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# Student Life Spread

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# The Truth is *you know you love your siblings*

Freshmen always look up to Seniors, but these freshmen have been doing that their whole lives!



Drew & Chelsie Kielbasa  
Brandi & Shawn Mencer  
Adam & Allie Kessinger

Every family has a story....  
Welcome to ours!



Katelyn & Derrick Rogers  
Anna & Ben Ray  
Sydney & Jayna Hawthorne  
Carler & Nolin Ford

## What is your favorite memory?



Mary, Dillon & Tristan Jones

"My brothers and I are always getting in trouble together. We get caught lying and sneaking out of the house. We like to climb out the window and go to our grandma's house." - Mary



**Mika & Mara:**  
"My favorite memory is being on the same basketball team this year." - Mika



**Hannah & Colin Thomas:**  
"One time I had a friend come over and she brought a nail kit and it had a pair of scissors inside and he cut both of his eyebrows off completely." - Hannah



Trey & Chase Cahron  
Caleb & Kenaz Huskey  
Aniah & Brelyn Foster  
Kelsey & Brooklyn Cox  
Rayvionna & Lakelani Sivils  
Ashlee & Kaitlyn Bryan  
Kellyn & Brody Cochran  
Sarah & Andrea Hudson

## The Truth Is...



I enjoy after school naps. <b>Maddie Poston ('19)</b>	I want to be a social worker. <b>Ja'Naiya Massey ('19)</b>	I enjoy mudding, guns, and cockouts. <b>Amy Raymer ('18)</b>	Aliens are real. <b>Jordan Galloway ('18)</b>	I enjoy reading. <b>Madison York ('19)</b>	I love playing football. <b>Allen Embry ('19)</b>	I am a nice person. <b>Faith Stockton ('21)</b>	I'm mixed. <b>Corey Skaggs ('18)</b>
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# HOMES OF HERITAGE AROUND THE WORLD

Students describe their ties to the cultures of other countries.

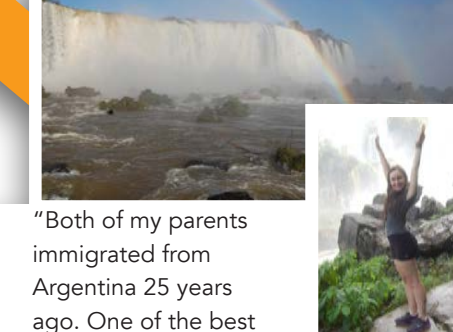
**IDOL** // Holding her sister's hand, Shreeya Julakanti (9) visits with her family in India. "When we do go there, we spend a lot of time with our family, because we don't see them often at all," Shreeya said. Photo courtesy to Shreeya Julakanti (9).



## INDIA

"My family and I visit India every three or four years. We celebrate three or four cultural events, we'll go to the temple. There was this one time we went to the Taj Mahal, and it was really just a crazy, cool experience," Shreeya Julakanti (9) said.

## ARGENTINA



"Both of my parents immigrated from Argentina 25 years ago. One of the best experiences is that I went to Iwazu. There was a little balcony where it almost feels like you're in the waterfalls, they're really beautiful," Camille Rougier (12) said.

**ROARING CHEERS** // Throwing her hands in the air, Camille Rougier (12) stands at the foot of Iguazu Falls on the border of Argentina and Brazil in July 2015. "They're so beautiful, they're like one of the biggest waterfalls in the world," Camille said. Photo courtesy to Camille Rougier (12). **IGUAZU FALLS** // "I almost saw a complete rainbow, like a full circle—it was crazy," Camille Rougier (12) said. Photo courtesy of Camille Rougier.



MICHAEL ZIRNHELD

## SYRIA

"I never lived in Syria, but we used to visit every summer when I was younger. The food is so good, and because family is so important you have all your meals with your family," Rahaf Alrefai (12) said.

**LIKE MOTHER, LIKE DAUGHTER** // Standing over the desert, Rahaf Alrefai (12) is held by her mother during a trip to Syria. "When we used to go we would visit family and do regular things like weddings and shopping or amusement parks," Rahaf said. Photo courtesy of Rahaf Alrefai.

## ETHIOPIA

"I feel like my roots really run deep with the country even though I haven't seen it, because my parents have instilled those values and cultures within me," Bemnet Melaku (12) said.

**ETHIOPIA-WEAR** // Walking with her friends, Bemnet Melaku (12) embraces traditional Ethiopian culture at World Fest in 2016. "Ethiopia is definitely rich in the food, and the clothing, and the dress. It's all really beautiful and something that I take great pride in," Bemnet said. Photo courtesy of Bemnet Melaku.

## GERMANY



"I went to Germany for the first time this summer and it was amazing to see my family and connect with that side of my heritage," Lauren Erdbuerger (11) said.

**WELCOME TO GERMANY** // Proudly holding up her certificate, Lauren Erdbuerger (11) celebrates gaining her German citizenship in North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany during June 2017. "It feels amazing to say I have dual citizenship," Lauren said. Photo courtesy to Lauren Erdbuerger (11).

## MALAYSIA



"My entire childhood was in Malaysia. Even though we've been separated from our homeland, we still use the same recipes, the same music, speak with the same accent. Inside my house we're Arab Muslim, we celebrate Eid, we fast for a month every year," Nadeen Almadi (10) said.

**TASTE OF MALAYSIA** // Sitting with her family, Nadeen Almadi (10) enjoys a nice Malay meal in Malaysia. "I grew up in East Asia, nowhere near Arab culture, but I somehow still carry the same traditions and values," Nadeen said. Photo courtesy to Nadeen Almadi (10).

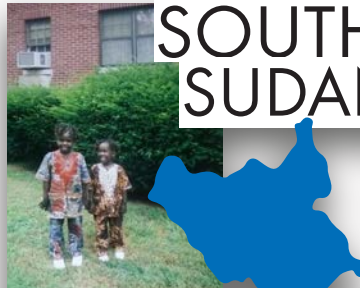
## ISRAEL



**ISRAEL-LIT** // Striking a pose, Lilah Weiss (11) stands on cliff overlooking the desert in Israel. "We spent a lot of time exploring the history and culture of Israel that makes it so important," Lilah said. Photo courtesy to Lilah Weiss (11).

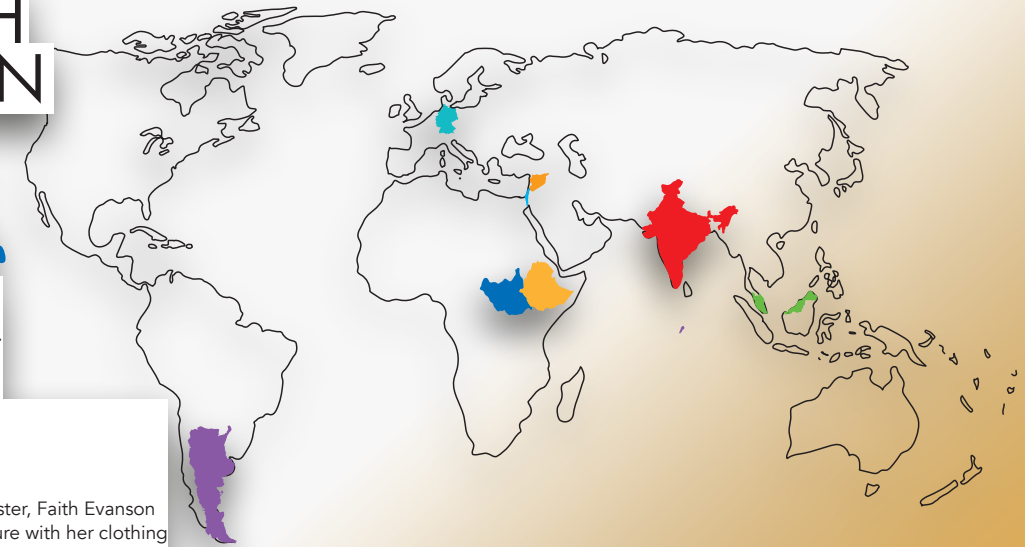
"Israel is a big part of Judaism, we celebrate its Independence day, we observe it's memorial day as well as it's Holocaust remembrance day. I'm currently attempting to learn Hebrew, so that I can continue to connect and be a part of Israel, its history, and its culture," Lilah Weiss (11) said.

## SOUTH SUDAN



"I know a lot about my tribe, because we have congregations. A big thing about Sudanese people is that they're all Christian, so that's a binding force," Faith Evanson (10) said.

**SISTERHOOD** // Standing with her sister, Faith Evanson (10) celebrates her South Sudanese culture with her clothing in 2006. "We do traditional dances, or they play traditional music and usually they'll wear African clothes or skirts." Faith said. Photo courtesy of Faith Evanson (10).



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Students and a teacher share the meanings behind their tattoos

# INK'D WITH INSPIRATION

## memories MARKED Mia Daubert uses her body as a canvas to create her best art

"I think God gave you a body, and you can make it look the way you want to," said Mia Daubert, 11. Daubert has 13 tattoos and counting, each with a specific meaning and impact on her life. She regrets absolutely none of them.

"My first one was when I was 15, and my most recent one I got in November, at 17 years old," said Daubert.

Contrary to what some people believe, many students, like Mia, have more positive than negative reactions to their tattoos. "Mostly I get positive reactions because they can tell my tattoos mean something to me," said Daubert. "My favorite tattoo is on my arm. It's my dad's handwriting on my arm. My dad passed away three years ago, so the writing on my arm is from a letter I got in second grade that I found after he passed away. He wrote me a letter because I was in a spelling bee, and he couldn't make it to the finals. He wrote me and he said, 'I'm sorry I can't be there for you, but even if you don't win, we are very proud of you. Love, Dad.' So I got that tattooed to remind me he is always going to be my fan."

People cite a variety of reasons for their tattoos. Someone may get a tattoo for a memory, as a daily reminder, or in honor of a person or an accomplishment. Daubert's eagle tattoo on her back represents the parallel between her life and an eagle's. "When it hits half of its lifetime, it has to go through a very difficult choice and that choice is life or death for the eagle," said Daubert. "First, its beak gets too curved in to eat any more, so it has to break the side of its beak into a rock to get it off. Once the new beak grows back, it plucks its talons off because they become too curved in to catch prey any more. Once the talons grow back, it'll pluck its feathers because they become too brittle to fly." Daubert says the life of an eagle has a special meaning for her.

"This represents what I went through in 2015 with my eating disorder, anorexia nervosa," said Daubert. "My heart was beating too fast and I could've died if I went on any longer with the disorder. I had to start

**Tristen Holloway, 12**  
 1. "I have one on my ankle that I got back in August of 2016. My mom and I have a really close bond. We're practically best friends. She was the one who offered it. She said, 'You are one of the closest people in my life who has not wronged me, and I want to get something that represents that,' so we got matching heart tattoos. I get both positive and negative reactions, mostly positive from young people. Some older people think I'm a little too young to have one, but they still like the meaning behind it."

**Austin White, 12**  
 2. "I have one tattoo that I got over the summer. It's a Bible verse that I got . . . to keep a positive outlook on life. I believe people get certain tattoos to cope with stuff, and some people get tattoos for the artistic [aspect]. I think people should do whatever they want. If they want a tattoo, they should get a tattoo."

**Richard Gill, 11**  
 3. "I think tattoos are art, and you can decorate your body in any way you want. I have one on my chest that I got last year in March. I got it because it represents something important to me. The symbol is a Ouroboros, which is usually a dragon or serpent in a circle eating itself, representing a constant cycle."

**Casey Bates, Art Teacher**  
 4. "I have 6 tattoos. I got my first one when I was 26; then I started getting them each year for my birthday for about 3 years. When my next birthday came, and I didn't have one inside my brain that I really wanted, I stopped the tradition. That's okay because if you're not really positive forever and ever amen on what it is, you shouldn't get one. I think I like my most recent one, the witness one, the most. This one is composed of five little symbols and each one has a different meaning. When people ask me what my tattoo means, I get really excited because I get to share about the word of God. I get to explain it a lot because it's in a noticeable place on my arms, so I have a lot of people ask me about it, which is the whole idea, so it worked out really well. I don't regret any of them because I thought long and hard about each of them. Before I got them, I drew each one in sharpie on myself for a week just to be sure. Be sure it's something you're going to like forever and ever because you're going to have it forever and ever."

**Sydney Hobbs, 12**  
 5. "I have two tattoos. I got my first one two years ago when I was 16, and I got the guitar Saturday. My first tattoo, I wanted a Nirvana symbol on the back of my leg, so I got one. The guitar is my mom's guitar. She passed away, so I got it for her. I regret the Nirvana tattoo but not the guitar. I regret it because it's not a good tattoo; I had someone pinpoint it. If you're

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# SENIOR SIT DOWN

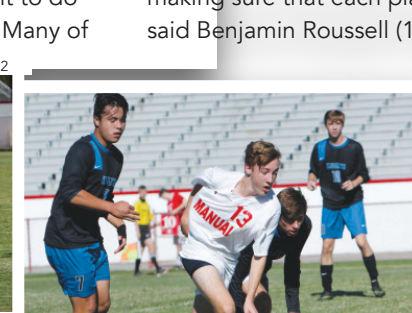
**The boy's soccer team had a bittersweet senior night but some seniors were not happy with the lineup.**

It was a gloomy day and the boys were practicing on the field before the game, mostly joking around and not too serious.

"It's both devastating and exciting. You know that it's your last home game but that's also a good thing because it makes you excited and want to do well," said Armin Razavi (12). Many of

the players were also very excited to have their family there. Mahamud Osman's favorite part specifically was having his five sisters walk with him onto the field. But, even though the celebration is about the seniors, sadly this year many of them didn't play in the game.

"I'm pretty sure what was going through the coach's mind was more along the lines of winning rather than making sure that each player was represented that night," said Benjamin Roussell (12).



**1 LOOKIN FOR TROUBLE** // Barrett Olash (9) running with the ball on Oct. 3 against Collins High. "My favorite thing about soccer is the competition," Barrett said. *Photo by Lisa Pham.* **2 RACING TO THE BALL** // Hayden Nusz (11) after taking the ball from the other team on Sept. 12 against Atherton. "I've played since I was four and at this point a lot of my life revolves around soccer," said Hayden. *Photo by McKenna Conway.* **3 GETTING AHEAD** // Meyer Mercker (12) running in front of the opposing team with the ball on Sept. 30 against Lexington Catholic. "I love being in the game because it's 90 minutes to have fun with your closest friends and get away from it all," said Meyer. *Photo by Lisa Pham.* **4 FAT HEADS** // The senior boys holding their pictures on senior night on Oct 3. "I was excited for the fatheads and the food afterwards," said Armin Razavi (12). *Photo by Grace Bradley.* **5 GROUP CUDDLES** // A group of the boys celebrating a goal on Sept. 6 against Male. "It's always fun to hang out with people from school and play our favorite sport together," said Hayden Nusz (11). *Photo by Catie Devenuto.*

For team picture and scores, see page 251 and 252

# DISTRICT WINS

**An easy win brought the boys a trophy for this year's districts.**



The boys were already pretty confident in their win, but getting a trophy made it even better. "Our team started off slow, and I'm very impressed with how much we've improved," said Armin Razavi (12). Even with the slow start, districts was a success.

"It felt amazing, because we made it farther than last year," said Carson Adwell (11). Some of the players even gave a little of the credit to the easy opponent. "We beat them earlier in the season 6 to 1," said Meyer Mercker (12).

**1 FAST BUT SMOOTH** // Ricardo De La Cruz (11) running in front of a Collins High player with the ball on Oct 3 against. "I challenge myself and the team to make it further than we did this year," said Ricardo. *Photo by Grace Bradley.* **2 KICK IT** // Oliver Weber (11) taking a free kick at a game on Sept 12 against Atherton. "I really enjoy playing with friends and being athletic," said Oliver. *Photo by Jane Schmidt.* **3 NO HANDS** // Mahamud Osman (12) taking a free kick on Sept. 12 against Atherton. "I like representing Manual and showing that our sports can be as good as our academics," said Mahamud. *Photo by McKenna Conway.* **4 RUNNING WITH CONFIDENCE** // Jess Mays (10) heading for the goal at a game on Oct. 3 against Collins High. "It's just a blast to hang out with the guys and to go through the season with them," said Jess. *Photo by Grace Bradley.*

# SUIT UP

**Insight on the brands of the Manual boys soccer uniforms.**

**Trevor Abma (11)**

**CLEATS**  
The two favorite brands are Nikes and Adidas.

**SOCKS**  
The team all wears Under Armour for their socks.

**SOCCER BALL**  
The brand of ball they use in the games is Select.

**SHIN GUARDS**  
Some of the favorite brands are Nike, Adidas, and Under Armour.

**JERSEYS**  
The team all wears Under Armour for their jerseys.

**John Greenlee (9)**

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A group of Panthers carry "The Nut" over to the huddle to celebrate their victory over the Wildcats.

# We Got the NUT

Evansville, Indiana, home of the West Side rivalry. Aside from the Fall Festival, the football game between the Reitz Panthers and the Mater Dei Wildcats is one of the most anticipated events put on by the West Side Nut Club.

Every year, the two West Side High Schools battle for "The Nut" in the Reitz Bowl. The past two years, The Panthers have brought the trophy home. Reitz fended off a comeback effort by Mater Dei to win this year's game, 49-17.

Senior Isaiah Dunham has been a big part of the football team all four years and has participated in the Battle of the West Side the past three years.

"It's always a blessing to be a part of something bigger than yourself," Dunham said. "The hype is unreal, and it will be one of the things that I miss the most."

The pressure of being the West Side Champions falls not only on the boys in blue, but the whole Reitz Nation.

"The West Side is so supportive of both schools, so that is why the game is so intense," said senior rowdy leader Claire O'Reilly. "As far as traditions go as Rowdies, the past few years have been too dull in the student section, and we needed to bring the hype back for the support of our team."

The rivalry between Reitz and Mater Dei runs deeper than just one football game.

"Being a senior soccer player and cheerleader, the rivalry is even more important," said senior Taylor Schapker. "You want to be able to beat them in every sport because of how strong the tradition of the rivalry has always been, and your class always wants to leave the legacy of beating Mater Dei."

It may seem as though the city is separated by this tradition, but the rivalry is a friendly competition that brings the whole West Side together. But, at the end of the day, "WE GOT THE NUT!"

<b>R</b>	Battle of		the West Side	
	31		17	
	All-time series record			



TOP LEFT | Junior Andrew Word (24) hypes up the crowd in celebration of his touchdown.  
 MIDDLE | Junior Jarrett Naas (61) boosts teammate Eli Wiethop (1) after a touchdown against the Wildcats.  
 ABOVE | Senior wide receiver Nathan Elder (9) fends off a Mater Dei defender to get open for a pass.  
 TOP RIGHT | Junior quarterback Eli Wiethop (1) throws downfield with the help of senior Da'Zhaun Sargent (10) blocking a Mater Dei player.  
 BOTTOM RIGHT | Senior Da'Zhaun Sargent (10) breaks off for a big run against Mater Dei with senior running back Noah Jones (76) blocking. Sargent scored three touchdowns that night. Jones, who also played middle linebacker, had a total of 36 solo tackles, including seven against the rival school.

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# Reflections F.J. Reitz High School



# BACK FOR U

The football team wins the rematch against the Purples, claiming the Regional Championship

October 20, the long-awaited matchup between the Purples Spartans finally came to life. To compete for the District teams went head to head for the first time in school history. [ave] always thought we were the better team, but we just rove it," said Jacob Lacey, 11.

ough the game ended in a 43-7 loss for the Spartans, spirits still shined, knowing that the game wasn't an on of the rest of their season and the playoffs.

aid to myself and to the others that we will beat them when come around, but until then we need to focus on getting to m again," said Alex Cohron, 12.

next time the teams competed against each other was on er 17, and this time it mattered. The teams would compete Regional Championship and determine who moves forward layoffs.

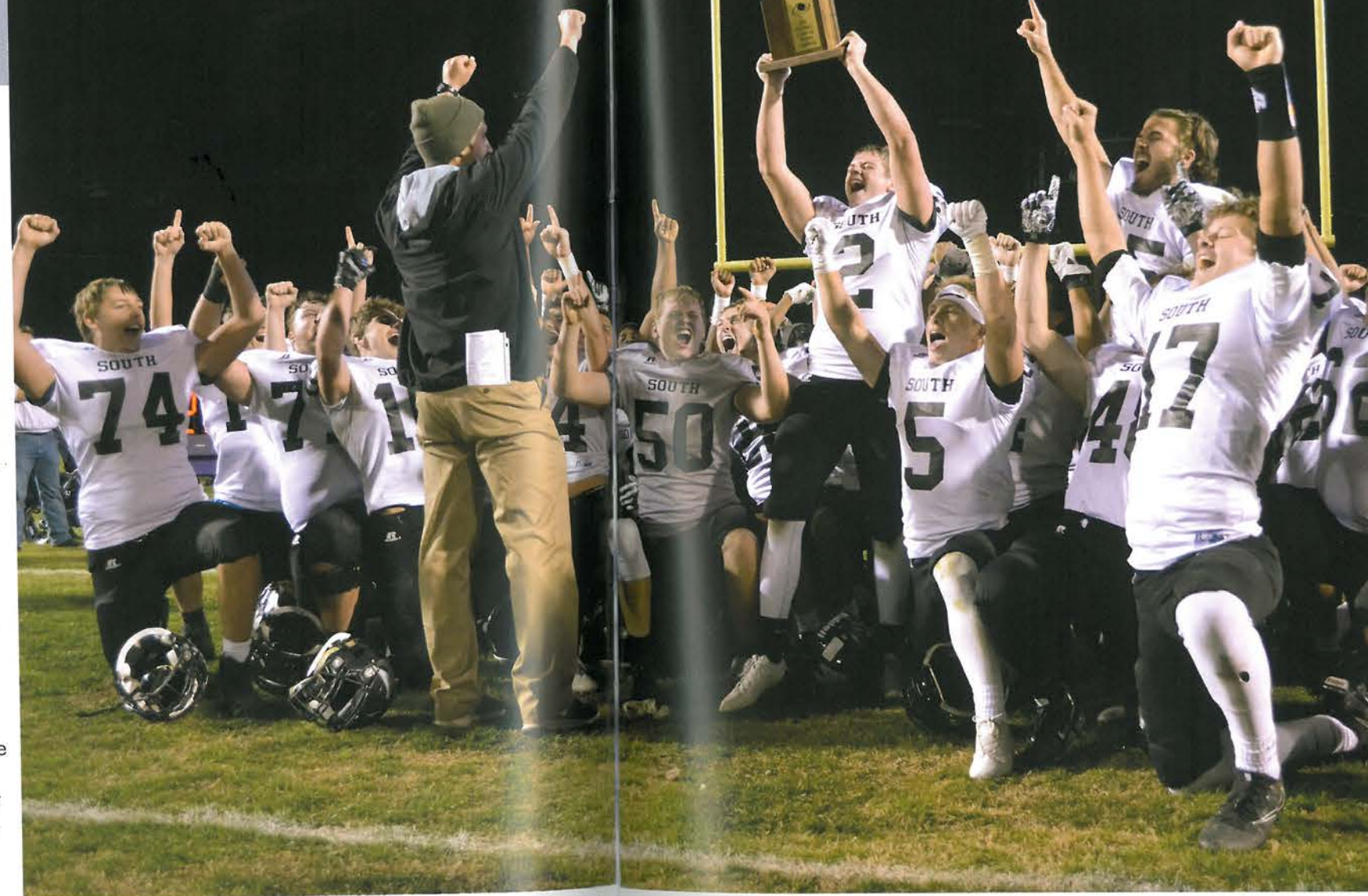
e second time we prepared with the mindset to not accept a id Dalton Byrd, 12. "It was the sharpest week of practice r had."

team ended the Purples' streak and pressured the ack like no other team had before. Led by senior running ristian Winn's three touchdowns, the Spartans pulled off the in in the Class 5A Region 1 final. Not only did the offense e team to score, but the defense proved itself by intercepting Green's quarterback three times after he entered the game o interceptions.

final meeting between the two proved the resilience and ion of the Spartans. For the first ice 2010, the Purples had been by a Warren County team. e tides of athletic dominance [are] in Warren County," said Cohron. with the old and in with the new."

by Kyle Eilers

1. Following a chant from the team, Coach Brandon Smith congratulates them for their 28-21 win over Bowling Green.
2. Clayton Bush, 11, eyes the end zone following a pass from junior quarterback Gavin Spurrier.
3. Gavin Spurrier, 11, consoles a Purple player after the game.
4. To begin the game, the student section launches baby powder into the air.
5. Seniors Kenton Blick and Christian



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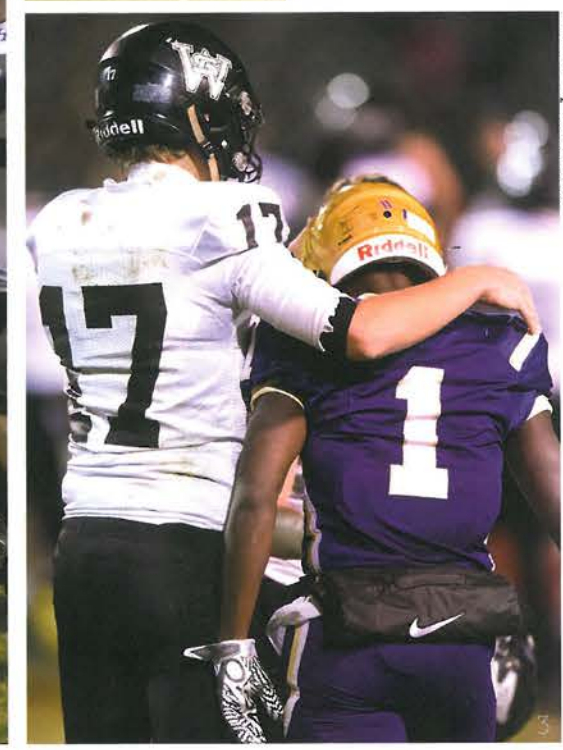


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## WORKIN' ON WEDNESDAY

Members of Manual's Executive Council discuss their favorite part about helping out at the carnival during Red/White Week.

As students of all grades walk around the carnival, playing the numerous games that were available, some members of Manual's Executive Council talk about their experience.

"The carnival is solely us and our sponsors that help plan and execute. We plan games, food, pep-rally, events, and then our members work at stations while the carnival is running," said Kris Walker (11), "I worked at the Bow and Arrow game and personally, my favorite part of the carnival was the wrestling game."

Another member of Executive Council, Samari Israel (10) said, "I thought that the carnival went really well and everything was cool, but I feel like the balloon dart throw was the best because I was working it!"



MALARIE DAVIS



**1 SLURPEE** // Olivia Wolf (12), Gracie Pounders (12) and Hallie Rodman (12) eating a snow cone. "I think the highlight of the carnival was definitely getting to dunk Mr. Morris in the dunk tank," Olivia said. **2 SUMO FUN** // Savina Zamborini (10) struggling to get out of her costume at the carnival. "I had so much fun sumo wrestling with friends," Savina said. **3 PINK ON WEDNESDAY** // Samantha McDowell (11), Brayan Aviles (12) passing out cotton candy. "Working cotton candy was great, even though I was covered from head to toe!" Samantha said. *Photo by Alexis Webster.*

## STEERING INTO THE FUTURE

Members of the junior class steering committee talk about plans for the future.

Sitting in the classroom, Nakiya Perry (11) and the other members decide on what topic to talk about regarding their class.

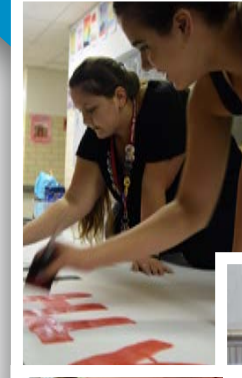
"Right now, I'm working with the prom committee to choose where we're going to have our junior and senior prom at along with figuring out budgeting, like prices for tickets," says Perry, "we're also going to meet to talk about basketball homecoming and do posters for that."

**1 PAINTING IT OUT** // Nakiya Perry (11), Million Greenlee (11), Sean Waddell (11), and Fiona Morgan (11) laughing. "Participating in steering committee is a great way to show pride in your school while also having a great time with your friends," said Million. *Photo by Pieper Mallett.*



**2 CHECK IT OUT** // Matthew Dentinger (11), Molly Armstrong (11), and Brooke Bollinger (11) joking around while painting signs. "Steering Committee has given me the opportunity to express my enthusiasm about Manual," Matthew said. *Photo by Pieper Mallett.* **3 B FOR BASKETBALL** // Oliver Weber (11) and Joey Schuster (11) working on a poster for basketball homecoming. "My favorite thing about Steering Committee is that students are able to have a voice," Oliver said. *Photo by Pieper Mallett.*

**1 PAINTIN' SIGNS** // McKenzie Masters (10) and Elena Jolly (10) painting posters. "My favorite part of steering committee is seeing how amazing all our posters look in our hall," McKenzie said. *Photo by Pieper Mallett.* **2 STIR IT UP** // Ally Hanson (10) and Aanika Garre (10) mixing paint to make their sign. "I enjoy it because there are a lot of opportunities to be a leader!" Ally said. *Photo by Pieper Mallett.* **3 CARRY IT OUT** // Patrick Harper (10) carrying up a sign to put away. "I like being able to have a say in my future, and painting signs is a total highlight," Patrick said. *Photo by Pieper Mallett.*



## 20/20 FOCUS

Members of the sophomore steering committee talk about their experience being in the club.

Winding down from Red/White week, Steering Committee 2020 focused on funding for their class and Basketball Homecoming.

"I like the leading aspect of it, and the fact that I can make decisions for the class and it's a healthy and happy environment," Heather Allen (10) said.

"I'm doing candy sales and it's rather interesting because there's a big debate whether or not we should sell them for \$2 or \$1," Elena Jolly (10) said.

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## You Didn't Want to Les Mis This Play No Song Unsung

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Organizing a high school production of a Broadway musical is no easy task. *Les Misérables* is not an easy production to pull off successfully with the depth and complexity of plot, not to mention the long running time. However, our drama director here at BCHS, **Glenna Gardner**, is no stranger to the complicating task of piecing together a production from scratch "I think the harmonies and the way they blended together was amazing and it only got better with each performance. I loved that it was a very diverse group; there were football players, dance and cheer team members, choir and band kids, all united together on stage. I think that is what makes it such a successful program" said Gardner.

The production was a testament to all of their hardwork. It was evident to see that each member of the cast had rehearsed tirelessly to make sure the performance went well. Senior **Nathaniel Clifford**, who played Jean Valjean, agreed with Gardner about the variety of the cast. "*Les Misérables* was just a hodge podge from people all over the school that pulled off an amazing performance." It definitely was another great production for Barren County drama that will be remembered for years to come.



Briana Crowder (09)



Maggie Hutten (11) and Garren McCoy (09)



Briana Crowder (09) and Garren McCoy (09)



Abbie Lowe (10)



Elle Jones (09) and Garren McCoy (09)



Laynie Smith (11)



Nathaniel Clifford (12)



Maggie Hutten (11)



Briana Crowder (09)



**Masters Of The House**  
(Above) Bradley Houchens (10) and Cora Wood (11) bring life to the notorious crooks, Monsieur and Madame Thenardier. The dark humor of these two characters got the audience to chuckle in a play where laughter is quite rare.



Rylan Oke (12)



Cora Wood (11)



Maggie Hutten (11) and Garren McCoy (09)



Hannah Berbow (12) and Olivia Vaught (11)



Weston Hoffman (09)



Nathaniel Clifford (12)



Deveron Chelson (12)



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# Spirit at a Fever Pitch



Pep Rally drama resolved! Bottom left with mic: Bryce Lowe; center with cane: Geoffrey Aberle



Sean Sullivan, Colin O'Connor, Alex Woosley



Axiom Literary Magazine-- (Above) moderator Ms. Karen Flipper, Thomas Kalmer, Stephen Curry, Woosley

Axiom Literary Magazine (Top) moderator Mr. Rob Seng, Colin O'Connor, Todd Crenshaw, Alex Woosley



Pep Club-- Front Row: Mac Hancock, Charlie Petrando, Luke DeLeo. Middle Row: Conner Goldsmith, Zach Cunanan, Cameron Fisk, Cole Flanders. Back Row: Scott Graehler, Jackson Crane, John Gilkison, Trevor Schmidt, moderator Mr. Bernie Schum, Christian Tucker. Not Pictured: moderator Mr. Mike Domzalski



Drum Line -- Front: Thad Lipinski. Back Row: Cole Strause, Davis Williams, Sebastian Martinez, Chris Monell, Kyle Kinser, Maxwell Harrington, Lucas Wheatley, Michael Martin, Colton State, Carson Black, David Albright, Jacob Epley. Not Pictured: coach John Harris, moderator Ms. Maria Martin



Photography Club -- Connor King, Jonathan Eng, Jake Sedgwick, Jack Scaglione, Dallas Jenkins, Richard Gregor, Dalton Howard, Samuel Sherman, moderator Mr. Jimmy Serochi

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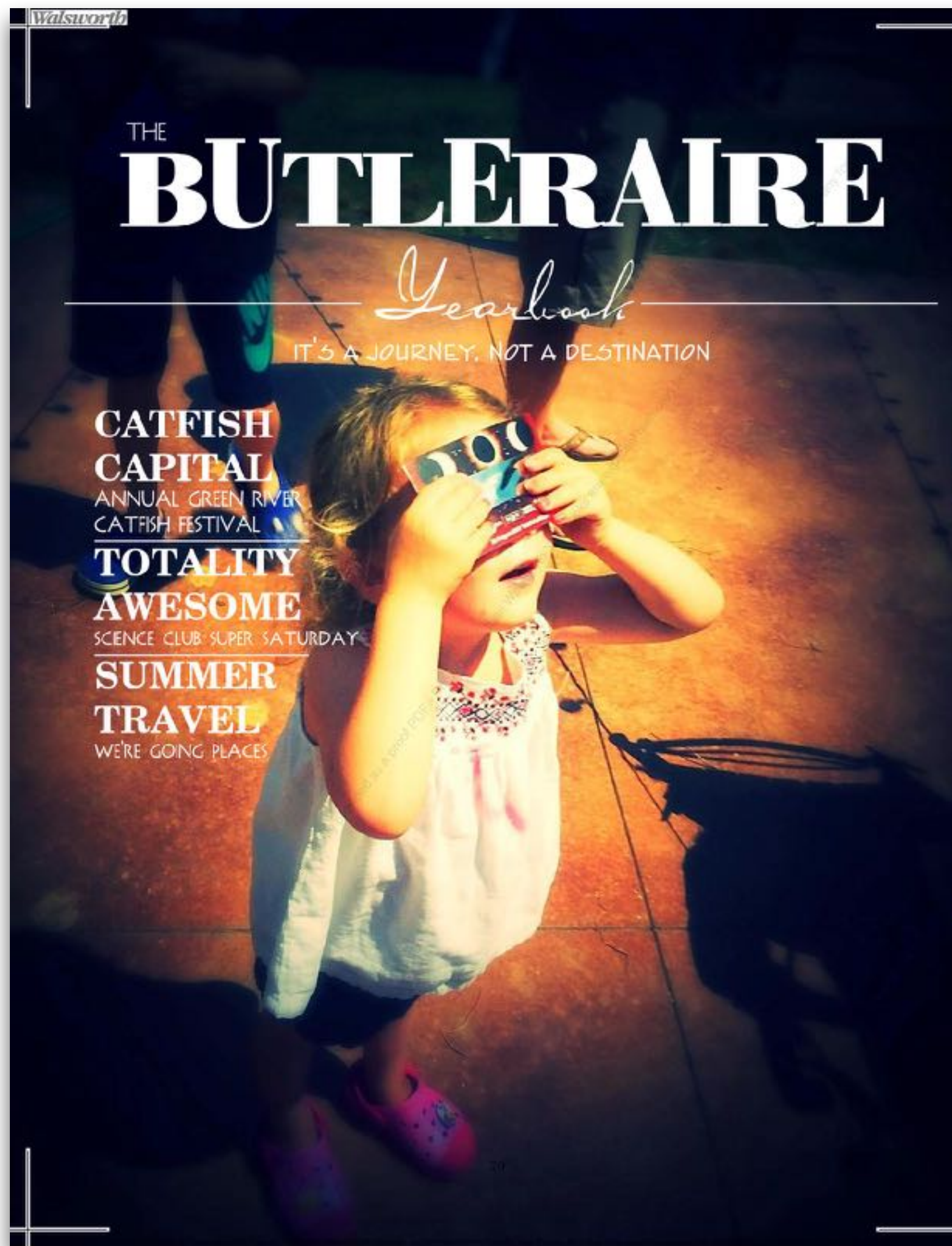
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# Academic Spread

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# GO BIG OR GO HOME

J&C students talk about their experiences visiting the John F. Kennedy Museum in Dallas Texas while on one of the magnets two annual convention trips.

This year, J&C students went to the 'Go Big' journalism convention in Dallas, TX for their annual fall field trip. A stop along the way was the Sixth Floor Museum at Dealey Plaza. Headphones over their ears and audio devices on, students learned the history of John F. Kennedy and how journalists reported his assassination.

"Yeah, it was interesting, but it kind of raised my suspicion of the assassination. Nonetheless, it was a hallowed feeling place with a palpable history," Tyler Smith (10) said.

"I really liked the conspiracy theory part! Obviously, it's an important

part of history, but I like that even the museum devoted to it has a part that acknowledges the uncertainty surrounding the event—even though the CIA probably doesn't like it," Jess Martel (12) said.

**1 CONVENTION CHEER** // J&C students pose outside their hotel in Dallas as they get ready for the convention to begin. "Right after we got to our hotel, we went right to a deli. We were all starving," Kathryn Minor said. **2 POWER POSE** // Katie Cummins, Alana Fields, Sylvia Cassidy, and Jess Martel pose for a picture as they are out and about in the city of Dallas. "Dallas was so cool. It felt like a Twilight Zone version of Louisville," Jess Martel said.

**3 A MASSIVE MANTRA** // Kathryn Minor and Jessica Martel pose for a picture in the basement of the convention center where colleges were set up to meet young journalists. "Everything definitely was bigger in Texas. The hotel we were staying in was massive, over 20 floors. I rode up to the very top in the glass elevator, it was kind of scary but really cool at the same time," Kathryn Minor said. **4 BBQ BANQUET** // Jess Martel and Katie Cummins eat at a barbecue restaurant (The Pecan Lodge) that Jess found online. "We waited for 3 hours because the power went out, but the food was delicious," Jess Martel said. **5 DALLAS AFTER DARK** // Dallas after the J&C students left the JFK museum. "It was breathtaking to see the live footage of the assassination happening and to see where it happened at the same time," Lucy Calderon said. **6 DOWNTOWN DALLAS** // The heart of Dallas was buzzing with life on a cold November day. "I entered into the logo design competition and a lot of the same people that were there last year were there again, so we met up... I ended up winning 'excellent' which is basically second place," Kathryn Minor said.



# ADORING MENTORING

J&C students discuss the magnet's mentor/mentee program where seniors help new freshman integrate into the magnet.



"It has helped me feel more comfortable in the magnet, because I knew that I had someone to talk to if I was having any trouble ... It's nice to know someone in your magnet who's been in the same place as you."

SARAH WOODSON



"[The program] helped me as a freshman to learn the ins and outs of the magnet ... As a mentor, I hope my mentee knows she can come to me for advice just as I went to mine."

CAROLINE FOSHEE

# DESIGNING DEMOCRACY

J&C freshmen work hard to design mock campaign posters, hoping to win the meaningless title of "President of J&C."

Catie Devenuto (11), the digital design aid, paced up and down the lab, helping the freshmen with their designs. Every student was creating their own campaign poster, by which they would be judged for election.

"It was cool to see what they could do when given some freedom," Catie said.

The annual mock presidential election of the J&C freshman course, digital design, was in full swing last November.

"I really enjoyed the project, because it gave me an introduction to design," Sylvia Cassidy (9) said.

"It was really nice to have so much freedom with our designs," Anna Keyzer (9) said.

**1 CAMPAIGN TO FAME** // Jessica Carney Perks, Addy Falkner, Lainey Holland, and Sam Baker work on designing their campaign posters for the election. "[The project] was a great way for us to all get to know each other," Anna Keyzer said. **2 FROM THE MACS OF BABES** // Luke Radcliffe, Maddie Hayden, and Brooke Wathen design their poster for the J&C freshman presidential election. "This project is really going to help us as future designers because it gave us a great base of what good design looks like and how to create that," Sylvia Cassidy said.



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**RESEARCH REQUIRED**  
Seniors Taylor Eldridge and Jared Sloan (above) measure their pipes in order for water to travel directly from the water hose to the plants. Senior Teshayla Reed (top right) works in the greenhouse. Seniors Michael Johnston and Sai Salgado (left) research plants using a book about leaves in order to identify what plant they are holding. Junior Karen Larice Flores (far right) waters the plants in the local greenhouse at the school.

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Junior Dylan Starnick, senior Jennifer Smith, and junior Nakenra Aldridge listen to Mr. Hall as they look at the insulation they're adding to the greenhouse. "It's a very eye-opening class where we learn things outside the classroom and do things we might do in our future," said Smith.



Junior Quanaq Unarova, seniors Hafeesa Zakaria, Gami Lawrence and Asia Dewdney work together to water plants in the greenhouse. "Being in Mrs. Niemann's environmental science class has taught us a lot about teamwork. It helps our class to be more organized and thought out," Lawrence said.



Freshman Javon Thomas gets startled after teacher Mr. Hall shows her a chicken. Regardless, she did say she loves the class. "The aspect of nature and taking care of animals is interesting to me. We talked about drugs and the impact on people and the environment and it was very eye-opening," said Thomas.



Junior Ivado Brown leads to the plants in the greenhouse with Mrs. Niemann's environmental science class. She claims she really enjoyed this class over many other classes. "It's hands-on which I really enjoy. I love learning about the environment and this is the perfect class for that," Brown said.

# the great outdoors

## teachers put their own twist on environmental learning

Former Global Issues teacher Joe Franzen left Fern Creek last year in search of a new beginning in another state. This departure left the school's environmental program in search of new leadership. Without Franzen, someone needed to step up and take care of the greenhouse, the garden, chickens and even the newly purchased beehives. Many students didn't know who would take over and were worried the program would end permanently. Fortunately, two teachers stepped up to the challenge. Returning science teacher Lauren Niemann and new English teacher John Hall spent this year putting their own spin on the Fern Creek tradition of outdoor learning.

As a new teacher, Hall was surprised how much Franzen was able to accomplish. "I'm amazed that there is a garden in the first place here, especially with all the working infrastructure," Hall said. He never thought such a nice garden could be at a school. Hall taught a special writing class this year that combined the outdoors with English. His students used the garden at least once a week to complete chores, grow vegetables and raise chickens. The students also completed writing assignments about those tasks. "By allowing students to do something they enjoy, they are

more open to learning and doing their work in class," said Hall.

For the future, he even plans on starting programs to maintain a greener society. "With the help of Bellarmine University, I want to build a compost place to help recycle food in the cafeteria. This creates a circle within the school and its fellow students," Hall said.

Students in Hall's class enjoy the chance to work outside. "I actually love this class a lot," said senior Quintus Heatt. "It's always fun to go outside and tend the garden and the chickens. We use these experiences to write our papers. That way we never had trouble writing."

Senior Jennifer Smith also enjoyed this different approach to learning. "This class is so creative, it requires a lot of hands-on activities and allows us to think outside the box," Smith said.

One activity Smith really enjoyed doing was the work journals. "We write what we have learned in the class and how we treated the chickens and grew the vegetables. It shows what kind of work we are all capable of," Smith said.

Hall isn't the only teacher taking classes outside.

Science teacher Lauren Niemann spent the majority of this school year educating her students outside. Just one of the many projects she led required students to measure leaves and determine how their shape depends on the seasons. The lesson showed students how a tree with bigger leaves is often healthier. Niemann truly believes that those kind of hands-on projects can engage all learners. "Many students will not do anything if it doesn't interest them," said Niemann. "The garden provides engagement within the class."

Junior Alexis Dirksen took Niemann's class second trimester. "I loved it," Dirksen said. "We're going to get together with Fern Creek Elementary to teach them about the greenhouse and how they can be environmentally conscious citizens."

Niemann plans on starting other new projects as well. "I want to start a pottery project for the students in order to show them that clay came from nature and every living thing is closely connected," said Niemann. "This is what the environmental science program is really all about."

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**IT'S AN ENVIRONMENTAL THING**  
Senior Sadara Beccant and LeNya Coakley (above) investigate the plant they found in the garden. With the help of the notes they took in class, they tried to identify the plant through the leaves. "It was very interesting," Coakley said. "It was something different and unique from what I learn from other classes."

**KEEP IT CLEAN**  
Public health is very important to our society; this is why people are always encouraged to wash their hands which is especially important when working with animals. According to environmental teacher John Hall (left) with senior Elyan Sanderson, good hygiene is crucial in the garden. "We need to give chickens a bath in order to maintain a healthy garden," said Hall. "If we don't clean them, they will attract bugs that could harm our crops." Hall says proper handwashing reduces the chance of infection between crops and helps maintain a clean environment in which to learn.

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students share their thoughts on the environmental program

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The Tiger  
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# Candid Feature Photo

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Joey Cahill and Christopher Troutman were among those screaming for the Rocks during the annual Pride Week pep rally.

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Trinity High School



# CHARACTER.

You **THINK**  
J&C—**TECHY**. MST—**GENIUS**. VA—**ARTSY**.  
YPAS—**DRAMATIC**. HSU—**ATHLETIC**.  
But **YOU** don't know.  
Come **FIND OUT**;  
This is **OUR CHARACTER**.

SING YOUR HEART OUT // Performers in the musical Sophisticated Ladies get in formation at the show on November 10. Maddie Ballance (12), a musical theatre major, reflects on her experience. "My favorite part was seeing everyone's hard work come together during tech week and the performances," Maddie said. Top to Bottom: Lily Carpenter (10), Katie Boggs (12), Megan VanGilder (12), Maddie Ballance (12), Brittany Johnson (12). Photo by Camron Morrissey

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Bronwen Waddell  
The Angeline  
Sacred Heart Academy

# Sports Action Photo

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Sports Action Photo  
3rd Place

Christy Browning  
The Raider  
Warren East High School



Sports Action Photo  
2nd Place

Keely Wells  
The Talon  
Eastern High School



Sports Action Photo  
1st Place

Grace Bradley  
The Crimson  
DuPont Manual High School

# Feature Story

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[Seniors Jared Jeffers, Alex Gilbert, Josh Laster, Dalton Harris, Logan Long, and Sam Blackwell cheer on their Wildcats during the state game against Johnson Central.]

[Bottom: Senior Saul Brady runs a kickoff return for a big gain that set up the game winning touchdown against Collins.]



# It Wasn't A Fluke

*"Smashed them right in the Mouth"*

"We came out and smashed them right in the mouth!" Quarterback Rylan Thomas's post-game interview was spot on when describing the Wildcats dominance in the Class 4A State Championship title game. Franklin-Simpson defeated Johnson Central High School 35-21 in an emotional victory that erased any memory of last year's devastating loss to the Golden Eagles in the championship game. Revenge was certainly on the plate as the Wildcats marched onto Kroger Field in December, but more importantly Franklin-Simpson was looking to showcase the power of the Wildcat spirit. "We just wanted to prove to everyone we are a championship level team, and in the end we accomplished our dream," said senior Saul Brady.

This dream did not begin in the weeks preceding the title clash however. Franklin-Simpson has been working for a championship since the loss last year. "After the big loss we took last year, the team came back hungry to work and win. We kept the loss in our minds and it motivated us to keep getting better," said junior Jack Randolph. The hard work showed throughout the season, but the first five weeks were a bumpy road for the Wildcats as they fell to 2-3. The homecoming heartbreak to Meade County would be the last loss of the entire season however, as Franklin Simpson stormed their remaining five opponents to finish the season 7-3 and with playoff aspirations in their eyes. The Cats picked up two easy wins in the first two rounds, dominating Hopkins County Central and Madisonville-North Hopkins.

The following week was the real challenge as the Wildcats would face off against regional rival Hopkinsville. Franklin-Simpson found themselves down 20-0 halfway through the second quarter, but after a power outage and a touchdown run from senior James Baker the Wildcats found their fire and stormed back to score 35 straight points and advance to the next round. In the state semi-final match up



[Dominant: The Wildcats celebrate and pose with the state championship trophy on Kroger Field after the game.]

[Bottom: Juniors Jack Randolph and Tre Bass celebrate scoring a touchdown in the state championship game.]

theirstory The Taste of Victory

"To win the State Championship was the greatest feeling in the world. Personally, I felt like we owed it to the town and everyone who faithfully came to our games throughout the entire year. We came up short last year and we just simply refused to end the season with anything less than a State Championship."

-Steven Starks, 12, Defensive Linebacker

"It felt really good to win a championship my senior year. Like REALLY good. I'm just glad that we were able to bring this ring back to the community after all the support they've given us."

-James Baker, 12, Runningback

"It feels great to be able to put the city on our backs and bring a championship back to the community. Next year, I know there's going to be a lot of pressure to succeed after the success we've had this year. But there's no reason that we can't be back in the same position playing for a state title next year."

-Tre' Bass, 11, Runningback

"Winning the state championship hasn't even fully hit me yet, considering that it had not been done in 37 years. Football has been the time of my life building friendships with my teammates who will be my brothers for life! I'm even more excited knowing I have two more years to hopefully keep this winning tradition going."

-Connor Rogers, 10, Linebacker

## our victories clear eyes, full hearts,...



[In every game, and every win, no team could match the passion...

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3rd Place

Will Randolph  
The Wildcat  
Franklin-Simpson High School

by Astrid Kuttelwascher

# CELEBRITIES & SIMILARITIES

Two students share their names with some of Hollywood's Red Carpet celebrities

"When I was little, they called me Hermione, . . . but now I don't get it as often," said Emma Watson, 11. "Thank God."

Watson and Dev Patel, 12, share names with two of Hollywood's top stars. Their famous names have certainly garnered some attention.

"Dev is a pretty common name in India," said Patel. "The [friends] that have heard of [the celebrity Dev Patel] always reference him and say that I look like him, but I really don't."

Watson shares her name with the British actress known primarily for her role as Hermione Granger in the Harry Potter movies.

"She's such a strong woman, and she's smart and pretty, so I'm happy about sharing a name with her," said

Watson.

Even though Watson shares the name of the more popular of the two actors, she has only seen two movies starring Emma Watson: "The Perks of Being a Wallflower" and "Beauty and the Beast."

"Everyone would say, 'You have the same name as Hermione,' and I [didn't] know who that was," said Watson.

Having a famous person's name can mean introductions to people don't go smoothly.

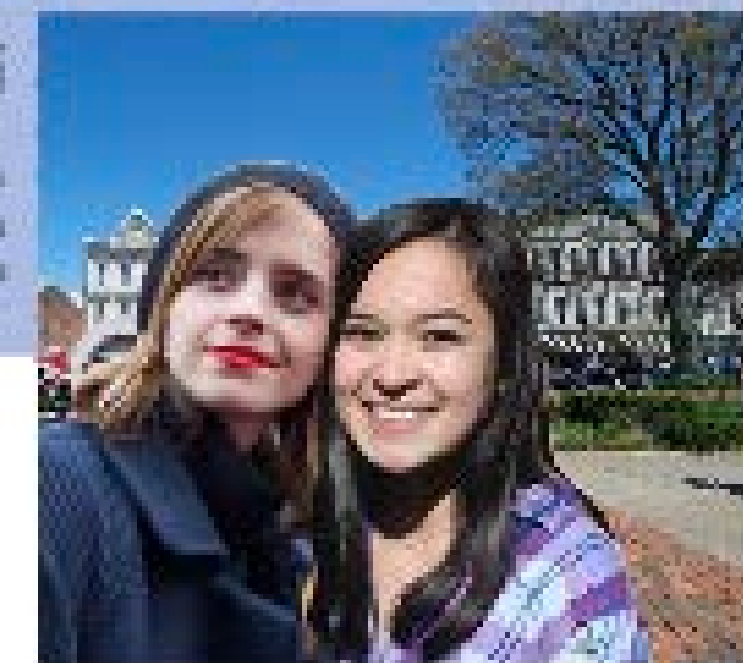
"It usually shocks a lot of teachers and students," said Patel.

The attention they received for their names has mostly been benign and fun, though.

"I feel privileged," said Watson.



1. Dev Patel, 12, with Hollywood actor Dev Patel  
2. Emma Watson, 11, with British actress Emma Watson



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Astrid Kuttelwascher  
The Chronicle  
South Warren High School



**GOT GLASSES?**  
Junior Cassandra Zamora was one of the lucky students who got to go outside to see the eclipse wearing a pair of JCS-approved eclipse glasses. "I've never even anything like the eclipse before. The glasses of course, made it 10 times better," said Zamora.

**ALL EYES IN THE SKY**  
Due to rules set down by the school board, only certain glasses were allowed on the day of the eclipse and these glasses were difficult to find. Several science teachers had access to them which allowed students like Nicholas Lingo (bottom left) and Elise Jackson (bottom right) to go outside to see the eclipse. "The eclipse was quite overrated to me, not really what I expected. The glasses were cool but kind of weird," said Lingo.



# to infinity and *beyond*

| rare sight in the sky leads to unusual day

Students at Fern Creek High School had a once in a lifetime chance this year to witness one of nature's greatest spectacles. On August 21, 2017 at approximately 2:00 p.m., the moon passed between the Earth and sun, creating a rare solar eclipse. Solar eclipses are quite rare across the United States. The last one took place in 1998, but it only reached totality in the Caribbean. However, the solar eclipse in August crossed over a significant part of the United States, especially in Kentucky. Thousands of people, including some Fern Creek students, traveled to Hopkinsville to witness 100 percent eclipse totality while some stayed in Louisville to witness 56 percent totality.

Principal Nathan Meyer wanted students to experience this amazing opportunity together as a school and the original plan was for all 1700 students to go outside to see the eclipse. The Fern Creek Alumni Association even donated enough special eclipse glasses for every student to have a pair. However, JCPS officials said that only certain glasses were allowed and the donated ones were not up to school board standards. Students were then given excused absence permission slips if they wanted to miss school to see the eclipse.

Many students and parents were excited for this educational opportunity. Sophomore Shelby Bassell had her parents sign the permission slip and she camped out for almost a week with her friend in Hopkinsville. "I'm so glad my parents let me miss school for

the solar eclipse. It was truly mind blowing," Bassell said. "Traffic was terrible. There were nearly 500 people or more watching it too. At one point, the bathrooms broke so everyone freaked out and drove to the nearest McDonald's just to use the restroom."

Junior Sarah Harvistola made the drive to totality and back all in one day. She says the traffic getting to and from Hopkinsville was a total nightmare but worth it. "The coolest thing was seeing how many people were there," said Harvistola. "I feel so fortunate to have gotten the chance to leave school and see something so remarkable."

Even if they didn't travel all the way to Hopkinsville, some students still got a chance to see the eclipse while they were at school. Science teacher Lauren Niemann received board approved glasses for her students as a giveaway from Heino Brothers Coffee. Science teacher Rob Redies obtained 50 sets of donated glasses that were board approved and math teacher Joe Hutchins also had permission to take students to the greenhouse outside for the rare event. "My AP physics students were the ones in my room at the time of the eclipse, so I was very thankful to be able to take them out," said Hutchins who only had about ten of his 22 students in attendance on eclipse day.

Hundreds of Fern Creek students weren't as lucky; they were forced to experience the eclipse from inside the school building, like sophomore Javia Groves. "My mom made me go to school

even though it would have been an excused absence if she would have signed the permission slip," said Groves. "Luckily, I was able to see what it was like because someone posted it on Instagram."

Many students say the eclipse was an amazing experience and others said it was overhyped. "I expected it to be completely dark at my house during the time of the eclipse, however, it was still really cool to watch. In a way you could say it was a once in a lifetime opportunity for it to be so close to us," said senior Noah Kitts. "Without the glasses, it was pretty hard to even tell what was going on."

The media made it very obvious that glasses were important to witnessing the eclipse because it was harmful to the eyes without it but some decided otherwise. "I wanted to be a daredevil and not wear glasses to watch the eclipse at my house, so I did," said junior Osman Sall who added that his vision remained fine after the eclipse.

Many students thought this eclipse was a once in a lifetime opportunity, but in reality they happen every couple of years in different regions around the world. The next expected solar eclipse to cross the United States is expected in 2024. "I hope that I can witness the next eclipse in totality the next time it crosses the United States," said Kitts.

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**TAKING THE DAY OFF**  
The cafeteria was practically empty on the day of the eclipse because so many students had excused absences. Approximately 41 percent of students showed up to school on August 21. More than 900 students stayed home.

"I thought that it would have been darker outside than what it ended up being. It was pretty underwhelming in my opinion."  
**KADEN MEYER**  
SENIOR

"As I stared into the sun, I saw something that I probably will never see again. It was a remarkable moment to experience at Fern Creek."  
**MASON LIN**  
JUNIOR

**2017 Eclipse: Did it live up to the hype?**



**PREPARE TO BE ENGAGED**  
Senior Tim Anderson (left) and junior Adrian Biggs (above) prepare to view the solar eclipse. "I didn't get a really good look at it, but knowing something like that was happening was pretty cool," said Biggs.

Freshman Dakota Hankins (top right) tries to take a picture of the sky in the minutes leading up to the eclipse.

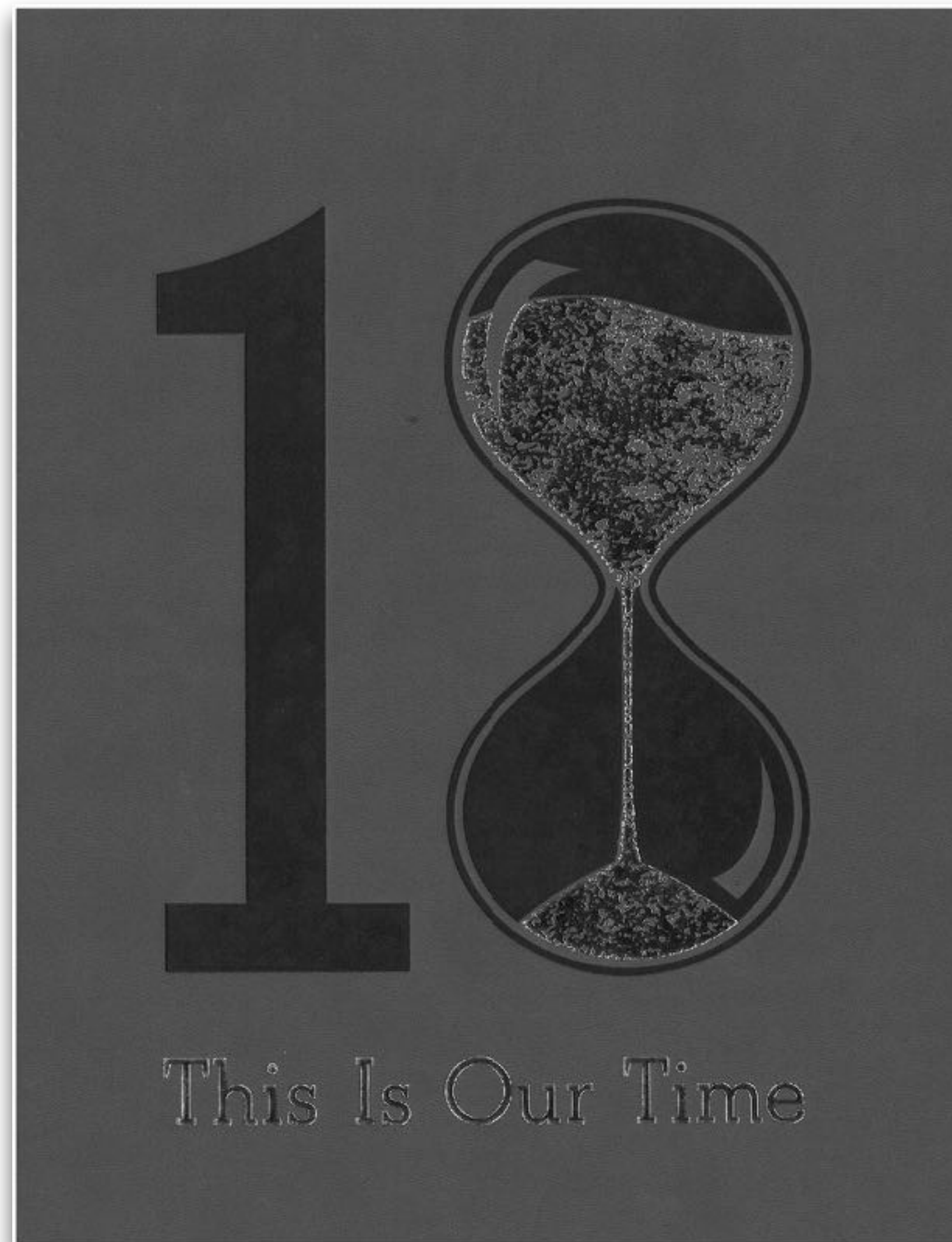
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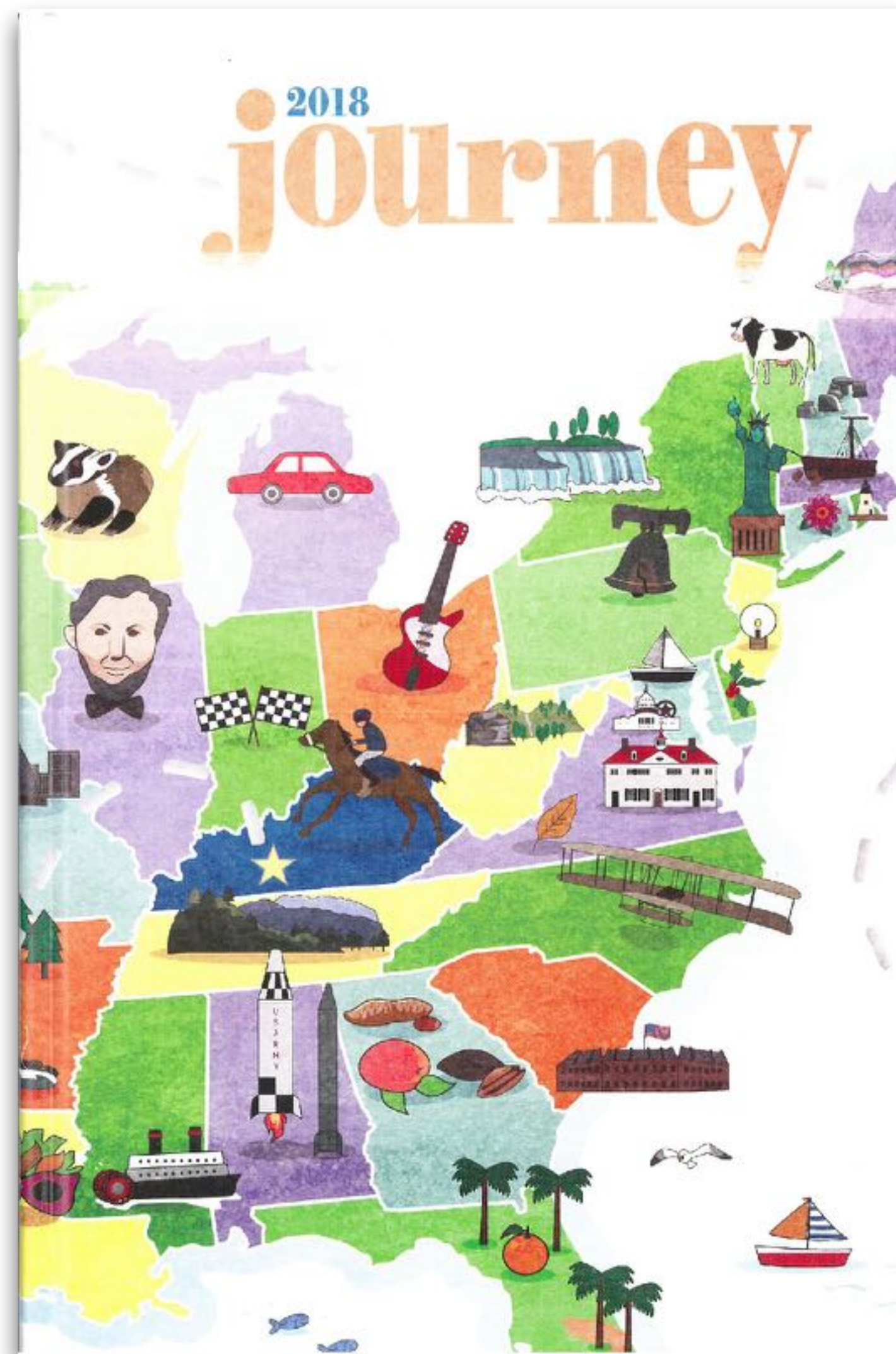
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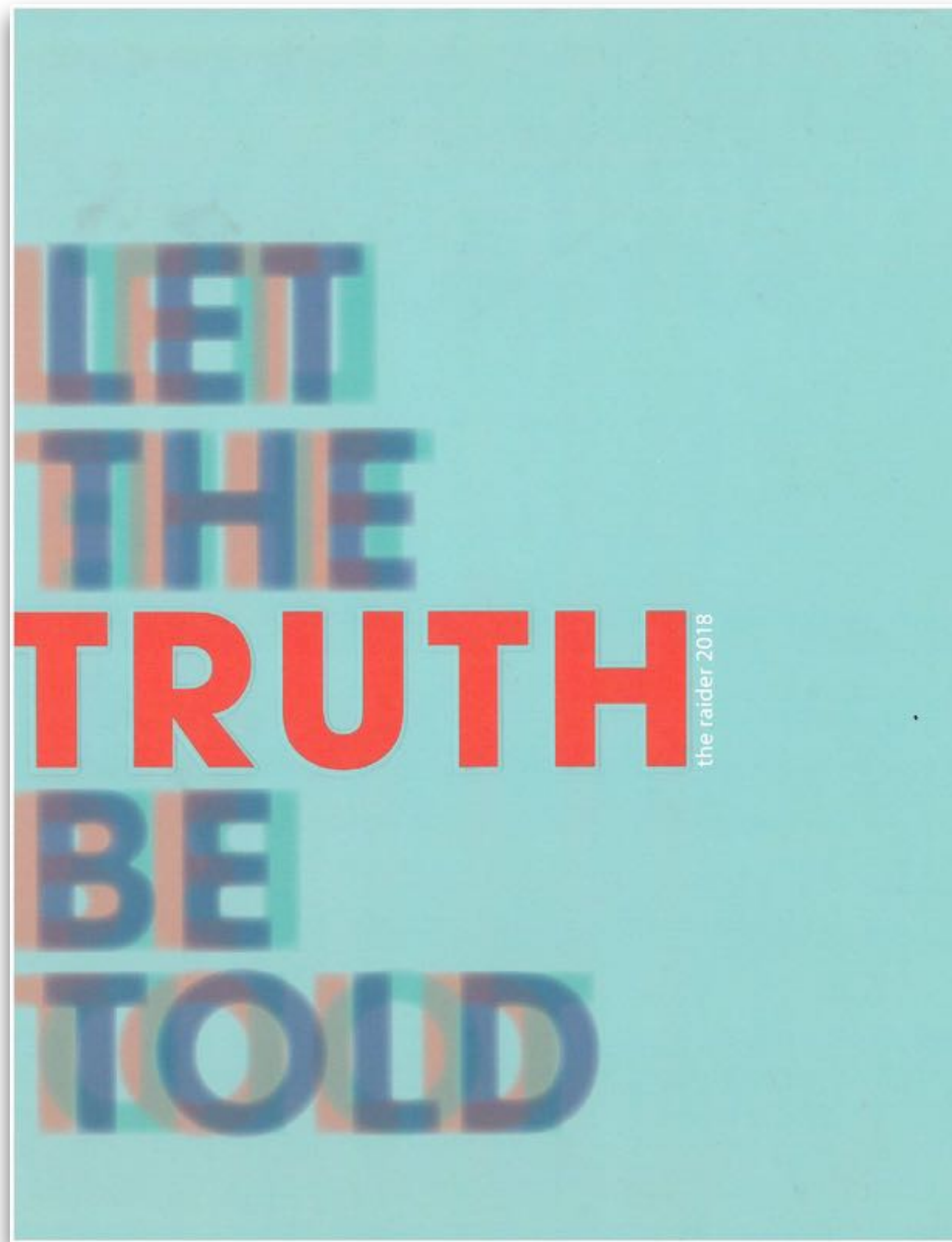
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# Overall Yearbook Advertising

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**Madelynn Gurske**

Congratulations to our beautiful, intelligent, and perfect daughter Madds. We are extremely proud of you, and the young woman you have become. You will forever remain our tiny baby princess, and we wish for all of your dreams to come true.

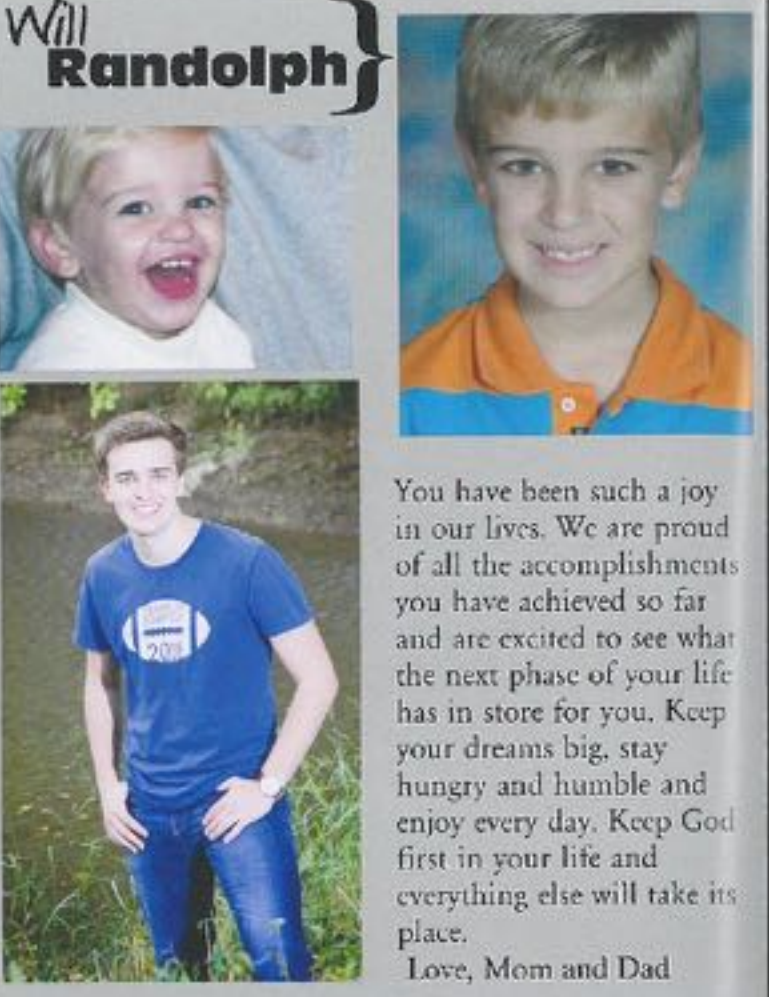
Love, Mom and Dad



**Will Randolph**

You have been such a joy in our lives. We are proud of all the accomplishments you have achieved so far and are excited to see what the next phase of your life has in store for you. Keep your dreams big, stay hungry and humble and enjoy every day. Keep God first in your life and everything else will take its place.



Love, Mom and Dad



**Meri Hayden Rushing**

Proud of the doors you opened and excited to where they lead!


Mom and Dad

**Savannah Crisp**

I see how far you've already come, and you'll see your horizon expand. As you wonder what the world holds, I wonder "Oh the Places You'll Go". Realize that anything is within your reach as we realize how strong you are. We hope your dreams are bigger than life. Our dream is that all your dreams come true!

Love, Mom and Buddy



**Macey Young**

We are so proud of you Macey. We can not wait to see where your next adventure will take you. We love you.


Mom, Dad, and Elizabeth



**Emily Harris**

There are no words to describe how proud you have made each of us! We love you so much 'toots'!

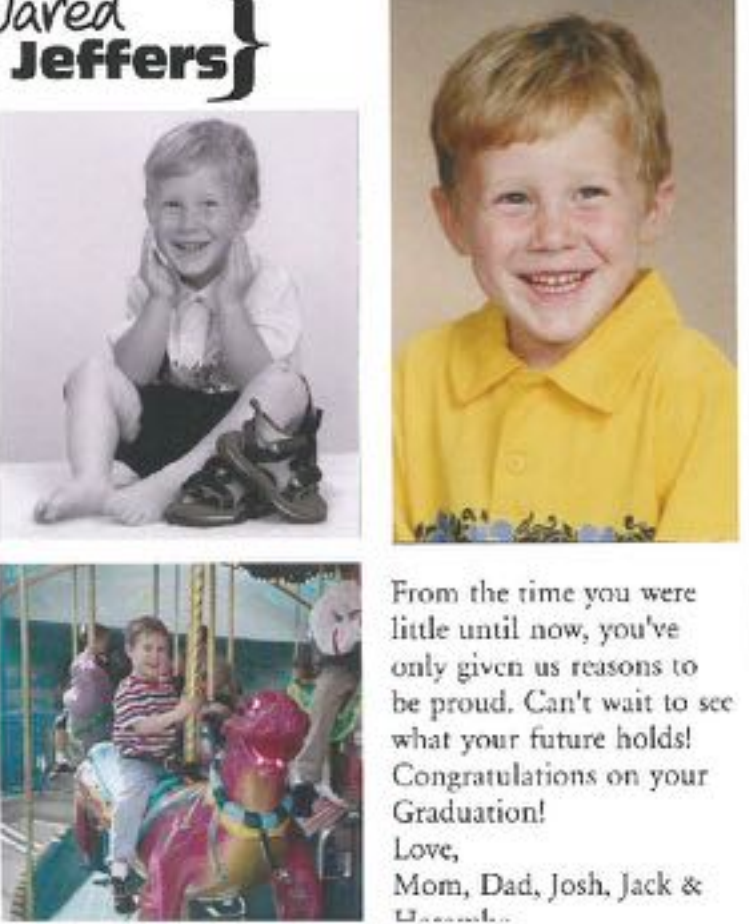
Love,  
Momma & Clint, Daddy & Samantha, Ben, Matthew, Abby, Andrew, Nanny, Paw-Paw, Momo, TT, Nana, Grandpa, Ma, Pa and Nan-Rod!



**Jared Jeffers**

From the time you were little until now, you've only given us reasons to be proud. Can't wait to see what your future holds! Congratulations on your Graduation!

Love,  
Mom, Dad, Josh, Jack & Elizabeth



**Andy Neely**

"May your dreams stay big, your worries stay small!" We love you and we are so proud of you! We wish you the very best that life has to offer!



**Lindsay Owens**

Lindsay,

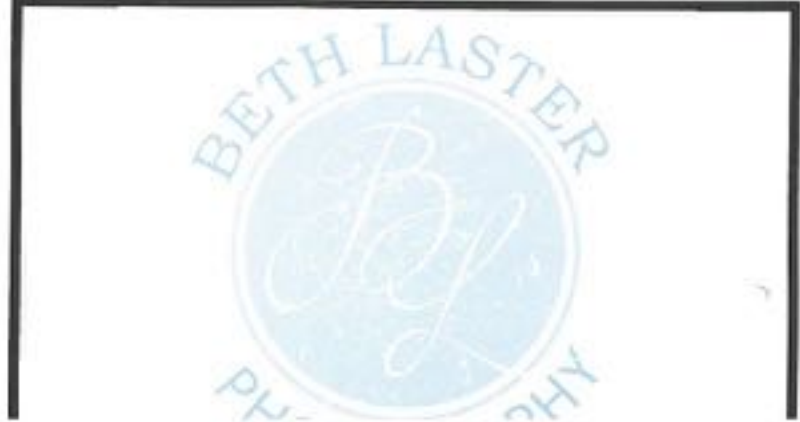
We are so proud of you. You have brought us so much joy and blessed us in every way. Always keep God first in all that you do and make all your dreams come true. We love you and are excited to see what the future has in store for you.



**Luke Bunch**

Always remember what matters most, and never sacrifice your character. Keep God first, love your family, serve your fellow man, and run with endurance the race set before you, and the rest will fall into place.

We love you,  
Mom, Dad, and Katie

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## Jordan Rigdon

Shine on Beautiful  
Love  
Mamaw



May you endeavor to  
persevere through  
the wonders & joys of your  
life. Never.  
Love, Dad

## Cassie Young

Cassie,  
I can't believe you are graduating! It seems like yesterday  
you were starting kindergarten. Where has the time  
gone? You have grown up to be such a beautiful person  
inside and out, and I am so proud of you! I know your  
future is going to be fantastic! I love you!  
- Mom



## Brandon Herr



We are proud of all that you  
accomplished in high school and we  
are excited to see where the future  
takes you. Work hard, follow your  
dreams, and shoot for the stars!

Boiler Up!

Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Allison



## Kalie Lamkin

Graduation is just the beginning for you.  
Always set your goals high, never give up on  
yourself and always remember your way  
home. We are very  
proud of the young  
lady you have  
become. Best of luck  
on your next journey.

We love you, Mom,  
Michael, Jayla, Ethan,  
Mamaw, and Tim



## Brett Kolb



Brett,  
We couldn't be more proud of you and all of your accomplishments. You  
have a tremendous work ethic and a strong desire to succeed.  
You've always proven that you can accomplish anything you set your mind  
to. May God continue to bless you and direct your path. Your future is yours  
so make the most of it.  
We love you!  
Dad, Mom, and Logan

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart. And lean not on your own  
understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your  
paths." Proverbs 3:5-6

## Aspen Mossberger



You are our miracle baby and we are so blessed to be your parents. You are an amazing  
person and we are so proud of the person that you have become. You have always been smart  
and discerning and know what you want and will make it happen and fun when you  
were little. You are beautiful inside and out but what makes you special is your inner  
strength and passion. We admire you so much and know that you will do great things in life  
and have a very bright future ahead of you. Love you so much!!  
Mom and Dad



## Jasmine Smith

Our most adventurous daughter,  
Nothing has been able to prepare us for our child getting  
ready to leave with a piece of our hearts. But, as parents  
when your compass guides you, I hope you realize that you  
are brave, that you believe, stronger than you seem,  
smarter than you think, and loved more than you'll ever  
know. Our arms are always open and ready to welcome you  
home.  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Dominic

"Be change you wish to see in the world." - Mahatma  
Gandhi



## Savanna Bryant & Kinzie Williams



To our beautiful granddaughters,  
Savanna and Kinzie,

Your parents and I have watched the  
two of you become beautiful young  
women. We have played with you,  
laughed with you and at times cried  
with you. Being a part of your lives  
has meant everything to us. You  
both are so very talented, each in  
your own way. We are so very proud  
of you and have always wanted the  
very best for you. As you both make  
your way in this world, keep reaching  
for the stars and always know that we  
love you.  
Kasey Ormiston and Pippa Williams



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Reflections  
F.J. Reitz High School



RJ,

The day I first saw you I understood what love meant and I fell in love with you. I promised to always love, protect, encourage, teach, guide, support, correct, cheer, motivate, stimulate and nurture you. I will always be your number one fan! You have always made me proud. Sky's the limit, so reach for it and never ever give up.

Love you!  
Mom




*RJ Williams*

*Shelby Brunner*




To my daughter,  
Never forget that we love you. Life is filled with hard times and good times. Learn from everything you can. Be the woman I know you can be and I promise you this. No matter who enters your life, we will love you more than them. LOL

Love you to the moon and back,  
Momma & Dad

*Antonio Wales*




Tone,  
Words can't describe how proud of you we are! You have grown and matured into this awesome young man that you are destined to be. You are kind, thoughtful, genuine and an awesome teammate. The sky is the limit for your future. Always remember that you can do anything you put your mind to. Just know that we love you and are so very proud of you.

Love, Mom and Dre

*Elysia Moreta*




Elysia,  
Congratulations!  
We are so proud of you. You have worked diligently and have accomplished so much. We are excited to see you continue to grow and blossom, seeking all God has for you. You have a wonderfully bright future ahead of you - full of promise and hope. Dream big!

Love,  
Your family

Tyler,

You have always been very sweet and loving to your family. You have a wonderful sense of humor and smiley eyes. You are a hard worker. You enjoy spending time in the country with your Mamaw and Papaw. You enjoy fishing, farming and horseback riding and also fixing and repairing things. Your nickname with your family is Macgyver. You like being a big brother to your half brother Mason. Your family loves you very much and we are proud of you and your accomplishments. You love your family, country and our president.

Love, Mom










*Tyler Thurman*

Hannah Marie,

Congratulations to you! It's hard to believe you are already graduating from high school. We are so proud of the young woman you have become, your loving heart, and beautiful generosity. You are our greatest gift. The next stage of your life is just beginning, so move forward and share your gift with others. We love you!

XOXO,  
Mamma and Daddy




*Hannah Marie*

*Zachary Raymond*




Zach,  
I cannot begin to express how proud of you I am. Mom and Dad would be so impressed with the smart, loving, funny young man that you have become. I can't wait to see where you go on your amazing journey. Congratulations Bub!

-XOXO, Sis

Overall Yearbook Advertising  
1st Place

The Tiger  
Fern Creek High School

# Overall Yearbook Theme Development

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# THIS IS [OUR] TIME

"Senior year is a very bittersweet time, and I knew that from the start. When I was preparing the week before senior year began, I was thinking how my time in high school had truly flown by, and it seemed like yesterday I was walking the halls as a freshman. To me, senior year means that, in my final year, time is running out, and I need to make it count. Senior year is, and has been, my year to remember."

**Kelsey Coates, 12**

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Theme Development  
3rd Place

The Chronicle  
South Warren High School



**TRUE BLUE**  
 Racing to the finish line, sophomores Isabel Wolter, Ashton Tidwell, and Caroline Summer compete for the blue team during a field day relay race. Sophomore field day is an annual fall tradition that gives students a chance to bond with their TEAM rooms. "Our TEAM communicated so well during each game," Tidwell said. "We all supported each other and cheered loud for our SHA sisters!"

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# LET THIS *be* YOUR YEAR



**BE.** This simple verb is used by us every day with little thought given to the word. During freshman year, **TO BE** is one of the very first verbs we learn in Spanish or French class. Yet it's also the verb our senior English teachers beg us not to use in our college essays. However, once we got to thinking a bit more about the word **BE**, we realized it's the perfect word to describe how we learn and grow at Sacred Heart Academy.

During the 2017-2018 school year, Sacred Heart was the place to **BE**. This year, we reached goals, broke records, and charged the community around us. We got to **BE** ourselves while making this school year everything we wanted it to **BE**. However, none of this would **BE** possible without the environment Sacred Heart provides for its students.

We are successful here because Sacred Heart Academy gives us a place to **BE** courageous and authentic. Whether it's on the field with our teams, singing our hearts out on stage, or studying hard for that IB diploma medal, we all have a place to **BE** ourselves. Within these walls of Sacred Heart, we can **BE** unique and also **BE** comfortable in who we are. Yet at the same time, SHA also lets us grow and explore who we aspire to **BE** in the future.

So, whether you're a freshman just beginning your journey as a Valkyrie or a senior saying your last goodbyes, you will always have a place to **BE** at Sacred Heart. Sacred Heart has transformed all of our lives, teaching us and guiding us as we discover who we are and who we want to **BE**. But luckily, no matter who we are or who we become, we will always **BE** Valkyries - strong women of great faith.

## DEDICATION

We dedicate volume 112 of *The Angeline* to the wonderful teachers retiring in 2018: Madame Jocelyne Cross, Dr. Anna Jo Paul, and Mrs. Ruth Kelly. We thank you for your many years of service and for the lasting impact you have had on our lives.

Overall Yearbook  
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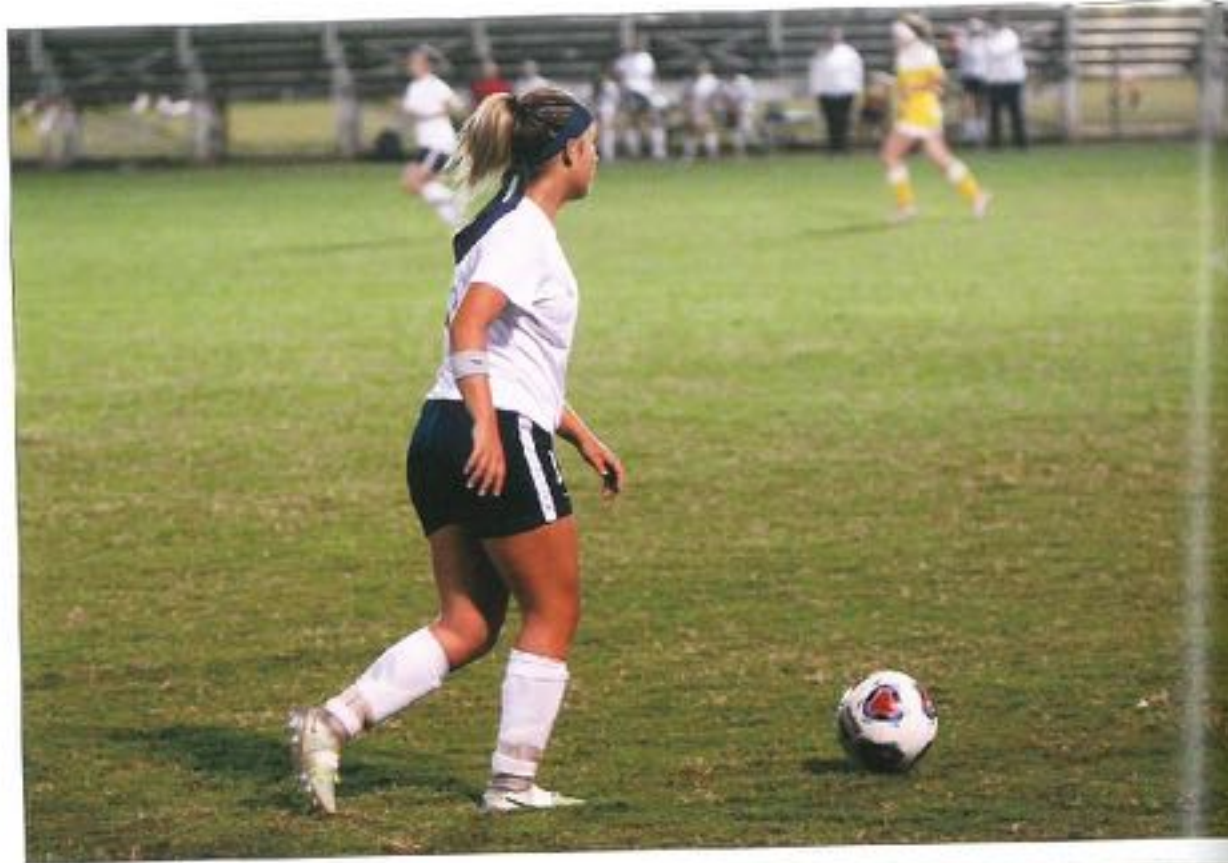
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Senior July Johnston (11) gets ready to kick the ball down the field. Johnston showed great leadership through her position as a team captain on the team.



## Carrying on the Traditions

The Girls' Soccer Team has an annual tradition to invite the Reitz High School graduates, who were previously on the soccer team, back to the pitch.

These alumni get to relive their positions on the Girls' Soccer Team and reunite with their teammates. The players participate in the game in the beginning of August with all of the Reitz Soccer Alumni, and even some parents. A lot of Soccer graduates see this game as a time to rekindle their time on the team with the players they once played with.

Girls' soccer coach Jeremy Wolfe, explained that the reason they keep up with this tradition is to keep the alumni involved.

Macy Snodgrass, a senior on the girls' soccer team, said the game is so important because "it's fun to come back and see everyone again, even after they move on from high school."

"It's a lot of fun, and something us seniors look forward to after we graduate," Snodgrass added.

Alexis Lasher, a Reitz Soccer alumni, is thrilled the tradition has kept going.

"The Alumni Game is a way to relive your joys that you had when you played that sport and hopefully deepen your love for it," she said. "It's a fun way to challenge yourself to stay involved after graduation, and to see old friends in the setting you were most familiar."



Senior goalkeeper Peyton Gowrich (0) kicks the ball across the field in order to defend her goal against the Central Soccer Team.

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Junior Katelynn Furbee (26) defends her possession on the ball against a player from Central High School. Katelynn was awarded 3rd Team All State for her rigorous playing during her soccer season.

## We **BUST** ours... We **KICK** yours

The Girls' Soccer Team had an amazing winning season with their overall score of 11 wins, 6 losses, and 1 tie. The Girls played hard, and were able to earn their way to being ranked into the top five Southern Indiana Girls Soccer Teams.

One of the biggest wins from the season was the Mater Dei game. Reitz and Mater Dei rivalry is well known on the Westside, and they don't just battle on the football field. Reitz, at their rivalry game this year, won against Mater Dei in a 3-1 game.

Another highlight of the season was their victory over North

Poscy. Reitz won 11-1, which ended up being one of the most convincing wins of the season.

The girls on the team put the extra effort in to really strive during their season, and worked endlessly to do the best they can. These girls went to work before the school year started to put the extra work in.

Coach Jeremy Wolfe had the Girls' Soccer Team go the extra mile with summer conditioning to get them ready for the season.

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Reflections  
F.J. Reitz High School



Throughout the entire week, teens dress up in various outfits to show off their school spirit. (Top: Homecoming Queen; Middle: Homecoming King; Bottom: Homecoming Court.)

### Voices to every story

"My first coming as the seed was great. I was able to sit my class as a candidate." - Zion Hynn, 9

... lot of blood, and tears were here past four. I'll cherish the



# {WildcatStory}

There's No Place Like Home

With competition and school spirit running wild, Homecoming Week is one of the most exciting times every year at Franklin-Simpson High School. Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors faced off against each other in a series of competitive events from men's volleyball to PowderPuff football. Meanwhile, the classes were hard at work all week building their floats for Friday's parade, each one aiming to tell a story through their work.

You could feel the energy in the building each day as students came to school in an assortment of outfits for the "Wizard of Oz" inspired dress-up days. When it came to the class competitions, the most exciting event was certainly the men's volleyball tournament. Students packed the gymnasium bleachers and lined the basketball court to watch the Seniors repeat as champions in the event's second year. On Thursday night, the PowderPuff games drew a community-wide crowd as the Juniors took 1st place.

The class race was tight as students covered in blue and white filled the football bleachers for Friday's pep rally. The whole school was roaring and rowdy as they shouted out the battle cry and sang the alma mater to let the football team know: Franklin was ready for Homecoming football.

Before the game, the sophomore class was announced as the winners of the class competition, and Brooklyn Holder was crowned Homecoming Queen for 2017. "I'm so grateful to be able to represent my school and community this way. I'll forever remember being crowned the 2017 football homecoming queen," the senior cheerleader said. The crowd cheered, and the cheerleaders ran out onto the field to congratulate their teammate. When it came time for football, FS and Meade County didn't disappoint. The game went down to the last second, and while the Cats might have come up short against the Green Wave in the game, the Homecoming spirit always wins in Franklin.



(Top left: Juniors Emily Schneider and Maeli Johnsons wait on the sidelines during the powderpuff game.)

(Top right: Senior TJ Hollas staples pomps onto the senior float on Thursday night.)

(Bottom: The sophomore class cheers during the pep rally on Friday afternoon.)



(Dominant: Football players Jayshel Dwan, Trysion Dwan, Dalton Hunter, Jaeden Garner, and Elijah Barnes walk with their teammates during the pep rally before the Homecoming football game against Meade County.)

(Bottom left: The football homecoming candidates pose for a picture for the Franklin Favorite before the parade.)

(Bottom right: Senior Samuel Blaiswell gets ready for a spike against Junior Jacob Curtis in the championship game of the men's volleyball tournament.)

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Franklin-Simpson High School





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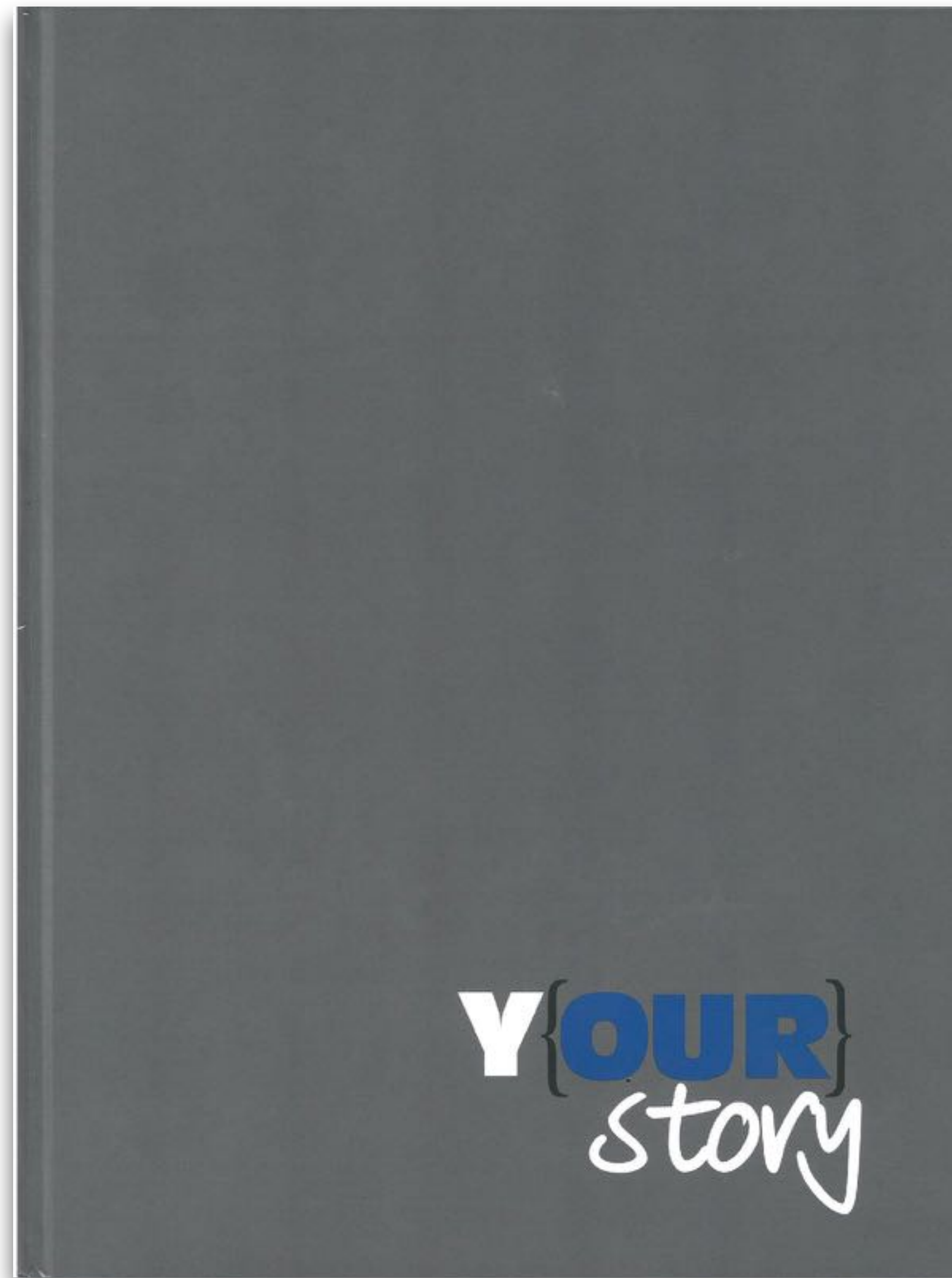
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