NYOF) where they played games and hung out with grade level teams.





I.Freshmen Chardell Scott and Jade Vargas play "UNO" and laughing while pretending to be mad about the cards each of them chooses.

- Juniors Jasmin Thompson, Dasia Mcclain, Paisley Ogden and Jahnzeb Bastakik play "Just Dance."
- 3. Max Osmipov "22 considers his target during "Happy Ball," AKA dodge ball.
- 4. Freshmen Logan Meyer, Brent Demoville, Jack Farris, and Chardell Scott play "Mario Kart." NYOF gave them time to socialize with their classmates.
- 5. Sophomores Hailey Hernandez and Nichole Wilson laugh as Wilson smashes a water balloon on Hernadez's head.
- 6. Sophomores Ashley Pajan Guerra, Manny Bajimi and Mary Bajimi throw water on each other. Mary Bajami said, "It was a great way to end the quarter."
- Liam Manley '22 prepares to throw his toilet paper roll during the sophomore games.
- Sophomores Vella Falco, Elisa Munoz, and Korbin New laugh as New pours a cooler filled with water on his head.









#### ASHLEY PAJAN GUERRA'22

"We were having a water balloon fight. It was pretty fun - I got water dumped on me a ton of times. I wish the day would repeat over and over again."





#### FACE THE COOKIE

Sixth-graders play "Face The Cookie."

The challenge was to get an Oreo
from their forehead to their mouth using only face and head movements.













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Seventh graders Alexandra Capers, Audrey Capers, Lucy Lozada and Piper Cromer sing their hearts out to 'Wanna Be by the Spice Girls'. They had a great time with friends in seventh grade English teacher Ms. Ean Fulk's room on a great end of quarter activities. The whole class sang so loud with laughter that someone had to come in and quiet them down.



Kate Rawlinson '26 tries to bounce the pencil off the table and into the cup during the sixth grade "Minute to Win It" games.



Sixth graders Kloee Tran and Loraiya Bonicoro watch classmate Leanne Wilson '26 prepares swing a ball encased in a pantyhose leg at a water bottle during the elephant trunk challenge.

#### COTTONBALL RACE

Sixth-graders play a cotton ball challenge where they had to pick up cotton bals with their Vaseline covered noses and then run over to the empty bowl and shake the cotton ball into it.











Zack Lee '26 tries to bounce a second pencil into a cup. The cups were very light and frequently fell over during the game.



Katherine Martinez, '24,Michelle Lopez '24 color chemistry coloring sheets. The eighth grade had low key activities during N.Y.O.F.

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Cheerleaders Ceci Gibby '20 is on top of Jordan Frederick '20 back and Alexa Hernandez '20 is on Grace Burton '20 back while Gibby and Hernandez are high fiving each other after the football team scored.

There was no shortage of activity this season. Even as colder Autumn weather settled in, students stayed fired up. Cheer fanned the flames of school appreciation during Spirit Week. Diversity Fair showcased distinctive cultures and talents found here on campus. Students led community uplift and involvement, with PALs and NHS volunteer projects. Ending the semester on a high note, Rock Band played an upbeat show, Choir serenaded us, and highschool theatre club performed "Princess Bride." We left for winter break with no premonition of what the winter quarter would bring.



#### BETHANY JOHNSON '21

"Since I was little I made various insect costumes. Goodwill is the best when it comes to these kinds of homemade costumes, and most of the parts come from there. I had this costume planned out November of last year, when I was suddenly hit with inspiration while drawing a praying mantis using a pictorial reference. I like making costumes because it's fun to see people enjoy it as much as I do every year."



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Saxon Ballew '20, Sykler Townsend '20, Ms. Lee, Jalen Thompson '23, Lidya Shelemo '20, Cameron Young '20 and sll the other football and cheerleaders were dancing together after the dance battles during the homecoming rally.

Prince Humperdink played by David Coker '22, tells the Farm Boy, played by Sean Bumgardner what is going to befall him while guards Thomas Young '22, Khaliya Sessoms '22, Max Koppel '22 provide back up.

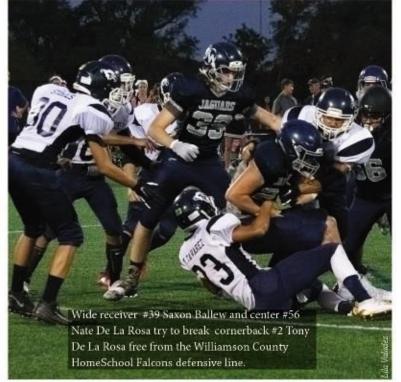












#### CHRISTIAN DE LA ROSA '23

"Practice makes perfect." (We practice) so that we are prepared for games and know what we're doing."

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Quarterback #22 Tomm Cua '21 evades the Falcons' defense as center #56 Nate Del La Rosa '22 moves in to block for him. De La Rosa said, "Football's a lot of work but it's worth it. My favorite part was running over the other players."

#### PIERRE AMICHIA '20

"In order to be great at any-thing, you need to be willing to sacrifice and outwork everybody around you."

#### KEAGAN CROMER '23

"You decide the legacy you leave."

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#### HARD WORK PAYS OFF

The school's middle school football team is not only a simple team, they dedicate their time and energy to this sport. Isaiah Treston "25 said, "Football is not easy but it can be if you put in the work and effort. The ball can either be your enemy or your ally." Every practice they do heavy workouts, from pushing punching bags to dancing "ballet." Our middle school coaches, Kelly Oden, Gregg Ward, and Wes Dinger, all take a portion of time out of their day to help the players become better football players. The payoff was a strong season and a decisive victory at the homecoming game.

1. #54 Liam Ward '25, #14 Adan Martinez '25, #12 Angel Mondragon-Heredia '26, #15 Alex Spears '24, #8 Lucas Harmon '24 #22 Lane Dinger, #10 Gavan James '26, #2 Justin Thompson, '26 #18 Trey Huff and #17 Fidel Fuentes '26 stride off the field after a pre-season practice.

 #2 Lucas Harman '24, prepares to make a pass during the homecoming game against the Stephenville Knights on November 1, 2019.

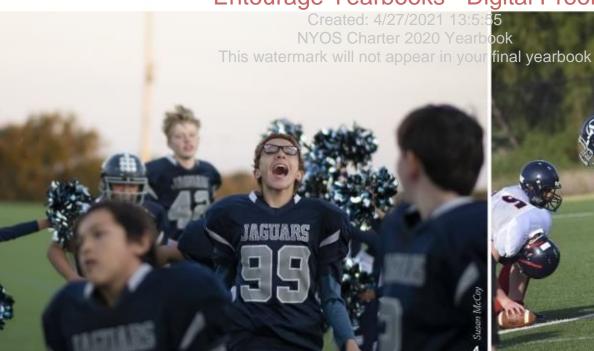
 #25 Lane Dinger '26 practices catching before the game against the Annapolis Christian Academy Warriors starts.

4. #99 Jailin Carmicle '25 shouts as he, #42 Trey Huff '24, #2 Lucas Harman '24 and #12 Angel Mondragon Heredia '26, take a victory run through the cheerleaders at the homecoming game.

Defensive line #15 Milo Oden '25, #42
 Trey Huff '24, #14 Adan Martinez '25, get into starting position during their game against the Annapolis Christian Academy Warriors.















6. #15 Milo Oden '25, #42 Trey
Huff '24, tackle Knights #8
during the homecoming game.
7. #25 Lane Dinger '26 and #28
Isaiah Treston '25 sandwich #15
Milo Oden '25 protecting him as
he prepares to pass during the
homecoming game against the
Stephenville Knights.
8. #43 Trey Huff evades Stephenville Knights defensive lineman
#15 and runs for a touchdown
during the homecoming game.

#### #2 LUCAS HARMON '24

"When you go to practice every single day, it is going to feel really hard. You are spending three hours a day in your free time, in hot, uncomfortable pads, getting hurt, all bloody, muddy, and sweaty. You are going to want to quit. But if you can finish the year, with confidence, you will gain so much. You will gain awesome friendships. You will get strength, literally and mentally. You will become a much better person."

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The cheer squad worked all season to perfect their stunts for the homecoming game. It paid off when their peformance went off without a hitch.

During the halftime performance of the Homecoming Game, the High-School cheerleaders, Athena Adame '23, Grace Burton '20, Jazlyn Gallegos '22, Jennifer Marquez-Rodriguez '21, Jasmir Thompson '21, Kiara Shank '22, Aurelia Savener '22, Jacqueline Marquez '20, Cameron Young '20, Ceci Gibby '20, and Jordan Frederick '20 perform a basket-toss



During the homecoming game, High-School cheerleaders Grace Burton '20, Jordan Frederick '20, Jasmin Thompson '21 and Jennifer Marquez-Rodriguez '21 perform a cheer in attempts to excite the crowd.

> Before the homecoming game, co-captain Cameron Young '20 leads Lidya Shelemo '20, Alexa Hernandez Aguilar '20, Aurelia Savener '22, and Madelyn Gilbert '21, making sure they knew the dances and cheers for their halftime performance. All of their hard work payed off, their halftime performance amazed and excited the crowd.







The seniors Jacqueline Marquez, Lidya Shelemo, Cameron Young, Ceci Gibby, and Jordan Frederick, wave to the crowd during their last homecoming football game as a High-School student. Dasia McClain '21 said, "Cheer is one of the best clubs I've joined at this school. I've made such good friends and I really enjoy the time I spent as a cheerleader."



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Cheerleading students Athena Adame '23, Madelyn Gilbert '21, and Alexa Hernandez Aguilar '20 yell their famous cheer, Lets Go Jaguars, as the crowd echoes them to get the players' spirits up during the homecoming game. It ended up working; the football team, inspired by their cheers, rallied to tie the game after being down.





Cameron Young '20, Jacqueline Marquez '20, Jasmin Thompson '21, Dasia McClain '21, Jennifer Marquez-Rodriguez '21, Aurelia Savener '22, and Jordan Frederick '20 perform their victory cheer to get the crowd excited.



Athena Adame '23, Madelyn Gilbert '21, Jennifer Marquez-Rodriguez '20, Jacqueline Marquez '20, Aurelia Savener '22, Lidya Shelemo '20, Cameron Young '20, Grace Burton '20, Ceci Gibby '20, Jordan Frederick '20, Alexa Hernandez Aguilar '20, and Jazlyn Gallegos '22 pose in front of their last run-through banner before the homecoming game preparing to cheer for the crowd and the football players.

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#### ABIGAIL WARD '24

"I really enjoyed the homecoming game, it was a really great game to watch, especially because we forty-fived them [the other team]."

#### T-O-U-C-H-D-O-W-N

1. Cheer members Lavena
Basilio ' 26, Dani Tway '26,
Dayana Ramirez-Flores ' 26,
Kaitlyn Nguyen ' 26, Taylor
Huff ' 26, Aedan Green ' 26,
Ramatoulaye Diallo ' 26, Abigail
Ward ' 24, Maleah Bond ' 25
show off there T-O-U-C-H-D-O-W-N cheer after the Jags scored
a touchdown.

 Dani Tway '26 and Lavena Basilio ' 26 cheer during an early season game against CC Annapolis on August 30th.



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- 3. Dani Tway'26, Dayana
  Ramirez-Flores '26, Kaitlyn
  Nguyen '26 and Lavena Basilio
  '26 cheer on the team during a
  game. Ramirez-Flores said, "My
  biggest fear was cheering in front
  of a lot of people but I overcame
  it because my friends were there
  supporting me."
- 4. Taylor Huff '26 and Abigail Ward '24 cheer on the team during a game. Huff said, "One of the best thing about being a cheerleader is working together and learning."
- 5. Maleah Bond '25 and Ramatoulaye Diallo '26 cheer on the team during a game. Diallo said, "My favorite memory was when I got to be on the top of the stunt."
  6. Aedan Green '26 practices her splits during a game. Green said, "One of my biggest challenges was getting everything in sync and the solution is lots and lots of practice."
- 7. The cheer squad performs their grand finale during the homecoming game. Ramatoulaye Diallo '26 said, "My favorite memory was when I got to be on the top of the stunt." Pictured: Dayana Ramirez-Flores '26, Maleah Bond '25, Ramatoulaye Diallo '26, Lavena Basilio '26, Aedan Green '26, Abigail Ward '24, Kaitlyn Nguyen '26, Taylor Huff '26, Dani Tway '26.

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#### CORONATION



For the first time ever, homecoming included a coronation. Four students were crowned during this year's Homecoming Rally. The four students with the most votes, Jacqueline "Jaqui" Marquez '20, Eva Mitchell '21, Ethan Jarvis '20, and Gage Mallo '22 got crowned.



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- vill not appear in JouThe sheetsquad got together and decided to go with a country western theme. cheer captain Jaqueline "Jaqui" Marquez '20 said,"We thought it would be fun, and it made it easy to decorate."
  - 1. Kayle Mercado '21 teaches Cameron Young '20, Jasmin Thompson '21, Madelyn Gilbert '21, Jennifer Marquez-Rodriguez '21, Samantha Vazquez '21, and Jacqueline Marquez '20 a dance move, kicking one foot foreward to the music.
  - 2. Sruti Ramachandran '20, Marley Clinton '21, Jordan Frederick '20, Grace Burton '20, and Alexa Hernandez Aguilar line dance with the music.
  - Tony De La Rosa '20 dances with his partner Cassandra Nguyn '20, student at Hendrickson High School.
  - 4. Dance chaperones Ms. Andrea Prado, Ms. Natalie Elliot, Ms. Christine Derbyshire, and Mr. Chris Mink pose in the western-themed photo booth.



- 5. Cheerleaders Aurelia Savener '22, Cameron Young '20, Madelyn Gilbert '21, Jennifer Marquez-Rodriguez '21, Alexa Hernandez Aguilar '20, (row 2) Jasmin Thompson '21, Jacqueline Marquez '20, Jordan Frederick '20, Grace Burton '20, and Cecilia Gibby '20 pose in a group photo at the photo booth...
- .6. Jaqueline "Jaqui" Marquez-Rodriguez '21 and Cameron Young '20 link arms and dance, stepping to the music. 7. Saxon Ballew '20, Marley Clinton '21, Mikayla Rivers '21, and Isaiah Hernandez '20 watch Chance De Vos '20 dance, spinning in the process.

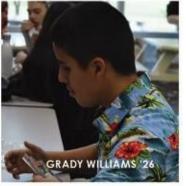
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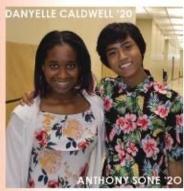






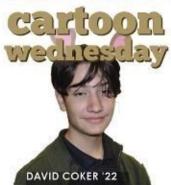
























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JAQUELINE "JAQUI" MARQUEZ '20

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TEACHING OTHERS Luis Lopez '22 dons professional dress to present the culture of the Sioux Indians

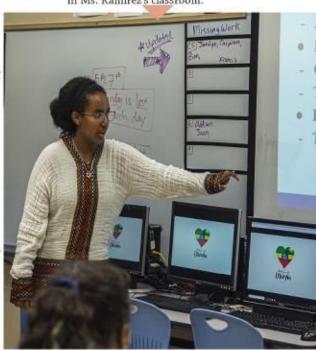
At this year's Diversity Fair, students led country presentations and a celebration of distinctive foods. Participants showcased fashion, music, dance, and language during grand finale in the gym. For the past four years this event has been used to celebrate the diversity of our school community.

#### UNASHAMED

Edna Wolde '22 presents the country of Ethiopia to an audience gathered in Ms. Ramirez's classroom.

#### EDNA WOLDE '22

"People from different cultures and ethnicities showing their ancestry and their background gives a feeling of joy, curiosity, and comfort. We are proud of where we are from and we are not ashamed of it."



#### STYLE ALERT

Kayle Mercado '21 and teacher Ms. Fanny Zapata show off traditional Mexican blouses. Mercado said, "It's kind of scary to have a bunch of people staring at you, but in the end it was fun. Ev-eryone was smiling and cheering us on. It was really cool."





#### OWN THE RUNWAY

Lidya Shelemo '20 in a traditional dress from Ethiopia, and Samuelle Pierce '25, Zyir Pierce '31 in dress representing West African Culture strut down the aisle during the Diversity Fair fashion show.

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CULTURE SHARE Aurelia Savener '22 listens to Sky Bass '20 as she present the country of Thailand to Diversity Fair attendees.



#### BOLLYWOOD BEATS Sruti Ramachandran '20 performs a Bollywood dance in semi-traditional Half-Saree.

#### SRUTI RAMACHANDRAN '20

"I enjoy sharing
my culture with the
school. Having more
cultural knowledge
contributes to a global and educated view
of the world, and
ensures students have
a global perspective."



#### A LANGUAGE LIKE ANY OTHER

Anthony Sone '20 and Kayla Huddle' 20 sign "I Can Only Write My Own Name" by Will Jay. Sone said, "ASL is a language that is diverse and very important to communities just like any other language."





#### **OVERCOMING FEAR**

Moira Ewing Barta '22 dances the 5th variation from Paquita to music by Ludwig Minkus during the finale in the gym. Still in her tights and pointe shoes, Barta also performs a piece on her violin, and enjoyed "working on the artistic aspects" of her performance in spite of her stage fright. "I have been working with my teachers on ways to temper that and just be able to go on stage and enjoy the performance, she says.

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The PALS Program is a program that promotes kids helping kids. The high school PALS class works with elementary students on a weekly basis doing projects and other activities that promote both students lives.

- 1. William Rodriguez '21 makes a talking piece to use during circles, a kind or restorative practice, while at the National Restorative Practices Conference.
- 2. Henry Ferris '21 and Paisley Ogden '21 make talking sticks as part of an activity rotation, while at the National Restorative Practices Conference.
- 3. Seniors, Jacqui Marquez, Lila Valadez, Keren Jimenez, and Anthony Sone, sit on a panel as they present their presentation about PALS being leaders on their school campus.
- 4. Anthony Sone '20 and Keren Jimenez '20 work together to serve tea while volunteering at an Amplify Austin community breakfast.
- 5. Samantha Vasquez '21 writes food labels while volunteering at the Austin Food Bank with the PALS class. 6. Ja'tavien Urdy '20 breaks down boxes while at the food bank.
- 7. Flavia Martinez '21 serves fruit while volunteering at the Amplify Austin breakfast.
- 8. Ms. Norma Reyes and Jacqui Marquez '20 inspect food items while volunteering at the Central Texas Food Bank.





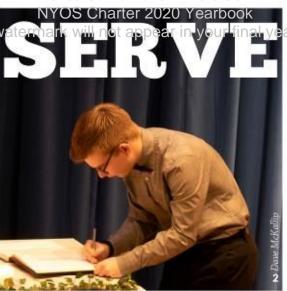






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- The National Honor Society Chaplepworks to promote scholarship, leadership, service, and character throughout its chapter. The chapter host multiple events and service projects that benefit the community.
- Mikyla Johnson '21 lights her candle during induction, symbolizing her commitment to the National Honor Society pillars.
- Ben McKallip '22 signs his name, into the chapters official log, during induction night.
- Ryan Lowther '20 holds his blood bag after donating with We are Blood Austin. Every year the chapter hosts a blood drive supporting local hospitals in need.
- 4. National Honor Society President, Lila Valadez '20, welcomes the chapter members, during the induction night ceremony. Michael Page '22 and Aurelia Savener '22 stand behind the podium with the other new members, as Valadez welcomes them.
- 5. Chapter Treasurer, Dasia McClain '21, writes down donations, with Jennifer Marquez '21 help, after hosting a babysitting service for elementary parents.
- 6. Ethan Benoit '20 staples black tarps to the wall for the annual haunted house the chapter hosts each year. The profits go towards their current service project.
- 7. Madelyn Gilbert '21 tests out her DIY straight jacket for the annual haunted house.



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#### A DAY IN THE LIFE - ART 2

"We're just gonna..." \* uh oh sound\* "spontaneous knife defense"

blank stare" "I'll just put some nice grass."
"Celeste you breathe too hard on my paper."

\*old man noise\*

"Your mountains look like broccoli"

"JOOSY (juicy) marker!"

"It looks like thaaaa.. THA COLOSSEUM!... I don't know what that is. Wait, no, the thing, pizza, leaning tower of Pisa!" \*continues to describe the Colosseum\*

by Keona Redman '22 & Celeste Sylvana '22

#### CHELSEA NGUYEN '22

It's fun, relaxing, albeit a little quirky and messy. We get to try lots of new things in class and unexpectedly I've found myself quite amused by the stamp my friend made one quarter that says some... colorful language.







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#### WHAT HAPPENS BACKSTAGE

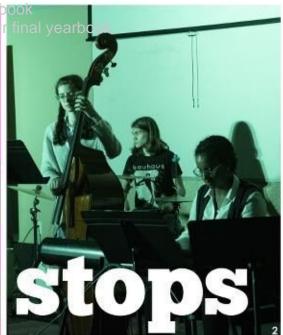
Just like all the productions, The Princess Bride brought many people together. The drama crew spent countless hours rehearsing, and gave it their all once it was their time to shine.

- Westley, played by Sean Bumgardner "22 and Inigo Montoya, Alayna Campell-Tuason "22 sword fight.
- 2. Fezzik, Seth Holton '22 holds Princess Buttercup, Hailey Hernandez '22 while speaking to Vizzini played by Kyre Sessoms '21. Hernandez says the most challenging part of the play was, "the monologue, I've never had to remember such a long part and I was really proud when I finally got it down even though it was nerve racking".
- 3. Prince Humperdinck, Grace Lilly '20 holds Princess Buttercup's hands, Hailey Hernandez '22, as they are married by the Royal Bishop, Jordan Frederick '20 in the presence of Queen Bella, Emma Lowther '22. Lowther says the most memorable part of being part of the play was, "the feeling when it was over because I felt connected to everyone".



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#### **ROCK ON**

Being part of a band allows students to express themselves in the form of music. Through their passion for music students are able to not only show their talent but also get closer to one another.

- 1. David Coker '22 and Ethan Davis '22 strum their guitars as Evan White '22 plays the drums and Kenzie Avants '22 sings
- 2. Moira Ewing Barta '22 plays the double bass while Evan White '22 plays the drums and Edna Wolfe '22 plays the keyboard. Ewing Barta said, "I am always nervous when I perform (I have really bad stage fright), but it is always easier performing with Band, especially being

surrounded by friends and knowing we are really there to enjoy ourselves."

- Chelsea Nguyen '22 sings while Samantha Herr '20 plays the bass and Nadeen Al Rifaei '23 plays the keyboard.
- Evan White '22 sings as Penelope Herrera-Martinez '21 plays the drums.

#### Evan White '22

"My favorite part of the day is always band class. A space to play music or listen to it makes me feel much better about things."



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TAFE stands for Texas Association of Future Educators. But don't let that fool you. Their goal goes beyond that, to further every student by building character, service, and leadership through honing life skills such as public speaking and community building, to ensure students come out of it a little more prepared to be successful later in their life.

1. Fiona Adams '20, Samantha Vasquez '21, and Sarah Funderburke '23 work together selling concessions at a back to school dance TAFE host-

ed to raise money to go to regionals.

2. Kayle Mercado '21 helps sell concessions at an elementary game night. The proceeds go to help TAFE travel for competitions.

3. Sruti Ramachandran '20, Samantha Vasquez '21, and Sarah Montgomery '20 smile for a picture before the TAFE state award ceremony.

gomery '20 smile for a picture befor the TAFE state award ceremony. 4. Lidya Shelemo '20 shakes the TAFE raffle "box" filled with raffle tickets. TAFE hosted a raffle where the winner would get a new TV and the proceeds go to support their travels for competitions.









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## **Dear TAFE Class** of 2020...

The 2019-2020 school year was full. Full of success, learning, growth, and challenges. Though our year ended much differently than we all anticipated, this is an extraordinary moment, and it calls on all of us to support each other with great care and compassion like we NYOSians do. And, no matter what, be proud of yourself, your resilience, and your ability to adapt to extreme circumstances. I am proud of and love each and every one of you.

To my TAFE Class of 2020, you already know what it is. You are my heart, I could go on, but what's understood doesn't need to be explained<3

In the words of Michelle Obama, "You may not always have a comfortable life and you will not always be able to solve all of the world's problems at once but don't ever underestimate the importance you can have because history has shown us that courage can be contagious and hope can take on a life of its own."

> Love Queen Pierce, #TalkingChillingCool

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Youth and Government is a club that any high schoolers can take. There are different branches like Judicial, legislative, state affairs, and media. This class practices judicial (mock trials). They have a witness, attorney, bailiff, and a judge. The class practices mock trials and compete with other schools during compititions.

1. Seniors, Cecilia Gibby, Anthony Sone, and Sruti Ramachandran, snap a selfie during a dance banquet held after the days competi-

2. Eric Griggs '23, Sruti Ramachandran '20, Elif Painaik '23, Anthony Sone '20, and Cecilia Gibby stand in front of a capitol gate after they finished their days worth of competitions.

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The class of '26 continued the sixth grade tradition of interactively watching "Elf." They ate Buddy's favorite foods, had snowball fights and cut out snowflakes.

ELF PRIDE Mr. Dan "Mr. O" Omelchuck dresses as Buddy for the third year in a row.





Sophomores Avery Thomas, Aurelia Savener and Wyatt Harris sign "The Little Drummer Boy."



Sophomores Hannah Marberry, Taylor Sessoms and Alyssa Webb sign "It's Beginning to Look A Lot Like Christmas."



Sophomores Keona Redmon and Emma Lowther sign "Mr. Grinch."

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#### "I really enjoyed performing White Winter Hymnal. We got to use body percussion and it was a lot of fun." Em Hogard '21



Jordan Frederick '20, Fiona Adams '20, Michael kannen '20, Hailey Hernandez '22, Sean Bumgarderner '22, Mary Shanks '20, and Ayla Hanson '22, are singing "Sleigh Ride." Hernandez said "I was really excited to show our hard work in choir to everyone at the rally."



#### NI NIOL

- Sixth Graders, June Wilerson, Hope Childs, Toyin Akindele, Juan Vasquez, Aedan Green Lavena Basillio, Dayana Ramirez-Flores, Nalena Basillio and Emilo Agusiegbe reenact the snowball fight in "Elf" with their grade and laughing as they hit their friends.
- Natalie Huynh '26, Rebecca Rawlinson '26, Kate Rawlinson '26, and Aaliyah Morris '26 show off their buddy replica snowflakes while watching "Elf."
- Dani Tway, Chloe Bentley, Wren Santostefano and Nelena Basilio '26 cutout snowflakes along with Buddy.
- Henry Nichols eats Buddy's favorite foods, spaghetti with syrup and m&ms.
- Twinning, sixth grade technology teacher Mrs. Amy Holton and son Jasper Holton '26 show off their holiday flair during "Elf."

#### **ELF HUNTERS**



Ms. Lisa "Silence of the Lams" Lamkin, Ms. Allison "White Xmas" White and Ms. Christine "Kentucky Derby" Derbyshire compete during first annual Teachers' Elf Hunt Competition. Ms. Derbyshire said, "We found 2-3 elves. I can't even remember how many exactly because the experience was so intense! We had a great team and we did what we had to do! We NEVER GAVE UP!"W

Principal Mr. Will Jaramillo, Assistant Principal Ms. Megan Podd, and counselors Ms. Emily Nader and Ms. Tannia Benefield hid elves for teachers to find during finals week leading

up to the start of winter break. The teachers worked in teams to find the most elves. by Rin Davis



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NYOS Charter 2020 Yearbook Ethan Jarvis '20 powers down
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nals on January 14th.

Returning from winter break brought basketball championships for the boy's middle school and varsity teams, nominations for our Musical Theater class's performance of "Little Women" at the Greater Austin High School Musical Theater Awards, as well as medals and state qualifications for the middle school and high school Science Olympiad teams, Students found time to have fun and socialize at the Valentine's Day Dance. The annual Black History Month program drew the usual enthusiastic audience. As the quarter wound down and we prepared for Spring Break, fears over the coronavirus brought daily reminders to wash our hands and not touch our faces. Many of us had travel plans disrupted, and state competitions were canceled. We left with uncertainty about how we would finish the year.



Seniors Ryan Lowther, Mark De La Rosa and Haven Barrera register to vote during government class.

Matthew Hausmann '21 and Kyre Sessoms '21 perform a rap with Seth Holton '22 and Sean Bumgardner '22 during the Black History Month Rally.





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and Peer Assistance and Leadership

(PALS) members from other schools

at the state conference.







Angel Arriaga '20 and Eric Krauskofp '22 but the finishing touches on their tower before testing how long it will stand during an earthquake

Ja'Tavien Urdy '20 performs with the step Team at the Black History month show on February 28th.

#### RYAN LOWTHER '20

"I couldn't vote in the primary, but will get to vote in the general election. I worked sixteen hours at the polls on Super Tuesday."

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Engineer Your World allowed students to improve their problem solving skills. Throughout the course, students are challenged to think outside the box and complete projects by embracing an engineer's way of thinking. Commercial Photography I also pushed students to problem-solve and think creatively. Students were given project guidelines then set loose.











#### SUCCESS TIPS

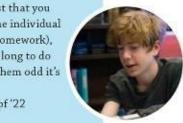


"Be prepared to do homework, and work hard. The class is very fun but its not always easy."

- Max Muñoz '21

"I would suggest that you keep up with the individual assessments (homework), they don't take long to do and if you put them odd it's a lot to do."

- Eric Krauskopf '22





"Pay attention, follow instructions, get your IAs (Individual Assessments) done"

- Matthew Collier '20

1. Max Muñoz '21, AL-Harith Ghaly '21, Raquel Ledford '20 and Josh Omiya '20 observe their moving tower, hoping it will withstand the earthquake simulation. Muñoz said, "The most challenging part of this project was, "making sure all the data was correct." Omiya agreed, saying, "Calculating frequency and amplitude was especially challenging."
2. Isaac Slotboom '21 observes the moving tower as Aidan Ewing '2 2 controls the magni-

tude of the simulation. Slotboom says his favorite part of creating the earthquake resistant building was, "assembling [it] after all of the parts were cut out."

3.Raquel Ledford '20 clips washers to her group's building. Ledford says her favorite part of creating the earthquake resistant building was, "watching everyone work together."

4.Emily Sterling '20 and Angel Arriaga '20 assist Eric Krauskopf
'22 as he controls how fast the building will shake. Sterling
says her favorite part of this project was, "doing the tests
to see if the building would withstand the earthquake."

Aidan Ewing '22 makes adjustment's to his groups building by changing the placement of the washers.

"Over the course of teaching Engineering, I've seen students grow not only academically by learning about STEM-related concepts, but also by developing teamwork and leadership skills, exploring the bounds of their own creativity, and broadening their awareness of how engineering and design thinking can serve a wide variety of needs".

- Mr. James Novogoratz

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1. Mark De La Rosa '20 takes a photo of Corbin New for his surrealist photography assignment. 2. Photo in the Style Of Christopher McKenney by James Purgason '21. 3. Street Photography Portrait of Matthew Muñoz Weaver '23. Kadin Eler '21 and Noah Slotboom '21 by Emilie Hogard '21. 4. Double Exposure Project was the first photography project given during the quarantine. Self Portrait by Zaid Abukhadier '21 "This is how I feel after not leaving the house for 9 days." 5. Self Portrait by Nicole Urbay Rivero '22 "I want to express my feeling of admiration for France and my condolences for the people that died because of the virus."

6. Self Portrait by

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Luke Smith '22 "I was trying to show contemplation and time passing."



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#### CHAMPIONS

Advancing to the TAIAO Tournament Championship at the end of a strong season, the varsity boys varsity basketball team walked away with the championship title.

- 1. #30 Chase Hill '20 shoots a free throw during a game against Meridian on January 14th.
- 2. #51 Skyler Townsend '20 moves down court during the championship game. Townsend said, "My strength and weakness is that I'm aggressive. I can get mad, so I have to just walk it off."
- 3. #3 Tony De La Rosa '20 prepares to make a basket during the championship game.
- 4. #10 Kaleb Warren looks for an opening to pass the ball.
- 5. #41 Avery Caldwell '20 moves down court with the ball.
- 6. #14 Jalen Thompson '23 makes a free throw. Thompson said, "I got told to be aggressive, don't over-think anything, and just play because you love the game. This helps me before every game because I know that I am not there to please anybody but myself."
- 7. #13 Nate De La Rosa '22 faces off during the championship game while #42 Michael Page '22 and #55 Chase McDuffie '23 prepare for him to pass.

#### #40 Chance DeVos '20

"My pre-game ritual is to lick my left shoe."





















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- #33 William Rodriguez '21 rushes in to block a shot by Cardinals #15. Rodriguez's game philosophy is simple, "Don't be afraid, be confident with yourself."
- 9. #24 Mavery Gutierrez Guillet '20 moves to receive a pass, dodging the defense while #42 Michael Page '23 stands ready to assist. Gutierrez Guillet said, "It's better to pass the ball so your teammate has a better shot than to take a contested bucket."
- 10. #22 Christian De La Rosa '23 prepares to make a basket while #54 Zaid Abukhadier '21 prepares to protect him.
- 11. #35 Ethan Jarvis '20 makes a free throw. Jarvis said, "When we are in the zone we are essentially unstoppable."
- #3 Tony De La Rosa '20 and #45 Ethan
   Benoit '20 move to block Meridian player #4.

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#### DRIBBLE, SHOOT, SCORE

- Alexa Hernandez Aguilar '20 throws out the ball to our team during a tournament.
- Teresa Vu '23 stands on the outter sideline and prepares to throw the ball into the game.
- Jenny Marquez '21 dribbles the ball down the court and Kayle Mercado '21 protects her while trying to get points during a tournament.
- Daisy Rodriguez '22 tries to get the ball to the other side of the court without giving the ball to the other team.
- Sophmore, Ashley Guerra '22, tries to get to the ball while someone gaurds her.
- Mary Bajimi '22 brings the ball down the court trying to not let the ball get stolen and Lupe Carrera-Zavala '22 comes up from the side to defend the ball.
- Chardell Scott '23 and Ezinne Osemene '23 try to keep an opposing player from shoting the ball and making points.
- 8. Jenny Marquez '21 defends her side of the court from the other team during a home game.
- 9. Flavia Martinez '21 gets stuck while trying to make a point for her team at the tournament.
- 10. Angela Hernandez '23, Mary Bajimi '22, Daisy Rodriguez '22, and Alexa Hernandez Aguilar '20 defend there side of the court from the other team at a home game.
- Daisy Rodriguez '22, Ezinne Osemene '23, and Chardell Scott '23 try to get the ball from the other team on there side of the court.
- Lupe Zavala '22 runs to the other side of the court to try to protect the other team from making a point















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#### LYDIA SHELEMO '20

"Playing basketball affected my school and social life. It helped me focus on my classes and get my grades up And in my social life, I got to meet new people and interact with them."

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OLUWATOBI AKINDELE '25 "Work hard, but play harder."



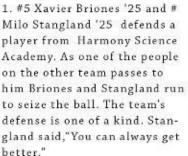
IOHAN GUTIERREZ'25
if i miss a shot i will always make
the next one"



MILO ODEN'25
"The feeling of playing in a game is like practicing in my drive way."



ISAIAH TRESTON '25
"I'm not early but I'm never too



2. #33 Trey Huff '24 goes in for the layup after #24 Hailu Simegn '25 makes a pass to him. After scoring, they took the lead by 8 points. The team's communication with each other is absolutely amazing, which leads to the amazing scores that they have. Huff said, "The third times the charm." 3. #11 Noah Churchill '26 is shooting a three after the ball is passed to him. His season total has been an amazing 7 points. His free throw consistency and three pointers really help the team. Churchill said, "Nothing is hard, it just takes dedication."

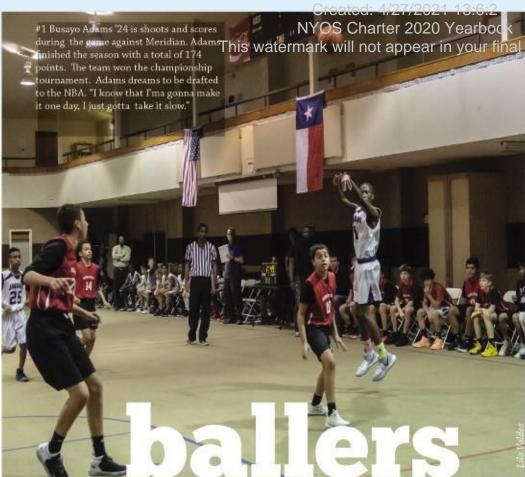
4. #24 Haileloule Simegn is dribbling the ball down the court after getting passed the ball. Simegn is a very sharp shooter and has made a total of 10 points this season. He has played for three years now and is great on both offense and defense. Simegn said, "It takes a long time to learn something. When I practice my step backs, its like taking a step forward."

















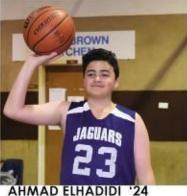
5.#25 Nathan Tadios '24 shoots during the championship tournament. He had consistent record of 3 pointers and a total of 41 points made this season. Tadios' motivation comes from those who don't believe in him. He is never discouraged and will always try his best. Tadios said, "Those who doubt me are the ones who push me to be the best."

6.#14 Colin Shelton'24 is a great player. His motivation to get better is what gives him power on the court. With a total of 34 Points made this season Shelton stated he would continue to work hard and hopes to return next season. Shelton said, "Work hard for your dreams."

7.#15 Gabe Fowler '24 leaves everything on the court leaving a mark behind with a total of 110 points made this season. With five seconds left Fowler saved the championship game with a 3 pointer. Fowler said, "The grind never stops unless you do."



LANE DINGER '26 "Practice makes perfect."



"Consistency comes with greatness."



**LUCAS HARMAN '24**"The tighter our bond, the higher the score."



MARK AMICHIA '24
"All you need to succeed is a mindset of success and yourself."

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- 1. #59 Yuliana Hernandez '25 gets the ball and heads towards the basket to score. Hernandez said, "Whenever I run through the court I feel nervous because I feel like I will drop the ball."
- 2. #3 Helen Reyes '24 passes the ball to #16 Alisha Spears '24. Reyes said, "The most important concept the team has to work on is dynamics and communication between the players."
- 3.#16 Alisha Spears '24 dribbles down the court counter-attacking against the other team to score a shot.
- 4.#13 Pelumi Adams '26 jumps up to get the rebound. It was Adam's First year on the basketball team. The girl's basketball team had a lot of new players. #4 Maggy Marquez '24 said, "It was a good experience to play unknown people." #8 Honoria Obioms '26 said "It was very exciting to learn the proper ways to play."













AFOMIYA MICHAEL '25



ALISHA SPEARS '24

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5. First year player #59 Yuliana Hernandez '25 attempts to make a goal at the February 14th tournament. They played three games that day. In the third and final game, Hernandez made four decisive three-pointers making twelve points in

6. #16 Alisha Spears '24 shields the ball to maintain possession and is suspending the play so teammates have to get open. Spears said, "Maintaining the ball in my control is very hard because at the same time I have to make sure that the person guarding me doesn't get the ball."

#10 Samiyah Scott '26

"It's not about winning its about fun."







**CHLOE BENTLY '26** 

**TAYLOR HUFF '26** 

NAILA AMER '25

MALEAH BOND '25

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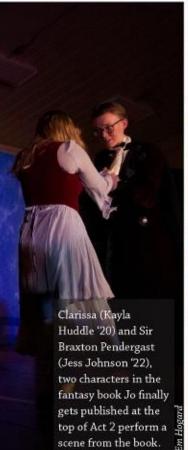
A First Person Account by Aurelia Savener



Honestly, the whole experience from start to finish was amazing. I remember coming back from fall break and getting our scripts for Little Women, and reading through it as a class and just being so excited to start. It was a lot more complicated than anything we'd done before as a class or as a drama club - it was a full length show and the vocals were a lot more complicated than stuff we had done in the past - but that day convinced me that everyone was going to do really well in their roles and it was going to be a fun show.

And I was right! Ayla is a musical soul, she directed all the harmonies and challenging vocal parts, and she did an amazing job on top of playing Beth and earning a nomination for that. And I remember the first week we were in costume to













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rehearse. Kyre and I had to practice arguing with with Sthengander Institute highly befored had to walk out and getting the feeling that he just completely disappeared! It was like I was arguing with a real \_\_my stomach had just turned inside out. Once everything started Victorian gentleman. Kyre is usually very playful and cracks jokes all the time, but he just embodied that persona so well, it wasn't hard to act that scene at all. That's just what jumps out at me first, I don't mean to leave anyone out, because really everyone was like that by the time we got to opening night. A great show really rests equally on everyone's shoulders, because everyone has to work together to make every little interchange believable, and I think the class is great at that. We're so close as a group, we talk over text constantly, and it just makes working together so much fun. It was a lot of hard work, but it was so fun.

Then on opening night the cast got together for the usual pep talk that Ms. Z likes to give before every show, and we all realized that there were 3 spots reserved in the audience for the judges and they were all going to be there that first night. I sometimes like to think that after being in drama club for so long, I don't still get stage fright, but those last few minutes before I went on for the first time were absolutely terrifying. I remember listening to Kyre say his

moving, it was like a freight train. The nerves had disappeared by the end of Act 1. At some point, you forget about the audience, as ridiculous as that sounds, and it's just you up there with your friends and the music and all the stuff your director taught you, and your character's feelings and thoughts. Then it was all over and we were bowing. We always go to the Culver's nearby after shows for ice cream, and I just sat there thinking, "What just happened?"

The nomination ceremony was a whole month later. I woke up at 5 in the morning that day, which is way too early for me usually, to go downtown the Paramount with Ms. Z and my cast-mates. The air in that auditorium was magical, but you could also cut it with a knife, everyone was so nervous. There were around 30 other schools participating, so it was full, and we ended up sitting right in front.

The announcer had a rule that you couldn't react at all until he finished reading all the nominees in a category. I had coffee for the first time ever that morning, so I was sitting there with my eyes closed

> having heart palpitations from the nerves and the caffeine when he started reading off my category. You could hear a pin drop. I remember we were all in a row holding hands. Then he called my name. I think Ms. Z almost fainted. I was so shocked I couldn't process it at first. Then he called the last name and everyone was shouting and it all came in a wave. Then Ayla got her nomination and the same thing happened all over again. It was the best day, and I'm so glad I got to have that experience with my class.

Ms. Zeitler and Madelyn Gilbert '21, in the sound booth, and Grace Lilly '20, Naomi Omiya '22, Alyssa Webb '22 and the cast clap for the crew as they take their bow, Abigail Ingle '24, Celeste Sylvana '22, Chelsea Nguyen '22, Keona Redmon '22, Kenneth Page '22, Michael Page '22.





#### IT'S THE MUSIC

Monday through Thursday and every other Friday students in third period Rock Band work on new songs, sing, play, and just have a good time. Sure, there's pressure leading up to performances, but most of the time, it's about making music.

Kylie Turner '21 on electric guitar, Stella Cardona '21 on bass, and Abigail Pore '21 on drums accompany Frankie Shanks '20 and Keller Beers 22, performing "Black Sugar" by the Rolling Stones.

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#### LAST DANCE

Science Olympiad threw the middle school what turned out to be the last dance of the year. They were working to earn money for travel to their state competition, which was subsequently canceled after schools shut down in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Angel Mondragon Heredia '26, Nico Barajas '25 and Rocket Mills '25 pose in the photo booth during the Science Olympiad sponsored Middle School Valentines Day Dance.
- 2. Nikki Gauldin '24, Anyanka De Vos '24, Tamara Brown '24, Amelia Childs '26, June Wilkerson '26, and Janiece Munguia '26 do the "Cupid Shuffle."
- Sixth graders Danielle Tway and Ramatoulaye Diallo dance together.
- Kloee Tran '26, Angelina Gallagos '24, Dayana Ramirez-Flores '26 and Angel Mondragon Heredia 26 circle up and show their moves during the Valentines Day Dance.





Ryan Lowther '20 and Frankie Shanks '20 sing "Bittersweet" by Panic! during Expressions' Valentines Day Concert.























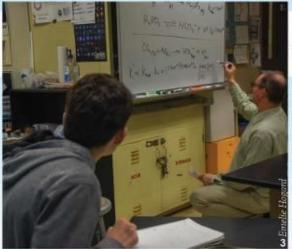
#### HANDS & HEARTS

ASL students meet to play games, eat snacks and practice their signs during the Valentines Day Social.

- 1. Jada Asberry '24 and Maria Solorzano-Figueroa '24 watch as Edna Wolde '22 signs Asberry's word to her.
- 2. Ms. Tracy McCameron signs the secret word to Rowan Espinoza '24.
- Aurelia Savener '22 and Kayla Huddle 20 show their love for ASL at the Valentines Day Social.
- 4. Abigail Ward 24 practices a sign with Eliana Orton '24, Sky Bass '20, and Matthew Wilcox '24.
- Arianna Pierce '24 and Lailah Washington '24 hold cards to their heads while Kira Bradley '24 thinks about how to sign their words to them.
- 5. Griffin Beers '24 holds up his secret word for Penny Gauldin '23 to sign.







2. Isaac Porier '22 releases the airplane he and Kian Childs '23 built for their event Wright Stuff. Porier and Childs have never placed below fifth at a competition and hope to continue this streak at the state competition. 3. Anthony Modica '20 takes notes as Dr. Mark McPhee teaches him how to calculate chemical equilibrium for chemical reactions. Prepared for his event Chemistry Lab, Modica placed third at regionals.

5. Ben McKallip '22 and Eric Krauskopf '22 prepare for the regional competition by studying their events. McKallip prepares for his event Astronomy, which placed fourth at regionals. Krauskopf prepares for his event Codebusters, which also placed fourth.

6. Brandon Countryman '20 releases the car he built for his event Gravity Vehicle, where teams are tasked with building a car that travels 9 meters. He and Alex Countryman '22 placed second at regionals, the highest placing event on the team.

#### SUCCESS-BOUND

1. After many years of disappointment, the High school Science Olympiad team won third place at the UT regional, qualifying for the state competition for the first time in almost a decade. After the awards ceremony, the High-school Science Olympiad team poses for a celebratory photo. The team coach, Dr. Mark McPhee, said, "It's exciting how good this team has gotten. Even just a few years ago we used to look up to the larger teams and wonder about how they were so good. Now the smaller teams are starting to look up to us. We're starting to get a name for ourselves as a good team. Other teams are starting to get scared of us, and that's exciting for the future of the club."





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er 2020 Yearbottle Middle-school Science Olympiad team appear in your that had a great year so far. They placed third at their regional competition in San Antonio, so there is a strong possibility that they will make it to the state competition.

7. Ellis Morgan '25 and Naomi Taylor '26 construct one of the major joints for their event Boomilever, which placed third at their regional competition.

Competitors build a structure designed to hold as much weight as possible 40cm away from a wall while being as light as possible.

8. Nikki Gauldin '24 is memorizing Scratch codes for Game On, which placed seond at regionals.

Competitors have to design and build a computer game in Scratch based on a theme given at the competition.

9. Aaron Johnson '25 builds and studies his notes for Ornithology, which placed first at their regional competition. In Ornithology, competitors are required to know as much as possible about North American birds, even being able to identify them based on their call.







10. Anyanka De Voss '24 is studying heredity, an event where competitors analyze data and solve problems based on knowledge of genetics, including advanced knowledge of DNA, gene expression, genotype, phenotype, karyotype, and evolution, in addition to predicting traits of offspring. She placed fifth at the team's regional competition. 11. Amon Neas '26 studies for his event Circuit Lab, in which competitors must show their extensive knowledge of electricity, magnetism, resistance, and electrical logic. During the competition, you must design a circuit, model it with diagrams, answer questions about that circuit, and perform mathematical calculations on the circuit to predict heat output, resistance, and voltages.



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#### Celebrating Black History Month with music, dance and spoken word

- 1. Kylie Turner '21 plays the drums with the band at the show.
- 2. Rebekah Page '25 recites her original spoken word piece.
- 3.Cameron Young '20 introduces the step team.
- 4. Penelope Herrera Martinez '21 plays the drums for the band performance.
- 5. Mrs. Nekeida Pierce and Ms. Zeitler honor the step master, Ms. Sekoya, for dedicating her time and motivating the step team
- 6.Kenzie Avants '22, Hailey Hernandez '22, Taryn Harvey '20, Arianna Pierce '24, Fiona Adams '20, and Sarah Montgomery '20
- unite their voices as they sing "Steal Away to Jesus." 7. Diana Nguyen '20 and Ryan Lowther '20 dance to their stroll as
- part of the step performance.
- 8. Samantha Vasquez '21 enlightens the audience with her original spoken words.
- 9. Ruth Tadios '22 and Emelie Hogard '21 perform in a step
- 10. Edna Wolfe '22 delivers her original spoken words to the
- 11. Mark De La Rosa '20 jumps a rope, while Taryn Harvey '20 (not pictured) reads "Jump/Rope" by Eve Ewing out loud. This represents the plot of the poem. Sarah Montgomery '20 waits for her turn to jump the rope.
- 12. Anthony Sone '20, Seth Holton '22, and Lidya Shelemo '20 strike a pose after performing their dance routine to "Crazy in Love by Beyon
- 13. Sophomores Ethan Davis, Kenzie Avants, and Chelsea Nguyen sing "As" by Stevie Wonder.
- 14. Band member Keller Beers '22 plays the drums.







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#### PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

This year, the soccer team entered a new league that was different compared to what they had previously been competing at. The team worked hard during practice to give it their all during games. From playing on mud to having to learn how to efficiently collaborate as a team, the team faced many challenges, but that didn't stop them from trying their best.

- Micheal Marmalejo '21 and Henry Farris '21 tackle for the ball during practice. Farris says, "the most memorable part of playing soccer is the games. One game this year we had to play a game on a field that was purely mud, and that was crazy". Farris has been on the team for two seasons.
- 2. Kaleb Warren '21 attempts to have full control of the ball while Eyobed Tesfaye '22 traps his foot to take control of the ball. Warren says, "my favorite part of soccer would definitely be my teammates. No matter the situation we were in, we always had each other's back".
- Eyobed Tesfaye '22 and Aiden Vasquez '21 train their strength as part of practice.
- 4. William Rodriguez '21 and Kaleb Warren '21 keep their eyes on the ball while attempting to take control of it first. Rodriguez says, "the most memorable part is the practices because everyone always pushes each other to do better and gives tips to each other to help people improve".
- 5. Jack Farris '23 jumps to take control of the ball before alumnus Jose Flores Pe-

rez '19 can take control . When asked about his favorite part of playing soccer Farris says, "the soccer".

6. Wyatt Harris '22 practices controlling the ball with his shoulders. Harris says, "I really like the team aspect of soccer like playing together even if we didn't do that good". Harris has been playing on the team for two seasons and was jersey #20.





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#### ISAIAH HERNANDEZ '20

"The most challenging part is playing with people that are of all different skill levels. During unluncky games, good players will play as individuals, and bad players will give up... and the opposing team will take complete advantage".

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"The most challenging part can be working together as a team".

- Fabian Arredondo '23

"My favorite part is watching Zaid play and his just, magic on the pitch".

- Liam Manley '22



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"The most memorable part is playing 3 vs. 3 in practice".

- Zaid Abukhadier '21

"The most challenging part was running up far to be on offense just to have to run back very far to get on defense"

- Ethan Jarvis '20

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"My favorite part about playing soccer was the connection we had as a team".

- Ishaq Abukhadier '20

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"My favorite part about playing is the emotions and competitive spirit that come to me".

- Jahnzeb Bastaki '21



"The most memorable part was scoring my hat trick".

- Tomm Cua '21

The COVID-19 pandemic shut down schools, including ours, across the world for the fourth quarter of the year. We started school online on April 6, 2020 and will stay online for the rest of the 2020 school year. A stay-at-home order was issued to everyone; students are experiencing the quarantine in different ways. Harrison Knight '26 said, 'There is a lot and I feel like it's hard to take care of ourselves through these

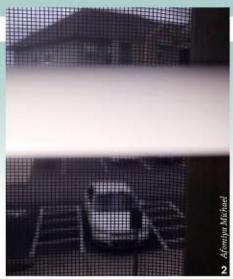
- Kaden Atwell '24 documents the space which he spends most of his time. A positive aspect Atwell sees one positive about the COVID-19 pandemic. "People might start being more conscious of being safe and about washing hands."
- Afomiya Michael '25 shares the view from her room. Michael said, "At a time like this, I kind of want to go outside but it's not safe so I'm in-between and it just kind of describes my feelings at the moment.
- 3. Edna Wolde '22 shows her at-home work space. Wolde said, "[A positive aspect is] I get to learn new things, stay in pajamas, and connect to people whom I haven't talked in a while."
- 4. Ayla Hanson '22 displays the space where she works on her school assignments. There are some adjustments to online learning. Hanson said, "It's harder to feel like I'm really communicating with people when we're not there in person"

#### Luke Smith '22

"[The hardest adjustment is] not being able to see my classmates."





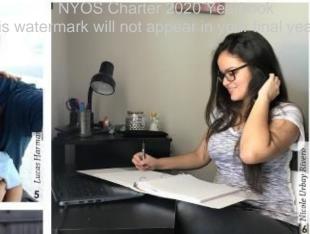


tough times because we're dealing with school 24/7."



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5. Lucas Harman '24 enjoys time with his family at the beach. Harman said, "The bonding between me and my family in quarantine [is what I'll remember most]."6. Nicole Urbay Rivero '22 works on homework during the citywide quarantine. Rivero hopes this crisis changes things for the better. "People will now see the world differently when all of this ends and hopefully they would now take action on things that need it."

7. Ruth Tadios '22 waters her garden during quarantine. Tadios said, "Having to do class work in pjs and in bed [is what I'm going to remember]."

8. Raquel Ledford '20 enjoys time with her sister Vanessa and her mom. Ledford said, "[The hardest adjustment is] having the required equipment."

9. Jazlyn Gallegos '22 sews a face mask for her family, one of the many PPE in short supply. Gallegos said, "The thing I will remember most is people fighting for their lives and people dying."









10. Brandon Countryman '20 enjoys time with his cat during quarantine. When asked about one positive aspect he sees coming out of the COVID-19 pandemic, Countryman said, "I get to spend more time with my pet cat, Walt, and the rest of my family." 11. Celeste Sylvana '22 unscrews the back of her MacBook, taking it apart to refurbish it. Commenting about what new things she's been exploring during the COVID-19 pandemic, Sylvana said, "I really enjoyed refurbishing computers and doing a lot of baking. I also did backyard s'mores!" 12. Photography students Em Hogard '21, Madison Frederick '22, Cameron Young '20, Luke Smith '22, Emily Arriaga '22, Ben McKallip '22, Rylen Cason '22, and Kadin Eyler '21 participate in Mrs. Susan McCoy's online Photography class.

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Throughout the year we've changed. Through the course of the year, there have been events both big and small that have shaped what we hope to do and hope to become. At the beginning of the year, we got to know a new administration and chafed at stricter rules. Things settled down, and we went about our daily lives facing personal challenges. Then the COVID-19 pandemic caused the campus to shutdown. Together we faced the loss of much that we took for granted – seeing our friends, our classmates, our teachers, going out to eat, shopping, hanging out at the park. These challenges are shaping us and helping us focus on what is important.

We remember to appreciate and learn from the people in our lives—the ones we go to school with, the ones we live with, and the ones we have yet to meet. We grow closer as a community and

grow as individuals. We are still discovering our personal journeys but truly, they have already started. And that is our truth, a fragile yet important truth.

by Lila Valadez

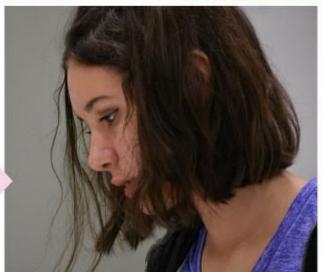
Ryley Avants '24 takes a study break to play with his little sister Zoe. During fourth quarter the COVID-19 pandemic social isolation mandates required students to learn from home.

Jade Modica '22 takes a moment to catch her breath during a game based on dodge ball. In place of balls, teams threw toilet paper at one another in blissful ignorance of the shortages that would happen in the spring.

Marlissa Medina '21, Mikyla Johnson '21, Wyatt Williams '20 and Rae Dance '20 hang out playing cards during the 2019 kickball tournament.

Alejandro Lenoir
'26, Deven Harvey
'25, and Ian Tway
'25 enjoy lunch on
Halloween. Students
were allowed to were
costumes instead of
their uniforms.











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Jada Brooks '23 and Christian Pajan Guerra '23 play a game of 4 square with a giant ball while Nate De La Rosa '22 and Evan Lilly '23 play basketball during first period Conditioning. Due to a shortage of facilities, the class was held outside on the white top in good weather.





Freshmen Brianna
Thach, Emily Meyer
and Haven Jamison
Bell play Twister
during Not Your Ordinary Friday (NYOF).
It took place on the
last day of the summer
quarter. Each grade
level planned and took
part in activities to
build community.



During seventh grade P.E. friends Anika Titsworth, Victoria Tran, Madilyn "Madi" Albarado, and Brianna Thach work together to build a table, demonstrating both strength and flexibility.

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Sixth Grade Team Ms. Rebecca Barta Ms. Lindsey Blase-Brown ELA Ms. Amber Lovas Social Studies Mr. Dan Omelchuck Science Ms. Amy Holton Tech Apps











Seventh Grade Team Ms. Rebecca Landman Math Ms. Ean Fulks English Language Arts Mr. Alexander Fones Social Studies Ms. Kira Lowery Science









**Eighth Grade Team** Mr. Peter Erickson Math. Algebra I Ms. Meg McKeon Language Arts Ms. Jeanne Wehde Social Studies Ms. Jessica Rodriguez Science Ms. Lori Ramirez Principles of I. T., Intro to C.S.











Ninth Grade Team Andrea Prado Algebra I. Algebra II Ms. Christine Derbyshire English I Mr. Hector Vela World & AP Human Geography 6 -7 P. E. Mr. Cory Huff Biology, AP Biology Ms. Meaghan McClellan Biology, Intro to Health Science, 6-7 P.E.











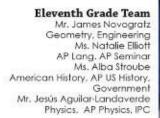
**Tenth Grade Team** Ms. Hannah Lee Algebra II, AP Statistics Ms. Lisa Lamkin English II Mr. Mark Stroube World History Dr. Mark McPhee Chemistry, AP Chemistry



















#### Twelfth Grade Team Mr. Chris Deyo Pre-Calculus, AP Calculus, Choir Dr. Chris Mink English III. Creative Writing, AP Lit Ms. Megan Dobson Government, Economics Mr. Andrew Nguyen Secondary Math, Financial Math









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Ms, Deborah Harkins
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Fiona Adams Quote "We made it!" College St. Edwards University My High School Experience as a Song "You're Not Good Enough" - Blood Orange Most Influential My Mother One Piece Of Advice I Would Give Try your best not to procrastinate Biggest High School Accomplishment Surviving it all!

Ishaq Abukhadier Quote "Bro that's crazy" College University of Texas at San Antonio Dream Job Anesthesiologist Most Influential Me If I Were Able to Re-Do High School I Would Spend more time with the boys Biggest High School Accomplishment Graduating







Pierre-Emmanuel AmiChia Quote "And I spend this money
cuz I earned It"- Chief Keef Favorite
High School Memory My first Scholarship offer for football My High School
Experience as a Song "Chief Keef"
- Finally Rich Most Influential Kobe Bryant One Piece Of Advice I Would
Give If you're an athlete looking to play
college sports, register with the ncaa and
keep an eye on your core gpa and credits

Wish that Wings to fly to Chick-fil-A." College ACC Strangest High School Memory Beans poured in the sink of the boys bathroom Dream Job Software Engineer Most Influential Mink Biggest High School Accomplishment Getting a high school degree





Tyler Bailey Quote "Time is limited. Tomorrow is no guarantee. So don't waste your time worrying about yesterday, when you could be getting ready for tomorrow. there are no words for me to use to explain my love for my classmates, so quote to say to show my appreciation for this family, but I love them, and the memories we all made. So cherish these memories, and conquer this world. Congrats my 2020 brothers and sisters. Oh the places we will go ... < 3 < 3" Future Plans US Navy Favorite High School **Memory** Too many great memories, too many great people. I cherish them all, and will never forget my class of 2020 Strangest High School Memory Lmao, when we had the dress code rally and Sruti said "get booty shorts" Most Influential Dr. Mink and Mrs. Pierce, without them, I wouldn't be here. Hove them

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Haven Barrera Quote "18r sk8r." Matt Montoya Future Plans Baylor University
Dream Job Forensic Pathologist My High
School Experience as a Song "Don't trust
me" - 3oh13 Most Influential Nekeida Pierce
One Piece Of Advice I Would Give
Keep your friend circle small





College Go to ACC to get my associates in accounting, then go to \$t. Edward's University to get my bachelors in accounting Strangest High School Memory When I went to McCallum me and my friend Amerissa were sitting in the hallway when all of a sudden this guy ran past us yelling hamburger through the halls being chased my a campus police officer My High School Experience as a Song "F.F.F" - Bebe Rexha If I Were Able to Re-Do High School I Would Actually go to class freshman year Biggest High School Accomplishment Graduating





# Ethan Benoit Quote "My feet's look like a guitar right now" - Florian Badou College BYU Favorite High School Memory Winning the basketball championship sophomore year My High School Experience as a Song "The way life goes" - Lil Uzi Vert Most Influential My Mom



Grace Burton Quote "Don't count the days, make the days count" - Muhammad Ali Future Plans I plan on going to a college in Texas then moving to LA Strangest High School Memory Going to my first goat parade Dream Job Becoming an actress or going into the medical field My High School Experience as a Song Prom Dress Most Influential My Mom for her hard work and amazing life experiences

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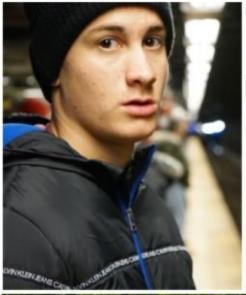
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Avery Caldwell Quote "You miss every shot you don't take" College University of Texas at San Antonio Strangest High School Memory In my 7th grade history class our teacher was giving every student a nickname, and when she got to me she for some reason, saw it fitting to nickname me "the Black Hammer" Dream Job Aerospace Engineer My High School Experience as a Song "I Don't Like" - Chief Keef



"Can I be excused for the rest of my life?" - Spongebob Future Plans Attend Texas Women's University, to study in nursing to become a Neonatal **Favorite High School Memory** Lidya falling out a chair while screaming UNO Future Dream Job Pediatric Nurse If I Were Able to Re-Do High School I Would Not be so awkward, pay attention in class & get work done Biggest High School Accomplishment Becoming more talkative & joining TAFE

Quote "Thear and I forget, I see and I remember, I do and I understand." - Confucius Future Plans I plan to pursue Computer Engineering at UT Austin and to get a job in Texas so I can stay close to family **Favorite** High School Memory Being a part of Science Olympiad, since I was able to spend time with like-minded people and learn about mechanical systems Most Influential My mom and my dad, since they have always supported me throughout my life Least Favorite High School Memory Taking an online AP Macroeconomics course without a teacher to clear up any confusing concepts. I had to call upon the powers of Mrs. Dobson and the mystical Sal Khan to set things right One Piece Of Advice I Would Give Always ask questions when something doesn't make sense! It pays off









Hayden Claborn Quote "It's a strange world, isn't it?" - Blue Velvet by David Lynch College Austin College Strangest High School Memory Being told I'm "Anti-American" for laughing when I accidentally let the American flaa fall down the poll by a principal in the 7th grade. It makes for a great story Dream Job Screenwriter

Matthew Collier College Acceptances Collier has been accepted to Southern Methodist University, Texas State University, and The University of Texas at Austin College Collier will be attending The University of Texas at Austin Fall 2020



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#### Raedon Dance

Quote "it's not your fault...
were just playing on different
levels." Future Plans Cosmetology school and then college
for linguistics Favorite High
School Memory Meeting so
many cool people Strangest
High School Memory I
sneezed on one of my friends
Most Influential Ms. Pierce
One Piece Of Advice I
Would Give It's challenging
so just think of it as a game for
the real world





Most Influential Cassandra

Mark DeLaRosa Quote The Raffel Brothers, Arby's founders, ance said, "If you work hard, dream the world never, success they said you couldn't if you did." Future Plans Attending St. Edward's University for studio art. Pursuing a career as a tattoo artist Favorite High School Memory Making a gonorrhea music video and getting extra credit for it Strangest High School Memory Singing The Backstreet Boys in the boy's bathroom and it blowing up on tik tok for a hot second Dream Job To work in a cranberry marsh My High School Experience as a Song "I Need Help Immediately" - 100 gecswell





Chance De Vos Quote
George Luz: [imitating Gen. Maxwell Taylor]
Now the thing to remember, boys... flies
spread disease, so keep yours closed! Future Plans A&M to do the Corps of Cadets,
if I don't get an appointment to USAFA
Favorite High School Memory JUICE
WRLD memorial rager in the C building bathroom Dream Job Fighter Pilot My High
School Experience as a Song "I don't
like" - Cheif Keef



Ike Dodson Quote "Don't pick anyhting stupid for your senior quote" - Mom College ACC If I Were Able to Re-Do High School I Would Remember to turn in my work Least Favorite High School Memory Summer Reading

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# This watering k (vill not appear in your fin Quote "Paon't even know who you are." -

Drew Flanigan

Quote "Veni, vidi, vici" - Julius Caesar Future Plans We'll see **Favorite High** School Memory An unnamed substitute teacher saying that I was distracting her from her being distracted Least Favorite High School Memory ISS



Thanos Future Plans Attend UTSA via the CAP program and then transfer to UT Austin Favorite High School Memory Riffing with the Fellows Strangest High School Memory Marcus James Dream Job Writer for NBC My High School Experience as a Song "It's Alright 2 Cry" - Francis and the Lights





Jordan Frederick Quote "If I had a penny for every time Heft NYOS Charter School in the middle of the school day, I'd have enough money to buy the place." College Trinity University Favorite High School Memory Eating lunch in lees room with my best friends while scaring the people around us Strangest High School Memory Sautéing apple sauce for an entire month in Cory Huff's AP biology class Dream Job Owner of a small bakery in Hyde Parker with a catchy, hip name that has beanbag chairs inside Least Favorite **High School Memory** Discovering that the locker underneath mine was filled with rotting food, and that upon removal the smell had seeped into my own binders and made the hallway reek



Cecilia Gibby Quote "For the last time I do not own Cici's pizza" College Weber State University Favorite High School Memory Lunchtime in Lees with Sruti, Jordan, and Lila Dream Job Volcanologist Most Influential My older brothers Marcus and Jared If I Were Able to Re-Do High School I Would Not care so much about trying to please others, and maybe cry less



Genavieve Gurko-Melendez Quote "Well, I don't know how many years on this Earth I got left, I'm gonna get real weird with it." - Frank (Always Sunny in Philadelphia) College Double Major in Studio Art and Film at UT Austin Favorite High School Memory Every time I went home early **Dream Job** Directing a feature film with some of my favorite actors Biggest High School Accomplishment Figuring out what I'm passionate about Goal For The Future To work on a project with someone I look up to

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Taryn Harvey Quote "See you later skater" Matt Montoya College's Water "if Role and Imprest a library point final yearbook ers, build a longer table not a taller Texas Woman's University Favorite High

School Memory When Ja'Tavien did a cartwheel at the TAFE lock-in Strangest High School Memory When Pierre stapled his thumb in the sixth grade My High School Experience as a Song Tonkawa's Revenge Biggest High School Accomplishment Surviving AP fence." College Texas State University Favorite High School Memory The lock in TAFE had Strangest High School Memory Walking into C building and seeing people run and slam into the lockers Dream Job Pediatric surgeon or civil rights lawyer Most Influential Mrs. Pierce & Ms. Morris If I Were Able to Re-Do High School I Would Take AP Bio 6th period instead of 7th

Samantha Herr Quote "Here for a good time, not a long time." Future Plans Moving out Dream Job Musician My High School Experience as a Song "No Flex" - Tiny Meat Gang If I Were Able to Re-Do High School I Would Do everything different Biggest High School Accomplishment Graduatina









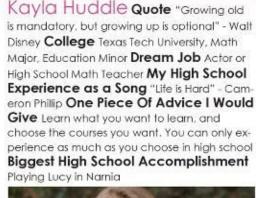
"It's all about the sauce, never the juice." Future Plans ACC then UT or Texas State for Music Science and Business Favorite High School Memory Performing my music at South by South West Dream Job Musical Artist/Business Owner My High School Experience as a Song Baby Birkin Most Influential My Brother and my best friend Dillon

Isaiah Hernandez Quote "What doesn't kill you makes you stronger." - Kelly Clarkson College Austin Community College Strangest High School Memory Marcus James My High School Experience as a Song "Rise Above" -Black Flag If I Were Able to Re-Do High School I Would Have no regrets Song that I couldn't imagine a world without

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# This water mark will not appear in your final year thought bogged down and be discouraged. You have to keep moving.

Kaylah Jacobs Quote "Be careful about who you do dirty and push away because the real ones don't come back." College Start at ACC, then transfer to University of Mary Hardin Baylor Dream Job Pediatric Nurse My High School Experience as a Song "Conqueror" - Estelle One Piece Of Advice I Would Give Don't be negatively influenced by the outsiders, stay focused!







Ethan Jarvis Quote "Life is too. couraged. You have to keep moving. You have to keep going. Put one foot in front of the other, smile and just keep on rolling." Kobe Bryant Future Plans Mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Favorite High School Memory Making a Peter Pan parody with my closest friends, and getting to look back on it and see how much we have grown Strangest High School Memory Having a JuiceWLRD tribute by singing his songs in the bathroom with a group of friends If I Were Able to Re-Do High School I Would Study more, train more in my sports, and appreciate the moment One Piece Of Advice I Would Give Don't let a moment go by that you could spend improving yourself





Marcus James Quote "Marcus nobody cares about your favorite color" - Karen Hart College Howard Payne University to study marketing Favorite High School Memory Someone pooping in my backpack Strangest High School Memory Getting into a car with a stranger Dream Job Marketing Director My High School Experience as a Song Lovesick Blues



#### Keren Jimenez

Quote "The harder you work for something the greater it will feel when you achieve it"
College UT Dallas Dream
Job Pediatrician One
Piece Of Advice I Would
Give Don't be afraid to ask for help, attend as much tutoring as you need, and believe in your abilities Biggest
High School Accomplishment Becoming a PAL and being able to work with and help younger kids:)

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Miguel Jimenez Quote
"People say nothing is impossible, buts
I do nothing everyday," - A. A. Milne
Future Plans College Dream Job
Artist Most Influential My Mom
If I Were Able to Re-Do High
School I Would Stay more focus
and turn things in on time Least Fa-

vorite High School Memory My



Miguel Jimenez Quote Michael Kannen Quote When you're "People say nothing is impossible, but's halfway firelign Well, keep walking fill you get to the life of the

other side." Future Plans Gap year; work to save up money for college and figure things out Favorite High School Memory My first choir concert is probably one of my best high school memories. The combination of the energy of the crowd and the joy I got from singing made me feel like I could fly. I was and am grateful to the people who believed in me long enough to get to this point If I Were Able to Re-Do High School I Would let go of the toxic people and ideas I held onto that hurt me for so long One Piece Of Advice I Would Give Grades and post-secondary stuff are important, but don't let it consume you. This is the tail end of the years you get to be a kid, so make the most of it



#### Raquel Ledford Quote

"Thinking about the past only holds you from the future." Future Plans Work for my Masters in Architecture Favorite High School Memory 11th grade English Strangest High School Memory Rock Ihrown at my face Dream Job Architect





Grace Lilly Quote "Looks like Mario's gonna have to find a job." - Mario, Super Mario Sunshine College Texas A&M Corpus Christi Strangest High School Memory Choking on a tiny British flag Most Influential MV parents! One Piece Of Advice I Would Give Take things one day at a time, even if you don't wanna aet out of bed. And soon, you'll be there! Biggest High School Accomplishment Getting into my choice college and getting scholarships



Rvan Lowther Quote "Who would've thought that senior skip day would turn into senior skip quarter?" College University of Texas at Austin Favorite High School Memory Graduating Strangest High School Memory Spending the night in the cafeteria until 6 in the morning without sleeping If I Were Able to Re-Do High School I Would Not worry about attendance so much Biagest High School Accomplishment Graduating

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#### Jacqueline Marquez

Quote "No quema cuh" College Sam Houston State University My High School Experience as a Song "Cuando Muere una Dama" - Jenni Rivera Most Influential My mom Least Favorite High School Memory Basketball season but not because of the players...



#### Sarah Montgomery Quote "Being a woman is a beautiful experience might

as well lie in my own pool of vomit" College University of Texas at Arlington Dream Job A Child Psychiatrist My High School Experience as a Song Sing About Me, I'm Dying of Thirst - Kendrick Lamar Most Influential framkie shamks One Piece Of Advice I Would Give Focus on who you want to be. rather than who you want someone else to think you are



#### Anthony Modica col-

lege University of Texas at Austin Favorite High School Memory When I won four Science Olympiad medals at the Hendrickson Invitational in 2019 Dream Job Software Engineer If I Were Able to Re-Do High School I Would Complete more personal projects with greater ambition One Piece Of Advice I Would Give Always stay genuine to yourself



#### Kaylynn Moralez Gutierrez Quote "Can someone make-up my senior quote,

I'm not at school" College ACC Favorite High School Memory Lidya falling off a chair because she wanted to win UNO Dream Job Neurologist Surgeon If I Were Able to Re-Do Hiah School I Would Definitely speak up more One Piece Of Advice I Would Give Get involved into as many school activities as you can you'll regret not doing it at the robing ceremony



#### Diana Nguyen Quote

"I appreciate your existence." - My Big Brain College ACC majoring in arts Strangest High School Memory (1) TAFE Regional Competition: My TAFE group of friends and I went upstairs at Round Rock High School and I got to play D&D (Dungeons and Dragons) for the first time. We're a close group called "The Boys Are New In Town," referencing John Mulaney (2) Celebration at iHop: During my internship period (5th-6th), the interns and I went to iHop to celebrate since all the TAFE members made it to state. All of the interns and I were in TAFE Strangest High School Memory When Dr. McPhee told me the tale of when he almost killed his parents when he made a big boo boo in his chemistry basement, or whatever **Dream Job** Illustrator or Story Board Writer

#### Joshua Omiya Quote

race of God has set before us, we do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the Champion who initiates and perfect our faith" - Hebrews 1-2 College ACC Favorite High School Memory 8th grade English with Dr Mink Most Influential Dr. Mink One Piece Of Advice I Would Give Work hard and try your best



Sruti Rappachamalan kantook

lege University of Texas at Austin for Communication and Leadership Strangest High School Memory Watching someone funnel distilled water through a suspicious tube and accidentally almost drink algae Dream Job Lawyer Most Influential My Mom If I Were Able to Re-Do High School I Would Not take AP Chemistry:)



"And let us run with endurance the his wasteerthanydu and yop know it n) Color fin Frenkie Shanks Quote "Lalmost failed every semester of high school english I've ever been in.... because the only language I speak is FAX •////•" College St. Edwards University Dream Job I will make it my job to always keep thinking and learning and improving everything I can! But we live in a society so:\ My High School Experience as a Song "My Body's Made of Crushed Little Stars" - Mitski Most Influential J. Rafael Aguilar Biggest High School Accomplishment Nothing's really changed, i just like myself more now









Alexander Priest Dream Job A character illustrator (Preferably not with too much complex details to do and simple cartoon designs) My High School Experience as a Song "Things are Slowly Getting Better, Now" If I Were Able to Re-Do High School I Would Be more efficient with work and social skills, and try to more easily realize what I want to do in the future and how to achieve it



Charles Ross Quote "Why live in a \$200,000 house, when you could live under a \$500,000 bridge?" College University of Texas at Dallas Strangest High School Memory When a former teacher walked into the bathroom, chose the urinal next to me, and tried to engage in a spiritual discussion with me My High School Experience as a Sona Fast - Juice WRLD Most Influential LeBron James One Piece Of Advice I Would Give Don't get too stressed out about things, you'll come to find that it doesn't really matter down the line

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Lidya Tekle Shelemo Quote "I spent 103,080 hours of my life to graduate virtually..... Thank God I'm out!" Future Plans After graduation I'll be going to college and will be majoring on nursing My High School Experience as a Song "Be Like Me" - Lil pump Most Influential My Family One Piece Of Advice I Would Give You do you! Mind your business! PERIODT Biggest High School Accomplishment Graduating

Chapin Smith Quote "You are stronger then you know and braver then you believe." College St. Edwards University Dream Job Working in the foster care system as a social worker My High School Experience as a Song "Don't stop believing" - Journey One Piece Of Advice I Would Give Cherish your time in high school because before you know it it's over and your off to the chapter of your life Biggest High School Accomplishment Getting inducted into the International Thespian Society and being able to be a part of the NYOS plays and musicals

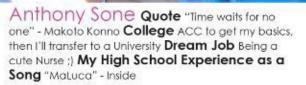
Skyler Townsend Quote Friends season 4 episode 13 14:48 Future Plans Serving a mission for the church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, then after that become a firefighter Dream Job Fire Fighter One Piece Of Advice I Would Give Don't procrastinate your homework











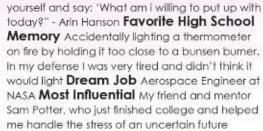


Emily Sterling Quote "Hallelujah Jesus Praise the Lord" - Emily Sterling College Texas A&M Corpus Christi Favorite High School Memory During Volleyball season, getting to share the role of captain with my best friend senior year Dream Job A Lawyer Biggest High School Accomplishment Working my butt off so I could go to Stanford University for a Law Program during the summer before senior year

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Bryson Vogel Quote "You've got to Lila Valadez Quote "This is just the This water as lateral retending to the College University of Texas at

Ja'Tavien Urdy Quote "I'm going to take a mental day." College ACC Favorite High School Memory Natalie thinking Grace has a company outside



Lila Valadez Quote "This is just the Regionning" College University of Texas at Austin to study at McCombs School of Business Favorite High School Memory Meeting Casey Strangest High School Memory Dancing with a minion at prom (see pg. 4 for evidence) Least Favorite High School Memory Taking AP bio and failing every single assignment just to drop out of the AP exam One Piece Of Advice I Would Give Be a leader, focus on academics, and do everything with a purpose











don't get lost

Quote "If you can dodge a wrench you can dodge a ball" Future Plans Go into the work force Dream Job Author Most Influential Stephen King If I Were Able to Re-Do High School I Would Study One Piece Of Advice I Would Give Keep your eyes open and

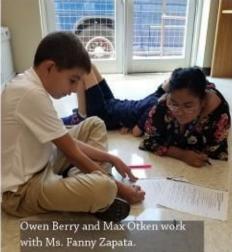
Cameron Young Quote "High school Musical was better than my high school career" College Northern Arizona University Dream Job Being a famous photographer My High School Experience as a Song "We're all in this together" - High School Musical Biggest High School Accomplishment Having all three of my competitions for tafe go to state

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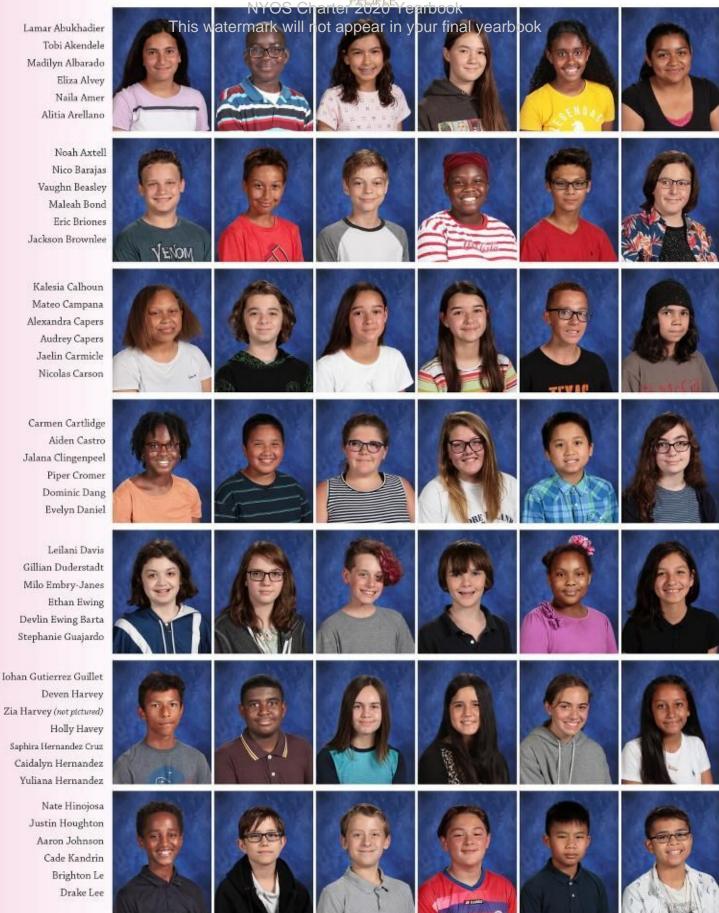








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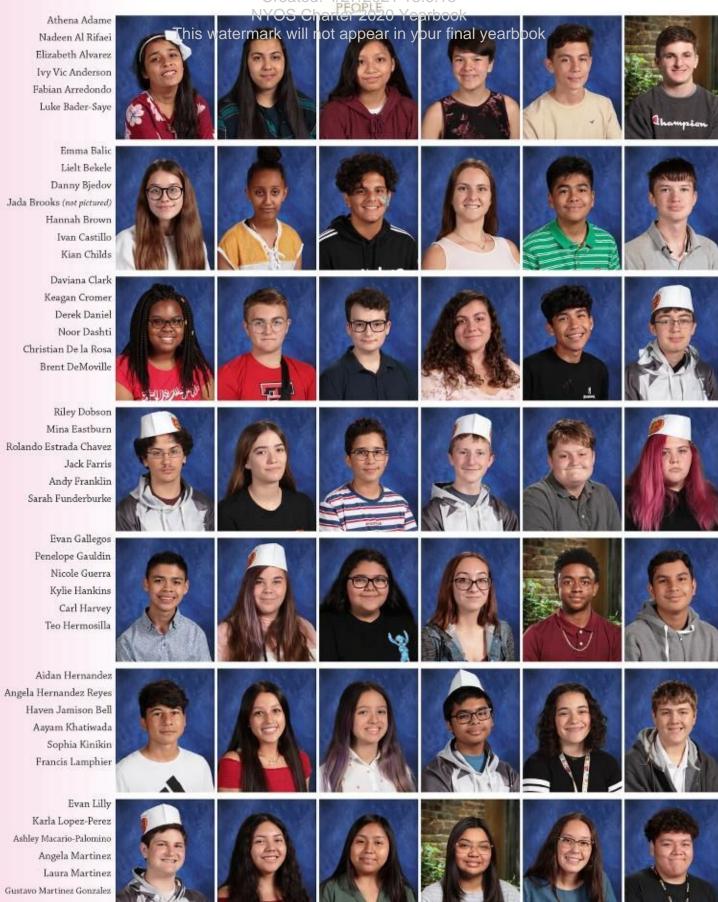


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Fabian Arredondo, Ivan Castillo, Alex Muñoz, Adian Hernandez, Angel Ramirez Flores and Danny Bjedov hang together on Tropical Tuesday during Spirit Week.

Athena Adame and Evan Gallagos hug Olaf, aka Assistant Principal Mrs. Megan Podd on Cartoon Wednesday during Spirit Week.

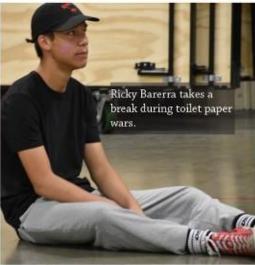
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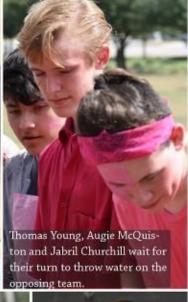


















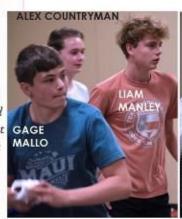


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SIMPLER TIMES

At the end of the summer quarter, the sophomore class gathered in the gym to play a dodge ball styled game with rolls of toilet paper, which became a precious commodity in the spring.











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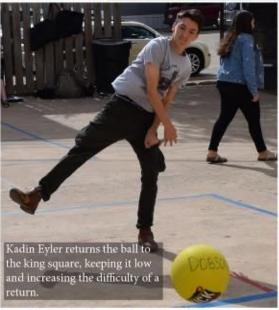






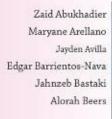








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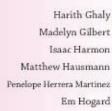






















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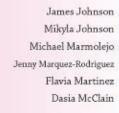






















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#### KARAOKE KINGS

Alessandro Casadei claps along as Jahnzeb "Johnny" Bastiki, Alex Chan-Nui and Matthew Hausmann serenade their classmates with the late 80's hit, "Never Gonna Give You Up" by Rick Astley during NYOF. Spring festivities were canceled due to school starting spring break a day early as the first cases of COVID-19 were diagnosed in Austin.

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MS GIRLS BASKETBALL (front) Oluwapelumi Adams '26, Yuliana Hernandez '25, Afomiya Michael '25, Diana Puente '25, Alexa Rodriguez '26, Taylor Huff '26, Chloe Bentley '26 (middle) Samantha Marales '25, Naila Amer '25, Maleah Bond '25, Helen Reyes '24, Maggy Marquez-Rodriguez '24, Samiya Scott'26 (back) Honoria Obioma '26 (not pictured) Coach Megan McClellan.



MS BOYS BASKETBALL (front) Eric Briones '25, Noah Churchill '26, Gabriel Fowler '24, Mark-Anthony Amichia '24, Haileleoule Simegn '25, Isalah Treston '25, Nathan Tadios '24, Lane Dinger '26, (back) Ahmad Elhadidi '24, Lucas Harman '24, Milo Oden '25, Trey Huff '24, Colin Shelton '24, Iohan Guiterrez Guillet '25, Milo Stangland '25, Oluwabusayomi Adams '24, Oluwatobi Akindele '26.



MS CHEER (front) Taylor Huff '26, Lavena Basilio '26, Danielle Tway '26, Katie Nguyen '26, Dayana Ramirez-Flores '26, Nalena Basilio '26, Ramatoulaye Diallo (back) Maleah Bond '25, Aedan Green '26, Abigail Ward '24, mascot Rocket Mills '25.



MS FOOTBALL (front) Adan Martinez '25, Milo Oden '25, Jaelin Carmicle '25, Liam Ward '25, Lane Dinger '26, Fidel Fuentes '26, Angle Mondragon-Heredia '26 (back) Coach Kelly Oden, Lucas Harman '24, Trey Huff '24, Isaiah Treston '25, Coach Wes Dinger, Coach Gregg Ward.



MS VOLLEYBALL (front) Coach Maria, Janiece Munguia '26, Alisha Spears '24, Kalesia Calhoun '25, Oluwapelumi Adams '26, Samantha Morales '25, Kloee Tran '26. (back) Adriana Valadez '24, June Wilkerson '26, Abigale Ingle '24, Ella Mallo '24, Laila Fuentes '24, Asiyah Ghaly '24, Maggie Marquez-Rodriguez '24, Briana Beltran '24.



SOCCER (front) Wyatt Harris '22, William Rodriguez '21, Eyobed Testafe '22, Jack Farris '23 (back) Kaleb Warren '21, Henry Farris '21, Aiden Vasquez '21, Michael Marmolejo '21, (not pictured) Coach Mark Stroube, Ishaq Abukhadier '20, Zaid Abukhadier '21, Jahnzeb Bastaki '21, Isaiah Hernandez '20, Aiden Hernandez '23, Ethan Jarvis '20, Liam Manley '22, Christian Pajan Guerra '23, Fabien Arredondo '23, Isaiah Dunn '21.



VARSITY VOLLEYBALL (front) Madison Frederick '22 AnAstaja Houston-Burton '21, Lila Valadez '20, Emily Sterling '20, Elif Painaik '22, Novella Falco '22, (back) Emily Arriaga '22, Kiara Shank '22, Samantha Vazquez '21, Lydia Sutton '23, Emma Balic '23 Hailey Hernandez '22,



VARSITY CHEER (front) Cameron Young '20, Jazlyn Gallegos '22, Jenny Marquez '21, (middle) Athena Adame '23, Lidya Shelemo '20, Madelyn Gilbert '21 (back) Dasia McClain '21, Jacqui Marquez '20, Jasmine Thompson '21, Aurelia Savener '22, Jordan Frederick '20, Ceci Gibby '20



CROSS COUNTRY (front) Laura Martinez '23, Flavia Martinez '21, William Rodriguez '21, Jenny Marquez '21, Stella Cardona '21, Kylie Hankins '23 (middle) Angela Hernandez Reyes '23, Christian De la Rosa '23, Ishaq Abukhadier '20, Tony De la Rosa '20, Max Munoz '21 (back) Jess Johnson '22, Michael Page '22, Josh Omiya '20, Asa Simpson '21



VARSITY FOOTBALL (front) Keagan Cromer '23, Tomm Cua '21, Pierre Amichia '20, Emmanuel Bajimi '22, Tyler Bailey '20, Christian De La Rosa '23, Tony De La Rosa '20, (back) Jalen Thompson '23, Skyler Townsend '20, Saxon Ballew '20, Chase McDuffie '23, Nate De La Rosa '22



VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL (front) Jenny Marquez '21, Alexa Hernandez '20, Lidya Shelemo '20, Anglea Hernandez '23, Daisy Rodriguez '22 (back) Ezinne Osemene '23, Grace Burton '20, Mary Bajimi '22, Kayle Mercado '21, Lupe Carrera '22, Teresa Vu '23, Flavia Martinez 21, Chardell Scott '23



VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL (front) William Rodriguez '21, Mavery Gutierrez '20, Ethan Benoit '20, Michael Page '22, Christian De ;a Rosa '22 (back) Jalen Thompson '23, Chance De Vos '20 Avery Caldwell '20, Tony De la Rosa '20, Ethan Jarbis '20, Chase McDuffe '23, Chase Hill '20, Skyler Townsend '20, Kaleb Warren '21, Nate De La Rosa '22



ANIME CLUB (front) Brighton Le '25, Eliana Orton '24, Ellis Morgan '25, Audrey Capers '25, Anika Titsworth '25 (middle) Austin Pain '25, sponsor Ms. Kira Lowery, Eliza Alvey '25, Alexandra Capers '25, Holly Havey '25(back) Jalana Clingenpeel '25, Milo Embry-Janes '25.



DISNEY CLUB (front) Ella Thomas '25 (first middle) Victoria Tran '25, Anika Titsworth '25, Brianna Thach '25, Georgia Wallace '25, Jackson Brownlee '25 (second middle) Amy Page '25, Madilyn Albarado '25, Jalana Clingenpeel '25 (back) Rebekah Page '25, Gilian Duderstadt '25, Austin Pain '25, sponsor Ms. Rebecca Barta.



JUNIOR SCIENCE OLYMPIAD (front) Eamon Neas '26, Nam Le '26, Aaron Johnson '25, Nikki Gauldin '24, Ellis Morgan '25 (middle) Andrew Ho '24, Lance Bautista '24, Audrey Pore '23, Brianna Thach '25, Hannah Thach '23, Vivian Tran '23, Mr. Dan Omelchuck (back) Anya De Vos '24, Victoria Tran '25 Jasper Holton '26, Ms. Amy Holton, Naomi Taylor '26.



DUNGEONS & DRAGONS CLUB (front) Mr. Alexander Fones, Joshua Kannen '22, Drake Lee '25, Holly Havey '25, Evelyn Daniel '25, Aidan Redmon '25, Mr. Tony Hogard, Ethan Ewing '25, (middle) Deven Harvey '25, Nash Tanner '26, (back) Liam Ward '25, Naomi Taylor '26, Emma Warren '25, Maeve Maelwee '25, Aiden Nguyen '26, Julien Cooney '26, Markus Kannen '26.



MS GENDER SEXUALITY ALLIANCE Georgia Wallace '25, Logan Dukes '24, Violet Shell '25, Aaron Johnson '25, Ellis Morgan '25, Gilian Duderstadt '25, Vaughn Beasley '25, Jo Somers '25, Rocket Mills '25.

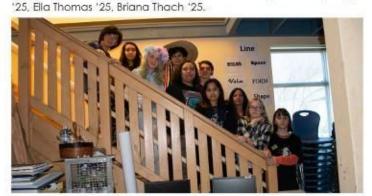


ARTS AND CRAFTS CLUB (front) Amy Page '25, Rebekah Page '25, Ela Thomas '25, (back) Victoria Tran '25, Brianna Thach '25, Madi Alberado '25, Anika Titsworth 25, Emma Warren '25.

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p 25 Austin Pain (25 Madilyn Albarado '25, Hope Childs '26, Julien terma

UT SEEK (Student Engineers Educating Kids) (front) Addison Peters '24 (back) August Young '24, (not pictured) Mark Amicha '24, Lavena Basilio '26, Nalena Basilio '26, Anyanka De Voss '24, Travyon Garcia-Parker '24, Nicholette Galduin '24, Lexye Gutierrez '24, Ronan McQuiston '24, Henry Rawlinson '24, Colin Shelton '24, Lailah Washington '24, Loraiya Bonicoro '26, Trevin Carter '26, Aiden Nguyen '26, Rebecca Rawlinson '26, Kate Rawlinson '26, Kenzie Likens '25, Laila Fuentes '24, Amari Lewis '24, Elaine Mitchell '24, Eliana



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PALs (Peer Assistance & Leadership) (front) William Rodriguez '21, Anthony Sone '20, Flavia Martinez '21, (middle) Jennifer Marquez-Rodriguez '21, Lila Valadez '20, Jacqueline Marquez '20, Angel Arriaga '20, Keren Jimenez '20, (back) Paisley Ogden '21, Mrs. Norma Reyes, Ja'Tavien Urdy '20, Henry Farris '21.



CHOIR (front) Mackenzie Avants '22, Mary Shanks '20, (first middle) Fiona Adams '20, Ayla Hanson '22, Jordan Frederick '20, Emelie Hogard '21, (second middle) Abigail Pore '21, Naomi Omiya '22, Emma Lowther '22, Hailey Hernandez '22, Taryn Harvey '20, (back) Mr. Chris Deyo, Seth Holton '22, Ryan Lowther '20, Sean Bumgardner '22, Michael Kannen '20, Parker Miller '21.



NHS (National Honor Society) Mackenzie Avants '22, Sofia Bastaki '22, Micah Beasley '22, Alorah Beers '21, Alayna Campbell-Tuason '22, Alex Countryman '22, Mark DeLaRosa '20, Madison Frederick '22, Ayla Hanson '22, Wyatt Harris '22, Hailey Hernandez '22, AnAstaja Houston '21, Bethany Johnson '21, Jess Johnson '22, Mikayla Johnson '21, Eric Krauskopf '22, Gage Mallo '22, Ben McKallip '22, James McQuiston '22, Chelsea Nguyen '22, Naomi Omiya '22, Kenneth Page '22, Michael Page '22, Mr. Cory Huff, Aurelia Savener '22, Lidya Shelemo '20, Amy Somers '22, Chapin Smith '20, Luke Smith '22, Celeste Sylvana '22, Avery Thomas '22, Samantha

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SCIENCE OLYMPIAD (front) Jasper Travis '21, Jahnzeb Bastaki '21, David Coker '22, Brandon Countryman '20, Sruti Ramachandran '20, Ceci Gibby '20, Isaac Poirier '22, Matthew Hausmann '21, Anthony Modica '20, Kenneth Page '22, Ben Mckallip '22 (back) Alex Countryman '22, Sarah Montgomery '20, Anthony Sone '20, Kian Childs '23, Dr. Mark Mcphee, Collin Cook '22, Eric Krauskopf '22.



SONG WRITING CLUB (front) Liberty Taylor '22, Alayna Campbell-Tuason '22, Araceli Smirth '23, Makenzie Avants, Avery Thomas



ITS (International Thespian Society) (Iront) Keona Redmon '22, Madelyn Gilbert '21, Jennifer Marquez-Rodriguez '21, Jordan Frederick '20 (middle) Isaac Harmon '21, Chelsea Nguyen '22, Celeste Sylvana '22, Jessica Johnson '22, Naomi Omiya '22, Ayla Hanson '22, Chapin Smith '20, Kayla Huddle '20, Grace Lilly '20, Eva Mitchell '21 (back) Ms. Dory Zietler, Alyssa Webb '22, Madison Frederick '22, Hailey Hernandez '22, Ja'Tavien Urdy '20, Kenneth Page '22, Kyre Sessoms '21, Sean Bumgardner '22, Gage Mallo '22, Avery



ASL CLUB (American Sign Languge Club) (front) Kayla Huddle '20, Jennifer Marquez-Rodriguez '21, Ayla Hanson '22, Erin Jacobs '21, Anthony Sone '20, Ms. Tracy McCameron.



TAFE (Texas Association of Future Educators) (front) Liberty Taylor '22, Evan White '22, Sean Bumgardner '22, Avery Caldwell '20, Ricky Barrera '22, Mark De la Rosa '20, Seth Holton '22, Ja 'Tavien Urdy '20, Saxon Ballew '20 (middle) Lidya Shelemo '20, Diana Nguyen '20, Mackenzie Avants '22, Jade Modica '22, Fiona Adams '20, Ms. Nekeida Pierce, Alorah Beers '21, Frankie Shanks '20, Sarah

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BHM (Black History Month) (tront) Naiomi Omiya '22, Aurelia Savener '22, Alayna Campbell-Tuason '22, Novella Falco '22, Taylor Sessoms '22, Avery Thomas '22, Rebekah Page '25, Diana Nguyen '20, Kayla Jacobs '20, Ruth Tadios '22, Edna Wolde '22, Emma Lowther '22, Hailey Hernandez '22 (first middle) Mark De La Rosa '20, Mrs. Margaret Hanson, Dasia McClain '21, Ayla Hanson '22, Taryn Harvey '20, Ja'Tavien Urdey '20, Gage Mallo, Ethan Davis '22, Sean Bumgardner '22, Fiona Adams '22, Sarah Montgomery '22, Mrs. Dori Zeitler, Ms. Nekeida Pierce, Keller Beers '22, Dr. Chris Mink (second

DRAMA CLUB Grace Lilly "20, Kayla Huddle "20, Jordan Frederick" 20, Hailey Hernendez "22, Sean Bumgardner" 22, Jessica Johnson "22, Emma Lowther" 22, Madison Frederick" 22, Kyre Sessoms "21, Micah Beasley" 22, Wyatt Harris "22, Ayla Hanson" 22, Gage Mallo "22, Naomi Omiya" 22, Chelsea Nguyen" 22, Braedon Rundquist" 22, Keyona Redmon" 22, Celeste Sylvana" 22, Alayna Campbell-Tuason" 22, Seth Holton" 22, Chapin Smith" 22, Aurelia Savaner" 22, Arabella Savaner" 24, Austin Pain" 25, Joseph Somers "25.

BAKING CLUB (front) Noah Slotboom '21, Cecelia Gibby '20, Kayla Huddle '20 (middle) Keyona Redmon '22, Grace Lilly '20, Celeste Sylvana '22, Madison Frederick '22, Alayna Campbell-Tuason '22, Sofia Bastaki '22, Eva Mitchell '21, Nicole Wilson '22, Jordan Frederick '20, Hailey Hernendez '22, (not pictured) Adam Drengenberg '22, Aurelia Savener '22, Emma Lowther '22, Ishaq Abukhadier '20, Jessica Johnson '22, Michael Kannen '20,

middle) Ms. Natalie Elliott, Jordan Frederick '20, Cecilia Gibby '20, Anthony Sone '20, Madelyn Gilbert '21, Jasmin Thompson '21, Kyre Sessoms '21, David Coker '22, Penelope Herrera Martinez '21, Mackenzie Avants '22, Mary Shanks '20, Alorah Beers '21, Abigail Pore '21, Mr. Chris Deyo, Kenze Likens '25, Arianna Pierce '24, Maleah Bond '25, Cameron Young '20, Lidya Shelemo '20, Samantha Vasquez '21, Danyelle Caldwell '20, Michael Kannen '20, Emelie Hogard '21, Matthew Hausmann '21, Seth Holton '22, Ryan Lowther '20.



YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT (front) Cecelia Gibby '20, Elif Painaik '23, (back) Eric Griggs '23, Sruti Ramachandran '20, Anthony Sone '20, (not pictured) Audrey Pore '23, Avery Thomas '22, Mary Bajimi '22, Isaiah Hernandez '20, Marcus James '20, Jacqueline Marquez '20.



Audrey Pore '23 displays her Youth and Government banner as she smiles for the camera.

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Throughout the campus, community can be seen in a variety of forms. The connection students make with others forms lasting relationships that provide a positive impact on the school community. The way community grows through our campus is always positive but never always perfect. Through that we learn to develop deeper connections with all of our peers.

- 8th graders, Nathan Tadios, Amari Lewis, Bowie Edwards, Griffin Beers, Max McQuiston, Nathan Vu. Sammi Jiminez, Lucas Harmon, Trey Huff and Andrew Ho, enjoy lunch together.
- At dismissal Adanech Moore '25, Vaughan Beasley '25, Mayran Mondragon Ramirez '26 and Owen Berry '26 read while waiting to be picked up.
- 3. 7th graders, Alex Capers, Eliza Alvey, Piper Cromer and Lucy Lozada, challenge each other to see who could hold themselves upon the hot metal bars the longest on our school's playground. Capers said, "I want a rematch Piper's hair got in my face - redo!"
- 4. Emilio Agusiegbe concentrates on his Switch while in the background eighth grader spectators Gael Morales and Michael Mondragon-Ramirez watch a game with interest. 5. Harrison Knight '26 and Eamon Neas '26
- show off there DIY paper snow flakes.











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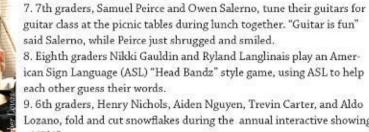








6. Freshmen, Aracelli Smith, Aayam Khatiwad, Teo Hermosilla, Ezinne Osemene and Alex Pain, listen to their teacher give activity instructions while Ivan Castillo takes a break. We had a visitor named Danny Strack who is an expert Slam Poet. He was teaching us the ins and outs of performing poetry on stage. Students were getting ready to deliver a "dad joke" to the class to warm up.



8. Eighth graders Nikki Gauldin and Ryland Langlinais play an American Sign Language (ASL) "Head Bandz" style game, using ASL to help

9. 6th graders, Henry Nichols, Aiden Nguyen, Trevin Carter, and Aldo Lozano, fold and cut snowflakes during the annual interactive showing of "Elf."



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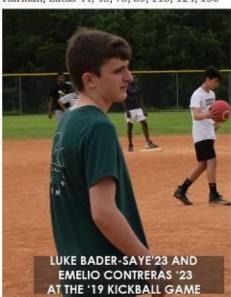
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A message to the yearbook staff It has been a real pleasure working with each and

every one of you this year. You helped create a wonderful yearbook! You came in and hit the ground running. You didn't make excuses or let your lack of background stand in the way of your achievement. With the leadership of the editors you learned on your feet and became journalists, photographers, and graphic designers. Middle school staff: Most middle school yearbook

staffs have the luxury of starting small. You were given high expectations and you rose to meet them. The book is much better because of your input.

Editors, you did a great job leading the staff. Your creativity, work ethic, sense of humor and ability to adapt and thrive in harsh conditions were invaluable this year!

Thank you for being a part of the 2020 Yearbook team!

MS. SUSAN MCCOY

### HIGH SCHOOL YEARBOOK STAFF

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Nico Carson'25 takes a photo of Ian Tway '25 who was also taking photos during middle school yearbook class.

The middle school yearbook staff members show off their Halloween costumes. An official staff photo was scheduled for the week after spring break for both the middle and high school staff.



(front) Travyon Garcia-Parker '24, Caidalyn Hernadez '25, Naila Amer '25, Afomiya Michael '25, Audrey Capers '25, (back) Logan Dukes '24, Milton Nichols '24, Drake Lee '25, Kadin Atwell '24, Diana Puente '25, Ian Tway '25 Nikki Gauldin '24, Naomi McRee '24 designer,

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#### LILA VALADEZ '20

"I've worked on the yearbook since 7th grade, so, I guess you could say I've been through the good, the bad, and the absolute terrible. But despite all of that, this has been the most amazing opportunity and I wouldn't have changed it for anything."

- P.S. Good luck next year! I believe in you guys... especially you, Ben McKallip, step up and be the amazing editor I always knew you could be!

#### KEREN JIMENEZ '20

Design & Copy Editor

"I joined because in 7th grade I promised Mrs. McCoy I would. ThAt WaS fUn."

#### EM HOGARD '21\*

Index Editor

"I really tried my best not to be in the yearbook, but there you are."

### BEN MCKALLIP '22

Apprentice-Editor-in-Chief

"Yearbook- the most fun you can have while maintaining a 6 foot distance."

#### ANTHONY SONE '20

Photographer

"I had an amazing time taking yearbook pictures, interviewing, and going places with Keren."

CAMERON YOUNG '20 Senior Photo Editor, Photographer



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#### **PRODUCTION**

Entourage Yearbooks in Princeton, New Jersey printed the Jag Journal, Vol. 9. The 205 copies of the 144-page book were printed on Gloss Text, with a 10 lb paperweight. Represented by Larry Johnson. Pages were created on Dell PCs using InDesign CS6, Photoshop CS6, Illustrator CS6 and Bridge CS6. Student photographers used phone Nikon D3200, D3300, D7200 and D500 digital cameras.

COVER DESIGN

The cover is custom made and was digitaly drawn by yearbook artist Poet Nickel.
THEME & COVERAGE

This year's theme of "Our Truth" was developed by the 2019-2020 staff. The production was led by Editor-in-Chief Lila Valadez '20, with help from Apprentice Editor-in-Chief Ben McKallip '22, Design & Copy Editor Keren Jimenez '20, Photo Editor Cameron Young '20, and Index Editor Em Hogard '21 and the yearbook high school and middle school staff.

Coverage began in the Spring of 2019 and continued through the beginning of the Spring of 2020 to get coverage of the traditional school events that occurred at the end of the year.

Divided into sections by seasons plus the peo-

LOGAN MEYER '21

MR. HECTOR VELA

ple section this book covers academics, sports, clubs, student life and people. Because of the small size of the school and the organization of the secondary campus, the book covers 6th through 12th grades.

#### DESIGN

The spreads were created by yearbook staff using unifying elements planned and created by the staff with the guidance of the yearbook adviser, Ms. Susan McCoy. The dividers were designed by Keren Jimenez and Lila Valadez. The people pages were designed by by Travyon Garcia-Parker, Nikki Gauldin and Audrey Capers with the help of Ms. Susan McCoy. The typeface used for body copy, subtitles, caption titles and and was Century Gothic and typeface for captions was Chaparral Pro. Chunk five was used for titles and subtitles

#### **PHOTOS**

Student photographers took the majority of the candid shots. Ms. Amy Holton and Ms. Rebecca Barta donated a number of Seniors were given the opportunity to have their senior pictures taken with a photographer of their choice; staff was available to take their photo when needed. Inter-State Studio Photography provided the portrait photos of every students and teachers

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MS. CHRISTINE DERBYSHIRE

who were present.

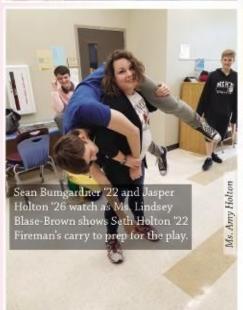
Interstate Studios generously gave us the spring photos of missing students if they had them. Parents sent in some photos as well due to the COVID-19 online learning situation.

#### **OUR THANKS**

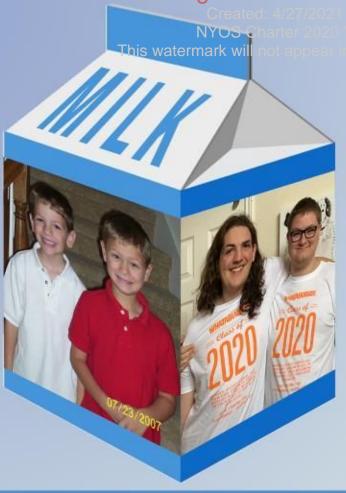
Working on the yearbook was going really smoothly thanks to a great staff. We knew we some work to do to get it finished, but we were feeling good. Then the first cases of COVID-19 showed up in Austin. Spring Break started a day early and Mix It Up (a great time to fill in photos) was canceled.

Since then we have worked remotely with support from the I.T. Department, crowd sourced photos from teachers, students and parents. Teachers checked names. Aurelia Savener '22 wrote all of the copy for the "Little Women" spread. (You should read it.) So thank you to everyone who pitched in! Special thanks to Ms. Amy Holton, Ms. Rebecca Barta, Ms. Christine Derbyshire, Ms. Ean Fulks, Ms. Amber Lovas, Dr. Chris Mink, Mr. Tony Hogard, Mrs. Tracy McCameron, Ms. Norma Reyes, Mr. Peter Erickson, Ms. Alba Stroube and Ms. Allison White for sharing your photos. If we missed your name in this list, please accept our sincere apologies. THANK YOU ALL! WE COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU!









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BONDED
FOR
LIFE."

### Taryn Harvey



We're so proud of you and we know the best is yet to come! Love Daddy, Momma, Carl and Deven Lila, Keren, Cameron & Wyatt,
Congratulations!
We're going to
miss you more
than you can know.
Love,
Ms. McCoy &

Ms. McCoy & the 2020Yearbook Staff

### LILA

It has been a pleasure watching you grow up and a joy to have you working on the yearbook since 7th grade!

Congratulations!

Love you lots, Ms. McCoy

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THE FAB FOUR. Fiona Josephine Adams. Frankie Shanks. Vicente Mark DeLaRosa, Sarah Elizabeth Montgomery. How did these four zygotes that formed some time around 2002 become a fabulous freak of nature foursome sometime early this millennium? Some of them arrived at NYOS Charter school in Kindergarten (guess which two?), while another found their way here in pre-K (guess who?) and another didn't arrive till 4th grade (who could that be?). No matter, somehow when these disparate souls found each other they mind-melded into the Fab Four and shall be so forever. They are known Mink-enthusiasts, Pierce-babies, sarcastic pills (one of them even got away with cursing like a sailor all day every day in school starting in about 6th grade – guess who?), and Frank Ocean afticionados, among other things. They are known for ever changing hairstyles (one shaved their head, guess who, one was pink a while, guess who?), driving around like mad men, listening to deafeningly loud music, laugh-snorting, and possibly starting a bit of trouble (one started a mini arm-twisting riot on the last day of 3rd grade, guess who?). Good traits include extreme loyalty, and a passion for civil rights (one went to the Capitol almost every Friday for a season to protest inaction on climate change, guess who?). Some of them have served on TAFE (one was even the Texas state TAFE president, guess who?), some on the school board, some on the step team, and all mostly just serve up raw and rough sarcasm 24/7. Thank you to NYOS Charter School and all of the cool teachers and staff and coaches and choir people and Black History month people and TAFE people and friends that have been part of this squad – we love you. NYOS Grads 2020!

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I WISH YOU ADVENTURE ON YOUR JOURNEY AND MAY YOU ALWAYS STOP TO HELP SOMEONE ALONG THE WAY. LISTEN TO YOUR HEART AND TAKE RISKS CAREFULLY. REMEMBER HOW MUCH YOU ARE LOVED. -MOM





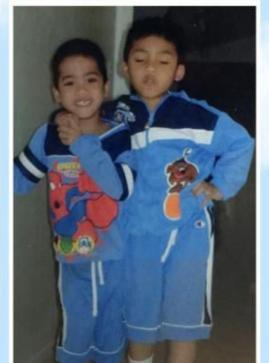












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KNOW:



Love you Mom, Dad, Cela, Nana, Nesto, Cente, Snow, Poopie Doopie, and Squeaky

Emily, you are an amazing young lady and we are so proud of you! You have a emique passion for life, a contagious smile and live every moment to its fullest. You have overcome great obstacles in life and always manage to come out stronger than before, you are very admirable. We are so thankful God blessed us with you as our daughter and look forward to watching you blossom even more in college! We are super excited

### Emily Sterling Class of 2020

to see where your next path takes our little Texas A & M Islander!!!

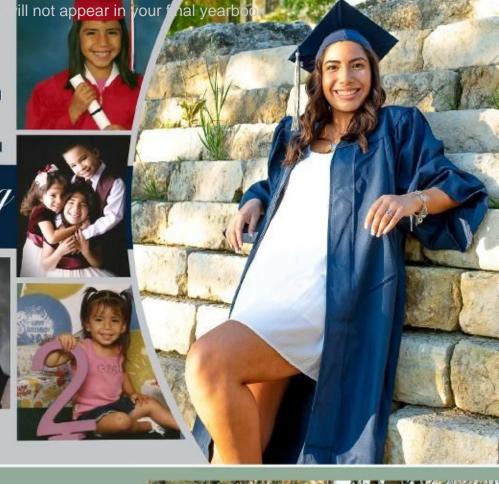
We LOVE you to the moon and back, Momma and Mommy





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# Isaiah

"You are braver than you believe. Stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think, and loved more than you know." Love, Mom & Dad











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### LIVING IN A VIRTUAL WORLD

What is our truth?

We started the year like any other. We are ending the year learning and working from home due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. We miss gathering to learn. We miss our friends. Soccer season had barely started before it ended. Prom was canceled but a few students held prom at their homes, Mr. Shawn Bliss held the Goat Parade for us with the help his two young sons, Rowdy and Elvis. Graduation hasn't been decided, but it looks like it will be a hybrid ceremony with seniors and their immediate family coming to school at appointed times and videoed and the videos edited together.

We don't know what next year will look like. There is a lot of uncertainty. What we have shown as a community is that we will adapt, acknowledge the things that we miss, but keep our quirkiness, our traditions, and our sense of humor.

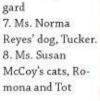
Mr. Shawn
Bliss marches
with sons Rowdy and Elvis
and his goats
Sweet Pea and
Bluebonnet on
Virtual Goat
Appreciation
Day April 24,
2020.



Because of the COVID 19 Pandemic at home learning has been a new experience for all teachers and staff. Through virtual meetings spaces, like Google Hangouts and Zoom, teachers and students have the ability to chat and learn "face to face."

1. Ms. Amy Holton













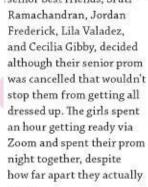




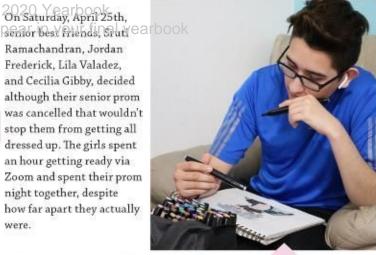
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On Saturday, April 25th,







"Prom was a real virtual experience. My first prom didn't go as planned but it was still a different virtual experience I'll never forget. My dad and I danced to "A Thousand Wishes" as my first dance for prom, and then we took

pictures outside," -Kayle Mercado '21

### GENAVIEVE GURKO '20

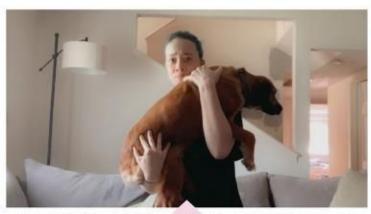
"[I have] time to connect more with my family and be productive."



Abigail Ward '24 poses with her pretty puppy. Ward says "I get to spend more time at home."

### LIELT BEKELE '23

I see this as a way to be more cautious and to be safe around people.



Texas Erwin '21hugs her dog while staying at home. Erwin says "Not socializing makes me kinda sad" however she says a positive of this is "people are helping others like charity and donating."



Miguel Jimenez '20 uses his markers to draw Kakashi from Naruto.

"I'm pretty upset about how the year has ended for us but I know it's all gonna be okay" -Kaylynn Moralez Gutierrez '20



Sammi Jimenez '24 poses with his younger brother, Sergio. Jimenez says "I really enjoy being able to teach my brothers to play soccer."

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This yearbook is dedicated to our NYOS senior class of 2020. As your principal, it has been my pleasure to be a part of the start of your journey. Pursue your dreams, and never give up, even through the most challenging times! You all are outstanding individuals and are destined for success.

To all students, thank you for giving me an amazing first year as your NYOS secondary principal!

- Mr. William Jaramillo