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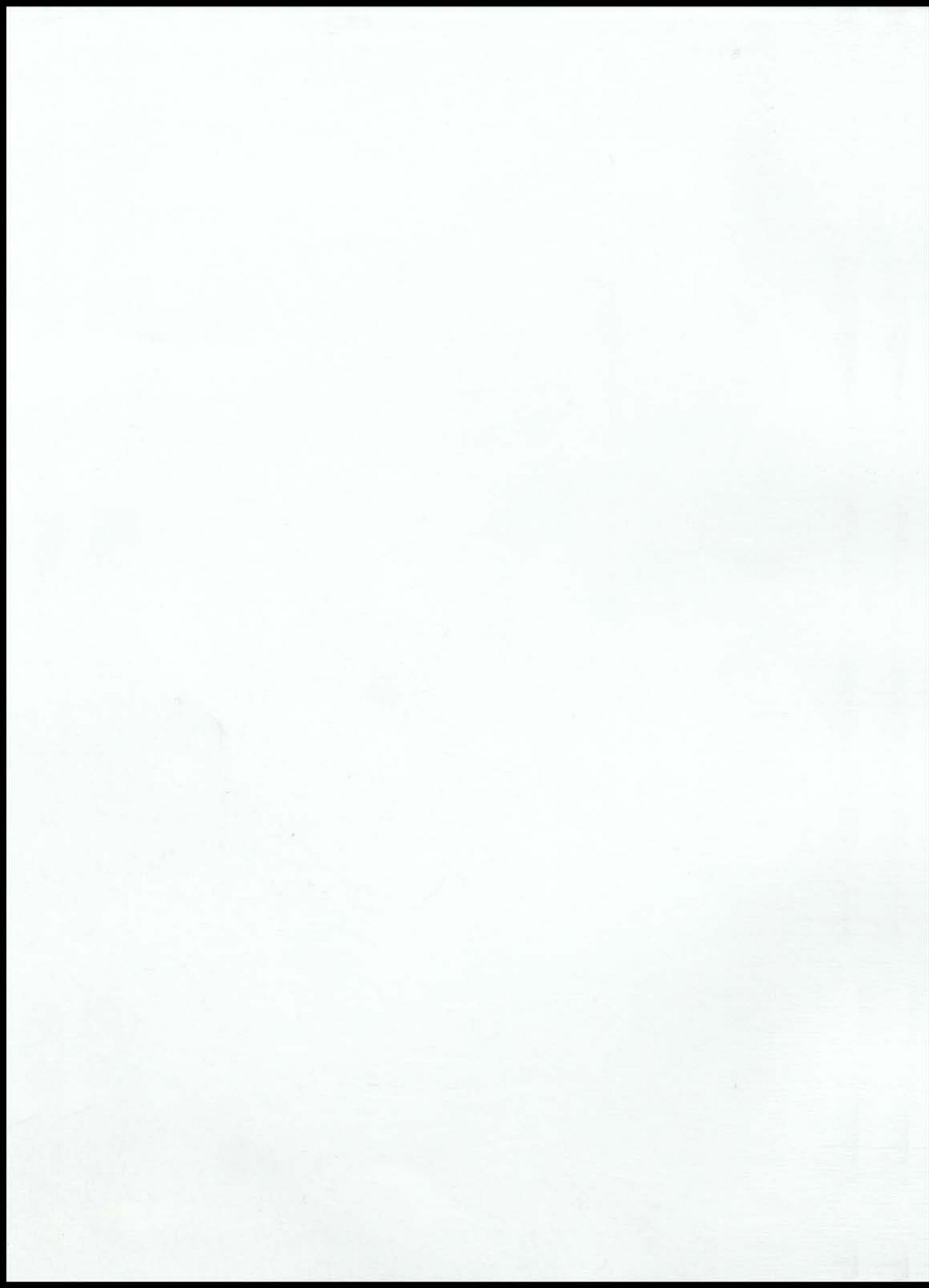
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## Lion's Den

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Students make connections everyday, whether it is competing in a sport or being challenged academically. Every year, however, some of the biggest connections are made based on trends. These trends can be anything from clothing to popular sayings.

This year, the phrase "honest ponest" caught on. In our society, little white lies are nothing out of the ordinary. However, "honest ponest" was created to break the familiar, everyday routine of lying. Anytime someone speaks the phrase "honest ponest," the truth, and nothing but the truth, must be told.

Another famous fad that sets this year apart from any other is the wearing of the belief bracelets. Not only a fad in school, they are popular nationwide. Yellow, the most popular color, represents Lance Armstrong's personal motto, "Livestrong". After his battle with cancer, he has raised millions of dollars to benefit programs that help young people living with cancer.

"My friend's little girl almost died from cancer, so wearing the bracelets reminds me of the cause," freshman Sydney Smith said. "I like the pink bracelet too. It represents breast cancer awareness."

Other bracelets are spinoffs from this idea. They usually sell for about \$1. They come in many different colors, with each color representing a different idea.

"I have a black Michael Vick bracelet," Antonio Meyers said. "It symbolizes love and a little luck."

These bracelets have given students numerous causes to believe in, with each student choosing something very important to them.

"It symbolizes people's fight of cancer," junior Josh Turner said. "I think it is a great cause to support."

Even though these bracelets are a must-have now, next year they will be worn out has-beens long forgotten in the bottom of a jewelry box.

## connected







### see the connection

Trying to break the tension of missed deadlines and spice up a night of work, yearbook students Kim Shute, Chris Saling, Cortney Thomas and Meagan Dunbar race to cross the finish line first. "We had chair races, and Chris and I defeated Meagan and Cortney. I enjoyed the races because they got me out of all the strenuous work Ms. Purtle piled on us."

# student life

*a rare combination*



Ready to fight off invaders, Alex Barfield, Justin McCarty, Sam Collom, and Brett Metcalf dress up as "Star Wars" characters for the masquerade ball.

# administration

connects students, faculty



**Anita Clay**  
Business Manager



**Jerry May**  
Superintendent



**School Board Members:** President: Mitch Newton, Superintendent: Jerry May, Vice President: Chad Duffer, Member: Johnny Thomas, Member: Tim Graham, Asst. Secretary: Denise Coffman, Secretary: Lawrence Sadler. Not Pictured: Greg Starr



**Dana Brock**  
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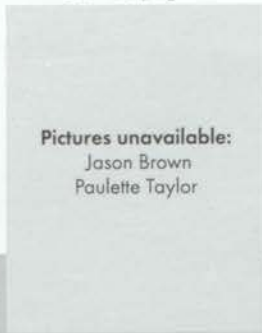
**Thomas Briggs**  
Maintenance Director



**Mary Lovelace**  
Curriculum Director



**Butch Foster**  
Technology Director



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Jason Brown  
Paulette Taylor

## maintenance personnel on the job

We see them everyday in the hallway. They come early, leave late, and help keep our school clean.

"Being a part of maintenance is a never-ending job," high school employee Tony Thompson said. "We get here around 6:30 or 7:00 every morning, and we don't leave until 7:00 or 7:30 that evening."

Most everything that the maintenance men do, we see and know about. The cleaning that goes on, changing light fixtures, carrying lunch to ISS, and helping out in other areas needed.

"Not much goes on behind the scenes," he said. "The kids see and know everything that we do."

Tony enjoys dealing with both the kids and faculty members.

"One of my favorite things is to aggravate Mr. Busse about the Lakers. He doesn't like them, and I do," Thompson said. "I also enjoy visiting with the kids. They're a lot of fun to talk with and be around. The kids make the day more interesting."



**1. Middle School Maintenance:** David Whiteman, Beverly Thompson, Greg Owen **2.** After a day of work, Rusty Flournoy loads a few boxes into his truck. **3.** After school Tony Thompson finishes his rounds by cleaning Mr. Burket's classroom. "Being a maintenance man is fair, but the cleaning is a lot of work." **4. High School Maintenance:** Mickey Holt



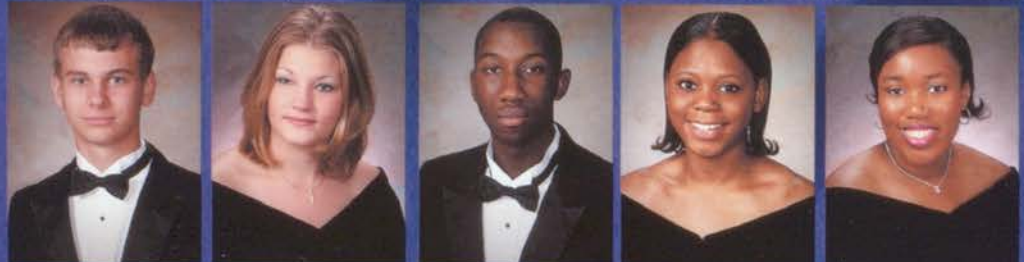
Lynn Allgood  
Jennifer Austin  
Jessica Baggett  
Brandon Ballard  
Brent Black



Joshua Burks  
Cory Burns  
Kelly Burns  
Jessica Capps  
Claire Collom



Samuel Collom  
Maegan Cox  
Leon Dangerfield  
Lavonna Dedmon  
Ambra Dorsey



Tamika Dorsey  
Aaron Downs  
David Duncan  
Drew Duncan  
Timothy Evans



Matthew Farrington  
Kate Fletcher  
Jeffrey Gibson  
Justin Glass  
Matthew Goodsell



Stacy Gregory  
Chris Griffin  
Julie Griffith  
Loranda Haggins  
Brandon Hall





**Officers:**

President: Micah Knox  
 Vice President: M.J. Hurd  
 Secretary: Bria James  
 Treasurer: Kate Fletcher  
 Reporter: Jan Webster



"This role has helped me to gain many leadership skills and take on new responsibilities."

**-Micah Knox**

# senior class officers

## career day

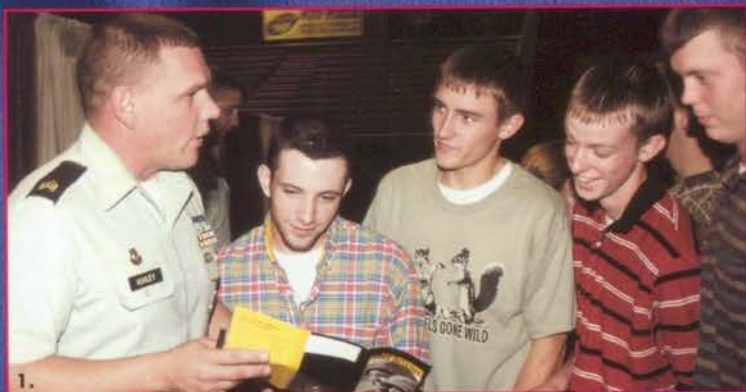
More than 1,100 area high school seniors flooded into the Four States Entertainment Center last fall, but entertainment was the last thing on their minds.

Instead, the students entered the center's spacious interior to consider their college careers at the Texarkana Chamber of Commerce's Sixth Annual Career Fair.

Students collected brochures and information as well as posed questions to representatives from some 67 area colleges and universities during the first day of the two-day fair.

Last year, Travis May enlisted in the Army for 8 years and attended basic training in Ft. Benning, GA during the summer. Hoping to become a helicopter mechanic, May starts his Advanced Individual Training in June in Missouri. Then, he hopes to go to Iraq.

"I want to find Osama Bin Laden," May said.



**110 Seniors Total**  
**60 Boys**  
**50 Girls**  
**43 seniors taking college courses**

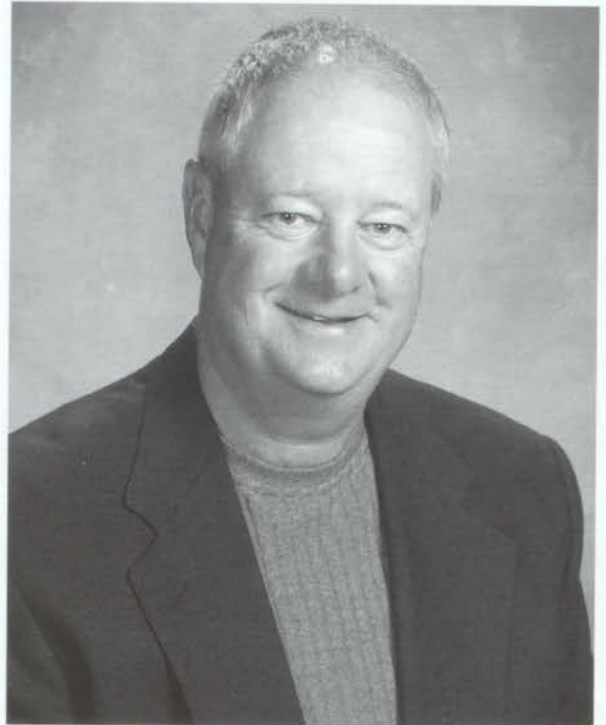
1. Seniors Travis May, T.J. McAlexander, Justin Glass, and Aaron Downs listen carefully as Sgt. Ashley explains the benefits of joining the army. 2. Kneeling down, Heather House talks to a college representative. 3. Ashley Thompson makes a pit stop at the UALR booth to fill out a registration form. 4. John Hartwick takes time to complete a form for Universal Technical Institute (UTI).

# high school faculty

connects children, education



**Frank Buchanan**  
Assistant Principal



**Roger Busse**  
Principal

Patricia Abram, Aide  
Mitzi Barrett, English  
Tonya Briggs, World History  
Belinda Brown, Family Consumer Sciences  
Stacey Burkett, Chemistry



Vickie Busse, Librarian  
Christopher Cameron, Athletics  
Kimberly Cody, Algebra 2  
Cami Daniels, World Geography  
Amy Doss, Athletics



Franca Drennan, Spanish  
Lynn Duffer, Diagnostician  
Karen Epps, DC Eng., Psych., History  
Melissa Farris, BCIS, Keyboarding, Accounting  
Lajuan Garrett, Biology, Anatomy





Neilan Hensley, IPC  
 Darnisha Hill, English  
 Sherri Hill, ISS  
 Mickey Holt, Maintenance  
 Hart Jeanis, Athletics



Teresa Jeanis, Secretary  
 Cody Johnson, Agriculture  
 Richard Lovelace, Band Director  
 Peggy Matlock, VAC, Math  
 Terrie Mayo, Secretary



Zachary McClung, Asst. Band Director  
 Susan McGee, Spanish  
 Malissa Meadows, Content Mastery  
 Wayne Meredith, Agriculture  
 Lindy Miller, Math



Shannon Norman, Life Skills  
 Jerry O'Rear, DCP, Keyboarding  
 Kelly Olson, Math  
 Welda Pace, Counselor, BCIS DC  
 Sharon Purtle, Speech, Yearbook



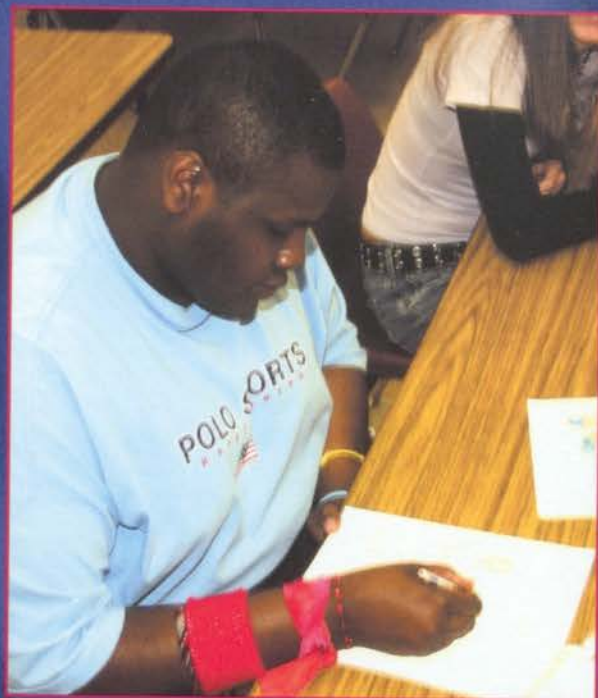
Kay Pyron, English, Psychology  
 Deedra Smallwood, Theatre Arts, Debate  
 Patricia Stevenson, Science  
 Toni Stringer, Art  
 Patricia Tankersley, Life Skills



Kerri Treadway, Content Mastery  
 Paula Turner, Counselor  
 Mary Wilson, English, Social Studies  
 Anita Woodruff, Aide  
 Alice Young, Math

## terence HURD

Drawing has become my life. Growing up watching the Disney classics and anime (Japanese animation) first sparked my interest in drawing. The simple, yet elegant style of anime captivated me and continues to do so to this very day. Mostly, I draw cartoon people and fashion concepts. I am not too big on realism, and I do not really like to draw industrial things, such as buildings and vehicles. In the future, I hope to attend art school and major in sequential art (comic books) or video game design.



Candace Hall  
Laura Hanna  
John Hartwick  
Heath Herbert  
Jordan Higgs



Matthew Hilton  
Tyler Hilton  
Chris Hixson  
Heather House  
Haylee Houston



M.J. Hurd  
Terence Hurd  
Bria James  
Brent Jeffcoats  
Carla Johnson



Shaneika Johnson  
Aaron Jones  
Jillian Kasitati  
Kristin King  
Micah Knox





# honor thy lady

Longing for chivalry and courtly love from the middle ages, English 4 DC students inspired teacher Karen Epps to revive the practice of chivalry in modern society.

"Not only are my students stimulating and enriching their understanding of the Medieval society, but also it's empowering to actually be forced to be nice and respectful to each other for a change," Epps said. "Students have a chance to be creative and have the opportunity to get acquainted with classmates they had previously ignored."

After evaluating the number of deeds, Sam Collom and Cynthia McDuffie were crowned king and queen for the extraordinary hard work and effort they displayed. It all came to life for Epps when she witnessed the generous acts of kindness.

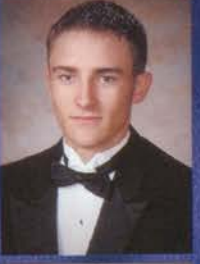
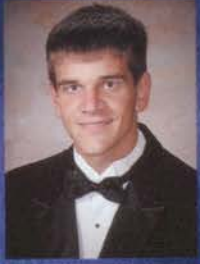
"It's fun to be adored and appreciated," she said. "I wish I had a knight!"



1. Displaying strength and honor, Chase Olson and Josh Owen defend their ladies.
2. Keeping his promise, Tyler Hilton paints Kelly Burns's fingernails a bright shade of red during study hall.
3. Jeff May kneels to one knee as he recites a love poem to Jan Webster.
4. Bringing his opponent to the ground, Justin Glass stabs Zach Pommer in the heart.



Courtney Kroll  
Benton LaBat  
Ken Lancaster  
Mary Littleton  
Jonathan Longan



Bryce Martin  
Stefanie Massengill  
Jeff May  
Travis May  
T.J. McAlexander



Sha'Mira McCoo  
Mark McCullough  
Cynthia McDuffie  
Mahala Miller  
Aaron Mitchell



Alice Mitchell  
Kimberly Mitchell  
Rhonda Moilanen  
Lindsey Morden  
Kacie Morgan

### teaching new students new things

Art sponsor Toni Stringer lends first year student Heath McMillan a few wise words on his tissue paper collage. "I only teach lessons I would enjoy doing myself," she said. "I like it when students, especially first year, think outside the box."



### activities beyond school

1. With a fierce stance, junior English teacher Lee Sturgeon will surely get a treat at the fall festival. "I decided I would take a swing at the pinata because I'll do anything for a snack," he said. 2. Let's see.....getting her things ready at the end of the day, Mrs. Pyron reviews her stack of items to take home. Now where is that map to Foreman? 3. Ms. Miller takes a break during lunch to get a free makeover given by Laura Norton. Teachers were offered facial treatments, makeovers, and massages. "That hot wrap she put around my neck was wonderful," Miller said. 4. Lunch duty on a cold day is no barrel of laughs. Mr. Johnson shivers and attempts to keep his ears warm while outside. 5. While watching the New Boston vs Atlanta volleyball game, Mr. McClung enters into a daydream. 6. Not only does Mrs. Drennan spend time with her grandson Tyler at home, she also brings him to support the Lions and Lady Lions. "It is a joy for me to bring Tyler to the games," she said. "Doing that gives me a little more time to spend with him outside of the house."

### finishing touches

First year teacher Mrs. Brown helps out a football player by repairing a hole that has been ripped at the seams. "Being a Family and Consumer Science teacher, I am able to help students and faculty in other areas beyond school," she said.

# high school faculty

make connections beyond the classroom

Teachers. Some view that word as "dreaded" and others see it differently. Teachers come in all shapes and sizes. Some may think of a person who loaded them down with unnecessary work, and others may think of a person who made a big difference in their lives.

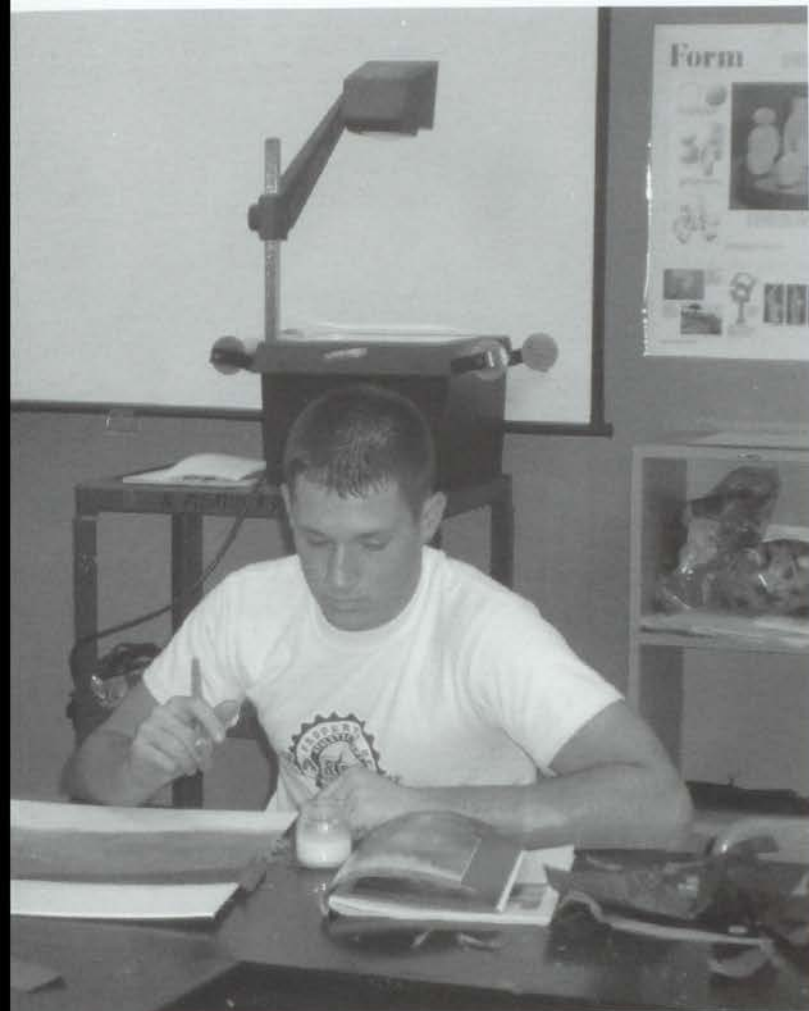
Teachers aren't all about giving students busy-work. They are here to help us advance our education. Whether they are at a student's desk or in front teaching, teachers send a message. Every person has one teacher that makes an impact on their life. Whether it is good or bad, there is always one teacher never to be forgotten.

Not only do teachers **connect** with students in the classroom, many follow their students to sporting events, band competitions and academic meets.

They not only arrive at school early for duty, tutoring and other preparations for the day, they stay long after the final bell rings. Working hard or goofing off, teachers always make an impact.

They prepare us for the next phase of our lives. It is through them that we prepare for our future.

by Kelly Burns



### girls will be girls

Mrs. Farris, Mrs. Briggs, Mrs. Epps, and Mrs. Young show their spirit by dressing alike in red shirts and capris.

### geek freaks

On Twinkie Day during Spirit Week, Ms. Purtle, Mr. Burkett, and Mrs. Cody show that they don't mind being a little dorky every now and then.

### you can't stop me now

While singing "If I Weren't a Teacher I Would be...", Mrs. Olson shows her support of the players.

Elizabeth Morpew  
J.R. Noey  
Chase Olson  
Javier Ordonez  
Joshua Owen



Justin Page  
Zachary Pommer  
Bryan Poole  
Brandon Powell  
Daniel Rhea



Jennifer Riley  
Kaley Romans  
Amy Sanders  
Cordaro Sherman  
Kimberly Shute



Aaron Smith  
Michael Smith  
Jonathan Smith  
Joseph Smith  
Rhonda Smith

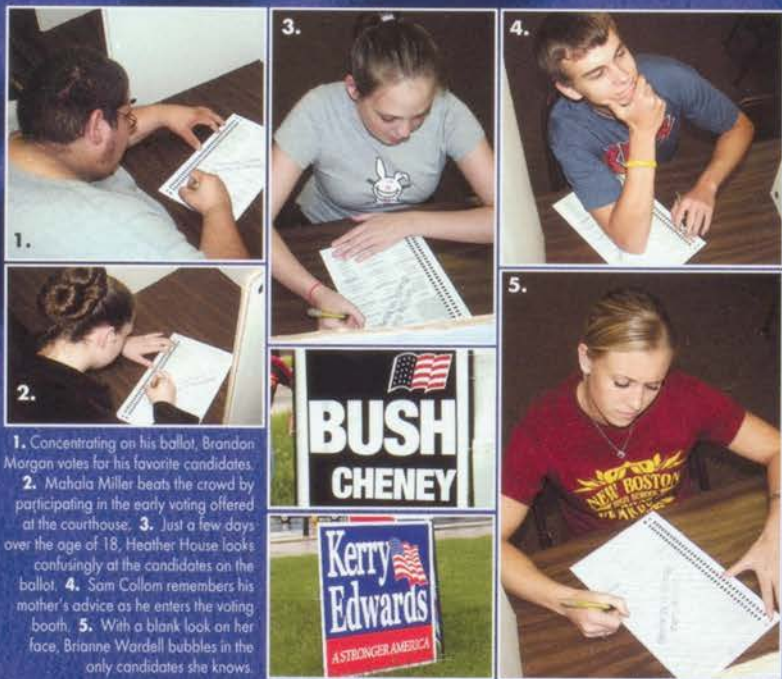


## voting for the 1st time

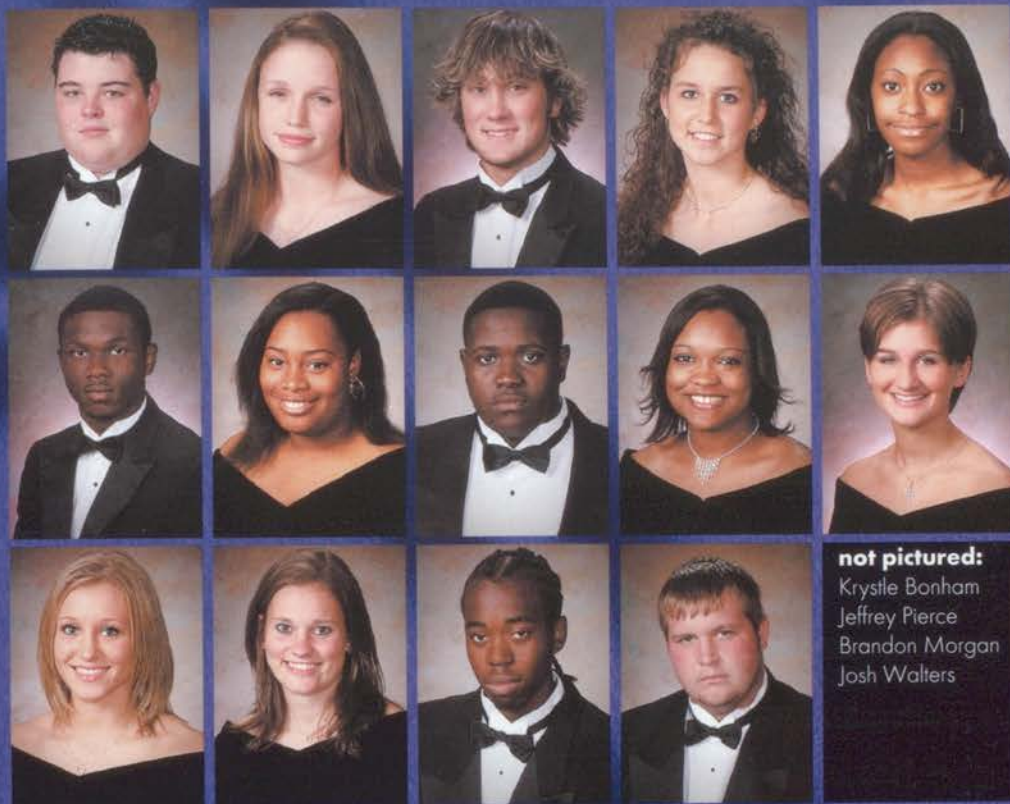
Finally reaching the age of 18 is very exciting for many seniors. They are now considered adults, and thus gain more responsibilities.

One of the important responsibilities they acquire is voting. For the first time in their lives, they are allowed to make decisions that will affect not only their future, but also the future of their country.

"I think it's great that the youth are able to voice their opinions by voting when they reach the age of 18," Mahala Miller said.



1. Concentrating on his ballot, Brandon Morgan votes for his favorite candidates. 2. Mahala Miller beats the crowd by participating in the early voting offered at the courthouse. 3. Just a few days over the age of 18, Heather House looks confusingly at the candidates on the ballot. 4. Sam Callom remembers his mother's advice as he enters the voting booth. 5. With a blank look on her face, Brianne Wardell bubbles in the only candidates she knows.



Zachary Smith  
Jill Snyder  
Jared Staats  
Lindsey Stewart  
Ashley Thompson

B.J. Wade  
Brittany Wade  
Jarrod Wade  
Dianna Walker  
Kellye Ward

**not pictured:**

Krystle Bonham  
Jeffrey Pierce  
Brandon Morgan  
Josh Walters

Brianne Wardell  
Jan Webster  
Derrod Williams  
Samuel Yates



## drew & david DUNCAN

*twins share different school experience*

Most people will never know the feeling of having a twin. However, for Drew and David Duncan it is just the opposite. Since birth, they have been together supporting each other in everything they do, and as they get older, their lives begin to take different paths.

Dave attends Life Skills classes and loves the Lions and Cowboys with a passion like none other. Drew has been involved in sports his whole high school career, and is one of only six seniors to play football this year.

"After high school, I plan to attend a local college and live with Dave," Drew said.

# bonfire and parade

'hard to be humble, when you're king

## all revved up

Magan McCarter and Larky (Quittney Williams) wave as they search the crowd for Magan's dad. "He was taking pictures for my scrapbook," McCarter said. "We rode 4-wheelers instead of doing a float because we couldn't think of a good theme idea. Next year, I hope we can do better."



1. Silhouettes of Allison Perry and Larky reflect off the newly ignited bonfire. "I almost started crying because the back of my legs got so blistered," Perry said. 2. Bound together by football, the senior guys huddle up for a bonfire moment. "My favorite part of the parade was just hanging out with my friends," Jordan Higgs said. 3. Clara Cox, Whitney Magdefessel, and her niece, Bailee Shenold dress as lady lion princesses for the sophomore float. 4. Ready to ride, Spanish teacher Mrs. Drennan hops on the back of Akira Hooks' 4-wheeler. "She really didn't ride in the parade," Hooks said. "She just had her picture made with me. DeDe was supposed to ride with me, but she rode with Mrs. Briggs instead. She was a little concerned about my driving."

# of the jungle'

## award winning floats

**judges choice** - T.A.F.E. Club  
Dressed as teachers, students ride on their float. "Dressing like the teachers was so much fun," Jessica Teran said.



**most unique** - Freshmen  
As new-comers of the year, the freshmen decided to become noticed by covering their float with toilet paper and spray paint.



**best of theme** - Student Council  
Taking the homecoming theme, StuCo decides to have their own king of the jungle, played by Tyler Hilton.

**most creative** - Art Club  
Making their own jungle, the Art Club shows their creativity by dressing as lionesses and hunters.



## getting it all together



**Ally Brock, 9**

"The hard part of our float was getting all of the materials together because not everyone would get stuff that was needed."



**Clara Cox, 10**

"It was hard because I had to work on the sophomore class float and then STUCO float. I had to keep going back and forth."



**Josh Turner, 11**

"The hardest part of getting our float ready was making sure all of our decorations were ready on time."

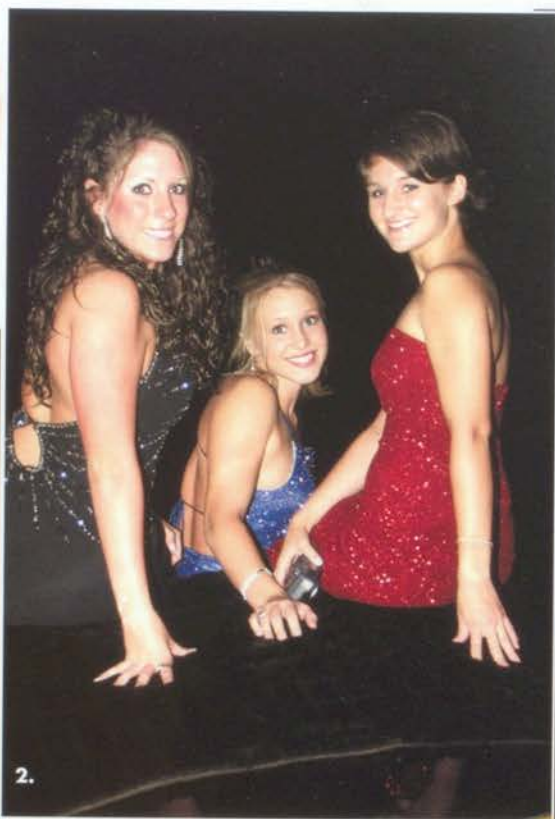


**Lynn Allgood, 12**

"The tiger cage was the hardest part. We built it the day of the parade, and in the end we had to hold it physically together."

# Homecoming

## Kroll named queen by student body



The homecoming court chose to dress like royalty.  
"The corvette was really nice, and it made the experience  
"It was an honor to be on the court, and I enjoy  
convertible to ride on in the parade, but they did  
was escorted by two foot





Homecoming queen 2004  
 After the crowning, senior  
 Courtney Kröll enjoys a  
 happy ending after two  
 weeks of suspense. "It's a  
 great feeling to be honored  
 by your peers," Kröll said.  
 "I just wish we could have  
 won the game."



**from the heart**

Queen contender Kallye  
 Ward congratulates and  
 embraces best friend  
 Courtney Kröll.



1. Tommy and Jessica Baggett 2. Bobby and Brianne Wardell  
 3. Freddie and Loranda Haggins 4. Bob and Micah Knox  
 5. Rachel and Kellye Ward 6. Peggy and Bria James



# shifting gears

4-wheeling offers alternative fun on weekends

**1.** After being forced to leave Rice Lake, John Hartwick, Lindsey Morden, Caleb Cross, Jessica Baggett, Jan Webster, J.R. Noey, Micah Knox, Matt Allen, and Cody Barling crowd together for a quick picture at Micah Knox's house. "There were about fifteen of us out there riding 4-wheelers when a car pulled up," Webster said. "Then we saw flashlights and voices telling us to come up the hill. We went up there, and the cops said that the guy who owned the land wanted us off, so we had to sign a paper saying we had been there, then they let us go."



**2.** Getting down and dirty, Matt Allen drives his 4-wheeler as far as he can into a pond. Lots of mud was slung at Rice Lake until someone decided there was too much commotion. "We were riding, and the the cops came and lined us up," Allen said. "They took our driver's license numbers and told us we can't be down there anymore or we would get a ticket."



**3.** Teaming up, Ryan and Kyle Klimaszewski and Justin Glass pull Ryan Flenniken out of the mud. **4.** Waiting for Brody Epperson to get stuck, Cody Barling prepares to jump in and push him out. "The goal in all of this is to go through the 'baddest' hole and not get stuck," Barling said. **5.** More like a boat ride, T.J. McAlexander and Justin Glass drive an Argo through a rutted mud hole. "I've been doing this since I was about 10, but this night was really fun because



so many of us went," McAlexander said. "It was about 30 degrees!"





1.

1. Down you go! The only one big enough to do it, Jacob Barfield throws Cade Mayo around until he slips and falls into the mud. "Cade said that he had not gotten muddy all night, so I rolled him in," Barfield said. 2. Ryan Flenniken guides his bike through the mud. "I'm off the seat because if water gets in the engine it will cost about \$300 to get it fixed," Flenniken said. 3. Dipped in chocolate, Courtney Cope and Creg Reid have a mud fight. "Creg picked me up right after Cade Mayo had thrown me into the pond and threw me again," Cope said. "Both of our heads went under water. It was so gross and the water was freezing."



2.



3.

## puddle of mud



**Jan Webster, 12**

"I mud because it is fun and something to do. I don't mind getting dirty and I like riding 4-wheelers. We go about every couple of weeks to different places like Rice Lake, Cody's, and Monument."



**Chris Hixon, 12**

"It was hard to get through the water because it was so dark. It was a lot deeper and colder than anyone expected."



**Cody Barling, 11**

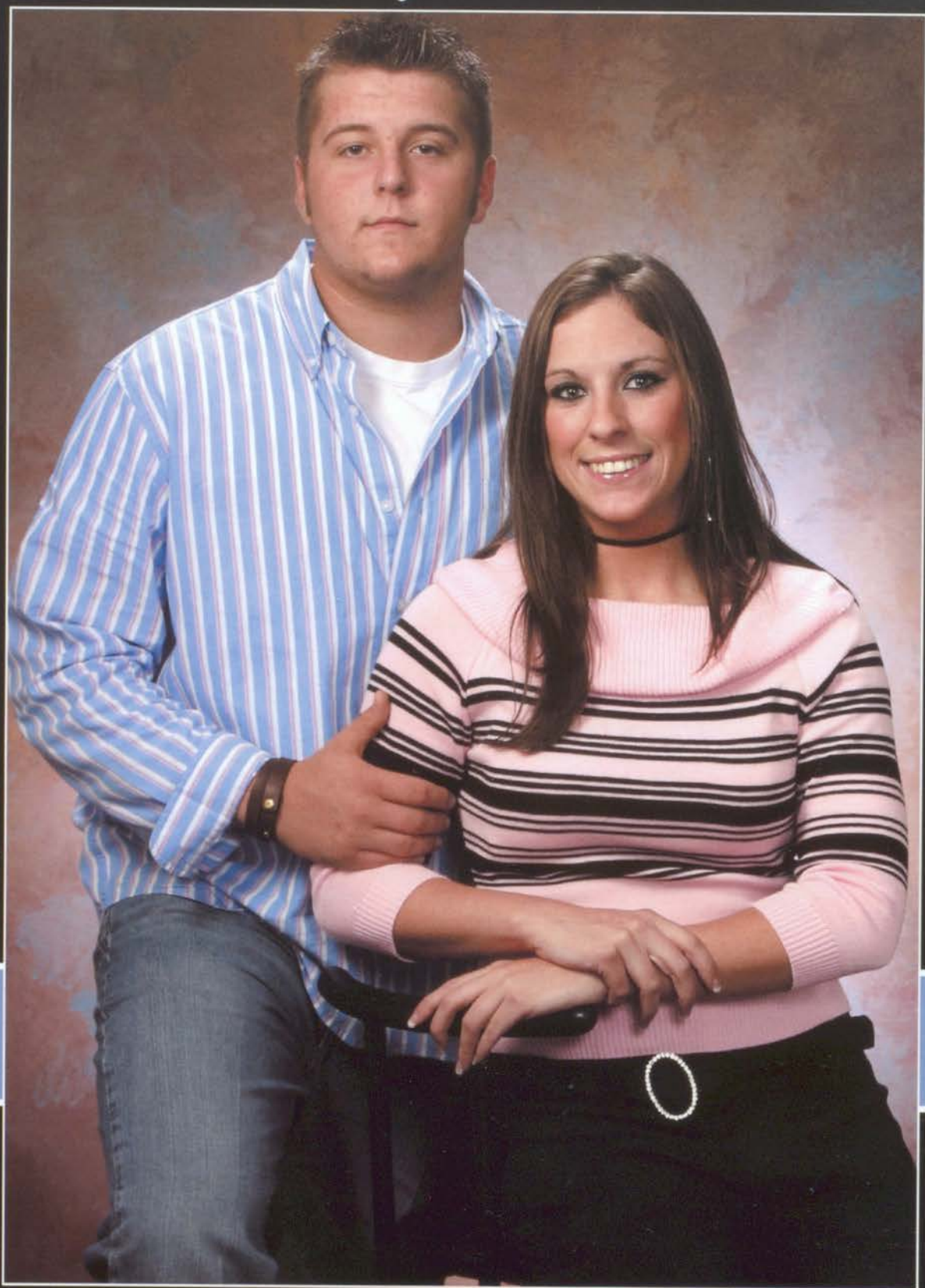
"I mud because it is fun just getting around friends and being crazy and no one cares. The best time to go is right after it rains. One night we were riding at my house and Aaron Downs' tire came off!"



**Channing Day, 9**

"I went mudding because I knew it would be fun. It was one of the times that my boyfriend and I broke up, so Courtney thought it would take my mind off him."

*senior class favorites*

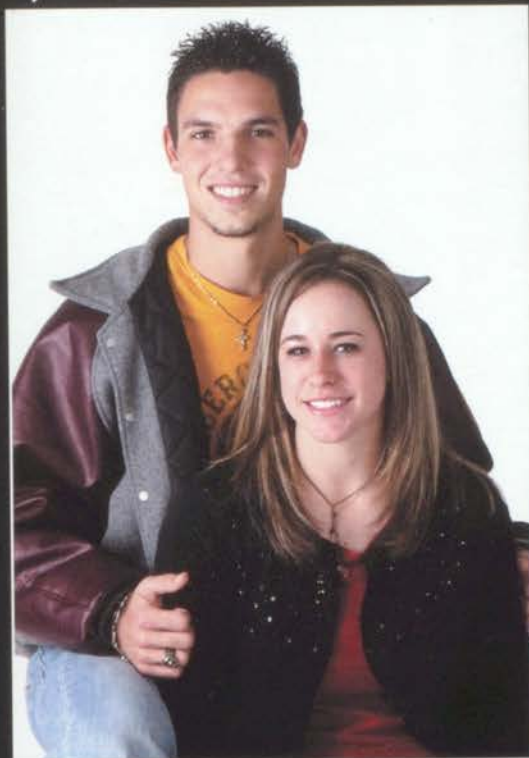


**Mr. and Miss NBHS**  
*Jordan Higgs, Courtney Kroll*



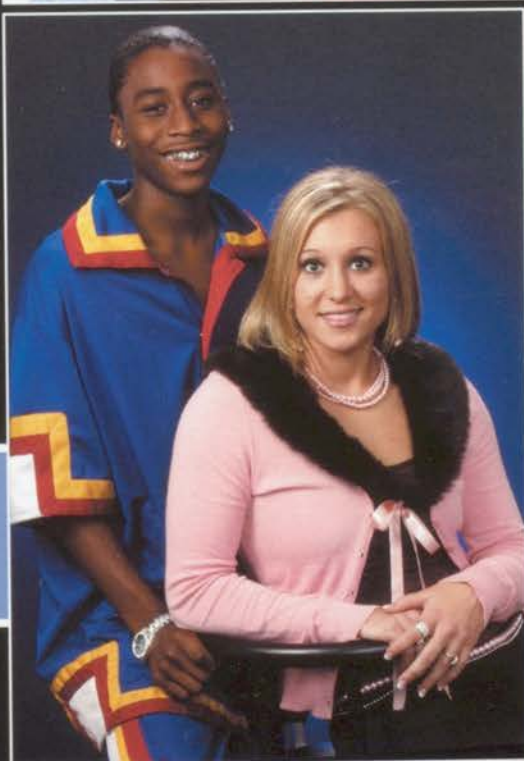
**Most Handsome/Beautiful**

*Tyler Hilton, Micah Knox*



**Most Likely to Succeed**

*Jeff May, Kristin King*



**Biggest Flirt**

*Lavonna Dedman, Travis May, Loranda Haggins*

**Best Smile**

*Aaron Mitchell, Brianne Wardell*

**having a ball**

**1.** Laura Wiedemann and DeAnna Bray share a private joke while on the dance floor. "I wanted to be Wilma Flinstone, but you could see through the white material, so I decided on a cave woman," Wiedemann said. "I wanted to be original, and I accomplished that because no one else had a bone in their hair."

**2.** Putting their moves together, Meagan Ford, Brooke Knowles, and Savannah Laney dance to the Cha Cha Slide. "That was only the second time I had done that dance, so I was just trying to keep up," Knowles said. "I knew the steps, but while I was dancing, I kept getting my feet stepped on," Ford said. "I saw everyone start dancing, and it looked easy enough, so I decided to give it a try," Laney said.



**changing faces**

- 1.** Matt May, Sarah Mendenhall, Kenny Parker, and Maegan Cokeley admire all of the creative costumes.
- 2.** Ready for action, Meagan York, Kaylee Johnson, and Tiffany Pardue show their guns as Charlie's Angels.
- 3.** Caught in the act, Lynn Allgood shows off her Whoville look.
- 4.** Courtney Cope and Creg Reid prepare to dance the night away.
- 5.** Showing her dance moves to the crowd, Clara Cox grooves to the beat.



# unmasking memories

## stuco sponsors masquerade dance

Over 140 students attended the masquerade dance. Everyone was decked out in funny, elaborate, or just plain scary costumes, making the gala a huge success.

Students arrived at the cafeteria to find it transformed from the usual clutter of lunch tables and chairs to a sea of balloons, beads, and Mardi Gras' masks. From the first song to the final ballad at midnight, students enjoyed scoping out the creative costumes, sipping on lemonade, and "cuttin' a rug" on the dance floor.

Awards were given to the students who had the most eye-catching costumes. "I decided to dress as Louis from 'Interview With a Vampire,'" junior Kenney Parker said, who was honored with the 'scariest costume'.

Senior Lynn Allgood donned a "who" person get up, which won her the 'most unique' costume.

"During marching season, I would wear my hair in a bun on top of my head so I could wear my hat," Allgood said. "I would make funny faces and people started saying I looked like a 'who'."

The 'funniest' costume was awarded to Jeff May and Lauren Day, who dressed as a McDonald's milkshake and fries. "Lauren picked out the costumes, even though I was reluctant," senior May said.

Jessica Higgs accepted the 'most elaborate' costume. "It seemed like a fun costume idea. My mom made it," Higgs said. "It really meant a lot that she worked so hard."



## dance dish



**Josh Burks, 12**

"While I am a very happy person, I appreciate the darker side of the human soul, and Van Helsing was my epitome of darkness at the time!"



**DeAndra Goldsmith, 9**

"Lexi and I love the Chee-tah Girls', so we dressed like them, our costumes were the cutest! Grrr..Power!"



**Paige Duncan, 10**

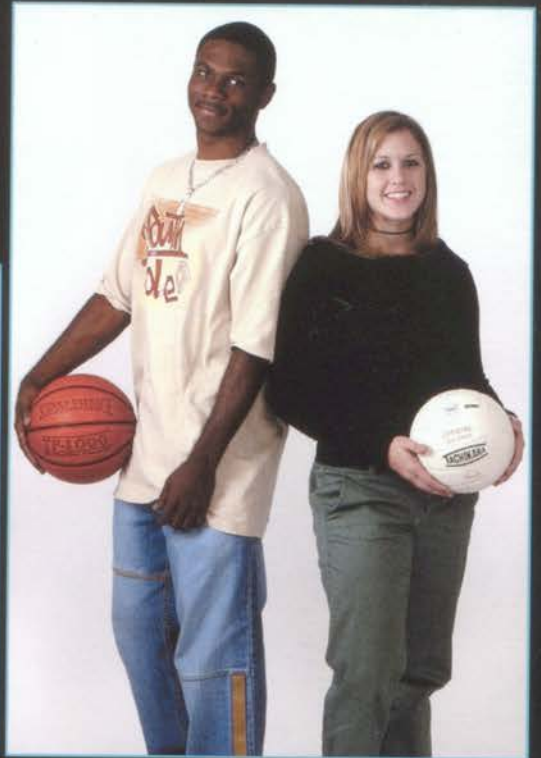
"My costume was evil. I was mad about school and just wanted to blow off some steam!"



**Renee Ashworth, 11**

"I am fascinated with the history of Egypt. My mom and I made the costume and tried to preserve the true look of royalty. I saw myself as Cleopatra!"

**Most Athletic**  
*B.J. Wade, Haylee Houston*



**Wittiest**  
*Josh Burkes, Jan Webster*



*senior*

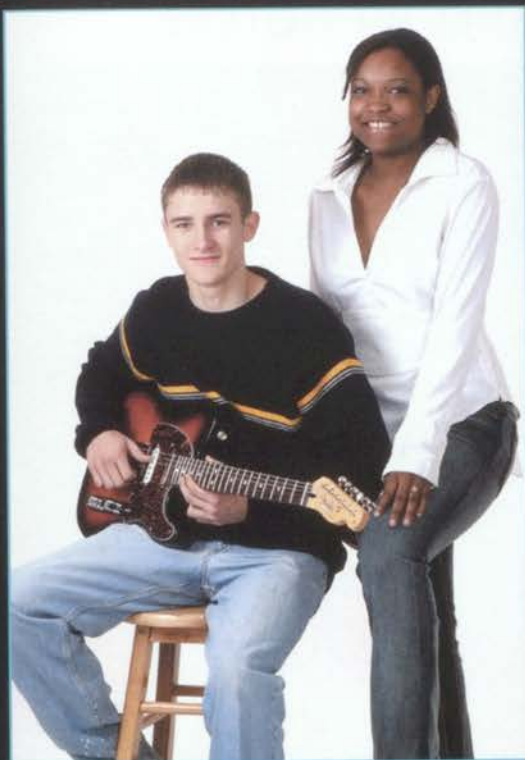
**Most Spirited**  
*Kate Fletcher, Brandon Ballard*





**Most Talented**

T.J. McAlexander, Diana Walker



**Friendliest**

Kellye Ward, Sam Collom



*class favorites*

**Most Polite**

Lynn Allgood, Matt Goodsell

# Veteran's Day & Black History

programs pay tribute to heros



1. Honored for the first time in the Veteran's Day Program, senior Travis May joins fellow military members at the front of the auditorium. 2. Giving their all, Keri Carson, Meagan Cokeley, Kaitlyn McBroom, Rachel Melton, and Katherine Jaymes sing "God Bless American" in the Veteran's Day Program. 3. Serving as Student Council President, Sam Collam welcomes everyone to the program. 4. During the after-party held in the library, senior Josh Owen proudly visits with his grandparents. 5. Army soldier Travis May and boy scouts John Macer, Robbie Mollanen, Martin McGee, and Cody Clark take time after the program to speak with local military recruiter Sgt. Ashley.



## voices of praise



**Kaylee Harris**

"I was glad to be a part of the Veteran's Day Program, and I really enjoyed everyone's singing."



**Bria James**

"This program lets the students know how important the veterans were and are to us, and how important of a role they played for us."



**Nicole Hensley**

"I enjoyed the program because everyone that participated did an outstanding job, and it also stands for a good cause."



**Josh Burks**

"I felt invigorated! I don't believe the program was for the students, but instead was for the veterans past and present."



### paving the way

The first African American to be employed by the Cass County District Attorney's Office, special guest speaker Tina Richardson made a compelling speech concerning the past, present, and future of racism.



### reaching new heights

Backed by the choir, Ra'Shonda Culberson is the lead vocalist for the song, "More than I can Say."

1. Singing songs of praise, 50 students joined together to make up the Black History Program choir.
2. Ms. Matlock and Ms. Wilson are recognized for spending their time and effort to make the program



a success. "The Black History Program allows students to feel they have made a contribution," Ms. Matlock said. "It is an excellent way to boost self-esteem."



3. UIL Prose Poetry reader DeAndrea Goldsmith recites Martin Luther King's famous speech "I have a dream."
4. Filled with enthusiasm and excitement, the Life Skills Class performs "Joyful Noise" on the bells.



5. One of the singing favorites at the school, senior T.J. McAlexander sings the classic gospel hymn "The Old Rugged Cross." T.J. made his debut at the Veteran's Day Program with the song "Letters from Home," and since then he has gone on to win first place in the FFA District Talent Competition and second in the FFA Area Talent Competition. "I was pretty confident that I would do well," McAlexander said, "but the competition was stiff at both contests. The girl that defeated me in area was good."
6. Bringing the program to a conclusion, senior Aaron Mitchell delivers the closing remarks.



# Star Studded Night

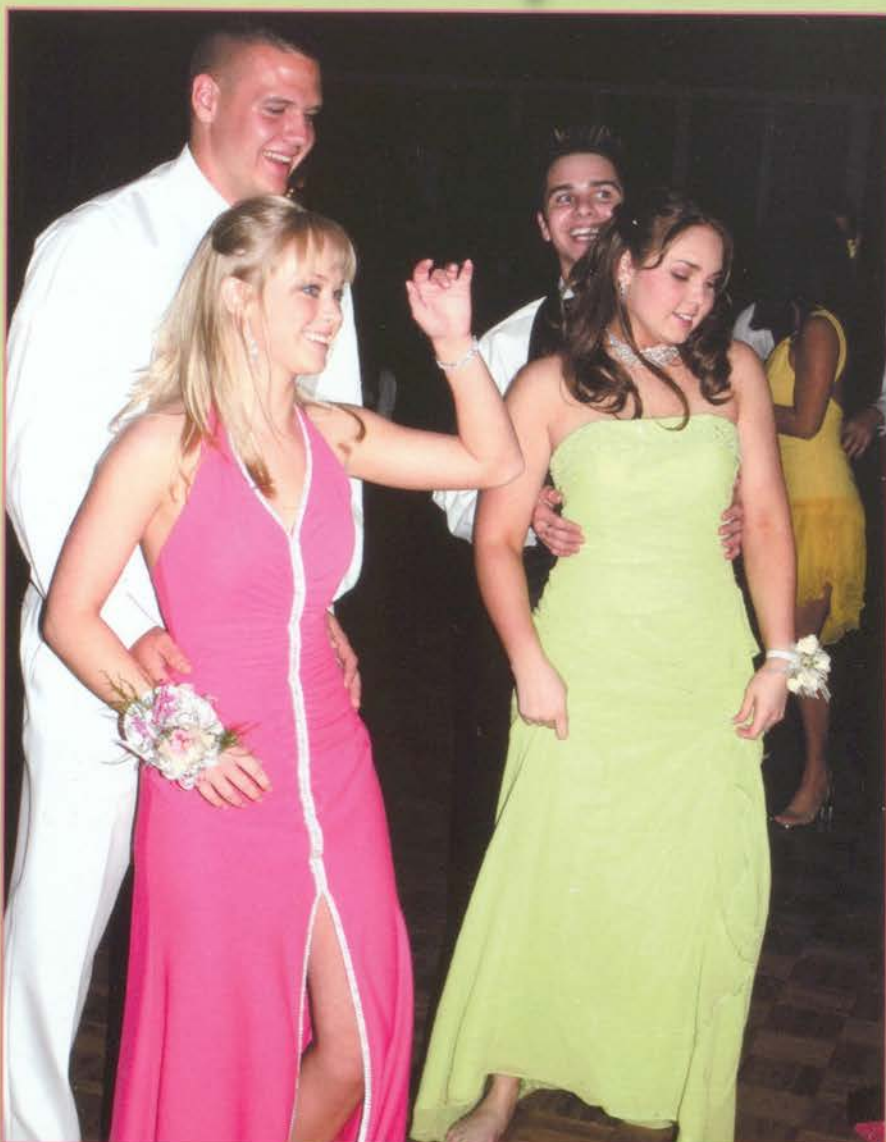
juniors treat seniors to "red carpet affair"

The Junior Class of  
New Boston High School  
Presents  
Red Carpet Affair  
Saturday, April 23, 2005  
Truman Arnold Center

Welcome.....	Andre' Davis
Invocation.....	Jessica Higgs
Recognition of Sports.....	Courtney Cook
Senior Toast.....	Jr. Class Officers
Opening Remarks.....	Miss Barfield
Program/Prize.....	8:00-12:00
Skating.....	12:30-2:30
Boating.....	2:30-4:30
Breakfast.....	5:00

## dance partners

Malachi Lopez, Candace Green, Ashley Spradlin, and Justin Fellers take center stage on the dance floor. "Justin and I fixed Malachi and Candace up on a blind date," Spradlin said. "By the end of the night he had really caught on to the dancing thing."



1. Getting centered with the background, Ray Kumpe positions Jessica Baggett and Sam Collam for their prom pictures. "Since we didn't go eat before prom, we got our pictures made early," Collam said. "I had regional UIL in Commerce so we were running behind." 2. Seniors Loranda Haggins, Bria James, Shaneika Johnson, and Lavonna Dedman arrive at the Truman Arnold Center bubbling with excitement in anticipation of the night's events. 3. Before entering the ballroom, Kim Shute gives her "John Hancock." "I believe the routine of signing in and out for prom was a very good idea," Kim Shute said. "Last year we didn't do that and random people would just walk in and out of the activities."



## in the spotlight



1b



2b



3b



4b

### star treatment

1. Singing the words to his favorite song, boyfriend Brent Blacks serenades Kim Hawkins on the dance floor. "I was singing a Michael Jackson impression to *Thriller* when she stepped on my toe," Black said. 2. Being an attentive date, Mark McCullough pulls Kelly Burns's chair out before stepping on the dance floor. "We didn't go to prom last year," McCullough said, "so even though we have been dating for a year this was our first time to ever dance together." 3. Girls just wanna have fun; so Renee Ashworth, Maggie Wahrenbrock and Kim Mitchell kept Chris Griffin on the dance floor most of the night. "After they saw that I could 'get down,' they kept asking me to dance," Griffin said. 4. After eating, Jared Staats and Michelle Deaver are ready to dance. "The food at prom was off the chain," Staats said. "We pigged out!"

## thoughts on senior prophecies



**T. J. McAlexander**

Has made the big time playing in Nashville. He has become the Simon Cowell of Nashville Star.

"It was a good idea because it gave people a chance to sit back and laugh."



**Lindsey Stewart**

Has now opened her own piercing shop in the basement of her Mexican food restaurant.

"I thought they were funny and somewhat true, but I was pretty mad that they put me out on my piercings because I only have my tongue pierced."



**M.J. Hurd**

Has taken over Britney Spears's job as a belly dancer while she is on maternity leave. He hopes she is gone forever.

"I really enjoyed the prophecies. It thought they were very comical."



**Cynthia McDuffie**

Has become the first 5 star woman admiral in the Navy.

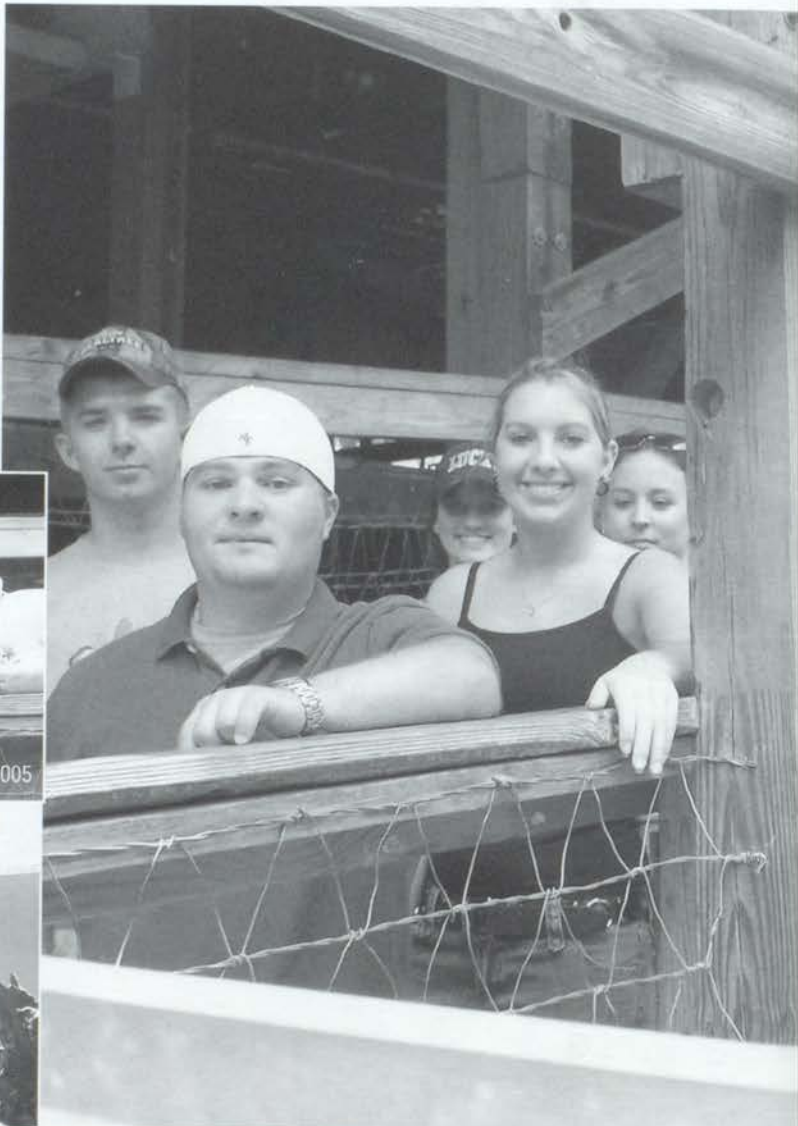
"Mine was not possible because there are only 4 star adminals in the Navy."

# the ride of your life

seniors brave the thrills, adventures of Six Flags

## hanging out

Waiting in line for the Texas Giant, Cory Burns, Brandon Ballard, Lindsey Morden, Aaron Downs, Jordan Higgs, and Travis May enjoy a day of excitement off school campus. "The most fun thing about going to Six Flags was just being able to be with all my friends one last time before graduation," Morden said. "The Texas Giant is really not one of my favorite rides because it's shaky, and it gives me whiplash."



**1.** Ready to get wet and wild, Sherelle Lavall, Shaneika Johnson, and Elizabeth Morphey are ready for the Roaring Rapids. "After we stood in line for a while, we decided not to ride the Roaring Rapids," Johnson said. "The water was too dirty." **2.** Enjoying music and relaxation, Kellye Ward and Tyler Hilton take a break from the roller coasters. "Kellye made me ride the Merry-Go-Round," Hilton said. "She was too scared to ride much else, so I rode it to make her feel safer." **3.** Passing time on the way to Six Flags, Lynn Allgood plays Old Maid. **4.** Refueling on energy, Chase Olson, Jeff May, Kristin King, Mary Littleton, and Josh Burks make a pit stop for lunch.



## senior trip

**Deciding** not to ride, Rhonda Mailanen and Amy Sanders wait for their friends to get off the Batman ride.



**Debating** on whether to get on the ride, Jennifer Riley, Kim Mitchell, and Jarrod Wade impatiently wait in line. "We were supposed to be at the bus by 8:45 p.m.," Wade said. "We ended getting stuck in line for the Batman, and we didn't arrive at the bus until 9:15 p.m."



**Tired** of waiting, Cory Burns and John Hartwick patiently wait for some excitement. "Before we left Six Flags, Jared sat in the bus driver's seat," Hartwick said. "The driver got mad and started cussing at Jared. We clowned on the driver all the way home."



**Chauffeured** by Kelly Burns,

Mark McCollough, Sam Gollom, and Jessica Baggett take a leisurely ride in the antique cars.

"We got the slowest car at Six Flags," Burns said. "The people behind us crashed into us."



## favorite rides



**Fatt Matt**

"The Titan because I have never ridden any roller coasters, and it scared the crap out of me."



**Elizabeth Morpewh**

"The Texas Giant because you never know if it will stay sturdy, and I love that suspense."



**Heath Herbert**

"The Splash because I got to ride with Terence and Travis. We got wet, and it cooled us off."



**Jan Webster**

"My favorite ride was the swings because they were so scary."

**Lynn Allgood:** Band 1, 2, Secretary 3, President 4; NHS 3, Vice President 4; FCS 2, 3, President 4; Spirit Club 1, 2, 3; Office Aide 4; Art Club President 2, 4, Vice President 3; Science Club 2, 3, Treasurer 4; UIL Literary Criticism 3, 4; Most Polite 4; Outstanding student in Keyboard, IPC, Art 2; Citizenship Award 4

**Jennifer Austin:** Spanish 3; DCP 4; Art Club Vice President 3

**Jessica Baggett:** Basketball 1, Volleyball 1, 2; Softball 1; NHS 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Science Club 3; Yearbook 3, Editor 4; Journalism 1; Outstanding Student - Algebra 1, Adv. English 2, Spanish 2, 3, Yearbook 3, 4

**Brandon Ballard:** Football 1, 2, 3; DCP 3, 4

**Brent Black:** Football 1, 2, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3; Power Lifting 1, 3; Spanish Club 3

**Krystle Bonham:** 1, 2, 3; Solo and Ensemble 1; DCP 4

**Joshua Burks:** Band 1, 2, 3, 4; All-Region 4; Four States 4; UIL Current Events and Issues 4, Literary Criticism 4; Most Witty 4

**Cory Burns:** DCP 4; FFA 1,2,3,Vice president 4; Showteam 2, 3, 4

**Kelly Burns:** NHS 3, 4; Spanish Club 3; DCP 4; Science Club 1; Yearbook 3; Journalism 1, 3; UIL Journalism Region Qualifier 3; Most Gullible 1; Cheerleader 1, 2; Outstanding Algebra 1, Geometry 2

### Jessica Capps

**Claire Collom:** Spanish Club 3, 4; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; Offensive and defensive player of the year, Newcomer of the year 1, MVP, BCL Pitcher of the year, All-District pitcher of the year, All-State pitcher of the Year 2, MVP, BCL Player of the Year, All-State Pitcher 3, MVP, All-District Pitcher and player of the year 4; Track 1; Volleyball 2, 3, 4

**Sam Collom:** Football 1, 2; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; 2nd Team All District 4; Lion Heart 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Honorable Mention 3; 2nd Team All District and Lion Heart 4; Track 1, 2; Student Council 1, Reporter 2, President 3 and 4; NHS 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; Science Club 1, 2, 3, 4; UIL Science 1, 2, 3, 4, Region and state Qualifier 4, Current Events and Issues 1, 2, 3, 4; Best All-Around 1,2,3; Most polite 4; Outstanding IPC, Advanced Chemistry, Advanced English, AP Chemistry; Boys State 3; Wendy's Heisman Trophy Scholarship 4; Weldon McCord Award 4, Top 10% of class, Teacher's Choice Award

**Leon Dangerfield:** Art Club 3,4

**Lavonna Dedmon:** DCP 3, 4; Biggest Flirt 4

**Ambra Dorsey:** Student Council Rep.; Office Aide 4; Class Favorites 1, 2; Citizenship Award 4

**Tamika Dorsey:** Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3; Softball 2

**Aaron Downs:** Football 1, 2, 3, MVP 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, First Team All District DH; FFA 1, Secretary 4

**David Duncan:** Life Skills, Special Olympics

**Drew Duncan:** Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2; Track 1, 2; Library Aide 4

**Timothy Evans:** Football 1, 2; Track 1, 2; Powerlifting 1

**Matt Farrington:** DCP 3, 4

**Kate Fletcher:** Class Officer 4; Track Manager 4; Band aide 4; NHS 3, 4; Spanish 2, Secretary 3, 4; FCS 2, 3; reporter 4; Spirit Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Aide 4; TLT 2, 3, 4; Science Club 1, 2, 3; FCCLA 4; Yearbook 2, 3; Journalism 1; UIL 1, 2, 3, 4 One Act Play, Journalism, Poetry, Ready Writing; Class favorite 1, 2, 4; Cheerleader 1, 2; OAP Best Actress 4; Regional Poetry Qualifier 3, 4; Outstanding World Geography Student 1; Outstanding Journalism Student 1; Outstanding Food Service Student 4

### Jeffrey Gibson

**Justin Glass:** NHS 3, 4; DCP 4; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Sentinel 2, 3, 4

**Matt Goodsell:** Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Lion Heart Award, 2nd-team All District; Track 1, 2; Class favorite, Most Polite

**Stacy Gregory:** Science Club 1; Outstanding Algebra 1 Student 4; Outstanding English Student 4

**Christopher Griffin:** FCS 1, 2, 3, 4; Spirit Club 1, 2, 3, 4; FCCLA 4; Teens with a Beat 2; Tomorrow's Leaders Today

**Julie Griffith:** Tennis 2, 3; DCP 4

**Loranda Haggins:** Class Officer Reporter 1, Vice president 2, President 3; Basketball 1, 2; Volleyball 1, 2, 3; Tennis 1, 2, 3; Track 1, 2; Student Council 1, 2, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3; Spirit Club 1, 2; DCP 4; Class favorite; Tomorrow's Leaders Today

**Brandon Hall:** Baseball, Spanish Club, FCS, Tomorrow's Leaders Today

**Candace Hall:** NHS 4; DCP 4; Yearbook 3; Outstanding US History Student 3

**Laura Hanna:** Basketball 1; Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4, 2nd Team Catcher 1, 2, Honorable Mention 3, Defensive Player of the Year 4; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; Spirit Club 3,4; Tomorrow's Leaders Today 2, 3, 4

**John Hartwick:** Baseball 2; Spanish Club 3, 4; DCP 3, 4; Science Club 3; FFA 1, 2

**Jordan Higgs:** Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, Power Lifting 1, 2, 3, 4; TAFE 4; Student Council Secretary 2; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; NHS 3,4; Spirit Club Vice President, FFA 1, Class Favorite 1, 2, 3; Mr. NBHS 4

### Mathew Hilton

**Tyler Hilton:** Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4, Class Favorite 4

**Christopher W. Hixson:** Football 1, 2; Baseball 1, 2, 4; Track 1, 2; Spirit Club 4; FFA 4

### Heather House

### Haylee Houston

### Maurice Hurd

**Terence Hurd:** NHS 3, 4; Spanish Club 4; Spirit Club 4; UIL Ready Writing 4; Art Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Vice President 4

**Bria James:** 1, 2, 3, 4, Historian, Secretary; Basketball 1, 2 Honorable Mention, Tennis 1, 2; Track 1, 2, 3; Student Council 2, 3, 4; NHS 4; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; Spirit Club 1, 2, 3; Tomorrow's Leaders Today

### Brent Jeffcoats: Band 1

**Sha'Neika Johnson:** Cross Country 2; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; FCS 1, 2, 3, DCP 4; UIL 1, 2, Journalism, Debate

### Aaron Jones: DCP 4

**Jill Kasitati:** Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4, 3rd team All District, All Bowie County Life, 1st team All District, Student Council 2, 3; NHS 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; FCS 1, 2, 3, 4; Spirit Club 1, 2, 3, 4; DCP 4; Science Club 1, 2

**Kristen King:** Tennis 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Representative 1, Reporter 3, Drum Major 4; All District 1, 2, 3, 4; All Region 1, 2, 3, 4; All Area 3, 4; All State 3, 4; Four States Honor Band 2, 3, 4; Texas State Solo and Ensemble 2, 3, 4; Section Leader 2, 3, 4; Majorette, UIL State Twirling contest 3, 4

**Micah Knox:** Class Favorite 1, 2, 3, 4; Most Beautiful 4, Class Officer 1, 2, 3; President, 4; Homecoming Court 4, NHS 3, 4; Student Council 2, Tomorrow's Leaders Today 4, Spanish Club 4, TAFE 4; FFA Showteam 1, 2, 3, 4; FFA Sweetheart 1, FFA Student Advisor 4; Volleyball 1, 2, 3; Basketball 1, 2; Softball-1st team all district 1, 2, 3, 4; All BC DH 1, 2; 1st Team All Tribune DH 1, 2, 3; Offensive Player of the year and MVP 4; Best All Around Girl 4

**Courtney Kroll:** Class Vice President 1, President 2, Treasurer 3; Volleyball 3; Tennis 2; Softball 1, 3, Honorable Mention 3; NHS 3, 4; Spanish Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Spirit Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary 4; Office Aide 4; Science Club 2; Miss NBHS; Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4, Co-captain 3, Captain 4; TAFE Point Secretary 4



**Benton LaBat:** Football 1, 2, 3; Baseball 1, 2, 3; Track 1; DCP 4; FFA 1, 2

**Ken Lancaster:** Football 1, 2, 3; DCP 4

**Sherelle Lavoll:** Basketball 3; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Regionals; Cross Country 3; DCP 3, 4

**Mary Littleton:** Band 1, 2; NHS 3, 4; Spirit Club 2, 3; DCP 3, 4; Science Club 1, 2, 3; Outstanding DCP Student 4

**Jonathan Logan:** FCS 4; VAC 3, 4; Journalism 4

**Bryce Martin:** Football 1; Track 1; DCP 3, 4; FFA 1, 2

**Stefanie Massengill:** DCP 4; Outstanding Geometry AB Student 2

**Jeff May:** Class Treasurer 2; Tennis 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Representative 2; Vice President 4; Section leader 3, 4; All District 2, 3, 4; All Region 2, 3, 4; All Area 4; Most Improved Player 1; Four States Honor Band 4; Student Council 4; FCS 2, 3, 4; Tomorrow's Leaders Today 3, 4; Science Club 2, 3; Vice President 4; UIL Number Sense 1, 2, 3, 4; Regional qualifier 1, 2, 3, 4; Mathematics 2, 3, 4; Regional qualifier 2, 3, 4; Accounting 3, 4; Regional qualifier 3, 4; State qualifier 4; Outstanding Student Adv. Geometry 1; Pre-AP Biology 2; Pre-Calculus 3; Accounting 3; Calculus Student 4; Best All Around Boy 4; Valedictorian

**Travis May:** Baseball 1; DCP 3, 4; Class favorite; Biggest Flirt 1, 2, 3, 4

**T. J. McAlexander**

**Sha'Mira McCoo**

**Mark McCullough:** Football 1, 2; Baseball 1; Track 2; DCP 4; Outstanding Power Lifting Student 2

**Cynthia McDuffie:** Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Secretary, Treasurer; NHS 3, 4; Parliamentarian, UIL 1, 2, 3, 4

**Mahala Miller:** NHS 3, 4; Spanish Club 3; DCP 4; Journalism 2, 3; UIL Art Regional qualifier 3, 1st place at V.A.S.E.; Outstanding Student - Art 2 - 3; Food Science 1; DCP - 4

**Alice Mitchell:** NHS 3, 4; Spanish Club 3; Officer Adm. 3; DCP 4; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Art Club 2, 3

**Kim Mitchell:** VAC 3, 4; Outstanding Algebra 2 Student 3; Outstanding BCIS Student 3; Outstanding VAC Student 3

**Rhonda Moilanen:** Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Property Officer 2,3,4; NHS 3, 4; Spirit Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; Science Club 2, 3, 4; UIL Debate 1; Outstanding Business Support Systems Management Student

**Lindsey Morden:** Spanish Club 3, 4; Spirit Club 4; Journalism 1; Class favorite 3

**Brandon Morgan:** VAC 3, 4; FFA 1  
**Kacie Morgan**  
**Elizabeth Morphew**  
**Joshua Nichols**

**JR Noey:** Class Officer, President 1; Football 1, 2, 3; Track 1, 2; DCP 4

**Chase Olson:** Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Officer 4; Section leader 2, 3, 4; All District 1, 2, 3, 4; All Region 3, 4; All Area 3, 4; All State 4; 4 States Honor Band 4; Texas State Solo and Ensemble 2,3,4; NHS 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; FCS 2, 3, 4; Spirit Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Officer 2; Science Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Journalism 1, 2; Tomorrow's Leaders Today 2, 3, 4; UIL Spelling and Vocabulary 1, 2, 3, 4; District 4th place 1, 6th 2, 2nd 3, 3rd 4; Regionals 3rd 3, 5th 4; State qualifier 3; Calculator Applications 2, 3, 4; District 4th 3, 5th 4; Regional qualifier 3; Salutatorian

**Javier Ordenez**

**Josh Owen:** Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Leading crew captain 4; All District 1, 2, 3, 4; All Region 2, 3, 4; All Area 4; Outstanding Soloist 2; Section Leader 2, 3, 4; NHS 3, 4; Spirit Club 1, 2, 3; Science Club 3; UIL Debate 2, 4; Accounting 4; Computer Science 1, 2, 3; Computer Application 3; Teacher's Pet 3; Outstanding IPC Student 1; Outstanding Student BCIS DC 4

**Justin Keith Page:** DCP 3, 4

**Zack Pommer:** Football 1; Spanish 3; DCP 4

**Bryan Poole:** Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Solo 2, 3; Ensemble 4; DCP 4; Journalism 4

**Brandon Powell**

**Daniel Rhea:** Football 1; Basketball 1; DCP 3, 4; FFA 1, 2

**Jennifer N. Riley:** Basketball 1, 2, 3; Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Tennis 2, 3; DCP 4

**Kaley Romans:** DCP 4; Science Club 2

**Amy Sanders:** Band 1, 2, 3, 4; NHS 3, 4; Spirit Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Tomorrow's Leaders Today 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club 1, 2; Reporter 3; President 4; UIL Literary Criticism 1, 2; Calculator 3; Geometry award, Adv. Algebra 2 award, Family Health award, Personal and Family Development award

**Cordaro Sherman:** Basketball 4, 1st team All District, Offensive Player of the Year 4, 1st team All BCL

**Kim Shute:** Class Officer, Historian 2; Tennis 2; Spanish Club 2; Spirit Club 1, 2; Office Aide 3; DCP 4; Tomorrow's Leaders Today; Science Club 2; Yearbook 2, 3, 4; Journalism 1, 2; Cheerleader 1, 2; Outstanding Spanish 1 Student 2; Outstanding World History Student 2; Outstanding Psychology Student 4;

**Jared Staats:** DCP 3, 4; Football 1

**Lindsey Stewart:** Basketball 1; Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Lady Lion Heart, 2nd team All District 4; Honorable Mention 3; Tennis 3; Softball 1, 2; NHS 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; DCP 4; Science Club 1, 2; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Lady Lion Heart Award 4

**Aaron Smith:** VAC 3, 4; Outstanding VAC Student 3

**Michael Smith:** Football 1, 2, 3; DCP 4

**Jonathan Smith:** Football 1; Basketball 1

**Joey Smith**

**Rhonda Smith:** DCP 3, 4; Outstanding Keyboarding Student 1; Outstanding Biology Student 2; Art Club 1

**Jyl Snyder:** Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Drum Major 4; Junior Rep. 3; All District 1, 2, 3, 4; All Region 3, Four States 2, 3, 4; State UIL Solo and Ensemble 2, 3, 4; Majorette UIL Twirling State Solo and Ensemble 3, 4; NHS 3, 4; President 4; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; FCS 1, 2, 3, 4; Spirit Club 1; Tomorrow's Leaders Today 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club 1, 2, 3, 4; UIL Calculator 1, 2, 3; CX Debate; Activities Award 4

**Ashley Thompson:** DCP 4; Cheerleader 1, 2

**B.J. Wade:** Football 1, 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; 2nd team All District 3, 1st team All District 4, Lion Heart Award 4; All Bowie County Life 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Office Adm. 4; Class Favorite 2; Most Athletic Boy 4; Lindy Roney-Most Athletic Male Athlete; TAFE 4

**Brittany Wade**

**Jarrold Wade:** Band 1; DCP 3, 4

**Dianna Walker:** Class Office Reporter 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3; Volleyball 1; Tennis 1, 2, 3; Track 1, Lady Lion Award 2, 3; Spanish Club 3; DCP 4; Most talented 4

**Kellye Ward:** Cross Country 3; Student Council 1, 3; Vice President 4; NHS 3, 4; Spanish 2, 3, 4; Spirit Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Aide 2; DCP 4; TLT 1, 2, 3, 4; TAFE Recording Secretary 4; Science Club 2, 4; Yearbook 2; Journalism 1; UIL Lit Crit 2, 3, 4; Calculator 3, 4; Spelling 1; Best attitude 1; Friendliest 4; Cheerleader 1, 2, Co-Captain 3; Outstanding Student - Advanced English 1, Speech 1, Pre-AP Biology 2, English 4

**Brianne Wardell**

**Jan Webster:** Class Reporter 4; Volleyball 1; NHS 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Library Aide 4; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Secretary 2; President and Sweetheart 3, 4; Class Favorite 3, 4; Outstanding Student - English 1; Ag. Science 1; Horticulture 2; Chemistry 3; Wildlife Management 3; Government and Economics 4; Equine Science 4; Star Greenhand 1; Star Chapter Farmer 3, 4; Tomorrow's Leaders Today 2, 3, 4

**Derrod Williams:** Basketball 1, 2, 3, MVP 4

**Sam Yates**

faculty  
awards



**Teacher's Choice Award**  
Sam Collom



**Best All-Around Girl**  
Micah Knox



**Best All-Around Boy**  
Jeff May



**Activities Award**  
Ambra Dorsey



**Citizenship**  
Jill Synder



**Activities Award**  
Lynn Allgood



Waving at friends and family, Mahala Miller hails the crowd in excitement as she approaches the commencement exercises.



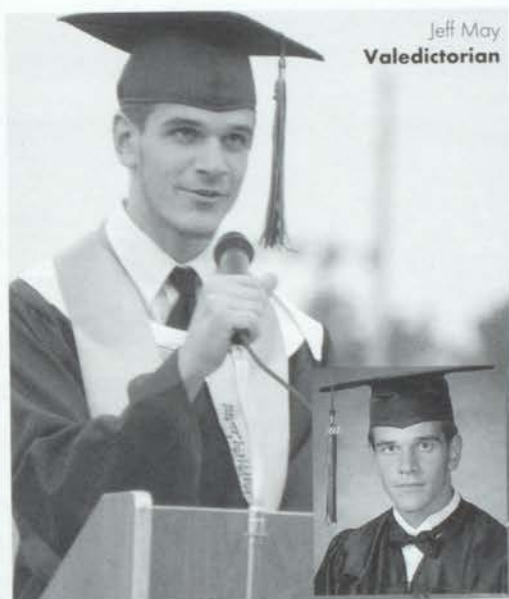
Adjusting his tassel, T.J. McAlexander follows the recessional at Baccalaureate services. He followed Bria James' testimony with special music singing "The Old Rugged Cross." Following her classmates in the processional, Alice Mitchell finalizes her high school career.



# staying connected

honor grads review past, predict future

# The Top 10%

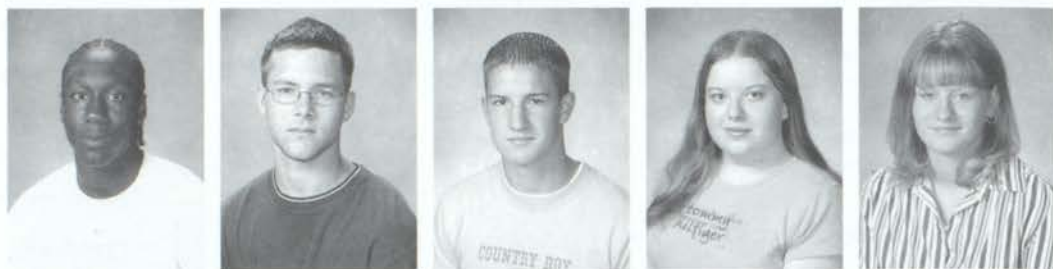


1. Showing the official copy of his diploma to Mr. Buchanan, Benton LaBat boasts about his accomplishment. 2. Kacie Morgan marches in to *Pomp and Circumstance*.

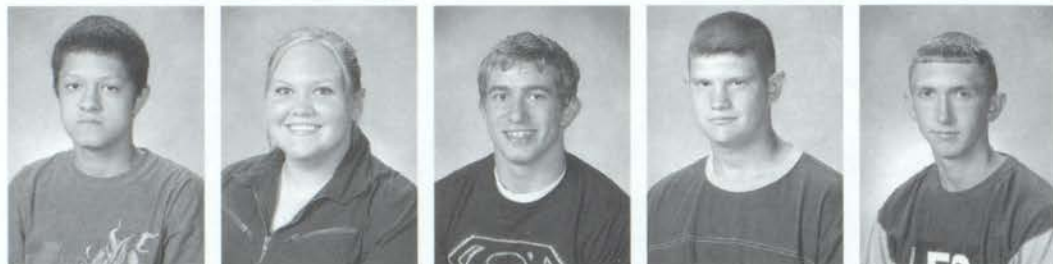


Seniors graduating in the top ten percent of the class receive trophies at graduation. One hundred and five graduated on May 27.

Danniell Alexander  
Doyle Allen  
Matt Allen  
Renee Ashworth  
Casey Atkinson



Marven Ayle  
Erika Baker  
Alex Barfield  
Jacob Barfield  
Cody Barling



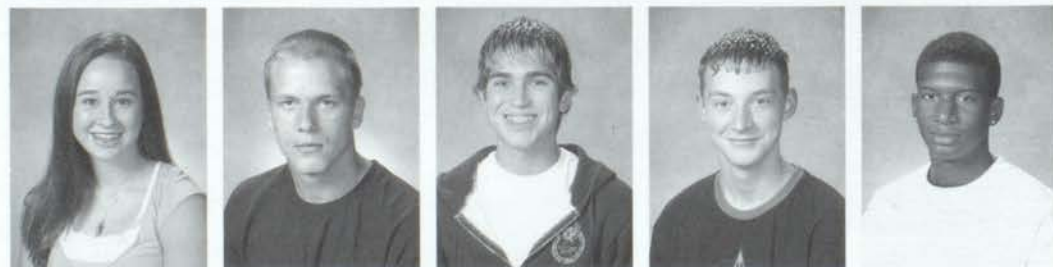
Stephen Barthel  
Raneisha Betts  
Kimberly Bonham  
Deanna Bray  
Joshua Chappell



Lauren Cherry  
Darnell Chisley  
Casey Coleman  
Shelley Coleman  
Stephen Collins



Courtney Cope  
Carl Covington  
Caleb Cross  
Jason Dale  
Jacques Dewberry



Andre Dorsey  
Andrea Dorsey  
Crystal Edmond  
Rachel Edson  
Bonnie England





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"For prom we want to try something different. So far the colors are leaning towards red, silver, and black. The theme is going to be "Red Carpet Affair," and the party favors will be champagne glasses with the songs on them."

**Andre Dorsey**

# juniors class of '06

## class rings

Gold or sterling silver, pink, blue, red, green, maroon or gold.....so many choices. Every fall, sales representative Eddie Arnold visits the school and makes his pitch about the newest styles in class rings. This year there were eight new styles to choose from, and about 70 rings were purchased.

"I believe it was easier to sell rings this year because the kids are accustomed to buying Jostens," Mr. Arnold said.

"I don't work just for Josten's. I actually sell many brands of rings, but Josten's is the Cadillac of senior rings. Josten's makes most of your NBA, NCAA, and Super Bowl rings."

The majority of students purchase their senior rings from the school sales representative.

"I knew most of the people in my grade were buying from Mr. Arnold," Amanda Tyson said. "I wanted to be able to share the excitement of the moment with my peers."

Josten's has a reputable company and has done business at the school for years.

"I wanted a high quality ring that would last," Magan McCarter said. "My ring is sentimental to me because my Mom wrote my name, and it is engraved on the band."

-Courtney Cope



1. Almost like Santa Claus, Mr. Arnold showed up to deliver Quittney Williams and Amanda Tyson's rings just before Christmas. "Wearing my class ring reminds me of all the good times throughout school," Amanda Tyson said. "It is also a symbol of all my accomplishments."
2. Caitlin Smith shows off her new class ring to classmate Sara Sargent who ordered something different this year. "I decided to get a class necklace because last year I purchased my class ring," Sargent said. "I thought it would be something different."
3. "It was easy to pick out my class ring because I already had what I wanted it to look like in my mind," Rodney Smith said. "It looks even better on my hand."
4. Keith Pistolis checks out the signature in girlfriend Magan McCarter's ring.

# brittany PARRISH

I was at band practice, and we were marching into the stands. When I stepped off the bottom bleacher, my ankle gave out. I made it down the bleachers and passed out and couldn't remember my phone number. The cops and ambulance came, and I was carried to the hospital. Then when we got there and took x-rays, they concluded that I had pulled the tendon away from my bone. I ended up having surgery and had to miss a week of school. I was in a wheel chair for two weeks and in my cast for a total of six weeks. I kind of liked all the attention because everybody always wanted to help me. It hurt really bad, though. I hope I never have to go through that again. After three months of physical therapy, it still hurts and swells up every now and then. My sister shattered her knee a week before I hurt my ankle, so it was really tough on my family having both of us in a wheel chair at the same time.



Justin Fellers

# MÓVING ON.

Reginold Fields  
Lindsey Fowler  
Blake Gardner  
Brandi Gibson  
Mandi Gibson



James Gooden  
Chasitye Griffin  
John Gurley  
Mark Haggins  
Kaylee Harris



Kimberly Hawkins  
Jacob Hensley  
Nicole Hensley  
Jessica Higgs  
Wendy Hill



## back to the future block scheduling on its way out

A popular fad in the school business has come and gone. Ninety minute classes will soon be a thing of the past because the district is going back to 50 minute class periods next year.

Required classes like science, English, and communications benefit from the extra time to work on various assignments, projects, experiments, and speeches.

"Chemistry definitely needs 90 minutes; Mr. Burkett's experiments may take the entire class," Creg Reid said. "It will just make a mockery of science class."

Electives like yearbook, drama, art, band, athletics, and agriculture will soon be saying bye-bye to the hour-and-a-half classes too.

Cooking meals in food science and dissecting frogs in biology, allow students to have fun and still learn with a hands-on experience.

"In Mrs. Brown's class we are always busy," Chris Saling said. "She makes sure we have fun but also aren't bored by having nothing to do."

The district has decided that the traditional 50 minute classes will be better, but some students are concerned.

"The failing rate will increase dramatically because teachers will not have time to do everything," Reid said. "There is not going to be any time left for them to help us with homework questions."

- Courtney Cope



1. Kyle House and Johnny Scott believe block scheduling is a bad idea because athletics will only be 45 minutes long, and it will require them to stay after school much later. 2. Researching information, Creg Reid uses extra class time to finish some homework. 3. "It is going to be harder on the teachers," Quittney Williams

said. "They really do not have enough time to make sure that every student understands." 4. "I think it would be a good idea for the change," Lindsey Fowler said. "Some students have short attention spans and would get more out of the lesson." 5. "I think that the change in scheduling would be crazy," Joke Barfield said. "Even now teachers do not have enough time to get in a whole lesson, which means we do not have time to do homework."



Kyle House  
Cody Humphrey  
Adam Hyatt  
Trenton King  
Kyle Klimaszewski



Ryan Klimaszewski  
Kristy Knight  
Brittany Lacy  
Patricia Lavoll  
Joseph Leatherman



Malachi Lopez  
John Macer  
Eric May  
Cade Mayo  
Magan McCarter

Martin McGee  
Jennifer McKague  
Amber Meador  
Joshua Messer  
Justin Minyard



Na'Stassia Nunley  
Beverly Page  
Elizabeth Pardue  
Kenney Parker  
Brittney Parrish



Jeffrey Pierce  
Keith Pistolis  
Kyle Pounds  
La'Nika Pugh  
Danielle Randle



Pictures not available: Keisha Davis, Bernard Forte, Kolton Mitchell, Jerry Moseley, Sarah Potter, Michael Rosenbaum

## linked for life

Every class, except the sophomore class, has at least one set of twins. The junior class has four sets of twins.

Having a sibling, let alone someone who looks like you, can have its advantages and its disadvantages. Just because you look alike does not mean you act alike. Shelley and Casey Coleman will attest to that.

"We used to compete for grades, but now she is in band, and I am in athletics," Shelley said, "so we do not really share the same interests." "Shelley will do almost anything even if it's stupid," Casey said. "But I take a little more convincing and use a little more sense."

Some people believe that twins share a special bond between each other, and may even feel each other's pain or thoughts.

"I was plugging the toaster into the wall and received a surge of power," Andre Dorsey said. "Seriously, I didn't feel anything, but Andrea did. I believe that could be a twin power that we share."

Powers are not the only things that twins often share. Turning sixteen at the same time can be stressful on a family because of having to buy two vehicles. However, the Gibson twins have come up with a solution to that problem.

"We share a car, and the way we determine who gets to drive is simple," Mandy said. "If I drive to school, she drives home, and if she drives home, then I get to drive to the next destination."

- Courtney Cope



**1. Andrea and Andre Dorsey** both have brown eyes and black hair. The both enjoy Student Council and athletics.

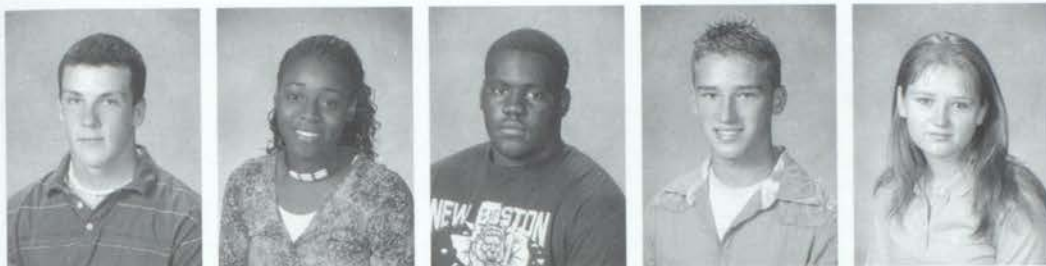


**2. Brandi and Mandy Gibson** both have green eyes and love volleyball and basketball. They share a Dodge Neon.



**3. Shelley and Casey Coleman** both have birthmarks on the back of their heads. They share a fetish for Reeses.





Gregory Reid  
Brittany Richard  
Billy Riley  
Christopher Saling  
Sarah Sargent



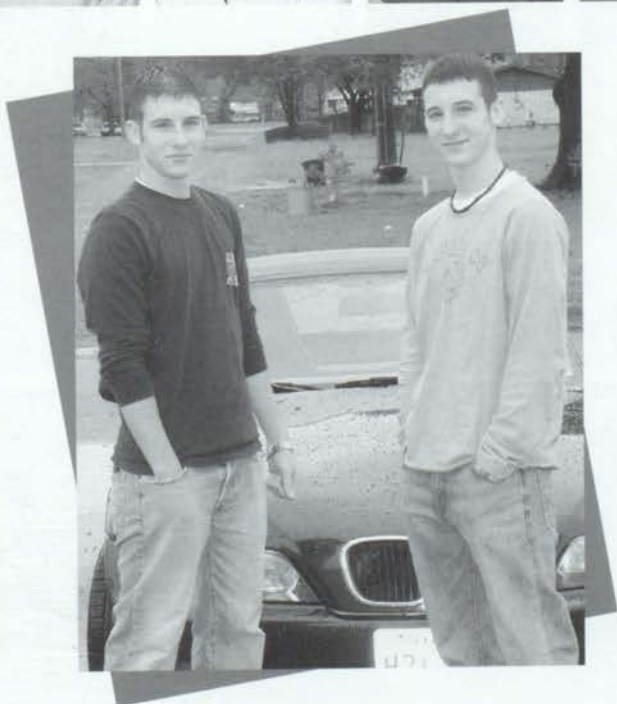
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Leroy Smith  
Rodney Smith



Ashley Spradlin  
Wayne Trevino  
Joshua Turner  
Starlyn Tutt  
Amanda Tyson



Brady Upson  
Chanelle Wade  
Margaret Wahrenbrock  
Quittany Williams  
Samantha Yancy



## double take

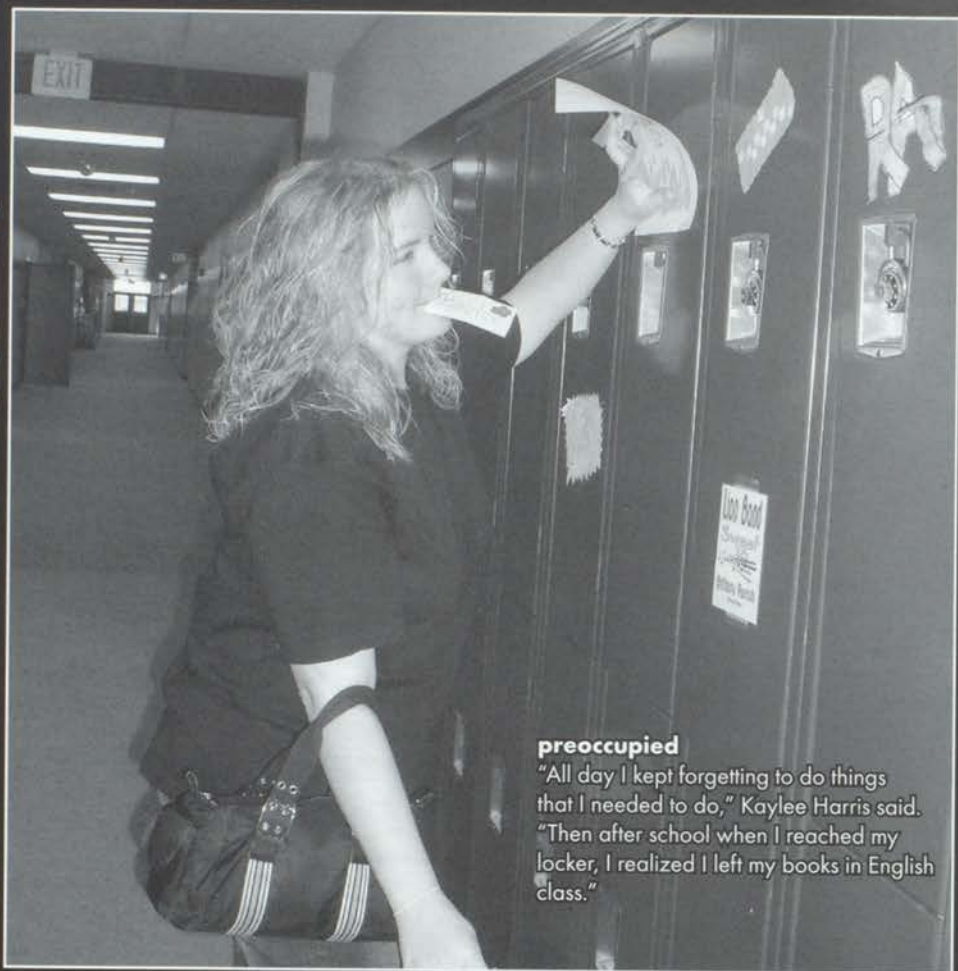
Twins run in the family. Kyle and Ryan Klimaszewski have twin cousins, freshmen Justin and Cody Adams.

"They are two years younger than us, so it really wasn't too weird growing up with them because we just thought it was normal," Kyle said. "Ryan and I are seventeen minutes apart, I'm the oldest."

Most twins outgrow dressing alike or even acting alike because they yearn to be individuals instead of identical.

"When we were younger, our mom would dress us in cowboy outfits to parade us around in front of the rest of our family," Ryan said. "People have always gotten us mixed up. It used to bother me, but now I just correct them and go on."

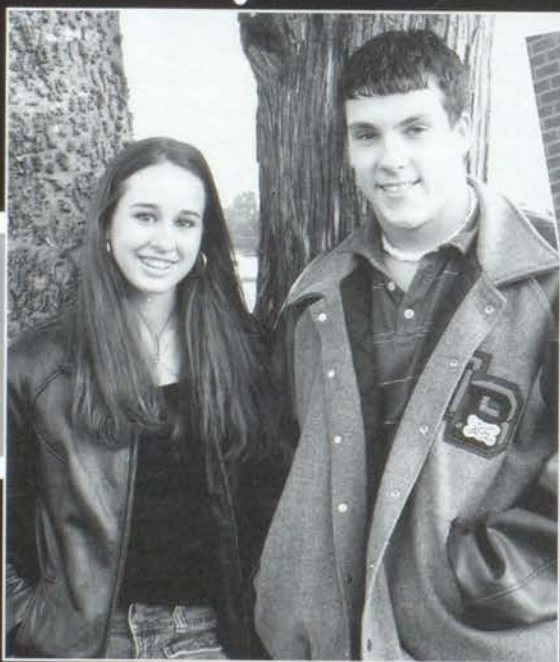
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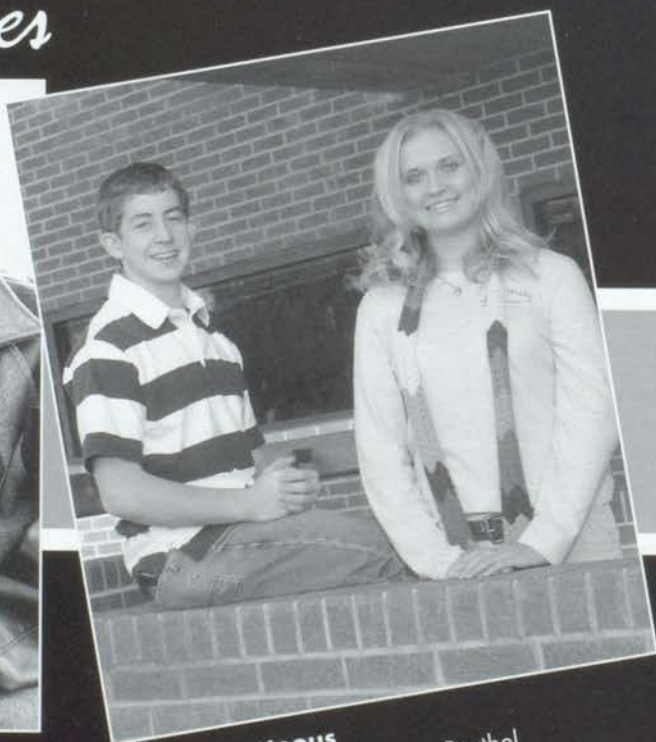
### preoccupied

"All day I kept forgetting to do things that I needed to do," Kaylee Harris said. "Then after school when I reached my locker, I realized I left my books in English class."

## class favorites



**Best All Around**  
Courtney Cope and Creg Reid



**Most Courteous**  
Amanda Tyson and Stephen Barthel





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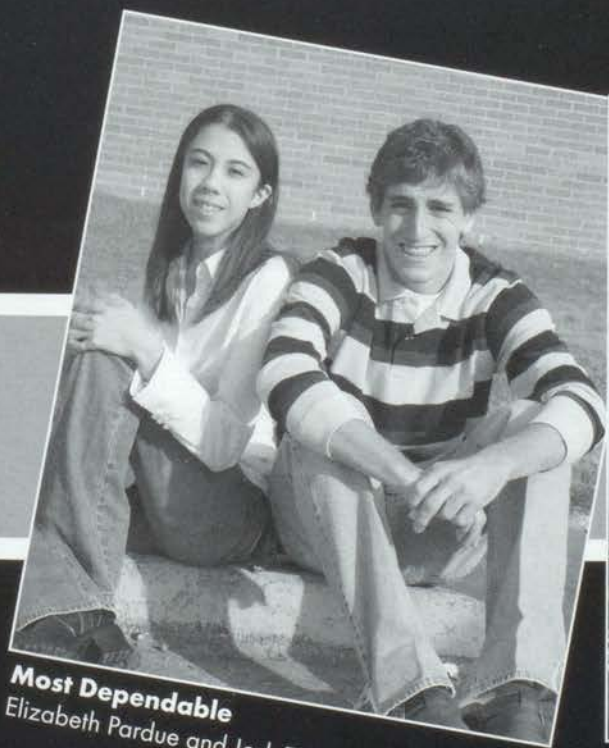


2.



3.

1. Justin Fellers hits the pavement to practice marching drills in the August heat during band period. "We are usually able to accomplish a great amount during our outside marching time," Fellers said. "Mostly we just work at perfecting the drills, and that's why we are so awesome." 2. Stephen Collins salutes out of pride for the band's military performance after the UIL State Marching Contest. 3. Erika Baker sang the National Anthem on several occasions during the year. "It was nerve-racking, but each time I did it, it was an adrenaline rush."



**Most Dependable**  
Elizabeth Pardue and Josh Turner

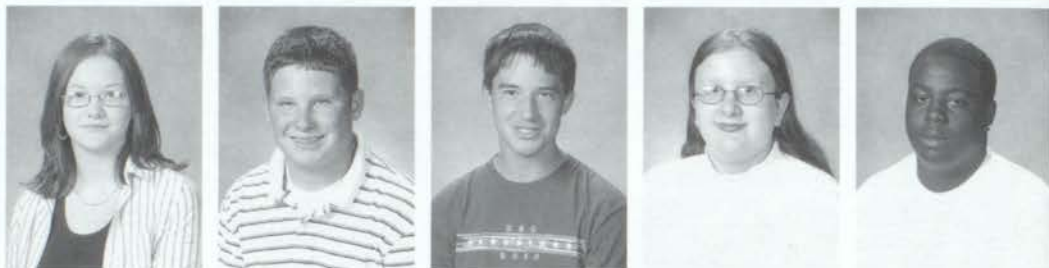


**Most Fun**  
Shelley Coleman and Cade Mayo

Alysha Allen  
Casey Arrington  
Blake Barton  
Heather Berbig  
John Bobian



Tiffany Bonham  
Barton Brock  
Samuel Bullard  
Crystal Burns  
Brandon Campbell



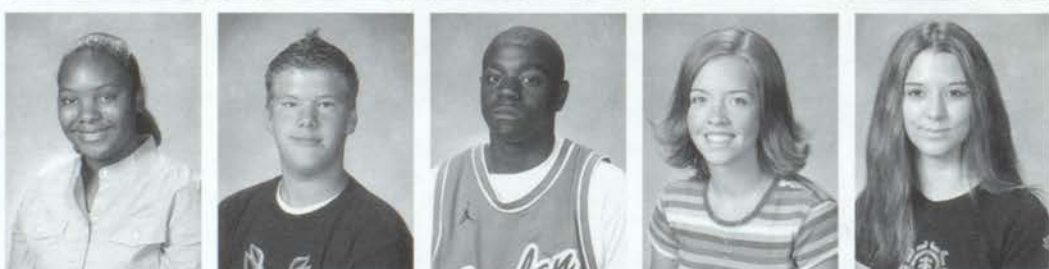
Shelia Carroll  
Dawson Carson  
Keri Carson  
Casey Cavin  
Cody Clark



Justin Clements  
Maegan Cokeley  
Katie Collins  
Rebecca Collom  
Clara Cox



Rashonda Culberson  
Jordan Daley  
Aaron Davis  
Lauren Day  
Sasha Dumis



Meagan Dunbar  
Paige Duncan  
Jennifer Durst  
Liane Eldred  
Shardina Elliott





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"This year as class President I haven't really made many decisions. We are really just stressing the fact to get your class dues paid so you will not have to worry about it next year."

# sophomores class of '07

## lunch time

No longer classified as 'fish,' these second year veterans are more than happy to be calling the shots in the cafeteria during lunch. Sophomores share second lunch with the freshmen.

"I enjoy lunch because it gives me a break from the work I do in class, and also because I can spend time with the people close to me," Lauren Day said.

Lunchtime is obviously a time to refuel the body. While many students literally run to get in line for servings of chicken strips, burritos, cheese sticks, and French fries, many choose to just bring their lunch.

"I usually eat a ham sandwich, bar-b-que potato chips, and a little Debbie fudge round," Clara Cox said. "By the time I get in there the line is to the door, and the food is just not worth it."

- Courtney Cope



**1.** "Lunch is one of my favorite times of the day," Allyson Saling said. "I not only get to socialize but eat, which are my two favorite things." **2.** "I was getting a little frustrated because I kept explaining to Billy Peek what I did this past weekend, and he still did not understand," Robbie Moilanen said. **3.** Josh French takes a high leap over classmate Octavion Smith. "I taught myself how to tumble," French said. "I messed up the first time, but kept trying until I got it right."

# license to drive

## sophomores push forward with independence

There's more to driving than just having a car. If parents get their kids a car, the least a kid can do is learn how to keep it in shape. While many things factor into car upkeep, one thing remains clear: student independence and car care includes high cost. From rising gas prices (\$2.05 a gallon), frequent oil changes, and break checks, cars require an average of \$400-500 upkeep a year.

### cars mean money

**Oil Changes** Every 3 months or 3,000 miles. Includes: Changed oil, filter, air filter, checks of the different fluids and blades.

**Transmission** 15-30,000 miles  
Includes: Fluid flush and replace old with new fluids, filter replacement.

**Radiator Flush** Every 30,000 miles

**Battery Check** Check once yearly

**Serpentine Belt** Every 40,000 miles

**Differential Service** 15-30,000 miles

**Fuel injector Cleaning** 30,000 miles

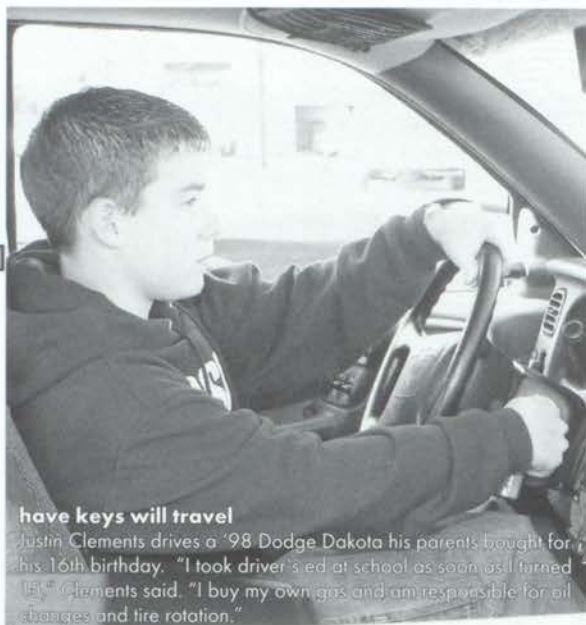
**Wiper Blades** Every 6 months

**Air Filters** Every 8-12,000 miles

**Headlights** Replace before traffic ticket

**Fuel system cleaner** Every 10,000 miles

Information from Duke of Oil in Munster



#### have keys will travel

Justin Clements drives a '98 Dodge Dakota his parents bought for his 16th birthday. "I took driver's ed at school as soon as I turned 15," Clements said. "I buy my own gas and am responsible for oil changes and tire rotation."

Stacy Firth  
Ryan Flenniken  
Cameron Fontenot  
Alecia Forbing  
Meagan Ford



Jacob Foster  
Joshua French  
Johnathan Garcia  
Ashley Gilmore  
Sean Goodsell



Brandon Gray  
Ashley Gregory  
Charity Hall  
Bradley Hanna  
Chase Harp



Christopher Henry  
Aaron Hixson  
Akira Hooks  
Christopher Hurd  
Daylan Jackson



## behind the wheel

A full tank of gas, best friends, and the need for independence await many first time drivers. However, turning 16 doesn't mean being given free reign.

"I thought I could go everywhere without even asking my parents, but I found out I was wrong," Meagan Dunbar said. "If I get permission to go out, my curfew is 10.00 on week-nights."

New drivers are finding every excuse to get out of the house to drive, even if it means running errands for their parents.

"Doing things around the house is not my thing," Brett Metcalf said. "So when Mom or Dad ask, I jump at the chance."

Along with the new licenses come restrictions. By Texas state law, a driver may only have one passenger in the car at a time, and cannot drive between the times of one a.m. and six a.m. The local curfew is midnight Sunday - Thursdays and 1 a.m. on Friday and Saturday.

"I believe state curfew is ridiculous," Allyson Saling said. "The judgement of when we should be home should be laid down by our parents."

- Courtney Cope



1. "Now that I have started driving my curfew is later," Brooke Knowles said. "My parents have given me a lot more trust, which I love." 2. "Driving can be fun at times, but bad in other ways," Brad Hanna said. "For example, my parents make me do more errands for them, like go to the grocery store." 3. Turning 16 in January, Allyson Saling drives a Plymouth Breeze to school every day. 4. "Driving to me is like therapy," Tanner Treadway said. "It gets me away from my sister."



Katherine Jaynes  
Gabrielle Johnson  
Todd Johnson  
Michael Kennedy  
Amber Kestler



Russell Knight  
Brooke Knowles  
Zachary Leatherman  
Amanda Lundy  
Whitney Magdefessel



Sherelyn Maidens  
Matthew Martin  
Kaitlyn McBroom  
Justin McCarty  
Casey McCoy



Dina McCray  
Jaqueline McKague  
Rachel Melton  
Sarah Mendenhall  
Brett Metcalf

Parking stickers sell for \$2. Only 22 sophomores purchased stickers, while 83, juniors and 101 seniors drive to school.

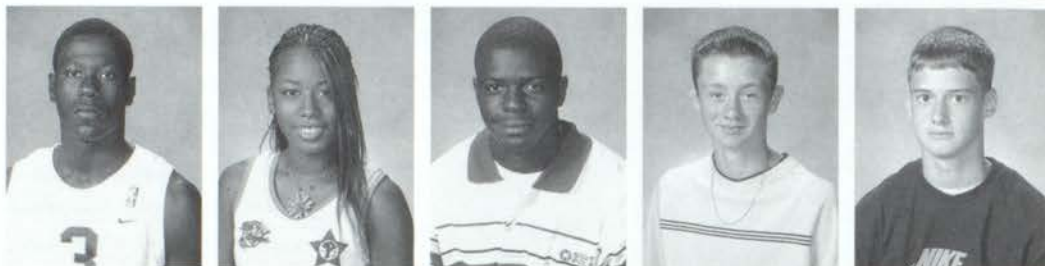
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Bradley Mitchell  
Karen Mitchell  
Sharde Mitchell  
Robert Moilanen  
Dustin Mulkey



Antonio Myers  
Charisma Myers  
Anthony Page  
Chad Peavey  
Kyle Peavey



Billy Peek  
Eric Powell  
Xenia Ragin  
Kristen Ray  
Debrechia Robinson



Blake Rowden  
Allyson Saling  
Shane Satterfield  
Jeffery Scales  
Justin Self



## TAKS incentives

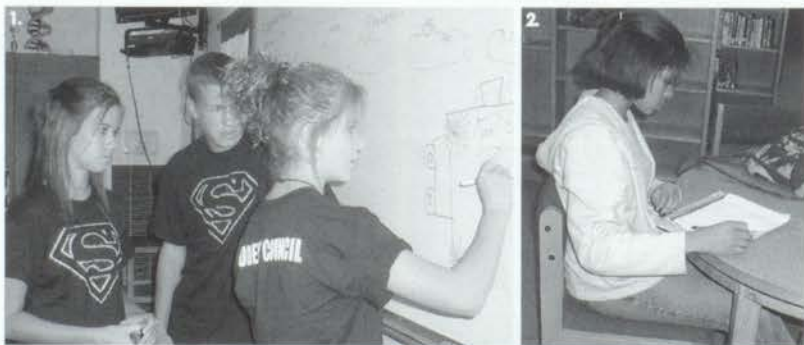
After Christmas break, it's Happy New Year, Happy Valentine's Day, Happy Easter and then TAKS! Administrators dread it, teachers dread it, but most of all students dread it.

This year, administrators decided to offer an incentive to all students allowing them 5 days early release for everyone that passes all subjects.

"I'm not too nervous about having to take the TAKS test this year," Bart Brock said. "But getting out early and being exempt from semester tests will make most people take it more seriously."

Teachers emphasize the importance of TAKS spending countless hours drilling skills in math, science, social studies and English.

"We've been doing it for so long, I don't really think too much about it," Tristen Tefteller said. "I just want everyone to pass and for the school to do well."



1. "In Mr. Burkett's class we review TAKS over and over," Brett Metcalf said. "I almost feel as if I have already taken the test." 2. Working in the library, Teyana Pugh finishes up her late TAKS assignment. 3. Overly excited, Anthony Page finishes up on the last couple of problems. "I hate being the last person to turn my papers in, but I don't like getting the problems wrong either."



- Courtney Cope





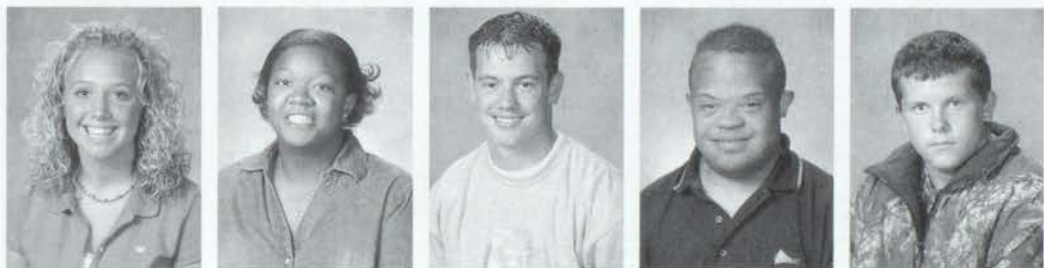
Tyler Shavers  
Kiara Sherman  
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Jessica Smith  
Christopher Son



Chester Stuart  
Carlandria Talbert  
Tristen Tefteller  
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Cortney Thomas



Nathan Thompson  
Tanner Treadway  
Kourtney Walls  
Matthew Waltz  
Richard Whitaker



Laura Wiedemann  
Shaunice Williams  
Matthew Wise  
Courtney Wright  
James Yates



## brewing up a potion

NBHS is recognized for having a successful UIL science team almost every year, and this year is no exception. Led by Mr. Burkett, the science team consists of many bright students, one of which is sophomore Justin McCarty.

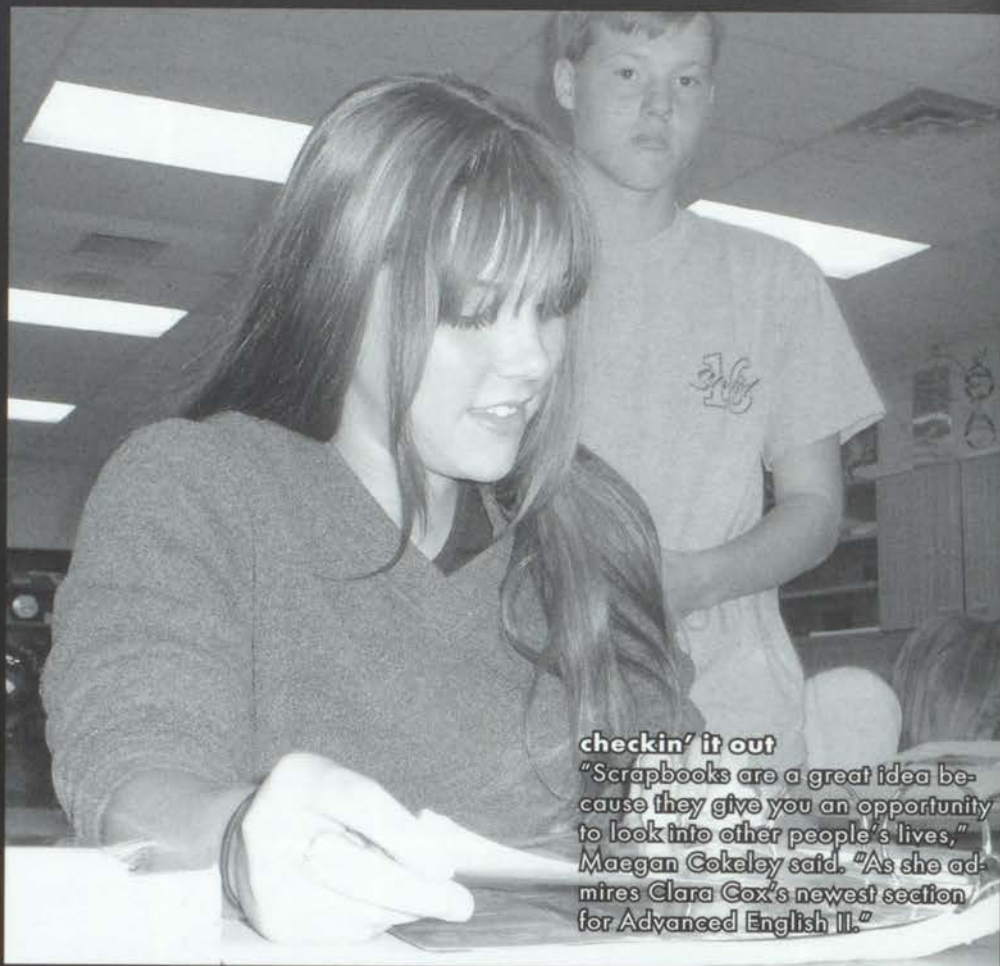
He enjoys science "because of all the chemicals we get to 'play' with," and feels the science team is the place for him.

"We practice and study on Monday nights and during study hall most days," McCarty said. "It's great place to hang out."

McCarty has received many awards, both as an individual and for the team as a whole. He hopes to make the UIL district team next year.

"I placed 5th twice individually, placed first team twice, and then second as a team," McCarty said. "I plan on hitting first or second at the district meet next year."

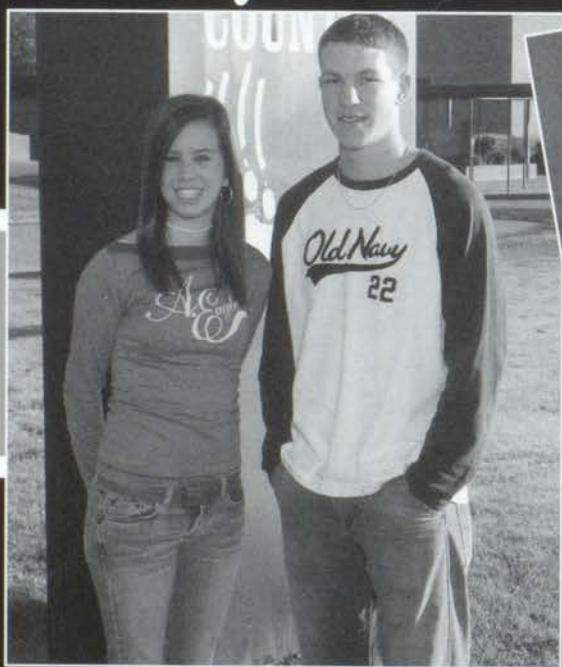
## sophomore moments



### checkin' it out

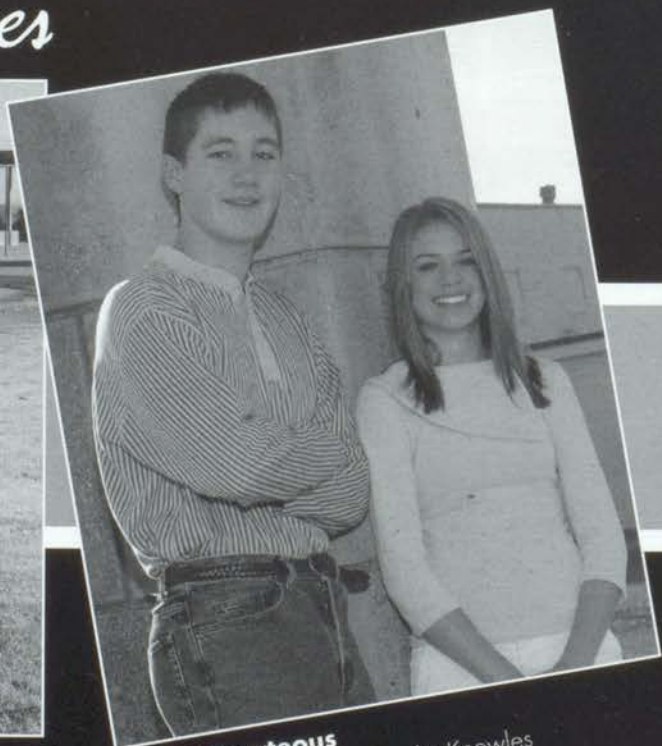
"Scrapbooks are a great idea because they give you an opportunity to look into other people's lives," Maegan Cokeley said. "As she admires Clara Cox's newest section for Advanced English II."

## class favorites



### Best All Around

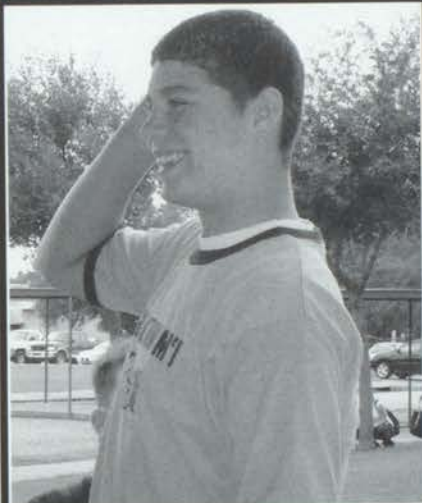
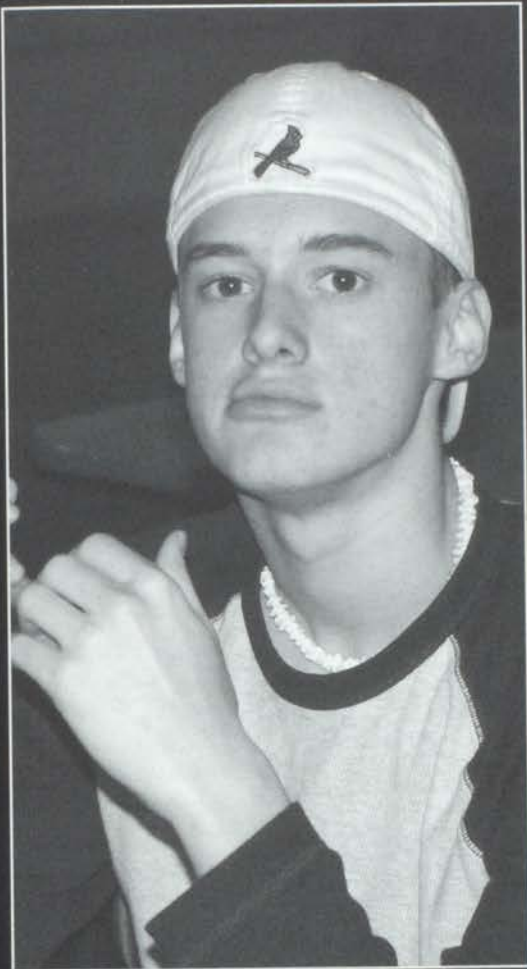
Clara Cox and Brett Metcalf



### Most Courteous

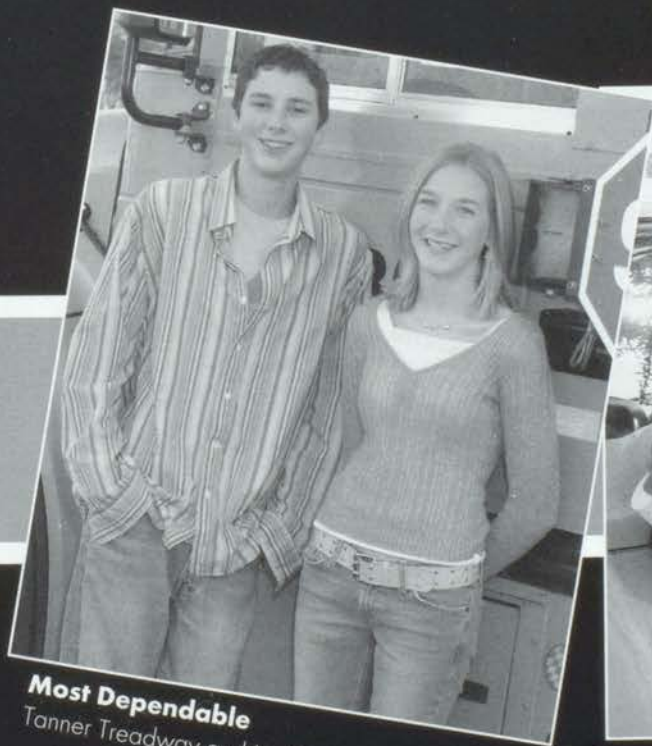
Dawson Carson and Brooke Knowles





**on common ground**

**1.** Kyle Peavey thirsts for a refill of Dr. Pepper at La Caretta's Mexican food restaurant. "Bart and I waited and waited for the waiter to come back, but she didn't, so finally I took charge. I had to go to the back and ask for a refill!" **2.** Picture day, B.J. Peek, Laura Wiedeman, and Matt Wise touch-up Jessica Teran's problem hair before she sits down to be 'snapped.' **3.** No stress here, Patrick Whitaker socializes with his friends at lunch. "It is about the only time I get to relax during the day," he said.



**Most Dependable**

Tanner Treadway and Keri Carson



**Most Fun**

Shelia Carroll and Jordan Daley

Cody Adams  
Justin Adams  
Christopher Allen  
Shaquana Banks  
James Basham



William Bracewell  
Allyson Brock  
Taylor Calfee  
Justin Clowers  
Cody Cope



Ashley Cox  
Rishawn Davis  
Channing Day  
Mason Delanghe  
Bryan Delgado



Andrew Dike  
Thomas Doyle  
Courtney Eiden  
Samantha Eiden  
Anna Elkins



Sapphire Elliott  
Kassie Engelman  
Blaine Epperson  
Brody Epperson  
Paula Flournoy



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"As a freshman class officer, there really isn't a lot for me to do, but I did get to bring supplies and help work on the homecoming float."

- Alexia Hill

# freshmen class of '08

## first day jitters

The first bell of the new school year summons the familiar faces of returning sophomores, juniors and seniors, as well as the timid, yet, eager freshmen. As the upper classes strut down the familiar hallways, the newcomers fumble through their backpacks in search of their schedule, praying they won't get lost or be late on the first day of class.

While many freshmen admit to being nervous on the first day, most adjusted easily to the changes high school brought.

"The biggest change has been the A-B day schedule. The classes are longer," Mitchell Smith said. "I wasn't really nervous on the first day because I was ready to see my friends."



1. Showing signs of nervousness, Ty Knowles and Kameron Wisinger eat lunch under the pavillion instead of in the cafeteria.
2. Paula Floumoy enjoys eating with her friends. "I like to discuss my loving boyfriend over lunch," Floumoy said.
3. Freshmen athletes start the day with athletics. "It's hard to get up and get going in the morning," Mitchell Smith said, "but it's cool."
4. The library is a popular place to hang out after lunch. "I like going in there to talk even if we're not supposed to," Hope Taylor said.

**94 fish**  
**50 boys**  
**44 girls**  
**26 in band**  
**14 in FFA**  
**22 boys in athletics**  
**18 girls in athletics**

Jarvis Haggins  
Alexia Hill  
Andrew Hollgarth  
Brandt James  
Kaylee Johnson



Chloe Jones  
Erin Jones  
Jacob Kasitati  
Daunn Knouse  
Greggory Knowles



Nicholas Kraft  
Savannah Laney  
Heath Lee  
Brittney Lemons  
Jeremy Lomax



Donna Long  
Brittney Lorange



## pain in the back

Many high school students spend each school day hefting backpacks filled with bulky textbooks from class to class. Most students have figured out that it's easier to carry a backpack, rather than try to get to their locker and back between each class.

"My locker is in the last hallway and none of my classes are down there," Tyler Willett said. "It's just easier to carry books with me because there is not enough time without getting a tardy."

It's no surprise that when students go home at night, their backs or necks often hurt.

"I find myself leaning over just to stay balanced," Allison Perry said. "My backpack weighs around 12-15 lbs. and it does hurt my back, but I can't remember my locker combination, so it's just easier."



1. Unzipped, freshman Stephen Sissons, exits the front door at



2.



3.



4.

3:35 with a backpack full of stuff. "I carry most of my books in my backpack so I don't have to go to my locker between classes, Sissons said. "I work on homework pretty much every night." 2. After school, Sapphire Elliott drags her 17 lb. backpack because she gets tired of carrying it on her back. 3. - 4. Tyller Willett and Allison Perry don't leave school without their books in tow. "There's just not enough time between classes to go to my locker," Perry said. "I've had to have two backpacks their year because they wear out from all the books and stuff I carry around."



Heather Lynch  
Matthew May  
Cody Mayo  
Tatra McCoo  
Michelle McDuffie



Mack McGee  
Heath McMillan  
Kinsey Megason  
James Nowlin  
Jose Ordonez



Tiffany Pardue  
Allison Perry  
Allen Phillips  
Alex Province  
Lauren Rawls



Keith Robinson  
Danielle Sanderford  
Alexandria Sandifer



## air-borne *skating to the max*

Pro skateboarders risk various body parts to make moves like the front-slide-pop-shuvit look easy. Heath Lee is learning to master the art of skateboarding.

"I've been skateboarding for three years," Lee said. "I just started watching other skaters."

Lee is a self-taught skater. After many falls, most people would have given up, but Lee won't let a few bumps and bruises stop him. "I've twisted my ankles, and I get headaches from falling, but the pain doesn't last long."

Jonathan Scott  
Stephen Sissons  
Charesa Smith  
Jessica Smith  
Mitchell Smith



Octavion Smith  
Olivia Smith  
Sydney Smith  
Christina Sparks



Meagan Taylor  
Teric Thompson  
Thomas Trader



## double vision twins invade high school

Many people believe that being a twin is a great thing, but having another person that looks the same is challenging at times.

"Sometimes I wish I wasn't a twin," Cody Adams said. "We are as different as night and day. A lot of people think because you look alike, you act alike, too."

One of the perks of being a twin is the fun of confusing people. "In the eighth grade, Courtney and I switched places on our boyfriends," Samantha Eiden said. "Luckily, the boys knew though."

Having a twin is like having a built-in best friend. There is a sleepover every night, and always someone to share your thoughts and feelings with.

"Since coming to high school, we've become closer not only as sisters, but as best friends," Samantha Eiden said. "There is a lot of drama."



**1.** Courtney and Samantha Eiden do pretty much everything together. "We tell each other everything," Samantha said. **2.** Full of life, Blaine and Brody Epperson clown around most of the time. "We hang out with pretty much the same people, but we are different," Blaine said. "I drive a 'Furd,' and Brody is a Dodge man. I like stock car racing, and he likes coon hunting." **3.** Even though they appear identical, twins Cody and Justin Adams have completely different personalities. "We hang out with different people," Justin said. "I'm into sports, and he is in band."







Christopher Wendell  
Tyler Willett  
Antwoine Williams  
Brandon Williams  
Corey Williams



Aaron Wilson  
Sarah Wise  
Kameron Wisinger  
Sean Wooldridge



Matthew Yancy  
Meagan York  
Travis Young



## playing to the beat

Last year James Nowlin was voted best musician by his peers. Today, he is still working hard to hold his title. By challenging within the trombone section he has advanced to second chair.

He may try to pursue band after high school at the Naval Academy in Annapolis.

"I would like to join the navy band," Nowlin said. "I've watched them on television, and they are really cool."

The transition from middle school to high school has been an easy one for Nowlin. The biggest difference is that he gets to march. "It is the only thing that has gotten harder," he said. "Playing and marching at the same time takes getting used to."

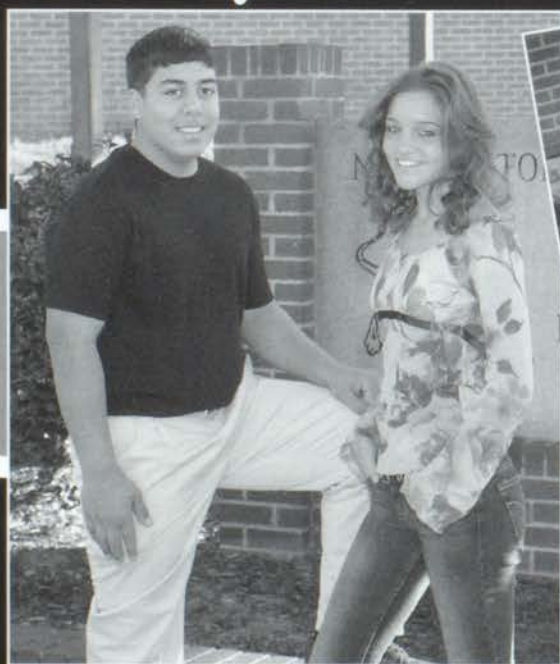


# freshmen moments

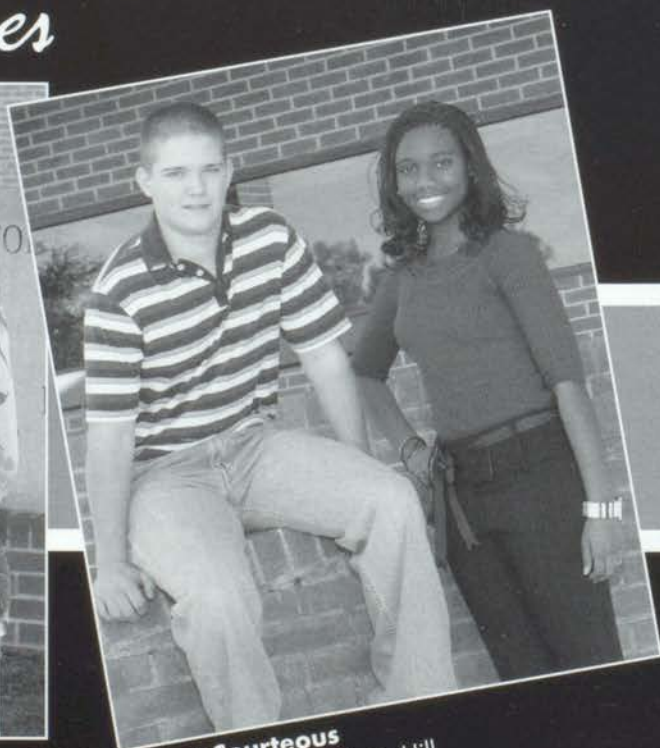


**messing around**  
Chris Wendell, Ty Knowles,  
Mack McGee, and  
Kameron Wisinger find  
ways to amuse each other  
by seeing who can stay  
on the bench the longest.

## class favorites



**Best All Around**  
Jake Kasitati and Anna Elkins

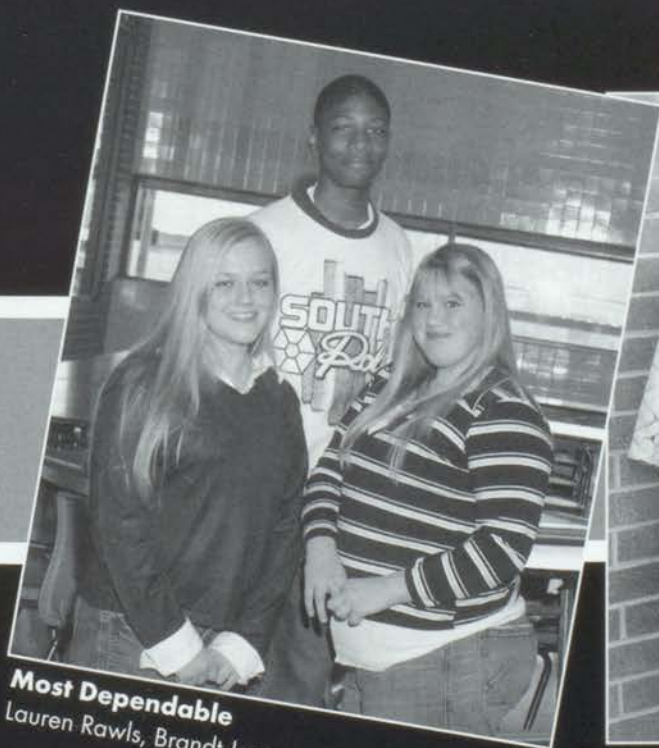


**Most Courteous**  
Cody Mayo and Alexia Hill



**keeping it real**

**1.** Incorporating the seven elements of art, Kassie Engleman creates an original design cover for the 'altered book' she is making in art class. "I used green on the front of mine because it's my favorite color," Engleman said. **2.** Brittney Lorraine touches up her eye make-up during lunch. "On A-days I have lunch after P.E. so I touch up my make-up afterwards," Lorraine said. "I usually reapply my eyeliner and mascara." **3.** Gotta get away! Teric Thompson meets up with Jennifer Riley in the hall between classes. "She gets on my nerves, Thompson said, "but I love her because she is my cousin."



**Most Dependable**

Lauren Rawls, Brandt James, and Sarah Wise



**Most Fun**

Brandon Williams and DeAndra Goldsmith



### hearing the words

In deep concentration sophomore Amber Kestler listens to the rapid flow of Spanish words spouting from the headphones. "We listen to someone speak Spanish, and then we complete a worksheet based on what we heard," Kestler said. "I think learning Spanish will be beneficial to me in the future because of the growing Hispanic population in our state."

## academics

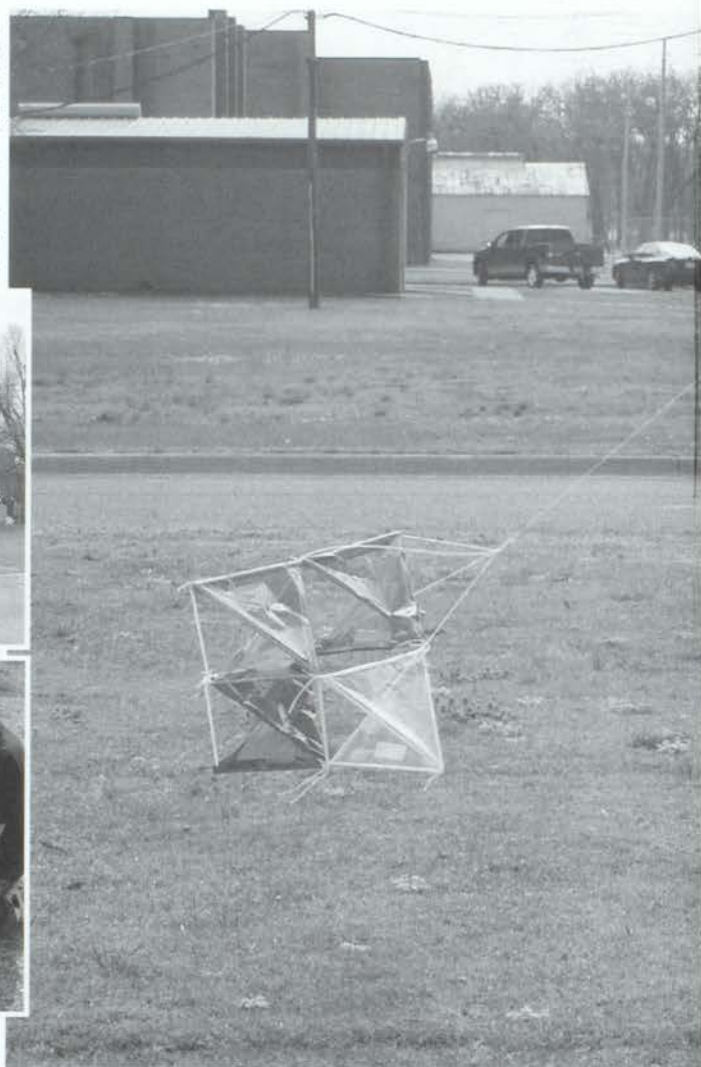
*grasping the point*



Using a spectroscope, Mr. Burkett's chemistry class participates in a lab to determine the emission spectra for different elements.

**Not** only did Mrs. Young's Geometry A/B class fly kites, they came across a huge weather balloon. The man that was there was lifting the balloon hundreds of feet into the air and with that, the school's Internet connection would hopefully be faster. The balloon could be seen clearly 10 miles away.

**Knowing** that their kites will soon fly again, Casey Arrington and Jonathon Scott repair them with a little string and tape.



## hanging on by a string



**Kaylee Harris, 11**

"My favorite part of making the kite was getting to use the colors yellow and green. I didn't like having to suck the straw through the string because I sucked it into my throat a few times. I didn't want to die making a kite!"



**Cortney Thomas, 10**

"My kite flew most of the time. After we got done flying them, it broke. So unfortunately, I had to throw it away when I got home."



**Tiffany Bonham, 10**

"My kite got pretty high up in the air, but it wasn't much fun when it was just sitting on the ground. Now since I know how to make a kite, I'll make one if I'm ever bored."



**Josh Walters, 12**

"I somehow messed up on my kite, so it didn't fly very high. I guess making kites just isn't for me. I learned that Brandon Campbell is good at flying kites. His got up way high!"

# go fly a kite

geometry students use  
2-dimentional patterns  
to make 3-D shapes



**Waiting** for the wind to pick back up, Meagan York attempts to keep her kite in the air. "I had a lot of fun building my kite," York said. "Besides building it, I also enjoyed watching it fly."

**Preparing** to "diaper" her 3-D triangle, Renee Ashworth begins by cutting the cellophane. "I learned how to take simple objects and turn them into more complex figures."



**After** getting the final string through his straw, Russell Knight ties his triangle together. "I don't think I put mine together right because it didn't want to fly."



**1. Being** a perfectionist and carefully measuring a piece of string, Brian Delgado prepares his kite for take-off.

**2. Having** a little trouble getting the string through the straw, Xenia Ragin tries a new approach. Since the string was so small, students had to suck it through a straw. "Trying to put a tiny piece of string

through a straw was the hardest part for me," she said. "It really tested my patience, which I don't have a lot of to begin with!"

**3. Waiting** for the wind, Katie Collins hopes that a breeze will soon pick up her kite.

**4. Watching** his kite take to the air, Brandon Campbell said that the project had other advantages besides learning. "I liked making a kite because we got to get out of class for awhile."

## DISTRICT UIL RESULTS

### JOURNALISM

**Editorial Writing** - Courtney Cope 1st,  
Danielle Randle 2nd

**Feature Writing** - Danielle Randle 4th

**News Writing** - Courtney Cope 5th,  
Danielle Randle 6th

**Headline Writing** - Courtney Cope  
3rd, Danielle Randle 5th

### PROSE & POETRY

Alecia Forbing 3rd, Shelia Carroll 5th,  
Clara Cox 6th  
Kate Fletcher 1st, Deandra Goldsmith 3rd

### ONE ACT PLAY

**Best Actress** - Kate Fletcher

**All-star Cast** - Dawson Carson

**Honorable Mention** - Clara Cox

### READY WRITING

Kate Fletcher 3rd  
Terence Hurd 5th

### LITERARY CRITICISM

Kellye Ward 5th  
Lynn Allgood 6th  
**2nd team** - Kellye Ward, Lynn Allgood,  
Josh Burks, Kristin King

### SPELLING AND VOCABULARY

Chase Olson 3rd  
Erika Baker 6th  
**2nd team** - Chase Olson, Erika Baker,  
Alysha Allen, Blake Barton

### journalism

Danielle Randle, Courtney Cope, and Liane  
Eldred. **Not Pictured:** Kelly Burns



### speech, debate

Alex Barfield, Clara Cox, Keri Carson, Kate  
Fletcher, Chris Saling, DeAndra Goldsmith,  
Tristen Tefteller, Shelia Carroll, Stephen  
Sissons, Josh Owen, Dawson Carson, Alecia  
Forbing, Andre Dorsey



### one act play

Kate Fletcher, Clara Cox, Tristen Tefteller, Keri  
Carson, Alecia Forbing, Katlyn McBroom,  
Alex Barfield, Brett Metcalf, Justin McCarty,  
Dawson Carson, Todd Johnson, Tanner  
Treadway, Eric May, Tyler Hilton



### literary criticism

Kristin King, Lynn Allgood, Kellye Ward, Kate  
Fletcher, Emily Galyon, Terence Hurd



### spelling

Alysha Allen, Chase Olson, Erika Baker,  
Blake Barton



### current events, social studies

Chris Saling, Amber Meador, Kourtney Walls,  
Samantha Yancy, Eric Powell, Dawson  
Carson, Sam Collom, Tanner Treadway







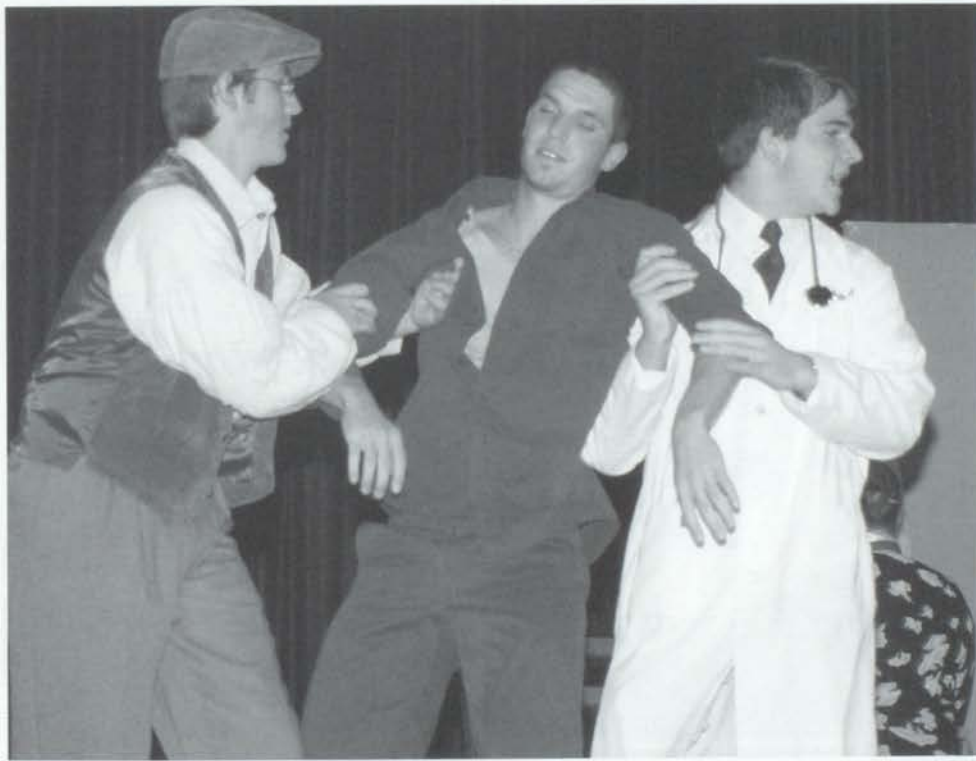
# ACADEMIC COMPETITION

UIL teams place first in district....  
4th year in row



**Best Actress** Kate Fletcher lets loose on Clara Cox (Laura James) during the OAP public performance. She accuses Cox of playing sick games on her son 'Eugene'.

**Making** her public debut as an actress, Sarah Wise (Mrs. Marie "Fatty" Pert), tries to convince Brett Metcalf (Ben Gant) not to join the service. "OAP was a lot of fun, because I learned a lot more about acting," Sarah said. "I found something I'm good at."



**Drunk again** W. O. Gant played by Tyler Hilton gets dragged into the house by his onstage brother Eugene (Dawson Carson) and Dr. McGuire (Eric May) in the public performance of "Look Homeward, Angel." After doing well at district, OAP advanced to area, but they were disqualified for going 4 seconds over their allotted 40 minutes.

**In her element**, Tristen Tefeller (Madame Elizabeth) owner of the local brothel, approaches W.O. to buy a marble angel grave marker for one of her girls 'Lily.'



## giving up Saturdays for practice meets



**Keith Pistolis, 11**

"At times it was tough competing in two events, but it was all worth it when I advanced to regionals in computer applications."

**Alecia Forbing, 10**

"I had a lot of fun acting in One Act Play, but I wasn't happy when we got disqualified for going over time."



**Blake Barton, 10**

"I had gotten my hopes up that I was going to get a letterman when I made 1st team, but then I realized I had to place on my own to get a letterman."

**Jacob Kasitati, 9**

"I really didn't like getting up early on Saturdays because I'm used to waking up at noon every weekend."



# ROAD TO SUCCESS

uil students travel to Austin for state competition

**Mallet** in hand, Alex Barfield takes a ferocious swing at this tail. "The lobster looked at me wrong so I had to kill it," Alex said.

**UIL state competitors** Blake Gardner, Courtney Cope, Jeff May, Alex Barfield, Sam Collom, and Cynthia McDuffie proudly stand with their sponsors, Ms. Miller, Mr. Burkett, and Ms. Purfle at the awards ceremony in UT Thompson center.

**Taking** one last chance to cram, Mr. Burkett and Blake Gardner work a few more problems before going in to the science competition at state. Before practice meets, the science team would arrive about an hour early to memorize formulas and other tricks before the test. "I had a lot of fun at the state meet," Gardner said. "I was disappointed because I didn't do as well as I had hoped. So, next year I hope to do a lot better."



## austin or bust



**Jeff May, 12**

"At the beginning of the year, I didn't think we'd make it to state, but it was for sure my goal."

**Courtney Cope, 11**

"I definitely didn't think I was going to make it to state. This was my first year in any UIL event, and when I first started I didn't have a clue about journalism."



**Cynthia McDuffie, 12**

"The best thing about state was everyone that went. They made the trip fun and very worthwhile."

**Sam Collom, 12**

"Since I have never been to state, being able to go my senior year was great. I was disappointed, though, when we didn't do well."



**accounting**

Tanner Treadway, Josh Owen, Johnathan Garcia, Jeff May

**calculator**

Keith Pistolis, Chase Olson, Kellye Ward, Justin Fellers

**computer applications,  
computer science**

Keith Pistolis, Magan McCarter, Eric May, Lauren Day, Ally Brock, Jessica Teran

**number sense and math**

Jake Kasitati, Jeff May, Brooke Knowles, Elizabeth Pardue, Ashley Gilmore, Dawson Carson, Brett Metcalf, Matthew Yancy, Eric May

**science**

Caleb Cross, Alex Barfield, Brett Metcalf, Sam Collom, Dawson Carson, Cynthia McDuffie, Blake Gardner



**Early to rise** on Saturday, students manage to be positive about their morning departure to a practice meet in Sulphur Springs. Once UIL begins, students attend practice meets preparing for district.

**UIL DISTRICT RESULTS****Accounting:**

Jeff May 2nd, Tanner Treadway 3rd, Josh Owen tied 4th

**1st team-** Jeff May, Tanner Treadway, Josh Owen

**Computer Applications:**

Keith Pistolis 2nd, Eric May 4th, Magan McCarter 5th

**Calculator Applications:**

Keith Pistolis 4th, Chase Olson 5th, Kellye Ward 6th

**Number Sense:**

Jeff May 2nd

**Computer Science:**

Jessica Teran 4th, Lauren Day 3rd, Ally Brock 6th

**2nd team-** Jessica Teran, Lauren Day, Ally Brock

**Science:**

Sam Collom 1st, Blake Gardner 2nd, Cynthia McDuffie 5th, Alex Barfield 6th

**1st team-** Sam Collom, Blake Gardner, Cynthia McDuffie

**Mathematics:**

Jeff May 3rd

**2nd team-** Jeff May, Ashley Gilmore, Brett Metcalf

**UIL REGIONAL RESULTS**

**Editorial Writing:** Courtney Cope, 3rd

**Spelling:**

Chase Olson 5th

**Accounting:**

Jeff May 3rd

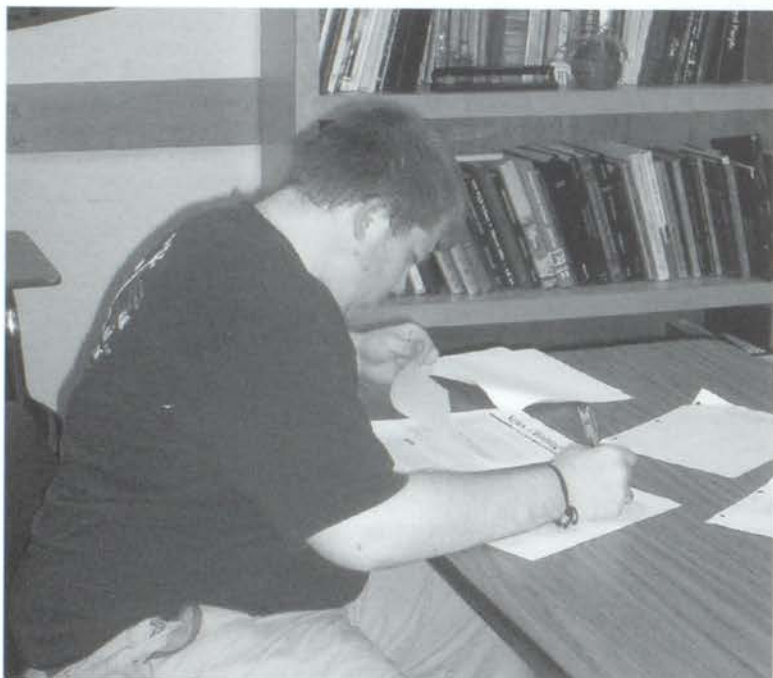
**Science:**

Sam Collom 4th, Blake Gardner 5th, Alex Barfield 6th

**1st team-** Sam Collom, Blake Gardner, Alex Barfield, Cynthia McDuffie

journalism students  
elect to report the facts

# NEWSPAPER, A TEAM EFFORT



**Focused** on the prompt given to him by Ms. Purtle, senior Jonathan Longan begins to write a news story. Journalism students learned how to search for news, focus on the facts and write news, editorials and feature stories. "I found that it's easier to write editorials than the other types of stories," Jonathan said. "I like to voice my opinions."

**Walking** away with another medal, Courtney Cope heads back to her seat after receiving 1st place in editorial writing at the district UIL meet.



**Trying** to meet a deadline, Bryan Poole revises his news story one last time before deadline.



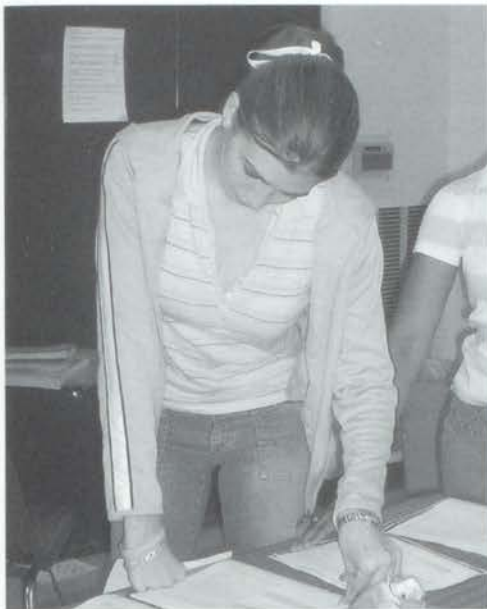
**Getting** a head start of the year's first newspaper, Keri Carson begins typing her story onto the page.



**Catching** Danielle Randle in the hallway, Jennifer Durst puts on her selling face and collects 25 cents for the *Roaring Times News*.



- 1. Journalism I:** Ally Brock, Courtney Cope, Jonathan Longan, Stacy Firth, Alexia Hill, Jennifer Durst, and Bryan Poole **Not pictured:** Te'yana Pugh and Heather Lynch
- Since they have the same birthday, Ally Brock and Coach Hill celebrate by blowing out a candle. Coach Hill visited Ms. Purtle's room on a regular basis hoping to find lunch.
- Noses to the grind, journalism I students prepare newsletter layouts using the new in-design program.
- After placing in all four journalism events, Danielle Randle accepts her 3rd place medal in Editorial Writing. "It felt awesome just to be able to advance to regionals, because I accomplished one of the goals I had set at the beginning of the year."



**Seeing** the final product come out, Heather Lynch organizes the pages of the newsletter. "News writing was my favorite type of writing because it seemed easier than the rest," Heather said.

**During** the second semester, Te'anya Pugh works on ad pages for the yearbook. "I really got frustrated working on the computer, because the program is so different from what I am used to," she said. "After you get the hang of drawing the text boxes, it's not too difficult."



**Attending** their first journalism practice meet at Pine Tree High School, Courtney Cope, Danielle Randle, Liane Eldred, Keri Carson, Heather Lynch and Lexi Hill manage to find computers next to each other at the contest. "Feature writing is my favorite type of writing because it is easier than the others," Alexia Hill said. "That was the first time I went to a meet. I've learned how to write stories like the ones they write in the newspaper this year."

## learning useful knowledge



**Ally Brock, 9**

"Since I'm planning to be on yearbook staff next year, journalism has helped me a lot by teaching me how to write stories correctly."

**Jennifer Durst, 10**

"Journalism has really helped me gain more self-confidence, and I've learned how to talk to people easier."



**Stacy Firth, 10**

"My favorite part of journalism was being able to read the newspaper and learn the different parts of the paper."

**Top** ad sales person, Brianne Wardell, confirms information from a previous yearbook ad. "I didn't mind asking the businesses to renew their ads," Wardell said. "Besides, I got a free yearbook for selling the most!"

**Checking** out the aperture, senior Jessica Baggett tries to figure out the new digital camera. "I can take good pictures," she said. "I just don't like getting down on the floor at basketball games."

**Sorting** three to four hundred yearbooks can be a pain in the back, so Chris Saling borrows the school dolly to load and move the heavy boxes. "A lot of students ordered books with their names on them," Saling said. "But the boxes were not labeled on the outside, so we had to open each box to alphabetize them before handing them out."



## first year on staff



**Sydney Smith, 9**

"My first year was fun, but I had a hard time getting stuff from the organization I covered and there were not enough computers, so it was nervewracking at times."

**Brett Metcalf, 10**

"At the beginning of the year, I enjoyed selling ads, but I really did not enjoy making pages."



**Kristy Knight, 11**

"At the start of the year I didn't think I was going to make it, but then as time went on and I figured out what I was doing, it turned out to be okay."



**6th Period:** Brett Metcalf, Ms. Purtle, Cortney Thomas, Kim Shute, Meagan Dunbar, Brianne Wardell

**8th Period:** Rachel Edson, Jessica Baggett, Sydney Smith, Ms. Purtle, Lauren Rawls, Chris Saling, Kristy Knight

**Killing time,** Cortney Thomas and Brett Metcalf enjoy the lull between students coming in to get their new yearbooks.

**Getting** to view the new yearbooks first is one perk of being on staff. Rachel Edson and Lauren Rawls scan the new book before the bell rings and students arrive. "I have to look at the book several times before I can really see everything I want to see," Lauren said.

# HISTORY IN THE MAKING

yearbook staff  
photograph & document  
students, school events



**Staying** on top of things, Jessica Baggett turns in money and paperclips a business card to the back of a sales receipt. Selling ads takes up most of the first six weeks of school in yearbook class. "It's fun to get out and visit the different businesses," Jessica said. "That is, if you get a good partner that will help you."

**Reminders** get posted on the board because there are always so many things to do. "It is hard to get pictures taken at all the different events," senior Kim Shute said. "So I would leave notes begging people to take pictures when I had to work nights."

**Making** notes while on the phone to middle school. Cortney Thomas frequently called to get information for her pages.

**Work night** "We were so far behind that six weeks we had to work extra hours," Meagan said. "I was so tired and got so frustrated that I shoved the box of Whoppers down Chris Saling's throat."



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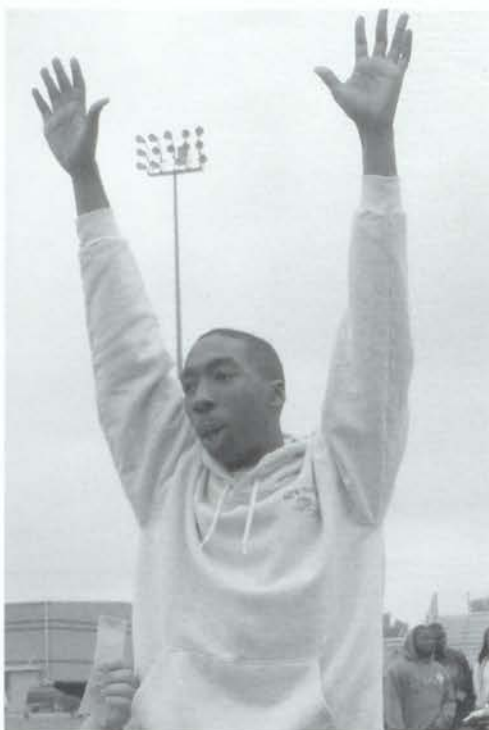
**After** winning the softball throw, Corey Basham accepts his 1st place ribbon and proudly shows it to the crowd.



**Placing** 2nd in the shot put, David Duncan holds up his red ribbon. David also participated in the 50 meter walk as well as the softball throw. He brought home two gold medals from the area special olympics.



**Recognizing** his name over the loud speaker, Reggie Fields identifies himself as the gold medal winner of the 50 meter dash.



**Waiting** for the results of the 100 meter race, Mark Haggins and Aaron Alford goof off and have a good time. Mark won medals at the area and state competition.



**After** he participated and placed 2nd in the 100M walk/run, Casey Cavin receives a high-five from Mrs. Melton.



**Stepping up** to the finish line of the 100 meter walk, John Gurley places first. He also placed at area and state.

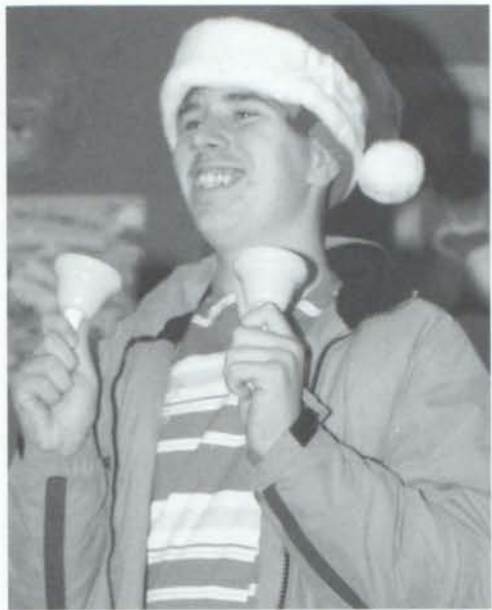
**Standing** long jump comes easy for Brady Upson. He obtained a gold medal at state. Brady also medaled in the 100 meter at the local and area race.



**Cheering** on his teammates, Jeffery Pierce walks away a winner from his event.







# BEYOND EXPECTATIONS

**life skills** students take on hand bells, art, special olympics



**During** the annual Christmas Party, Chris Son plays his part in "Joyful Noise" on his handbells.

**Taking** a break from the dance floor, Patrick King and Jean Hubbard have refreshments at the prom.



**Gladly** sitting on Santa's (Jordan Higgs) knee, Chris Hurd accepts a Christmas gift. Every year Student Council puts on a party for the Life Skills students.

**Cuddling** a boxer puppy, Crystle Burns learned how to handle dogs when she visited the Culpepper's kennel.



## arts and crafts offer opportunity to be creative



**During** art class, Rebekah Danner gives Yolanda Wright a little advice on her project.

**Scissors** and glue make creating art more interesting and 'messy' for Michael Kennedy.



**Putting** the final touches on his artwork, Courtney Wright decides to add a little more color to his project.

# WORKING HARD

diversified career prep allows students to work, study



**1st period:** Michael Smith, Bryce

Martin, Jared Staats, Brandon Ballard, Alice Mitchell, Heath Herbert, Mark McCullough, Mandi Gibson, Stacy Gregory, Stefanie Massengill, Kaley Romans, Matt Farrington, Mary Littleton, Rhonda Smith, Mahala Miller, Candace Hall, Lauren Cherry



**3rd Period:** Sarah Sargent, Cory Burns, Kim Shute, Travis May, Rodney Smith, Kellye Ward, Elizabeth Marphew, Raneisha Betts

**6th period:** Lindsey Stewart, Daniel Rhea, Casey Atkinson, Justin Page, Dianna Walker, Julie Griffith, John Hartwick, Ken Lancaster, Loranda Haggins, Ashley Thompson, Jennifer Riley, Kelly Burns, Jennifer Austin, JR Noey, Matt Allen, Justin Glass, Zach Pommer, Aaron Jones



**Matt Allen**  
Western Auto



**Casey Atkinson**  
Outback Steakhouse



**Jennifer Austin**  
Dr. Flores



**Brandon Ballard**  
Brookshire's



**During** her DCP class, Sarah Sargent gets a little help from Mr. O'Rear on how to better prepare herself for the job market.



**Raneisha Betts**  
Dairy Queen



**Cory Burns**  
King Paint and Body



**Kelly Burns**  
Brookshire's



**Lauren Cherry**  
County Clerk's Office



**LaVonna Dedmon**  
Dairy Queen



**Matt Farrington**  
Sonic Drive-in



**Emmett Forte**  
Longhorn Grill



**Mandi Gibson**  
McDonald's



**Justin Glass**  
Epperson's Land and Timber



**Stacy Gregory**  
Brookshire's



**Julie Griffith**  
Front Street Junction



**Loranda Haggins**  
Burger King



**Candace Hall**  
MVP Pizza



**John Hartwick**  
Brookshire's



**Heath Herbert**  
Bumper to Bumper



**Shaneika Johnson**  
Dairy Queen



**Aaron Jones**  
Subway



**Jill Kasitati**  
Mark Henry's



**Ken Lancaster**  
District Clerk's Office



**Mary Littleton**  
Subway



**Bryce Martin**  
Radio Shack



**Stefanie Massengill**  
Melissa Adams



**Travis May**  
Corbett Carlile Builder



**Mark McCullough**  
Super 1 Foods



**Mahala Miller**  
Eaves Mobile Home



**Alice Mitchell**  
JCM Industries



**Elizabeth Morphe**  
Phillips 66



**JR Noey**  
Sonic Drive-In



**Justin Page**  
Burger King



**Zach Pommer**  
Auction Services Inc.



**Daniel Rhea**  
Lone Star Loans



**Jennifer Riley**  
Burger King



**Kaley Romans**  
Front Street Junction



**Micheal Rosenbaun**  
J&G Tires



**Sarah Sargent**  
Dairy Queen



**Kim Shute**  
Mark Henry's



**Rhonda Smith**  
Century Bank



**Rodney Smith**  
Johnston Ford



**Michael Smith**  
Smith Lock and Key



**Jared Staats**  
Subway



**Lindsey Stewart**  
TaMolly's Restaurant



**Ashley Thompson**  
Burger King



**Dianna Walker**  
K C Hair Salon



**Kellye Ward**  
C-Stores Enterprises



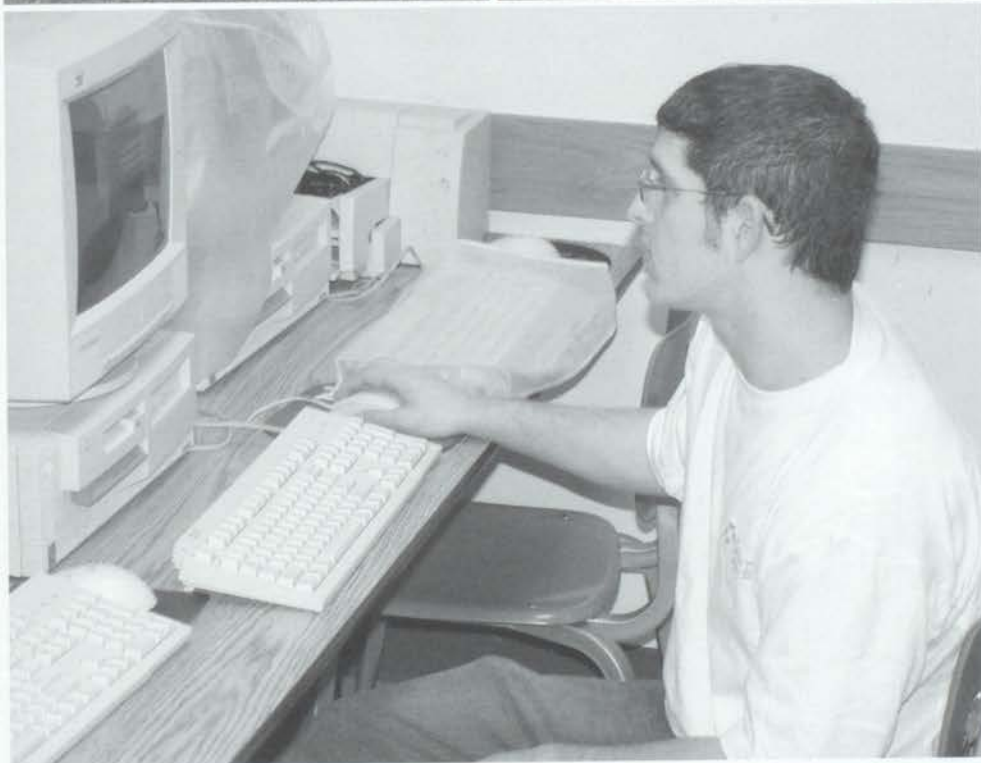
# CROSSING PATHS

vocational adjustment classes prepare students to make choices



**7th Period:** Jonathan Smith, Chris Griffin, Kacie Morgan, Billy Riley  
not pictured: Aaron Mitchell

**1st Period:** Jonathan Longan, Aaron Smith, Crystal Edmond, Kimberly Mitchell, Jessica Capps, Brandon Powell, Brandon Morgan



**Utilizing** free time in class, Brandon Powell checks out possible job openings via internet. Though students did not use the computers very much, every once and awhile they were able to have job searches and find new job openings. "We've done some helpful things in class," he said. "I learned how to make and keep an employment portfolio, how to be a good employee, fill out applications correctly, and how to do the complete job search."

experience gives students opportunity to choose career



**Crystal Edmond, 11**

"VAC has helped me learn certain job skills and how to set realistic goals."

**Kacie Morgan, 12**

"By learning to write resumes and gaining interviewing skills, I feel I will be prepared for the work force in the future."



**Billy Riley, 11**

"I enjoyed participating in the VAC classroom career day. It was interesting."



### business/vocational

Micah Knox, Amanda Lundy, Martin McGee, Travis Young, Cory Burns, Kourtney Walls, Keith Pistolis, Sam Bullard, Amy Sanders, Savannah Laney, Jan Webster, Samantha Yancy, and Mary Littleton



### English/psychology

Kacie Morgan, Laura Wiedemann, Eric Powell, Amanda Lundy, Alysha Allen, Bryan Delgado, Amanda Tyson, Heath Lee, Cody Mayo, Jill Snyder, Kellye Ward



### fine arts

Lauren Rawls, Brett Metcalf, Tyler Hilton, Bryan Delgado, Keri Carson, Kristin King, Courtney Cope, Jessica Baggett



### math

Sarah Wise, Sarah Mendenhall, Kourtney Walls, Jeff May, Becca Collom, Jennifer Durst, Lauren Cherry, Hope Taylor, Matthew Yancy, Elizabeth Pardue, Lindsey Fowler



### science/history

Jessica Teran, Amanda Lundy, Sam Collom, Brad Mitchell, Stephen Sissions, Danniell Alexander, Matthew Yancy, Nicole Hensley, Elizabeth Pardue, Magan McCarter, Emily Galyon, Jitendra Patel



### social studies/health/ physical education

Tanner Treadway, Jonathan Scott, Matt Allen, Jan Webster, Laura Hanna, La'Nika Pugh





# ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE

students receive awards in subject areas, UIL



**Waiting tables** at the academic banquet, Amber Meador picks up Mr. Johnson's plate. "I really didn't like serving because it was busy and we never stopped," Amber said. "I was scared that I was going to drop something and I actually almost did."

Mary Littleton gladly accepts the DCP award from Mr. O'Rear.



**Ahhh** yeah, I knew I would get this award.....embracing Anatomy teacher Lajuan Garrett, Nicole Hensley accepts her placque. "I was surprised to get invited, but by the end of the night I knew which award I was getting," Hensley said. "I also served at the banquet. I really enjoyed that. I felt like I was helping out."

Coach Doss presents Lauren Cherry with the Algebra 2 award.



## hard work and dedication pays off



**Laura Wiedemann, 10**

"My favorite part of the night was when Mrs. Pyron hugged me and said "Love ya."

**Jonathan Scott, 9**  
"I wasn't expecting to get the World Geography award because there were other people who made better grades than me."



**Kourtney Walls, 10**

"I think my favorite part of the night was when I got a card and my award from Mrs. Cody."

**Heath Lee, 9**  
"I enjoyed getting my award from Mrs. Pyron, but I didn't think I was going to get it."







### exceeding the limits

Adding a little Christmas spirit to the nursing home, FCCLA member Donna Long adorns the halls with decorations.

"We hung over 30 snowmen, and it was a very rewarding experience to wish everyone at the nursing home a 'Merry Christmas.'"

## clubs *joining forces*



Reviewing flash cards, seniors Jan Webster, Jordan Higgs, and Brianne Wardell teach kindergarteners Spanish.



**Student Council Officers & class representatives:**

President - Sam Collom, Vice President - Kellya Ward,  
 Secretary - Jordan Higgs, Reporter - Rebecca Collom, Executive Council -  
 Clara Cox, Magan McCarter, M.J. Hurd, Courtney Cope, Brandon Ballard,  
 Bria James, and Brianne Wardell

**Juniors/Senior members:** Jordan Higgs, Tyler Hilton, Andre Dorsey,  
 Brandon Ballard, Chanelle Wade, Micah Knox, Brianne Wardell, Courtney  
 Kroll, M.J. Hurd, Kellye Ward, Jessica Higgs, Courtney Cope, Alex Barfield,  
 Erika Baker, Ambra Dorsey, Bria James, Andrea Dorsey, Loranda Haggins,  
 Magan McCarter, Jeff May, and Sam Collom

**Sophomore/freshmen:** Matthew Yancy, Jarvis Haggins, Rebecca  
 Collom, Brett Mecall, Kaylee Johnson, Brandon Grey, Jacob Kasitani,  
 Sharde Mitchell, Deandra Goldsmith, Tiffany Paudue, Tristen Tefteller,  
 Meagan Dunbar, Clara Cox, Cody Adams

**i can... i did... i will...**

Reclining, Krystle Bonham waits the 15-20 minutes for her blood to be drawn. "This is like the fourth time I have given blood, so it doesn't bother me to donate," she said.



**hooked up**

Bria James relaxes while giving blood. "I was really happy that I was able to give blood," she said. "Last year they couldn't find my vein."



**national volunteer blood donor month**

Jessica Boggett and M.J. Hurd held up their free t-shirts after donating blood. "It's not a bad experience," Jessica said. "It doesn't hurt, plus you get cookies, juice, and a free shirt."

**down to the last drop**

Although it takes an average of one hour per person to give blood, only four or five people got sick," sponsor Alice Young said. "That's a big decrease from last year."



## student council

shares good fortune with others



- 1. Kid stuff** Courtney Cope entertains Michael Kennedy with a bubble show. "The best part was watching the students sit on Santa's lap," Cope said.
- 2. Can you hear me now?** Micah Knox makes a quick call to her brother. "I was making plans with some other people to go to Phil's after the Masquerade dance."
- 3. Blinded** Brianna Wardell makes a threatening swing for the pinata. "It was embarrassing," she said. "I heard everyone laughing when I was trying my best."
- 4. Fulfilling** her StuCo duties, Becca Collom serves milk and cookies at a volleyball game. "The hardest thing for me was trying not to eat the cookies," she said.
- 5. Having a little fun** Meagan York, Meagan Dunbar, and Kaylee Johnson encourage Chris Son to blow bubbles. "It makes you realize how some kids appreciate the smallest things," Dunbar said.

## goodwill hunting



**Jordan Higgs, 12**  
"I was Santa Claus, and all the kids sat in my lap. It brought tears to my eyes to see those smiling faces. If anyone gets a chance to experience it, they should."



**Kellye Ward, 12**  
"I love seeing the kids open their presents. They get so excited, and their joy is contagious. Being near them has made me more open, patient, and taught me to care about others."



**Magan McCarter, 11**  
"They played us songs that they had learned on hand bells, and it was so heartwarming. They know me by name now; I have so many new 'boyfriends'."



**Brandon Ballard, 12**  
"I was an elf, so I handed out gifts. Seeing the way the kids acted and enjoyed themselves was the best."



**officers**

Vice-President - Lynn Allgood, Secretary - Micah Knox, President - Jill Snyder, Public Relations - Cynthia McDuffie

**senior members**

Kristin King, Mary Littleton, Jan Webster, Lynn Allgood, Micah Knox, Chase Olson, Amy Sanders, Candance Hall, Jordan Higgs, Jill Snyder, Jeff May, Laura Hanna, Cynthia McDuffie, Sam Collom, Kellye Ward, Terence Hurd, Josh Owens, Kate Fletcher, Jessica Baggett, Brianne Wardell

**junior members**

Matt Allen, Stephen Barthel, Deanna Bray, Courtney Cope, Caleb Cross, Andrea Dorsey, Rachel Edson, Blake Gardner, Nicole Hensley, Jessica Higgs, Kyle House, Bria James, Malachi Lopez, Eric May, Cade Mayo, Amber Meador, Magan McCarter, Martin McGee, Elizabeth Pardue, Keith Pistolis, La'Nika Pugh, Greg Reid, Chris Saling, Ashley Spradlin, Josh Turner, Starlyn Tutt, Amanda Tyson, Samantha Yancy

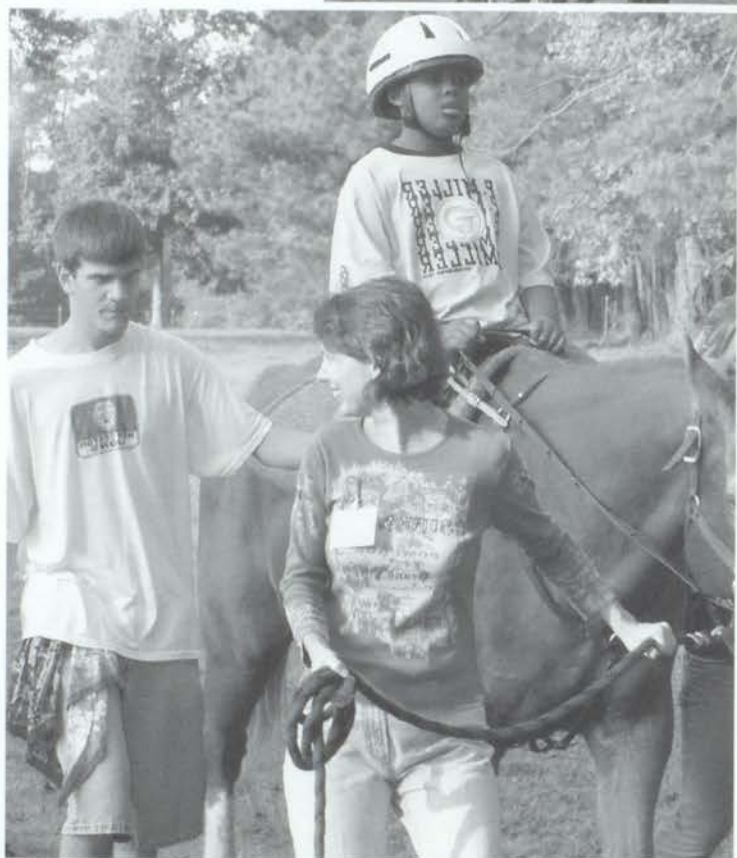
**trail ride**

After a walk around the arena and a stroll down the trail, Jan Webster cautiously watches her partner while he rides on the horse.



**follow the leader**

Jeff May discusses the program with a WJ trainer. "The main point of the horse riding was to help the children with their physical therapy," May said. "I was amazed that they have programs like that for children."



**happy trails**

Watching for horse patties, Brianne Wardell gets to know her friend while traveling down the trail. "Watching the kid's faces light up on the horses was an awesome experience," Wardell said. "They taught us a lot that day."

**a matter of understanding**

"Working at the WJ. Ranch was great," Lynn Allgood said. "I felt really blessed to be able to assist the little kids riding horses."



nhs

national honor society inducts  
new members



**1. Lighting** the candle that symbolizes character, Cynthia McDuffie serves as Public Relations officer. **2. Onstage** to receive her pin and certificate, Amber Meador stands very still while getting pinned. "I'm glad that I got in," Meador said. "I know that my experiences will help me later in life." **3. Receiving** her NHS pin, La Nika Pugh believes being a member of NHS is an honor. "I feel like I have accomplished something," Pugh said. "It makes me realize how hard I have been working." **4. Full** of pride, Blake Gardner proudly accepts his NHS pin from Courtney Kroll. "Walking onstage and getting pinned was pretty cool," Gardner said. "I'm just glad she didn't stick me." **5. Shaking** hands with Chase Olson, Matt Allen receives his NHS induction certificate.

thoughts on acceptance



**Samantha Yancy, 11**

"I felt honored to be accepted into such a prestigious group. It will allow me to get more scholarships, and it will help me to be accepted into the college I wish to attend."



**Jessica Baggett, 12**

"Being apart of NHS has given me good leadership experiences. I am glad to have been a part of this."



**Andrea Dorsey, 11**

"It is nice to know that I am a part of a club that accepts you for your intelligence. It makes me feel important and liked."



**Lynn Allgood, 12**

"I have worked hard in NHS doing all that I can to help and serve others. I was delighted to serve as NHS Vice-President."





**Sophomores**

Meagan Cokerley, Clara Cox, Meagan Durbin, Meagan Ford, Whitney Magdefessel, Akira Hooks, Rachel Mellon, Katherine Joyntes, Kerl Carson, Brooke Knowles, Lauren Day, Bryan Delgado, Amber Kestler, Charly Hall, Tyler Shavers, Sheila Carroll, Rebecca Collan, Laura Wiedemann, Ashley Gilmore, Amanda Lundy, Sarah Mendenhall, Alysha Allen, Kenia Rogin, Sasha Dumis, Brandon Gray, Kyle Peavy, Brod Harris, Bart Brock, Anton Hixon

**Juniors**

Amber Meador, DeAnna Bray, Jessica Higgs, Greg Reid, Eric May, Courtney Cope, Ashley Spradlin, Erika Baker, Izanika Pugh, Nicole Hensley, Rachel Edson, Brittney Parrish, Lindsay Fowler, Kristy Knight, Courtney Williams, Samantha Yancy, Justin Fellers, Shelley Coleman, Morgan McCarter, Elizabeth Pardon, Blake Gardner, Martin McGee, Danielle Randle, Josh Turner, Justin Minyard, Cade Mayo, Keith Pitalis, Joey Leafheman, Caleb Cross, Alex Barfield, Chris Salzig

**Seniors**

Kellye Ward, Kristin King, Rhonda Molinar, Jyl Snyder, Kate Fletcher, Claire Collan, Brianna Wardell, Skanelia Johnson, Micah Knox, Lindsey Stewart, Lindsey Marden, Amy Sanders, Courtney Kroll, Elizabeth Marplew, Chase Olson, Lynn Allgood, Jillian Kaslari, Haylee Houston, John Hartwick, Jessica Bagggett, Jan Webster, Jordan Higgs, Sam Collan, M.J. Hurd, Terence Hurd, Brandon Hall, Josh Owen

**President-** Cade Mayo, **Vice-President-** Jessica Higgs, **Secretary-** Courtney Cope, **Treasurer-** Justin Fellers, **Historian-** Brianna Wardell

**food for thought**

Chowing down, senior John Hartwick savors the first bite. "Before we got our food, I filled up on honey and tortillas."



1. Lynn Allgood and Jessica Higgs fight for the win in Spanish bingo. "We were so irritated because we could not win," Allgood said. "We were getting good until the tornado siren accidentally went off and scared everyone away."

2. Caleb Cross stuffs his face at La Caretta's during January's meeting. "I love that restaurant, mostly because they have free desserts," he said. 3. If it's a race to see who bites into their soft taco first, Josh Chappell wins. He is one bite ahead of Nicole Hensley. "I like all of our meetings, but I really liked that one," he said. "The food was awesome."



## spanish club

"no hablo espanol"



### Spanish III works with kindergarteners

1. Tyler Hilton uses a coloring sheet to encourage kindergartener Jace Staats to learn numbers and colors in Spanish. 2. Staying inside the lines is serious business for Lynn Allgood and helper Willow Plunk. 3. Kelly Burns and Hannah Sarria proudly display their picture. 4. Jessica Baggett signs her autograph for Madison Beal. 5. New pal Hannah Burnett looks on as Jan Webster reviews the names of different animals in Spanish.

## all fun and games



**Bryan Delgado, 9**  
"It is the greatest because you get to eat and because Mrs. Drennan and Mrs. McGee are the sponsors."



**Xenia Ragin, 10**  
"It is awesome that the sponsors give us the opportunity to go out to eat and trust us to behave because we are such a good group."



**Brittney Parrish, 11**  
"I like getting to spend time with my friends and getting to know people I normally do not have time to get to know at school."



**Kate Fletcher, 12**  
"Mrs. McGee and Mrs. Drennan must have a lot of patience to put up with a bunch of hungry high-schoolers all the time."

# science club

## takes on fund-raising projects



### science club officers

President - Amy Sanders, Vice-President - Jeff May, Secretary - DeAnna Bray, Treasurer - Lynn Allgood, Reporter - Alex Barfield

### junior/senior members

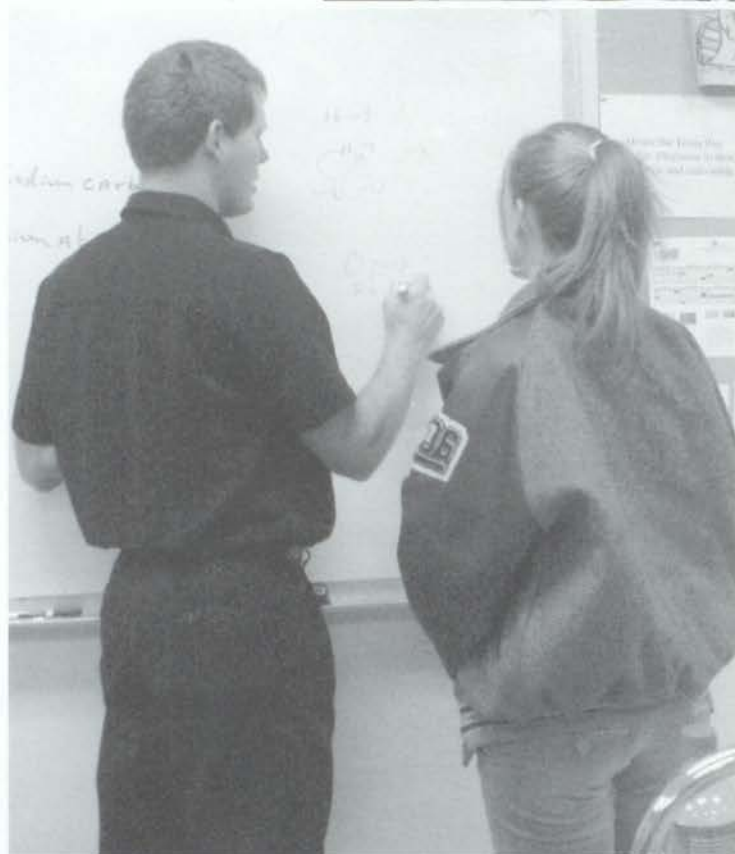
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### freshmen/sophomore members

Christy Sparks, Brooke Knowles, Savannah Laney, Andrew Dike, Keri Carson, Kaylee Johnson, Maegan Cokeley, Cody Adams, Allyson Saling, Tristen Tefteller, Meagan York, Clara Cox, Jessica Smith, Kourtney Walls, Lauren Day, Paige Duncan, Sarah Mendenhall, Shelia Carroll, Carlandria Talbert, Becca Collom, Justin McCarty, Whitney Magdefessel, Matt Martin, Matt Yancy, Xenia Ragin, Ashley Gilmore, Zachary Leatherman, James Nowlin, Dawson Carson, Dustin Mulkey, Brett Metcalf

**Calling** the meeting to order, Alex Barfield, DeAnna Bray and Amy Sanders get the science club members focused on business. "It is a big responsibility to be the president," Sanders said. "But I love it."

**Popping** in to get extra Chemistry help, Shelley Coleman interrupts a science club meeting. "I was just having a little trouble learning how to find oxidation numbers," she said.



**While** loading the boxes, Jessica Smith anticipates the job of delivering the 28 tubs of cookie dough she sold. "I couldn't wait to get home and give everyone theirs," she said.

**Anxious** to test the cookie dough, Xenia Ragin takes a peek to see what all she ordered. "It was hard to get people to buy the cookie dough because everyone had already been asked," Ragin said. "I did manage to sell 13 boxes."







# fccla

family career and community leaders attend regional, state conferences



**1 & 2.** Brittney Lemons and Donna Long carefully place decorative handmade snowmen on doors at the nursing home. "I like to help people and spread holiday cheer," Donna said. **3.** On their way back from the state meeting in Corpus Christi, Chris Griffin and Meagan Cokely visit different sites in San Antonio. "The speakers at the meetings were really informative," Cokely said. "But the best part was that we made so many new friends." **4.** While in Waco at the regional conference, Chris Griffin and Mrs. Brown wait for upcoming meetings. "We did tons of things," Griffin said. "When we weren't at the meetings, we looked for good places to eat." **5.** Donna Long, Brittney Lemons, Chris Griffin and Chris Saling display handmade snowmen they made from felt and decorative beads for nursing home residents.

## club chat



**Heath Lee, 9**  
**Science Club**

"I get a thrill out of science. I love the fact that I could join the science club, but I do wish the meetings were longer. It will be even better next year because I'll know what to expect."



**Ashley Gilmore, 10**  
**Science Club**

"It seems like the end-of-the-year science trip is so far away. I can't wait! I love the fact that some of my friends are in the club with me. It makes it easier to come to the morning meetings."



**Chris Saling, 11**  
**FCCLA**

"Being in FCCLA has enabled me to be a great leader. It also has taught me great leadership skills like being patient and aware of the people around me."



**Donna Long, 9**  
**FCCLA**

"FCCLA has helped me to meet new people and make new friends. I love the fact that we get to help people who need it."



Officers: President Lynn Allgood, Vice President Terence Hurd, Historian Rachel Edson, Secretary Mahala Miller

**art club members  
9th/10th grade:**

Shaquana Banks, Tatra McCao, Jessica Teran Jonathan Scott, Brittney Lorange, Lauren Rawls, Kassie Engelman, Danielle Sanderford

**11th/12th grade:**

Terence Hurd, Mahala Miller, Caitlin Smith, Lynn Allgood, Chris Griffin, Jonathan Longan, Rachel Edson



**Discussing art** brought in by the Art Institute in Dallas, Mrs. Stringer enjoys working with students. "Being the art club sponsor is a lot of work, but it is fun, and the students seem to like it a lot," Mrs. Stringer said. "It was just fun when we went to the Cinemark to watch 'The Incredibles.' It was no work, no mess, just plenty of laughs."

1. Trying to answer questions about a magazine article, Danielle Sanderford looks to her neighbor for help. "Being in art helps me express my individuality and it lets me be myself."



2. Rachel Edson strategically places the glass on her mosaic. "I was excited about getting to the glass mosaic instead of clay. I learned my freshman year that clay was not my friend."  
 3. Lynn Allgood creates an interesting picture with chalk. "I like coloring with chalk, it's different and the colors blend together better."  
 4. Mahala Miller gives Mrs. Matlock a glass Christmas pin. "It was so much fun. I loved watching the teacher's faces as they received their gifts."



## on the artsy side

club experiences culture inside,  
outside classroom



1. Playing around during a club meeting, students agree to take a fun photo. 2. Lynn Allgood and Mahala Miller ride the bus home from a trip to Fort Worth. "I absolutely loved going to all the different museums because I got to see work done by famous artists. It was incredible," Allgood said. 3. Brittany Lorange holds the clay while Mrs. Stinger demonstrates how to smooth the opening. 4. Kassie Engelman flips through a slide show of different types art pictures. "I had no idea that there was so much art in the world, and some of them are pretty neat, too." 5. Jonathon Scott paints a glaze on this piece before it is fired. Students made many projects to put on display at the May school art exhibit.

## clay, glass, chalks offer different perspectives



**Jessica Teran, 9**

"I think that this class has opened my eyes to all the different art in the world. I really feel that I am now more aware of my artistic side."



**Terence Hurd, 12**

"I love the art club because it puts me in an artistic environment and can help me in my future plans to become a professional comic book artist."



**Caitlin Smith, 11**

"I have been in the art club since my freshman year, and I believe it will help me open my mind to other things."



**Jonathan Longan, 12**

"When I was working extra hard on one of my projects, Mrs. Stringer said that I had a mind with art."

# fellowship of christian students

show faith through actions

Juniors gather around to pray before 'See you at the Pole'. "It was great to have the opportunity to be able to worship with such a big group of people my age," Jessica Higgs said.



## Members

Savannah Laney, Johnathan Longan, Keri Carson, Chris Griffen, Kate Fletcher, Kristen King, Carlandria Talbert, Cody Adams, Jessica Higgs, Lynn Allgood

## Officers

President- Lynn Allgood, Vice President- Kristin King, Secretary- Jessica Higgs, Reporter- Kate Fletcher, Treasurer- Keri Carson, Freshman Representative- Cody Adams



## clean hands pure heart

Students wore a variety of t-shirts acknowledging national prayer day. "I bought a shirt from Rick at FBC because I think it makes a statement when everyone wears their 'See you at the Pole' shirt on the same day," Danielle Randle said.

## prayer in school

"God plays a big part in my life. I do not know how I would make it through my day without him. I love being able to have worship at school. I think it benefits everybody." -Chris Griffen

"I pray continuously, and if I want to pray in public, I can pray out loud in Mrs. Olson's room. Having this club really lifts me up and encourages me. It reminds me that I have great friends and a great teacher that feel the same way about God as I do." -Lynn Allgood

"Having a club such as this that allows me to express my Christianity is such a blessing. Every school needs to have a place to get together each week to pray, sing and hear each other's devotionals." -Kristin King

"Prayer in school is something I feel should have never been taken out. It would resolve most of the violence that is in school today. We need a time and place during school to be able to talk to God. FCS allows us not only to pray but also to turn about things that happen in everyday life and how God can help you with it." -Savannah Laney



Working the assembly line, Elizabeth Pardue, Courtney Cope, and Alex Barfield stuff goody bags with cookies, candy and cokes for the powerlifting team before they went to a meet in Mesquite.



# spirit club

supports groups on campus



**freshman/sophomore members:** Brooke Knowles, Christy Sparks, Jennifer Durst, Megan Ford, Maegan Cokerley, Stacy Firth, Hope Taylor, Andrew Dike, Meagan Dunbar, Tristen Tettler, Whitney Magdnessel, Jessica Terran, Clara Cox, Meagan York, Tiffany Pardue, Lauren Day, Lauren Rawls, DeAndra Goldsmith, Cody Adams, Ty Knowles, Allyson Saling, Xenia Ragin, Jessica Smith, Kourtney Walls, Ally Brock, Katie Collins

**junior/senior members:** Amy Sanders, Kristin King, Courtney Kroll, Haylee Houston, Erika Baker, MJ Hurd, Kellye Ward, Laura Hanna, Micah Knox, Johnathan Longan, Jordan Higgs, Chase Olson, Lindsey Mordan, Lindsey Stewart, Jan Webster, Jill Kasitati, Courtney Cope, Amber Meador, Elizabeth Morphew, Chris Griffen, Lynn Allgood, Tyler Hilton, Cade Mayo, DeAnna Bray, Meagan McCarter, Jessica Higgs, Keith Pistols, Alex Barfield, Malachi Lopez, Danielle Randle, Chris Saling, Brittany Richards

**officers:** President- Cade Mayo, Vice President- Jordan Higgs, Secretary- Courtney Kroll, Reporter- Courtney Cope, Treasurer- Clara Cox, Historian- Jessica Higgs



**1.** Dede Goldsmith starts cleaning up the mess in the old gym after a long afternoon of painting. "I try to stick with the clean up, I am not very talented in the artistic area." **2.** Chanelle Wade, Allison Perry, Anna Elkins, and Emily Galyon help paint one of the many signs after school on Wednesday afternoons. **3.** Chris Saling, Matt May, and Quittney Williams visit while taking their time decorating. **4.** Danielle Sanderford sketches the designs before others paint. "I did alot of the sketches for the signs," she said. "But it was cool; I liked it."

# texas association of future educators joins clubs on campus

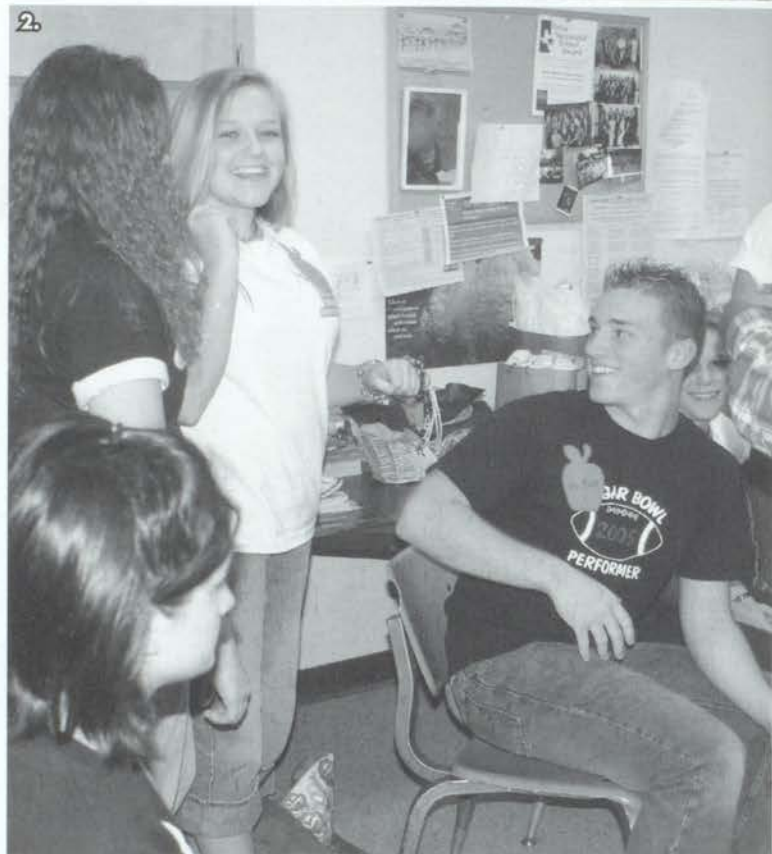


**Seniors and Juniors-** Erika Baker, Nicole Hensley, Bria James, Kellye Ward, Courtney Kroll, Haylee Houston, Laura Hanna, Kate Fletcher, Lanika Pugh, Kristen King, Ashley Spradlin, M.J. Hurd, Chanelle Wade, Andrea Dorsey, Meagan McCarter, Courtney Cope, Elizabeth Pardue, Amber Meador, Samantha Yancy, Micah Knox, DeAnna Bray, Casey Coleman, Jessica Higgs, Alex Barfield, Caleb Cross, Keith Pistoris, Chris Saling, Chris Griffin, Lynn Allgood, Josh Turner, Jordan Higgs, Tyler Hilton, Brandon Gray, Cade Mayo, Malaki Lopez, Jeff Moy

**Sophomores and Freshmen-** Keri Carson, Meagan Ford, Brooke Knowl, Meagan Dumber, Tristen Tefeller, Clara Cox, Lauren Day, Whitney Magdefessel, Shereyn Maidens, Casey Arrington, Sarah Mendenhall, Rachel Melton, Xenia Rogin, Katherine Jaynes, Chris Wendel, Jordan Daley, Laura Wiedemann, Carlandra Tolbert

**Officers:** President - Jessica Higgs, Vice Pres. - Josh Turner, Secretary - Kellye Ward/Courtney Kroll, Coordinators - Courtney Cope/Haylee Houston, Parliamentarian - Derrod Williams, Historian - Lauren Day

1. Jessica Higgs surprises Mrs. Cody as she reveals being her secret pal. "I was so excited to have Mrs. Cody as my secret pal, I am really glad that she didn't find out who I was until the party." 2. Everyone laughs as Ms. Purfle finally realizes that her yearbook student, Lauren Rawls is her pal. "Ms. Purfle was very surprised. I thought she would have guessed it was me because Chris Saling dropped hints to her all year."



3. Meagan McCarter gets tickled when Mrs. Farris opens her tin of cookies. "I accidentally ran into her at the nail place when I was getting her a gift certificate," McCarter said. "So I just told her Keith was her secret pal." 4. Mrs. Mayo unwraps the final present from her secret pal Micah Knox. "I had a lot of fun giving Mrs. Mayo gifts without her knowing it," Knox said. "She even surprised me at the party by giving me a gift."



1.

# tafe

fall festival features fun, food



2.



3.



4.



5.

1. Haylee Houston and Mr. Sturgeon get the snacks ready to sell at the T.A.F.E. table. "I didn't really do much, I just handed out food to who bought it." 2. Kate Fletcher supports the club by buying one of the caramel apples they were selling. "Caramel apples are awesome, they are my favorite kind of candy, but it is really hard to eat them with out getting sticky." 3. Tiffany Pardue takes a break after a long day of work. "I was just so tired, I did not think that helping with the T.A.F.E. table was going to be so exhausting, but it was worth it." 4. Displaying school spirit, Becca Collom points a paw on Courtney Kroll's hand. "I am in so many clubs that I can't help with all of them," Kroll said. "So I had to find other ways to support them." 5. Meagan Dunbar scopes out the FCCLA table while trying to decide what to buy. "I helped work on one of the Tafe tables; the money we earned helped pay for our trip to the state meet."

## perspectives



### Wayne Trevino, 11

"I held the piñata up as people swung at it. It was so much fun messing with Mr. Sturgeon. I kept moving it so he could not hit it."



### Kellye Ward, 12

Courtney Cope, Meagan McCarter, Kellye Ward, Courtney Kroll, and Jessica Higgs attended the state TAFE conference in Plano, TX. "We did a lot of neat projects this year. I think the teachers really enjoyed the meals we served them, and I enjoyed going to the state meet. The theme was Educators: Passport to Success. The speakers were very motivational. Mr. Sturgeon and Mrs. Hill were very entertaining!"



### Darnisha Hill, sponsor

Started the club because it advocates building character and leadership skills. "I believed NBHS students would benefit from learning about careers in education."



**Seniors-** Kristin King, Amy Sanders, Laura Hanna, Haylee Houston, Kate Fletcher, Kellye Ward, Lynn Allgood, Chase Olson, Micah Knox, Jan Webster, Jeff May, Tyler Hilton, Jordan Higgs, Brandon Hall, Terence Hurd

**Juniors-** Amber Meador, Chanelle Wade, Samantha Yancy, Nicole Hensley, Meagan McCarter, Jessica Higgs, Chris Saling, Brittany Richards, DeAnna Bree, Andrea Dorsey, Elizabeth Pardue, Justin Fellers, Josh Chappell, Keith Pistoris, Alex Barfield, Cade Mayo, Malaki Lopez, Josh Turner

**Sophomore-** Shereilyn Maidens, Tetra McCoo, Lauren Day, Brooke Knolls, Keri Carson, Meagan Ford, Katherine Jaynes, Kaitlyn McBroom, Rachel Melton, Sarah Mendenhall, Jordan Daley, Carlandria Talbert, Xenia Ragin

**ready for pickup**

1. TLT members meet 4 times a year for 2 hours to pick up trash along Highway 82.
2. Cade Mayo and Josh Turner pile up their bags under the TLT Adopt a Highway sign.
3. Amber Meador, Kristin King and Elizabeth Pardue report for duty early on this windy March morning.



2b



3b



4b



4. **In good hands** TLT member Brianne Wardell rushes to meet special olympics partner Chris Son with a high-five after he successfully completed his race. "This day really meant a lot to the athletes," Wardell said. "So we just tried to encourage them as much as we could."



# 1. TLT

tomorrow's leaders today  
take on community projects



**1.** Nicole Hensley and Xenia Ragin light up the nursing home with Christmas spirit. "It's a nice feeling to bring Christmas to those who aren't able to do it themselves anymore," Hensley said. **2.** Junior Jessica Higgs helps decorate Christmas cards for the elderly. "I don't mind giving up some time to make someone else's day a little happier." **3.** While deciding on the color of paper to use, Caleb Cross tries to be creative. "I thought making these cards would be easy, but I never knew how hard it is to come up with different ways to decorate," he said. **4.** Before going to the nursing home Alex Barfield finishes by writing a message inside. "Visiting the elderly for Christmas felt really good," Barfield said. "It really makes their day." **5.** Keri Carson reads one of the many heart-warming cards. "Our cards brought smiles to their faces and reminded some about the joy of Christmas."

## all about compassion



**Tanner Treadway, 10**

"This club has given me a way to think about other people and their environment. For Christmas we brought a bunch of puppies to the nursing home to cheer them up."



**Sherelyn Maidens, 10**

"Being active in this club has given me a greater desire to help people and has helped me realize that helping people feels better than doing things for just myself."



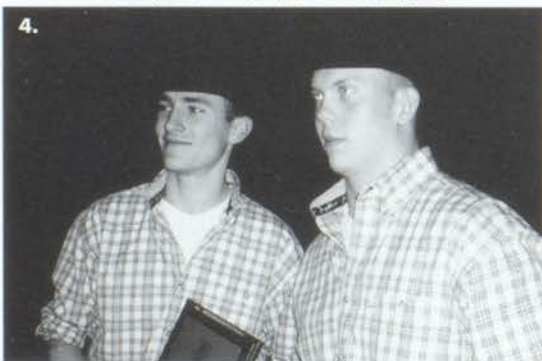
**Casey Coleman, 11**

"The most important thing about this club is it gets kids involved in the community and gives us a sense of responsibility."



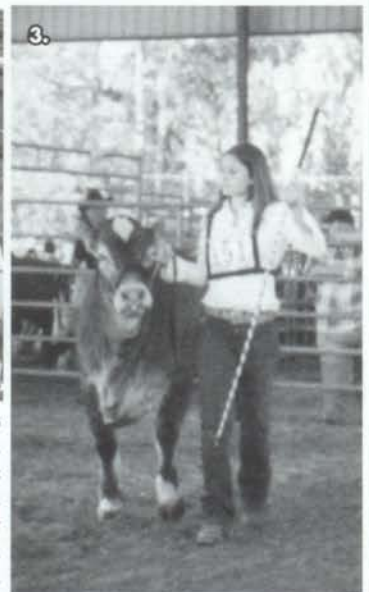
**Chris Griffin, 12**

"I feel that I will gain a lot of leadership qualities from TLT. It has given me a better attitude toward other people. Going to the nursing home and visiting with the elderly people was great."



**1. Officers** - Sentinel - Justin Glass, Vice President - Cory Burns, Secretary - Aaron Downs, President - Jan Webster, Student Adviser - Micah Knox, Treasurer - T.J. McAlexander, Reporter - Ryan Klimaszeski **2.** Justin Adams, Brodie Epperson, Savannah Laney and Blaine Epperson stand by the new FFA 2005 Ford F350 truck. **3.** Cody Humphrey, Jan Webster and Cory Burns attended the State FFA convention in Fort Worth in July. **4.** T.J. McAlexander and Aaron Downs competed in the district FFA talent competition and won first place.

**FFA Sweetheart**  
Jan Webster



**1.** Halter in hand, Starlyn Tutt coaxes Miss Tippy along at the livestock show. **2.** Needing more than a q-tip, Micah Knox makes sure her pig is ready for show. **3.** Waiting her turn to show, Jan Webster keeps a strong hold on her cow at the Ft. Worth Livestock show.

# future farmers

raise thousands

in annual auction



1. Wet and wild, Charity Hall turns a boring job into a fun event. "I had to make sure the plants were growing good in order for us to auction them off. It wasn't much fun." 2. John Macer rests in the swing. 3. Doyle Allen holds up a horseshoe rack so everyone can see what they are bidding on. 4. Fresh from the garden, Cody Clark displays a flowering plant at the auction. 5. Demonstrating how it works, Mr. Meredith takes a see-saw ride.

## hard work pays off



### Micah 12

"I have been in FFA for a few years now, and every year these auctions get better. I loved being a part of something that raised so much money."



### Aaron Downs 12

"I don't find building things for this auction hard, but it is a lot of work. We had a lot of things to auction off, and we made a lot of money."



### Ag Booster of the Year

Ronny Thomas receives a plaque for his support from Ryan Klimaszewski, Micah Knox, Jan Webster, Aaron Downs, and Starlyn Tutt.



ag mechanics



ag metal



ag metal 2



ag electronics



animal science 1st block



animal science 3rd block



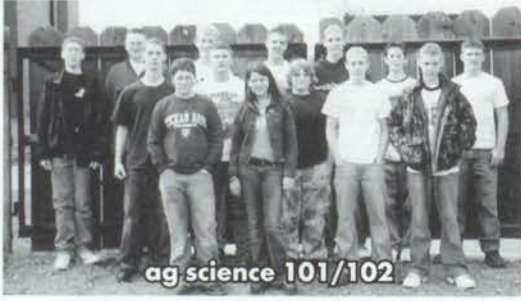
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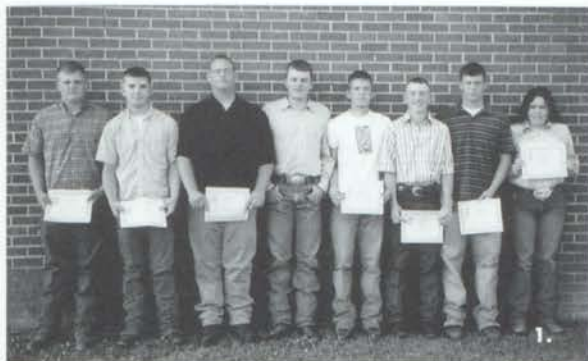


horticulture 8th block



ag science 101/102

## scholarship/award winners



**1.** Ag Mechanics Award Winners - Cody Humphrey, Cory Burns, Casey McCoy, Cody Clark, Martin McGee, Aaron Downs and Starlyn Tutt  
**2.** Star Greenhand Award - Savannah Laney



**3.** Star Chapter Farmer Award - Jan Webster  
**4.** FFA Booster Club Scholarship Winners - Jan Webster, Cory Burns, Micah Knox



**5.** Jennifer and Sarah Harbison Memorial Scholarship - Jan Webster  
**6.** Rabbit Production - Jan Webster, Kayla Webster, Starlyn Tutt, Martin McGee, Mack McGee



**7.** Goat Production - Kayla Webster and Martin McGee  
**8.** Outstanding Ag Mechanics - Cory Burns and Cody Humphrey with teacher Cody Johnson

**9.** Beef Production - Jan Webster, Cody Humphrey, Cory Burns, Starlyn Tutt, John Berbig, and Heather Berbig  
**10.** Swine Production - Jan Webster and Micah Knox

Using learned skills in ag mechanics class, Sam Yates cuts angles for a trailer.



Cutting 2 x 2 uprights for a trailer, John Macer takes advantage of class time to work on a 20 ft. lowboy trailer he helped build for the Houston ag mechanics contest in March.



Building a swing for the ag auction in April, Aaron Downs smooths rough places on metal with a grinder.



Spending many hours of work on the 20 ft. lowboy, Cory Burns welds gussets to brace the tongue of the trailer.



# ag mechanics

students learn tricks of trade

Agriculture science courses range from introduction to agriculture - the foundation course - to classes in animal and equine science, ag mechanics and metal fabrication. Students gain learning experiences they can take and use later in life.



**1.** Leading this crew of helpers Cody Humphrey takes measurements before cutting the ramp holders on the trailer they built for competition. Cory Burns and Cody Clark watch to make sure he is doing it correctly. **2.** Martin McGee presents his finished product, a hay fork he built in class for the ag mechanics contest in Houston. He received a blue ribbon for his excellent workmanship and then sold it to Mr. Garrett after the competition.

**3.** Cory Burns and Cody Humphrey regain ag money by selling this blue ribbon 20 ft. lowboy trailer they built in class. Mark Downs (Aaron's Dad) bought the trailer when they returned from Houston.

**4.** Grinding down metal, Aaron Hixon makes his mother a bench from an old bed.



**All-District:** Amanda Tyson, Katherine Jaynes, Kristin King, Erika Baker, Kourtney Walls, Jill Snyder, Amber Meador, Brooke Knowles, Lynn Allgood, Alexia Hill, Dina McCray, Samantha Yancy, Tyler Shavers, Bryan Delgado, Chase Olson, Brittany Parish, Josh Owen, Zach Leatherman, Jeff May, Dawson Carson, Justin Fellers, Brett Metcalf, James Nowlin, Matt Martin, Matt Yancy, Carlandria Talbert, Keri Carson, John Macer  
**All-Region:** Amanda Tyson, Casey Coleman, Erika Baker, Kristin King, Josh Burks, Chase Olson, Jeff May, Alysha Allen, Amber Meador, Bryan Delgado, Josh Owen, Carlandria Talbert, Jill Snyder, Samantha Yancy, Dina McCray, Jessica Higgs, John Macer  
**Area:** Amanda Tyson, Casey Coleman, Erika Baker, Kristin King, Josh Burks, Chase Olson, Jeff May, Josh Owen  
**Four-States:** Jeff May, Chase Olson, Josh Burks, Erika Baker, Kristin King, Jill Snyder

**Officers in chief**

1. Leading the discussion, Mr. Mellon breaks the tension with one of his off color comments. 2. One last time before their performance, Mr. Lovelace repeats the all too familiar warmup exercise. "Just being there, just knowing that we were good enough on the qualifying levels to advance to state is quite an accomplishment," Mr. Lovelace said. "The performance in the Alamodome was very exciting. We were among the elite just to be there. It was so nice for the kids to be recognized for all their hard work."



3. Back on the bus "Watching the kids perform was the greatest," Ms. Manning said. "I was excited and nervous, but they played and marched so well my nerves were overcome by joy."



4. "Some of the band students gave this t-shirt to me at State," Mr. Mellon said. "I guess they thought it would fit my image."





# sweepstakes #16

band blows away competition



**1.** Using their lapels for hand warmers, Jill Snyder and Kristin King improvise. "We are trying to keep our hands warm," Kristin said. "We had lots of fun doing silly things at the State contest while the band got ready." **2.** "Our shoes have to be perfect," John Macer said. "So I decided to give them a touch up of white paint." **3.** "I had accidentally banged my tuba on the ground a little too hard," Jarvis Haggins said. "I thought I had put a dent in it, so I was going to try and get it out." **4.** Amanda Tyson plays a warmup scale. **5.** Celebrating! "I was thinking, we are going to eat, because we didn't have anything that morning," Jessica Smith said. "It takes a while to get everyone together before you leave to go anywhere."

## band on the run.....to state



**Clara Cox, 10**

"When we got 1st at NAMMB, we were so excited because we finally beat Cleveland, which hadn't happened in forever! It was also the last marching contest of the year, so it was a good way to end it."



**Justin Fellers, 11**

"At the Riverwalk Mall in San Antonio I saw this picture of my girlfriend, so I decided I would take a picture with her."



**Chase Olson, 12**

"All the years that I have been in band, this would have to be the best. I guess probably because I am a senior and this is the last time I can partake in an event such as NAAMB."



**Jordan Daley, 10**

"We were just getting settled at the hotel in San Antonio. Believe it or not, I was actually being good at that moment in time."

# Concert Season



**'I stand in awe'** As a token of appreciation, seniors surprised Mr. Lovelace with a new director's stand at the spring concert. "This senior class has really set the bar high for upcoming seniors," Mr. Lovelace said. "They have worked hard all year long, and have done a great job leading the underclassmen. We are really going to miss them and they will be real hard to replace."

1. Band members prepare to perform *Rhosymedre*, one of the ballads played at the spring concert.
2. Kristin King eagerly accepts the Joe Grady memorial scholarship, in honor of the late Junior high band director. "I was surprised to receive this scholarship," Kristin said. "I am so happy that I will have assistance for the next four years of college."
3. Spicing up the performance, Todd Johnson takes on the Blues Brother's look. "We all decided that we would dress up for the performance," Johnson said. "I really had fun, because the jazz band is just a time to relax, just have fun and show how hard we have worked all year long."
4. Playing like a pro, Chase Olson performs the 'single solo' of the night. "I was really happy about advancing to state," Chase said. "I never thought that I would also get the privilege to play the onstage solo at this concert."





## Boosters host banquet

Reputation.....overall quality or character as seen or judged by people in general. The band has always been regarded as reputable.

Again, the tradition is continued with its 16th consecutive sweepstakes award. Both the military style marching routines and the symphonic bands have excelled.

The boosters see to it that members are rewarded for their hard work and first division performances.

After the meal and awards presentations, everyone can laugh, cry, and relive the year by watching a slideshow presentation.



### put the lime in the coconut

1. Laura Wiedeman, Lauren Day, Chase Olson, Andrew Dike, Jessica Teran, Whitney Magdessel and Clara Cox enjoy the tropical finger foods and desserts. "I really had a good time at the banquet," Whitney said. "The best part was reliving all the accomplishments this year."



2. Whether dressed Polynesian (John Bobian) or Western (John Macer)....take your hat off John! Everyone ate plenty of food.

3. Dressed up for the event, Brooke Knowles, Jeff May, Tye Knowles, Justin Fellers, Ken Carson and Meagan Ford chat about memorable events over dessert. "It was



really good getting to talk about what all has gone on this year," Meagan said. "I'm really going to miss Jeff and the other seniors."

4. Matthew Yancy needs to shed his shirt, tie and jacket if he is going to model the coconut top Georgiana Laney is tying on him. 5. The three stooges, Jordan Daley, Stephen Collins and Tanner Treadway scarfed down their food quickly. Ready to move on to the awards and trying to stay out of the way, they entertain themselves with a few jokes. "We didn't feel the need to dress up like everyone else," Tanner said. "Besides, I look good in anything."



6. Ally Brock and Josh Owen pick and choose their favorite foods from the buffet table. "The food and drinks were really good, especially all the different dips," Ally said. "But my favorite part would have to be the band slideshow. It's fun seeing all the things that we did throughout the year."



**Flutes:** Katherine Jaynes, Alysha Allen, Amanda Tyson, Sara Wise, Heather Lynch, Allyson Brock, Casey Coleman, Ashley Spradlin, Casey Arrington, Rachel Melton, Amber Kester



**Clarinets:** Erika Baker, Amber Meador, Jessica Smith, Lynn Allgood, Amanda Lundy, Rhonda Moilanen, Alexia Hill, Courtney Walls, Meagan Ford, Brooke Knowles, Whitney Magdefessel, Meagan Cokeley, Jyl Snyder, Kristin King



**Percussion:** Heath Lee, John Macer, Todd Johnson, John Bobian, William Bracewell, Christina Sparks, Sarah Mendenhall, Keri Carson



**Tubas and Baritone:** Brad Mitchell, Jarvis Haggins, Stephen Collins, Jordan Daley, Tanner Treadway, Eric Powell, Matt Yancy, Chris Wendell, Jessica Smith, Carlandria Talbert



**Trumpets:** Justin Clements, Sam Bullard, Justin Fellers, Jeff May, Dustin Mulkey, Mack McGee, Kameron Wisinger, Savannah Laney, Nicole Hensley, Alysha Forbing, Dawson Carson, Andrew Dike, Clara Cox, Cody Adams, Deanna Bray, Lauren Day



**Double and Low Reeds:** Paula Flournoy, Samantha Yancy, Dina McCray, Tyler Shavers, Josh Burks



**French Horns:** Lione Eldred, Paige Duncan, Deanna Bray, Amy Sanders, Cynthia McDuffie, Zachary Leatherman



**Saxophones:** Blake Barton, Jessica Teran, Josh Owen, Martin McGee, Bryan Delgado, Chase Olson, Jessica Higgs, Heather Berbig, Kaitlyn McBroom, Tye Knowles, Britney Parrish, Laura Wiedeman, Hope Taylor

# senior band accomplishments



**Lynn Allgood**



**Jeff May**



**Josh Owen**

**Lynn Allgood**- President, All-District, division 1 at Solo & Ensemble with Clarinet quartet, State Solo & Ensemble.

**Josh Burks**- Jazz band, All-Region, Area, Four-States, State Solo & Ensemble

**Shaneika Johnson** - Baritone

**Kristin King**- Drum Major, Head Major-ette, All-District, All-Region, All-State, Four States Honor Band, 1 at Solo & Ensemble for instrumental and twirling

**Jeff May**- Section leader, All-District, All-Region, All-Area, 1 at Solo & Ensemble, Jazz band, Vice-President



**Josh Burks**



**Cynthia McDuffie**



**Bryan Poole**

**Cynthia McDuffie**- 2nd chair French horn, band officer - secretary

**Rhonda Moilanen** - Property officer, 2nd division at Solo & Ensemble

**Chase Olson** - All-District, All-Area, All-Region, Four-States, State, Senior representative, Jazz band

**Josh Owen**- Jazz band, All-District, All-Region, Area

**Bryan Poole** - Trombone

**Amy Sanders** - 3rd chair french horn

**Jyl Snyder**- Drum Major, Majorette, All-district, All-region, Four States Honor Band, 1 at Solo & ensemble for instrument and twirling



**Shaneika Johnson**



**Rhonda Moilanen**



**Amy Sanders**



**Kristin King**



**Chase Olson**



**Jyl Snyder**



**Trombones:** Bryan Poole, Joey Leatherman, James Nowlin, Tommy Trader, Chad Peavey, Matt Martin



**one last time** Seniors take in the last time that they will get to compete at NAAMB. "I feel that band has helped me gain a more understanding sense of who I am," Lynn Allgood said. "It has helped me figure out what I excel at."

**Drum Majors:**  
Jyl Snyder, Kristin King



**drum majors**

**Majorettes:**  
Jessica Teran, Casey Coleman,  
Deanna Bray, Lauren Day, Jyl Snyder,  
Kristin King



**majorettes**

1. "I love standing for the National Anthem," Jessica Teran said. "It really is the only time that the majorettes get to stand still."



1.

2. Standing at attention, majorettes wait for the beat to march back to their positions after a flawless performance to "I Saw Her Standing There."



2.

3. Ending their half-time dance twirl performance, the majorettes smile for their standing ovation from the audience. "I feel so at ease when I twirl for a crowd," Deanna Bray said. "I absolutely love that feeling."



3.

4. "When I'm twirling at the pep rally I try to keep a smile plastered on my face," Jyl Snyder said. "But no one smiles back, and it is very nerve wracking!"



4.

5. "During our group routine, I was shaking badly," Casey Coleman said. "I get really nervous at pep rallies."

6. After their performance at the Four States Marching and Twirling Contest, the majorettes received ones. "I really love the rush I get at competition," Deanna Bray said. "It is like nothing I have ever felt."



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7. "I love the fact that I get to do what I love, twirling," Lauren Day said. "I've got that two-hand spin down."



## military stride with pride



## jazz band



## band officers



## state

**Jazz Band :** Jeff May, Dawson Carson, Savannah Laney, Nicole Hensley, Brad Mitchell, Joey Leatherman, Matt Martin, Carlandria Talbert, Matt Yancy, James Nowlin, Zachary Leatherman, Tommy Trader, Kerl Carson, Jordan Daily, Tanner Treadyway, Todd Johnson, Stephen Collins, Chris Wendell, Brittany Parrish, Chase Olson, Josh Owen, Kaitlyn McBroom, Josh Burks, Marlin McGee

**Band Officers :** Cynthia McDuffie, Jeff May, Chase Olson, Kaitlyn McBroom, Rhonda Moilanen, Paula Flournoy, Deanna Bray, Jessica Higgs, Kristin King, Lynn Allgood, Erika Baker, Casey Coleman, Dawson Carson

## students reach a high note

Kristin King, Chase Olson, and Erika Baker performed at the Texas Music Educators Association clinic and convention February 9-12 in San Antonio.

They were selected for the 2005 Texas All-State Band. More than 56,800 students auditioned for the band, and 1,570 were chosen. They were selected to the all-state ensemble through auditions at region and area levels.





### **a jump above the rest**

Adding two points, senior Cordaro Sherman makes a jump shot over his Pleasant Grove opponents. NB defeated PG 55-52. "Since they hurt Derrod, somebody had to step up their game, so I tried to do everything I could to lead us to the win."

## **sports** *making contact*



Yelling with excitement, Allison Saling, Whitney Magdefessel, Bria James, and Justin Page cheer the team on to a victory against district rival Pleasant Grove.

sports division  
jessica baggett



### get on your feet

During the last pep rally, Akira Hooks performs "fire it up" to the crowd.



## What was the most rewarding part of being a leader for this year's squad?

"Being able to become closer to the underclassmen. Even though I'm older, they have taught me a lot."

**Courtney Kroll**



"The most rewarding part this year was seeing everyone grow up and mature. I was worried this year, but they surpassed my expectations. I'm very proud of them, and I can't wait until next year."

**Magan McCarter**



"The pride I felt because people in the community would constantly approach me at games and tell me how good the cheerleaders performed."

**Tonya Briggs**



# coordinated on the sidelines

The cheerleading squad took on a new look this year.

Consisting of one senior, four juniors, three sophomores, five freshmen and a mascot, the squad added two guys, Alex Barfield and Chris Saling.

It has been an eye-opening experience for both. The guys offer a different perspective to most everything.

"They are more honest about their feelings when we have group discussions," Captain Courtney Kroll said. "They don't mind saying what they think!"

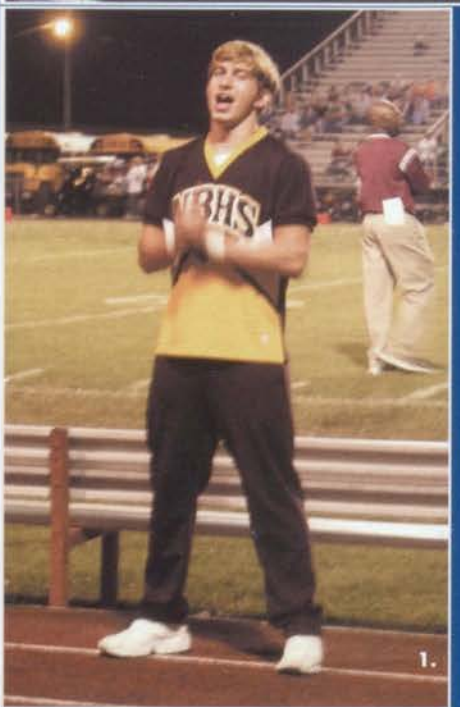
Though everyone does not believe cheerleading is a sport,

it does require hours of practice, conditioning and coordination.

"I learned a lot from what I thought was a little. Now I realize how much goes in to it, and I am very grateful for the wonderful experience," Barfield said. "Along with many hours of practice, I have built a strong trust with some of the girls."

Having guys on the squad has created a lot of discussion from the student body.

"I get more attention, some of it's good, some bad," Saling said. "I knew when I tried out a lot of people would dislike the idea, but I love doing it."



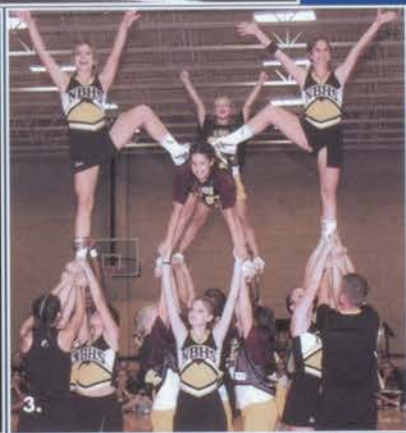
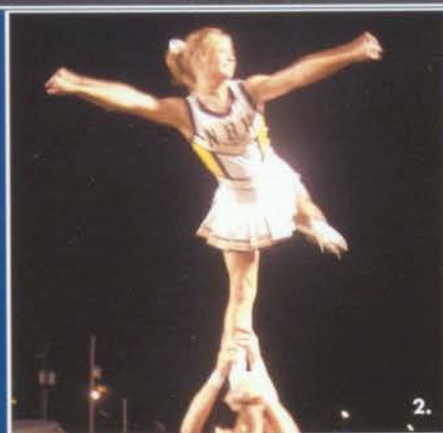
sports  
**meagan dunbar**



**varsity cheerleaders:** Chris Saling, Quittney Williams (Larky), Alex Barfield, Allison Perry, Deandra Goldsmith, Anna Elkins, Tiffany Pardue, Danielle Sanderford, Meagan Dunbar, Akira Hooks, Tristen Tefeller, Courtney Kroll, Magan McCarter

**say it loud and proud**

While cheering on the sidelines Anna Elkins, Akira Hooks, Chris Saling and Deandra Goldsmith sing and dance to the "fight song" as the football boys run out on the field.



1. Alex Barfield pumps up the crowd at the LE game.
2. Meagan Dunbar flies high while performing an arabesque. "Being a flyer can sometimes be scary, but this was our best year for stunts so far," Dunbar said.
3. Building up spirit, the HS cheerleaders join the MS cheerleaders in a pyramid.
4. Anna Elkins and Magan McCarter cheer to the crowd to show support. "Performing 'two-bits' helped the crowd get more involved; that is the only time they stood up," Elkins said.
5. Allison Perry discusses the next cheer in the pep rally with captain Courtney Kroll.
6. Tiffany Pardue sings the fight song at the senior pep rally.

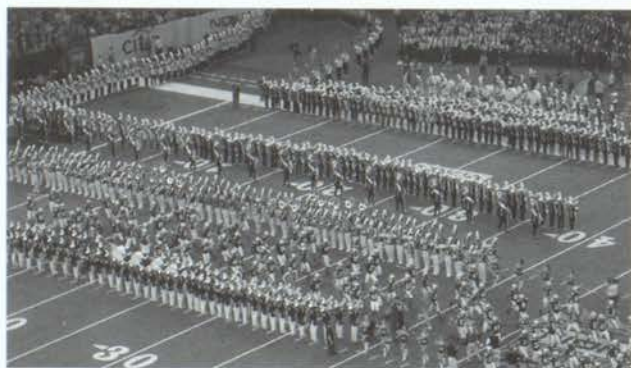
# born to perform

## *cheerleaders travel to New Orleans*

After driving 7 1/2 hours, nine cheerleaders began preparing for the Nokia Sugar Bowl half-time performance. Auburn University edged Virginia Tech 16-13 in an exciting playoff game. Even though they only saw the first half of the game, they did what they went for.....performing. Disappointed parents and friends watched the television anxiously to see a familiar face, but advertisements and game updates dominated the screen while the 30 minute show went on.



sugar and spice



### **owl games of america (BGA)**

The cheerleaders performed on the field during half time with all the best area bands, flag squads, and dancers.

### **limbered up**

Meagan Dunbar shows her team spirit by performing a heel stretch to get the crowd on their feet.



## **making memories**



"Magan McCarter got a really bad migraine, and I had to literally carry her back to the hotel."

**Chris Saling**



"There was a fake fight scene where we did a punch in the dance. We were practicing and DeDe accidentally punched me in the nose and broke it!"

**Tristen Teffeller**



"I will never forget when Alex put mascara on his beard and eyebrows for the performance."

**Deandra Goldsmith**



"The directors were constantly complimenting this group of kids. I had so much pride in my crew. They were very responsible and did everything they were told."

**Tonya Briggs**



**pirates of the caribbean**  
Waiting while the thousands of high school band members rehearsed on the field, the costumed crew make a kodak moment. The half-time performance was dedicated to Jean Lafitte, the New Orleans gentlemen pirate.



**BGA Bowl**

After practicing to learn the dance for two weeks before the game, the cheerleaders practiced Friday night after they arrived in New Orleans, all day Saturday and Sunday. "We practiced somewhere different every time," captain Courtney Kroll said. "One day it was in the New Orleans Hornets gymnasium."

# game day

pep rallies offer fun, games

competing for the best



racing | to the end  
**obstacle course**

1. While being pulled down the gym floor by Antwoine Williams, freshman Donna Long was the first to cross the finish line. "The game was a lot of fun, but I was sore afterwards from being slung around," Long said.
2. Cody Humphrey jumps in excitement thinking his junior class has won the race.
3. While in a hurry, Courtney Cope almost falls off the ramp which would have disqualified her.
4. Jordan Daley struggles to get Lauren Day ahead of everyone else.

### breaking through the defense

Jeffrey Scales (10) carries the ball through Mt. Vernon's defense, gaining some yards for NB, while Josh Turner (18) and Wayne Trevino (60) path for him.



**In what ways  
did this season  
test your  
endurance and  
character?**

"I could have quit when I saw that we weren't doing well, but I stuck it out for my team and myself. I love everybody on that football team."

Jordan Higgs



"It showed the coaches and everyone else that I really loved the game."

Aaron Downs



"This is my last year to play football with all my friends and to lose was hard. I never quit on my friends and stayed with them through the season."

Brent Black



## fusion

**varsity boys struggled from low numbers, injuries all year**

## on the football field

Bruises, breaks, concussions, and cuts: all aspects of a true contact sport, varsity football. With the release of the new movie, "Friday Night Lights," it seems every boy's dream would be to get an opportunity to play while 48 minutes tick off the clock.

Despite the odds of losing, and running the risk of receiving an injury, 6 seniors, 15 juniors, and 9 sophomores returned week after week hoping to get just one win.

The win did not happen, but it was

not evident by the way they worked. They played every game until the last buzzer sounded, as if the last seconds would change the outcome. They demonstrated hope, integrity, teamwork, and a never-ending work ethic. Picking themselves up to be knocked down again by injuries or ineligible players, but they never stayed down. Like the energizer bunny, they kept going and going, popping back up for more. Things learned throughout this football season should last this team an entire lifetime.



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sports  
brett metcalf



**Varsity football:** **Bottom:** Brandon Hall, Jacob Barfield, Andre Darsey, Keidrat Smith, Josh French, Josh Chappell, Brent Black, Billy Riley, Wayne Trevino. **2nd:** Coach Harris Brownlee, Coach Gary Miller, Coach Alex Harris, Coach Shane Sibley, Coach Ronnie Bickham, Coach Chris Cameron, Coach Michael Hill, Coach Hart Jearis, Coach David May, Coach Michael Kelley. **3rd:** Drew Duncan, Johnny Scott, Matt Goodsell, Kyle Peavey, Carl Covington, Antonio Myers, Daniell Alexander, Anthony Page, Aaron Downs. **Top:** Keith Pstolis, Greg Reid, Tammy King, Jeffrey Scales, Cade Mayo, Leroy Smith, Malochi Lopez, Tyler Hilton, Jordan Higgs, Josh Turner

## scoreboard

Us	Them
14	15 L-K
14	42 Pittsburg
6	38 Dekalb
7	54 Tatum
8	42 Mt. Vernon
0	33 Daingerfield
26	40 Jefferson
7	35 PG
0	38 LE
6	55 Atlanta



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the whole **year** players fight for a win

1. Carrying the ball down the field, Josh French(2) fights off a Daingerfield player while Matt Goodsell(64) runs ahead to block for him.
2. Ending the season with an injured shoulder, linebacker Keith Pstolis sits out the end of the game against Atlanta. "It wouldn't really have affected my play, but at the time I couldn't move it much," he said. The next morning the feeling came back."
3. Matt Waltz (50), Jake Barfield (72), Carl Covington (66), Cade Mayo (77), and Malochi Lopez (88) prepare for the kickoff return during the LE. game.
4. Kyle Peavey (4) catches a pass to ensure some yards for New Boston.
5. Josh Turner (18) dives for more yardage at the Daingerfield game.
6. Keidrat Smith (20) tries to gain a few more inches as he is brought down by an Atlanta defender while Jordan Higgs (62) holds another defender at bay.

### goin' for 6

Kiara Sherman (24) and Patrick Whitaker (81) hold off the Jefferson defenders while running back Brody Epperson (72) heads for the endzone.



# scoreboard

Us	Them	
14	8	L-K
22	0	Pittsburg
16	22	Dekalb
10	20	Tatum
0	6	Mt. Vernon
Rained out		Daingerfield
30	26	Jefferson
22	0	PG
14	28	LE
0	20	Atlanta



## junior varsity



### showing good sportsmanship

The JV team shakes hands with the Jefferson players after the game. Sean Goodsell (80), Cody Cope (12), and Justin Self (62) attempt to bring down one of Jefferson's running backs.



## season highlights



"I laid the guy out on the kickoff during the Pleasant Grove game."

**Justin Self**



"We put the whoop on Jefferson. It was good because they always beat us and talk dirty when they do, but this year we shut 'em up."

**Brody Epperson**



"My most memorable moment was just playing. Even though we were the underclassmen and most of the other teams had older and bigger players, we still beat a lot of them."

**Brandon Williams**



"I broke my arm, and I had to miss the rest of the season."

**Cody Mayo**





**Junior Varsity Football Team**

**Bottom:** Aaron Hixson, Blaine Epperson, Chris Allen, Bart Brock, Jake Foster, Keith Robertson, Brandon Williams; **2nd:** Justin Self, Coach Chris Cameron, Coach Shane Sibley, Coach David May, Coach Michael Kelley, Jacob Kaslati; **3rd:** Heath McMillan, Jeremy Lomax, Cody Mayo, Rishawn Davis, Mitchell Smith, Matt Waltz, Kevin Covington; **Top:** Ryan Wooldridge, Brad Hanna, Tommy Doyle, Patrick Whitaker, Sean Goodsell, Cody Cope, Joey Garcia, Kiara Sherman



**movin' on up**

Cody Cope (12) rushes the ball past number 41 in a quarterback sneak.

**dodging traffic**

Blaine Epperson (32) weaves through defenders on his way to a first down.

# combined 9th grade joins junior varsity on the football field

**Teamwork**



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on the **field** players fight for a win

1. Kiara Sherman (24) attempts to bring down a Jefferson running back while Justin Self (62) fights off two other offenders.
2. Blaine Epperson (32) and Cody Cope (12) chase down number 5 for the bulldogs.
3. Sean Goodsell (80) takes out his mouthpiece to get some fresh air during a time out.
4. Cody Mayo (52) plants his left knee to follow the play.



### to the extreme

1. Floating high above the net, Becca Collom slams down another kill. 2. Chasitye Griffin pushes the ball through the block for a successful hit. "I was crunk that game," Griffin said. "We played with a lot of heart, and I wish we could have won."



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## season highlights

"The ATL game, knowing that it was my last game to be with my girls. I'm going to miss them."

**Bria James**



"The first time we played Atlanta and beat them in five games!"

**Laura Hanna**



"When our team went to Spring Lake Park for a picnic before our playoff game."

**Haylee Houston**



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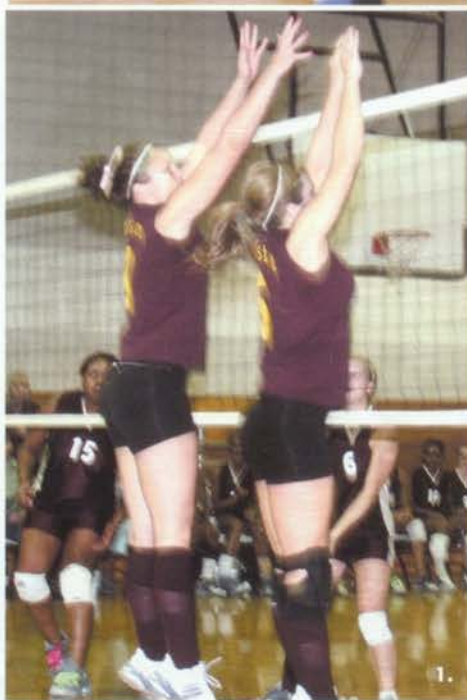
varsity struggled with tough losses, ending season early

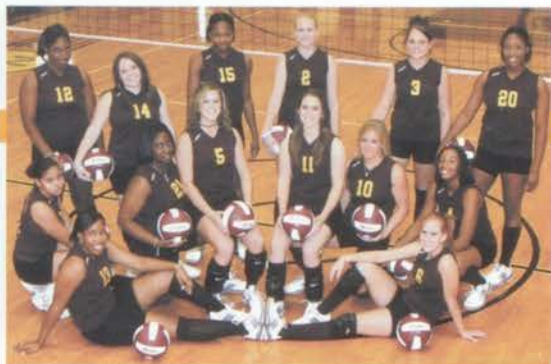
The Lady Lions' season looked promising when the varsity squad returned to the volleyball court in early August. With nine seniors, eight returning varsity players, and a brand new coach the upcoming year seemed promising.

Starting off with a bang, the ladies captured many wins in pre-district and tournament play. However, they struggled

to keep momentum as district quickly approached. While the ladies began district with an impressive win over the Atlanta Rabbits, it is ironic that the same team caused them to miss the playoffs for 3rd place in district.

Though disappointed, the Lady Lions will recall the 25-10 season with pride, even if it was less than perfect.





**Varsity volleyball:** **Back:** Tamika Dorsey, Laura Hanna, Chasitye Griffin, Becca Collom, Claire Collom, Bria James; **Middle:** La'Nika Pugh, Nikki Riley, Haylee Houston, Lindsey Stewart, Brienne Wardell, Shelia Carroll; **Bottom:** Ambra Dorsey, Shelley Coleman.

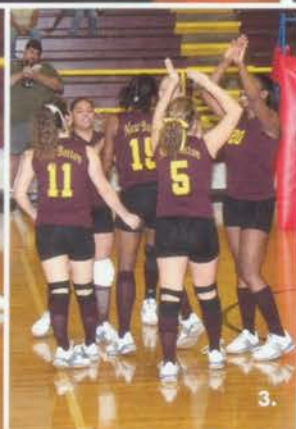
## scoreboard

NB vs. Atlanta	14-25, 16-25, 25-16, 26-24, 15-9
NB vs. Jefferson	25-6, 25-8, 25-8
NB vs. Liberty Eylau	25-19, 18-25, 21-25, 20-25
NB vs. Pleasant Grove	18-25, 16-25, 16-25
NB vs. Daingerfield	25-23, 25-20, 21-25, 24-26, 25-21
NB vs. Atlanta	25-23, 10-25, 11-25, 25-8, 12-15
NB vs. Jefferson	25-15, 25-11, 25-22
NB vs. Liberty Eylau	24-26, 15-25, 24-26
NB vs. Pleasant Grove	25-21, 17-25, 22-25, 16-25
NB vs. Daingerfield	25-18, 25-20, 23-25, 25-17

## varsity volleyball



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### court talk keeps players on their toes

1. Double teaming, Haylee Houston and Claire Collom go up strong to block their Atlanta opponent.

2. Junior LaNika Pugh extends her arms to make a pass. "Volleyball was a lot of fun. Even though we didn't go very far into the playoffs, we all learned something in the end, that we had to stick together."

3. Haylee Houston congratulates Bria James after she puts away another kill, ending the Jefferson home game 25-8. "This was a must win game for us, we played to the best of our ability," James said. "I'm sad it came to an end."

4. Lowering herself to the floor, Brienne Wardell passes a hard hit from the PG offense to the setter. "Passing the ball was easier for me this year, I wasn't afraid of the Pleasant Grove hitters."

5. Returning a tough serve from Atlanta is no match for Lindsey Stewart. "Although our season didn't turn out like we had hoped, we had a fun year and, I am definitely going to miss these girls."

## JV Volleyball

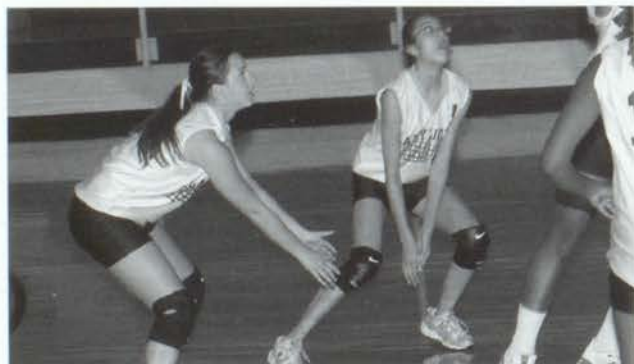
**Back:** Akira Hooks, Elizabeth Pardue, Sharde Mitchell, Ashley Gilmore, Courtney Cope, Allyson Saling  
**Front:** Tristen Tefeller, Bonnie England, Brittany Richard, Kim Hawkins



1. Shelia Carroll and Courtney Cope get into defensive position.
2. Hoping for a point, Elizabeth Pardue tips the ball over the net.
3. Hitting around the block, Brittany Richard gets a kill.



## 9th - JV



### gettin' set

Assuming the ready position, Courtney Cope and Elizabeth Pardue await the kill.

### high-five

Teammates rush in to congratulate Kim Hawkins on serving an ace.



## preparation

What do you need to accomplish to prepare for next year?



"I need someone to step up and be a leader. When you lose seniors like I lost it takes a big toll on the team."

**Coach Amy Doss**



"We all need to practice harder and work on our verticals and hitting. I also need to start eating right to be in shape."

**Brittany Richard**



"We all need to work as a team and step up to fill the spots that are open. We should be able to accomplish a lot if we practice hard."

**Bonnie England**



"I need to improve on my passing. I'm short, so I know I will be a defensive specialist. I really think I need to work on everything."

**Courtney Cope**



**9th Grade Volleyball**  
 Back: Deandra Goldsmith, Chloe Jones, Erin Jones, Tyeshia Griffin, Emily Galyon; Middle: Kinsey Megason, Allison Perry, Meagan York, Tiffany Pardue; Front: Channing Day, Kaylee Johnson; **not pictured:** Anna Elkins



**dig this**

Akira Hooks gets up and off her feet to spike the ball in the JV Atlanta game. "The varsity players helped to encourage me to work harder on my front row hitting."

**in your face**

Tyeshia Griffin attempts to stop the spike made by the Liberty Eylau hitter. "I really improved on my blocking and spiking. My goal is to move up to varsity next year."

**mixed** 9th grade steps up to junior varsity  
 on the volleyball court

**Bump, Set, Spike!**



court **chat** plus a whole lot more

1. Anna Elkins focuses on her form as she passes the ball. "We really came together this year as a team. We finished the season undefeated!"
2. Erin Jones and Meagan York double block a Pleasant Grove hitter. "I enjoyed setting this year, and I feel I got a lot better on front row," Yark said.
3. Stretching out, Channing Day spikes the ball. "I always wanted to play front row, so when I got the chance I was excited to get a hit!"
4. Deandra Goldsmith leaps off the floor to slam down another kill. "I improved on my serving this season, and I learned to control my body, because I fall down alot."

### staring down the competition

B.J. Wade(20) glares at Pleasant Grove's defensive players as he searches for an available teammate to receive a pass.



## How was your senior season different from the past seasons?

"Last year I wanted to do whatever I needed to help last year's seniors have a good season, and this year I worked my butt off for my senior friends. The main difference is the reality that set in and made me realize, 'This is it.'"

**Tyler Hilton**



"Since I was a senior, I had to be a leader on the court. I had to encourage the younger players and let them know that they could be successful, and if they worked hard, they would meet their goals."

**B.J. Wade**



"It was my last year. There was no "next year" for the seniors."

**Sam Collom**



## man to man strength and endurance last throughout season

This year's basketball season, despite being plagued by injuries and other problems, turned out to be an exciting one. Although we did not make the playoffs, we came very close. Actually, we came so close that we had to play a post-season "tie-breaker" game with one of our rival schools, Atlanta, to determine which of us would advance to the playoffs. We didn't win the game, but our season was still one to be proud of. Overall, we finished fourth in our district after losing our tie-breaker game with Atlanta. One of our more significant injuries happened

when Derrod Williams tore his ACL, or anterior cruciate ligament, which is a ligament that connects the tibia to the femur. He has since recovered, but it removed him from a good part of the season.

Injuries aside, several players receive awards for their accomplishments during the season. Jeffrey scales was awarded "New Comer of the Year," Cordaro Sherman and B.J. Wade were selected for First Team All-District, and Sam Collom, Derrod Williams, and Keidratt Smith were chosen for Second Team All-District.





**Varsity Basketball Team:** Front: Jeffery Scales, Josh Turner, Patrick Whitaker, Leroy Smith, Malachi Lopez, Danniell Alexander, Keidraat Smith; Back: Cordaro Sherman, Tyler Hilton, Coach Michael Hill, Sam Collom, Derrod Williams, B.J. Wade  
**Head Coach:** Michael Hill  
**Assistant Coach:** Chris Cameron

## scoreboard

Us	Them	
54	62	Dangerfield
60	59	Jefferson
55	52	PG
65	85	LE
65	60	Atlanta
53	59	Dangerfield
61	46	Jefferson
46	48	PG
68	84	LE
36	51	Atlanta
46	53	Atlanta Tie-Breaker



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battle of the **ballers** varsity still a threat in the district

1. Cordaro Sherman (14) fights off a defender on his way to the basket.
2. Sam Collom (32) crouches to leap and take the basketball at the start of the Atlanta playoff game at Texas High.
3. Jeffery Scales (10) dives after a loose ball during the Pleasant Grove game.
4. Coaches Hill, Cameron, and Sibley formulate a new strategy with the players before they re-enter the game.
5. Tyler Hilton (22) sprints after an Atlanta player and prepares to steal the ball.
6. Keidraat Smith (24) cuts off an Atlanta player's attempt to drive to the basket.



**time for a new plan**

Coach May discusses new strategy with the team during a time out at the Liberty-Eylau game.



# scoreboard

Us	Them	
37	42	Daingerfield
49	50	Jefferson
30	38	Liberty Eylau
33	32	Pleasant Grove
60	76	Liberty Eylau
30	43	Atlanta



## junior varsity



**on the front line**

Corey Williams (10), Billy Riley (50), Teric Thompson (24), and Kiara Sherman (40) form a line to receive a pass from their teammate off the court. Brandon Williams (14) watches intently as the ball sails towards the hoop.



### What is the best lesson you have learned through sports competition?



"Whether you win or lose, there will always be another day. Don't live on your mistakes. You have to move on and work to get better."

**Cody Cope**



"The game of basketball isn't just shooting. You have to have heart and will power to play and keep going when times get hard. Playing as an individual doesn't win a game."

**Brandt James**



"If you believe in other people, they will believe in you."

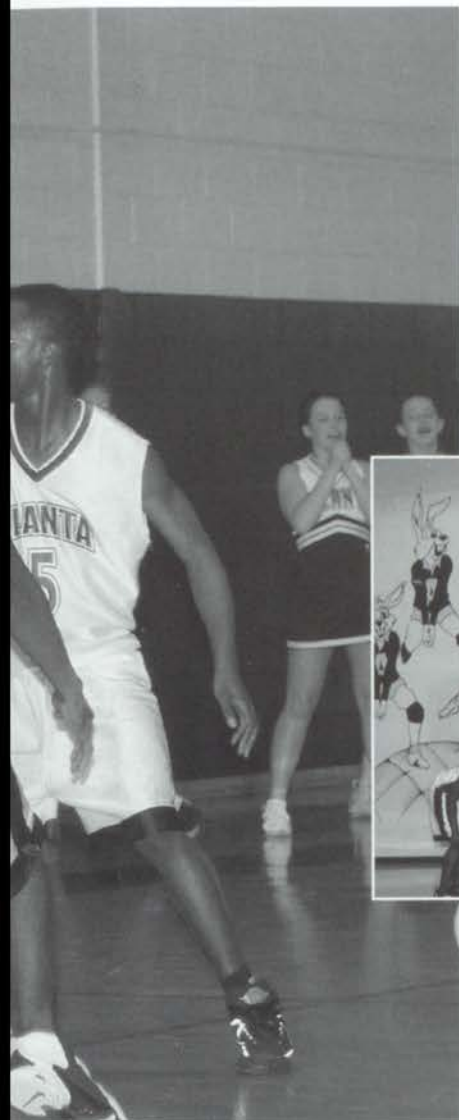
**Billy Riley**



"You have to hustle if you want to win."

**Corey Williams**





**Top:** Brandt James, Cody Cope, Kiara Sherman, Steven Sissons, Billy Riley, Coach Chris Cameron

**Bottom:** Teric Thompson, Brandon Williams, Keith Robinson, Mason Delanghe, Corey Williams



**busting through**

Cody Cope (30) and Billy Riley (50) force their way through a group of Rabbit defenders.

**nothing but net**

Corey Williams (10) pauses to watch his free throw shot glide into the rim. NB brought home a disappointing 30-43 loss.

**taking a shot** 9th grade joins junior varsity

**Strategy on the court**



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**talk** JV prepares for the future

1. Kiara Sherman (40) turns to assist Brandt James (20) cut off Atlanta's offense.
2. Surrounded by opponents, Billy Riley (50) attempts to get open to receive a pass from his teammates.
3. Rebounding the ball, Cody Cope (30) stretches out above his Atlanta opponent.
4. Teric Thompson (24) rushes down the court past a Rabbit defender to get in on the action.

### it's all good

1. After an emotional senior night ceremony, teammates gather around seniors Haylee Houston and Jill Kasitati.



### eyeing the court

2. Sophomore Becca Collom keeps the ball tucked away from the Pleasant Grove guard. "This game was important because it showed us we were capable of winning." Collom averaged 11.3 points per game.



## all the right moves

"This year I used the pick and roll move most. This is where you screen for the guard and roll towards the goal."

**Jill Kasitati**



"My most improved move was the pump-fake-shot. This is where you fake the shot to get your opponent in the air."

**Elizabeth Pardue**



"I learned how to use a reverse pivot, and it was critical for getting out of bad situations. You keep one foot planted and step out and away with the other."

**Shelia Carroll**



## one on one young team seeks few wins

The Lady Lions knew they had a challenging season in store for them when they stepped onto the court the first day of basketball practice. With a tough schedule, a new coach, and a very young squad (only two seniors), the team anticipated hard work and many obstacles.

As the season began, the Ladys had trouble gaining momentum; however, by mid-season, they had

improved dramatically, yet still struggled to win games. The young team kept their playoff hopes alive as the first district game rapidly approached. Dreams of the playoffs faded after many heart-breaking losses in district play. Though the disappointing win-loss record of the season may depict otherwise, the Lady Lions improved greatly and hope for a more successful season next year.





**Varsity basketball:** Front: Sharde' Mitchell, Shelia Carroll; Middle: Chasitye Griffin, Erin Jones, Brittany Richard, Becca Collom; Back: Elizabeth Pardue, Hayles Houston, Coach Steve Harris, Jill Kasitati, Courtney Cope

# scoreboard

Us	Them	
28	58	Liberty Eylau
38	47	Atlanta
38	47	Daingerfield
36	41	Jefferson
44	38	Pleasant Grove
29	73	Liberty Eylau
42	43	Atlanta
41	46	Daingerfield
40	43	Jefferson
42	43	Pleasant Grove

## varsity basketball



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### high hoops when the pressure's on

1. Trying to get the ball in the lane, senior Haylee Houston searches for an open teammate against the Lady Hawks. "We played with intensity that game," she said. "We were ready for a win and really wanted to turn our season around."

2. Junior Courtney Cope pushes the ball down court while looking for an opening against the Jefferson Lady Bulldogs. "We really wanted the game to turn out differently because it was senior night," Cope said. "We knew it was important to Jill and Haylee."

3. Flying high over an Atlanta opponent, Chasitye Griffin goes in fast for a lay-up. "We could have won that game," she said. "We hustled the whole time and played more like a team." Griffin averaged 10 points per game.

4. After an exciting win over the Pleasant Grove Hawks (35-25), the Lady Lions congratulate them on a good game.

### ball control

Freshman, Tiffany Pardue, searches for an outlet pass. Despite their efforts, the ladies lost 27-66. "I was thinking 'help Me!' Jefferson was about to double team me."



# scoreboard

Us	Them	
27	66	Liberty Eylau
35	27	Atlanta
21	36	Daingerfield
30	7	Jefferson
40	25	Pleasant Grove

## junior varsity



### a quick break

JV head coach Amy Doss lightens the mood as she prepares the team to take the court.

### intense struggle

Sapphire Elliott scrambles for the ball while Olivia Smith rushes to assist. "This year I was more aggressive," Elliott said. "Rebounding ended up being my favorite part."



## inside views



"Everyone had a lot of fun, and DeDe made a joke out of everything. We got a lot accomplished this year."

**Taylor Calfee**



"Our season was great, but it could have ended better. Atlanta was the game that we wanted to win the most, we just couldn't pull it out."

**Deresha Robinson**



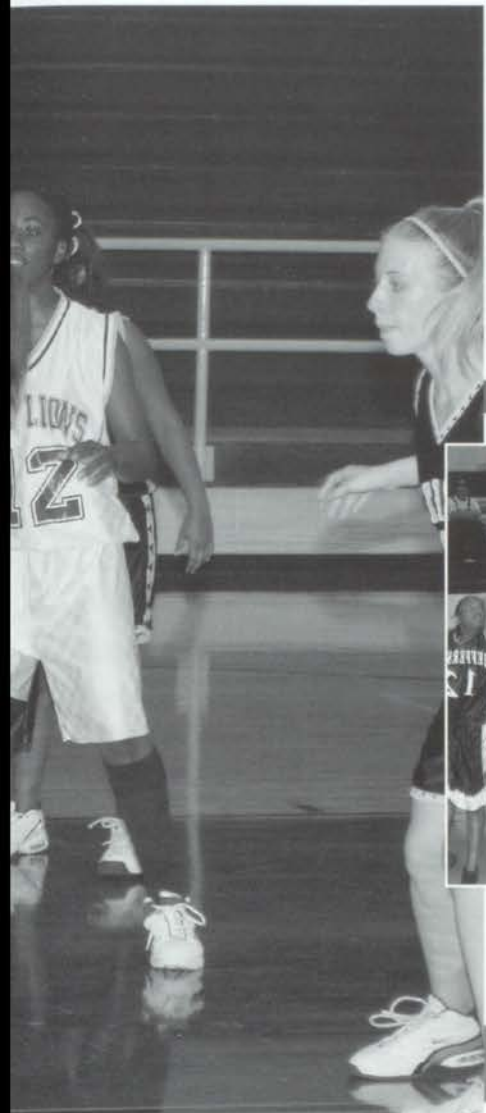
"I feel really good! I love basketball and I've improved so much from last year. As the season went on I ended up getting more and more playing time."

**Tiffany Pardue**



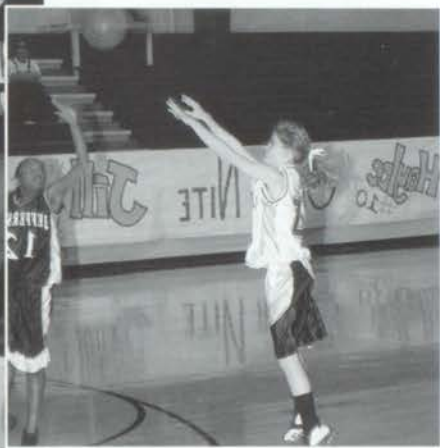
"Our season turned out well. We played as a team and never gave up even if we were behind."

**Shaunice Williams**



**Junior Varsity Basketball Team**

**Front:** Allison Perry, Olivia Smith; **Middle:** Anna Elkins, Emily Gaylon, Deandra Goldsmith, Tiffany Pardue, Debrisha Robinson; **Back:** Gabriella, Sapphire Elliott, Tyeshia Griffin, Erin Jones, Shaunice Williams, Taylor Colfee, Coach Steve Harris



**fighting back**

Olivia Smith fights to keep the ball as she prepares to pass to an open teammate. "I was looking to hit Tye or DeDe with a pass but no one was able to get open."

**in position**

Allison Perry lines up and shoots for three points.

# hoop it up 9th grade steps up to sub varsity girls basketball

take it to the hoop



winning ways

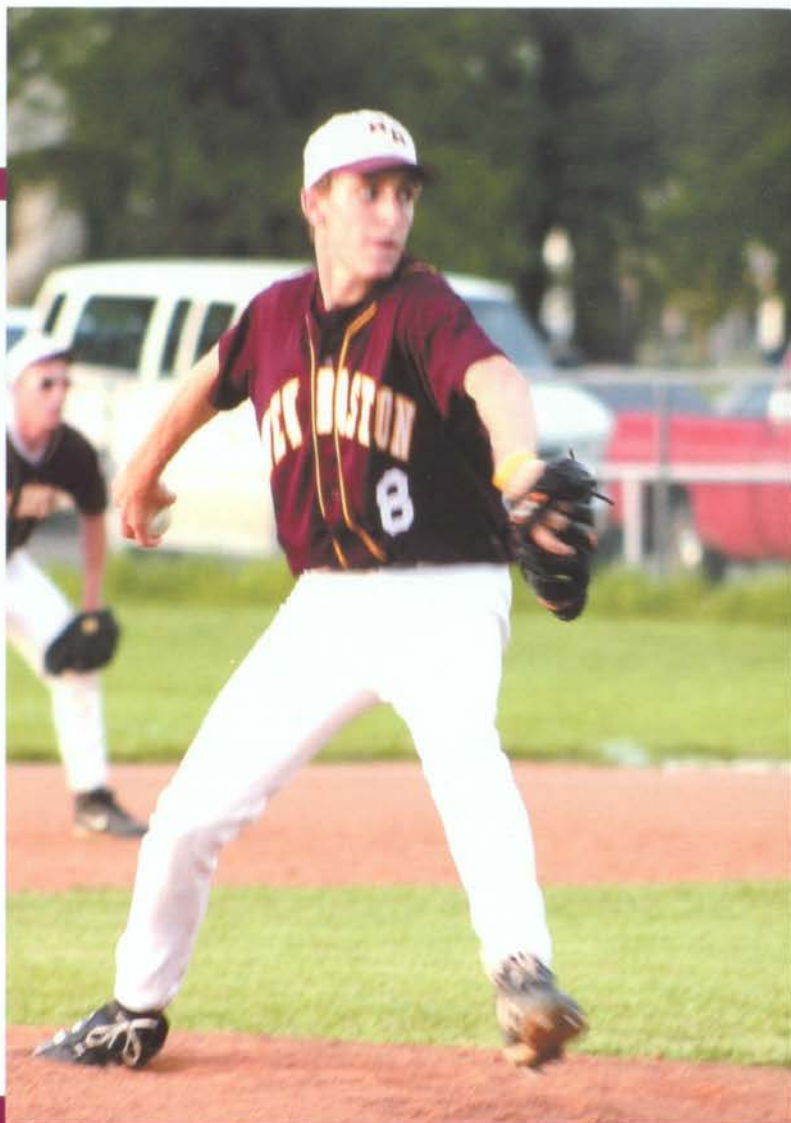
1. Emily Gaylon searches for an open teammate as she inbounds the ball. "Inbound plays were stressful, but we seemed to always find an open player."
2. With only time left for one more shot, Tyeshia Griffin pulls up for a three point shot. "This year we had a lot of teamwork, and we all improved. My defensive was the best."
3. Freshman Anner Elkins (11) plays strong defense, as she keeps the Jefferson defender from getting the ball. "The defense we ran this year became easier as the season went on, and I became a better post."
4. The JV point guard, Olivia Smith, sets the pace for the game as she calls out the play.



**Varsity baseball:** Top: Coach Kelly, Brett Metcalf, Josh Turner, Sean Goodsell, Sam Collom, Brad Hanna, Tyler Hilton, Brandon Gray, Aaron Downs, Coach Cameron Bottom: Chris Hixson, Jacob Barfield, Cody Mayo, Creg Reid, Kyle Peavey, Kyle House, Brandon Ballard

## scoreboard

<b>NB vs. Daingerfield</b>	<b>1-3</b>
<b>NB vs. Jefferson</b>	<b>1-18</b>
<b>NB vs. Pleasant Grove</b>	<b>0-13</b>
<b>NB vs. Liberty-Eylau</b>	<b>0-11</b>
<b>NB vs. Atlanta</b>	<b>5-11</b>
<b>NB vs. Daingerfield</b>	<b>2-5</b>
<b>NB vs. Jefferson</b>	<b>3-7</b>
<b>NB vs. Pleasant Grove</b>	<b>5-17</b>
<b>NB vs. Liberty-Eylau</b>	<b>1-12</b>
<b>NB vs. Atlanta</b>	<b>3-15</b>



Ending district play with a winless season, the varsity Lions were overcome by disappointment. With only a couple of pre-district wins it's plain to see why it was not an enjoyable season.

On many occasions, they would be in the lead until the sixth and seventh innings rolled around and then their momentum changed.

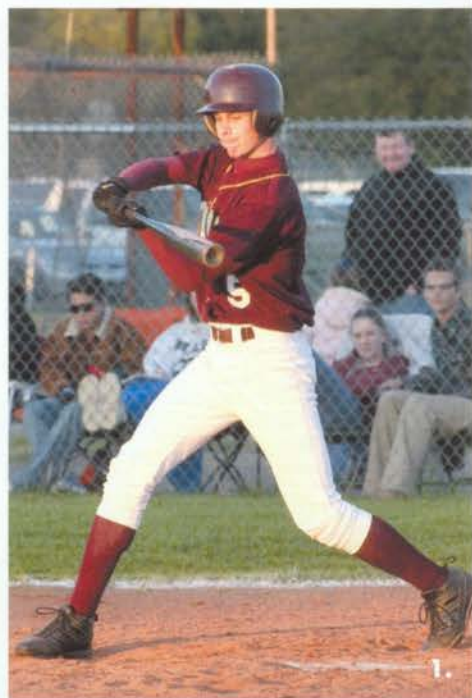
"In the top of the 7th inning against Atlanta, we lost a 6-5 lead because they started hitting, and we made errors," pitcher Josh Turner said.

The pressure to get that elusive victory

never failed to cost them those close games.

"What if?" seemed to be the number one question on everyone's mind after one of these tough losses. What if I had caught that line drive? What if I hadn't struck out at my last at bat?

Despite the heartbreak season, the team's spirit was never extinguished. With another year of experience under their belt and only three starters graduating, the players have an optimistic view about next season and hope to attain more success.



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### right down the pipe

1. Josh Turner(8) pushes hard off the mound trying to throw a strike.

### reaching for an out

2. Sean Goodsell stretches up to catch an out at first. Pleasant Grove's #7 got a centerfield hit, but didn't make it to first safely.



Senior Tyler Hilton suffered a black eye and cuts on his face because playing what most people call a 'no contact sport.' 'I had just finished batting practice, and I asked Ryan Flenniken to hand me my bat so I could leave. He acted as though he was going to sling it at me, and it accidentally came flying out of his hand and nailed me in the eye.'



"I was running full speed for a hard line drive in left-center field. With full concentration on the ball, I did not see the fence. It knocked me unconscious and I woke up to Coach Hill helping me off the field and telling me I was still 'Pretty Boy Hilton.'"



"These injuries made me miss a few games, but as soon as I could, I was back in center field. I can see how much our coaches care for their athletes' well being. I feel a little smarter. I think the two blows woke up the sleeping giant! Yeah right....."

## eye of the lion

## play ball varsity struggled with tough losses, ending season early



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### hardballers end season with no wins

1. Sam Collom(5) takes a hard cut at a fastball from Atlanta's Nick Miller.

2. After fielding the ball, Brad Hanna(9) prepares to chunk an Atlanta base runner out at 1st base.

3. Brandon Gray(16) returns the ball to the pitcher after tagging an LE player out at first.

4. Moving in to make a play, Jacob Barfield(20) runs in to pick up a bunt.

5. Blocking homeplate, catcher Aaron Downs doesn't let a pitch pass him by.

### J.V. Baseball

**Back:** Coach Kelly, Cody Clark, Ryan Wooldridge, Joey Garcia, Stephen Sissons, Matt Waltz, Coach Cameron

**Front:** Jake Kasitafi, Justin Adams, Chris Allen, Blaine Epperson, Bart Brock, Jake Easter, Aaron Hixson, Heath McMillan



**Making contact,** Chris Allen extends his arms as he connects with the ball for a first base hit.

Covering the infield, third baseman



**In motion,** Heath McMillan scoops up a hard hit by Atlanta and makes the play at third. **Rock and fire,** Sean Wooldridge starts his high school baseball career at pitcher and shuts down another batter.

## jv baseball/softball



**Protecting** the plate, catcher Cody Mayo tags Liberty-Eylau's #18 out at home.

**Moving** in on the ball, second baseman, Bart Brock shuffles forward to field a ground hit by Daingerfield's lead off batter.



## SPORTS BEAT

JV PLAYERS HONE IN ON BASIC SKILLS



### First Base

"Coach Cameron gave me lots of tips on my batting, and he told me to keep my hands loose on the bat."

**Matt Waltz**



### outfielder

"My most exciting game was when I hit the ball against Redwater. It was the first time I hit the ball in three years."

**Allison Perry**



### Shortstop

"My most exciting game was against Atlanta when I caught a line drive and made a double play at second base."

**Channing Day**



### Second base

"Our only real obstacle was that we had so many injuries and the moral was low...."

**Jake Kasitafi**





**JV Softball**  
**Front:** Emily Gaylon, Chloe Jones, Anna Elkins  
**Middle:** Jennifer Durst, Allison Perry, Taylor Calfee, Kinsey Megason, Channing Day  
**Back:** Coach Courtney Johnson, Coach Harris Brownlee, Coach Gary Miller



**first year pitcher** Emily Gaylon focuses on the mitt as the batter steps into the box.



**high-five** JV teammates congratulate each other after the first out of the inning against Atlanta.  
**down and ready** Freshman Kinsey Megason sets her feet as she prepares to take a grounder at third.

## subvarsity teams pound the mound

hit, run, score



softball girls just want to have fun

- 1. Following** through, Allyson Saling puts all she has into her swing, in attempt to get a hit.
- 2. Give me a sign!** Channing Day checks with JV Coach Johnson for a signal before she steps up to bat.
- 3. Easy** out. Freshman, Taylor Calfee comes off first base after making an out, while watching the runner on third.
- 4. Left** fielder, Tristen Teheller reaches up to snag a fly ball.

### rock and fire

1. Stretching back to throw, Haylee Houston prepares to make a routine out at first base. "Playing Atlanta has always been our toughest game, making routine outs is usually what helps up to come out on top."

### winding up

2. Four year letterman and district most valuable player Claire Colliom strides out in perfect form, as she hurls a strike during the Atlanta rival game. "This game was really stressful for me; I strained my back muscle and wasn't able to finish on the mound."



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## playoff berth

"We won 12 more games than ever before. If someone had told me that we were going to win 38 games at the beginning of the year, it would have been hard to figure."

**All district Coach of the Year, Gary Miller**

"Our first district game we played at Atlanta, we all came together and played as a team. We never gave up!"

**Kim Hawkins**

"The past three years our playoffs ended in the area round, so this year meant the most making it as far as we did. I won't forget all the hard work we put into our season."

**Brianne Wardell**



## finish

### varsity girls end season at regional tournament

After hurling 359 fast pitches against Wills Point, senior Claire Collom led the Lady Lions to her 2nd regional playoff appearance against 7th ranked Van in Marshall.

One last opportunity to go to the state playoffs for six girls who have played together since they were ten ended with the best 2 out of 3 games against the Lady Vandals. Van shut down the Lady Lions in two games. The only team to beat the Lady Lions twice this season.

"You have to give their pitcher credit because she had a lot to do with that," Miller said. "She's the best pitcher we have faced this year."

Graduating six players will leave the Lady Lions with a lot of holes to fill next year.

"These girls played hard and did what we asked, and we're proud of 'em. They have a long history together," Miller said. "A group like that only comes around ever so often. They eat and sleep the game. It's hard to teach that."



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**Varsity softball:** Back: Erin Jones, Tristen Tefteller, Becca Collom, Jill Kasitati, Haylee Houston, Micah Knox, Claire Collom, Laura Hanna, Brianne Wardell, Kim Hawkins, Allison Sailing, Sheila Carroll; Front: Coach Harris Brownlee, Coach Gary Miller, Coach Courtney Johnson.

## scoreboard

Atlanta	3-2
Daingerfield	14-4
Jefferson	20-2
Pleasant Grove	10-0
Liberty Eylau	7-0
Atlanta	2-4
Daingerfield	16-0
Jefferson	20-1
Pleasant Grove	10-0
Liberty Eylau	6-0

## varsity softball



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### softballers dominate district

1. Doing whatever it takes, 1st team all district player Jill Kasitati runs into and over Redwater's catcher as she drops the ball and Jill reaches home safely. "I have enjoyed playing for the past four years. Every time I step onto the field people know it's game time, because 'Jill don't play!'"
2. Senior catcher and district defensive MVP Laura Hanna looks toward the dug out for the pitching signal from coach Gary Miller. "The past four years I have looked to Coach Miller for signals, but this year he has left the signal calling mostly up to me."
3. Known for her batting, Micah Knox (offensive district MVP) slaps a double into left field. "This year being the lead-off batter, I was expected to put the ball into play and get on base!"
4. Stealing second base, all-district third base player Brianne Wardell stirs up the dust as she waits for the umpire to call time out. "We played Redwater so much this year that they always knew when we were going to steal."
5. Sophomore all district 1st base player and relief pitcher Becca Collom shuts out another batter. "The past two years I have really enjoyed playing with the seniors, I'm going to miss them a lot."

varsity softball  
brianne wardell



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### follow through

1. During a match, Kolton Mitchell swings through the ball to return it to his opponent.

### bounce back

2. Doubles teammate Justin Minyard reaches way back in attempt to return a volley. "After the Daingerfield match I felt like I learned how to play up to the level of my competition."



## what's the racquet?

"Josh and I have played doubles for 2 years. We work and play well together. He does a great job serving and I return."

**Justin Fellers**



"I love playing doubles! Elizabeth and I learned to read each other's moves and play as a team. I like having someone to share the victories and mourn the defeats."

**Nicole Hensley**



"I play tennis because it's the only sport I can play and still be in band. I practice about every other day and enjoy playing on weekends."

**Jill Snyder**



## servicing it up **tennis team courts young players, experience**

Besides a few sunburns and a win here and there, what the tennis team really brought home was a year of experience.

With only three seniors leading the way, experience was an asset that was desperately needed. In preparation for the district tournament, members competed in three tournaments and one meet at DeKalb gaining valuable playing time.

Standing on the courts in practice was head volleyball coach Amy Doss, who contributed her knowledge of the game and experience to the team in

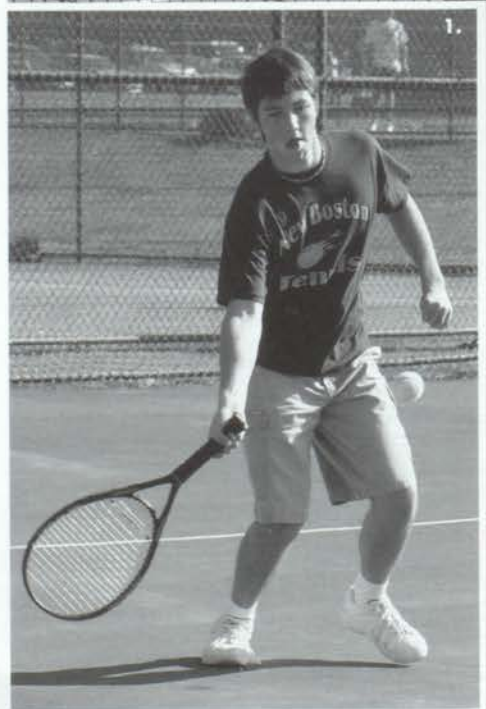
her spare time.

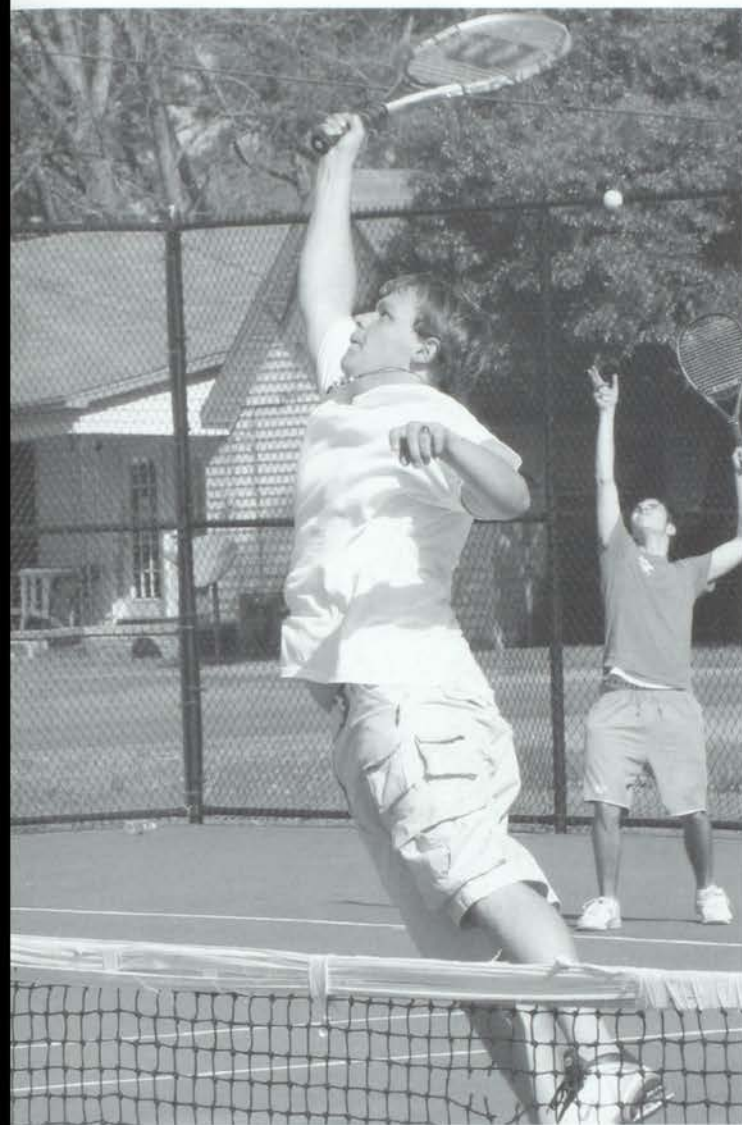
Although no one advanced to regionals from district, team members did not back down from the challenge. Doubles team, Elizabeth Pardue and Nicole Hensley advanced to the semifinals at district.

"I think we did pretty well considering this was my first year to play," Pardue said.

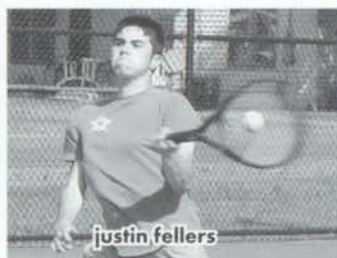
Atlanta hosted the two-day district meet.

"We won the first match against LE," Hensley said. "After playing for over 2 hours, they finally gave out."





**Tennis:** Front: Elizabeth Pardue, Nicole Hensley, Jill Synder, Kristin King, Lauren Day, Shelley Coleman Back Row: Jeff May, Justin Fellers, Josh Chapel, Dawson Carson, Justin Minyard, Jarvis Haggins, Zach Leatherman, Kolton Mitchel



justin fellers



josh chappell



lauren day

## tennis team



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### seeing **doubles** boys/girls compete at district

1. Dawson Carson hits the ball with a forehand approach. "My best match was against Daingerfield. It was very windy, but I won 6-3, 6-2," Carson said. "I really enjoy playing tennis."

2. Junior Elizabeth Pardue throws her weight behind a serve during practice before a meet. "Nicole and I get together several times a week and play," Pardue said.

3. Returning the serve Jeff May plays with confidence in the first district match against Daingerfield. "I won 6-0, 6-2 in two games," May said. "I was rockin' in that game!"

4. Nicole Hensley plays the net for her doubles team. "For the first time, I slammed a girl from LE in the leg with the ball. After that, they wouldn't hit the ball near me for the rest of the game."

### sailing to victory

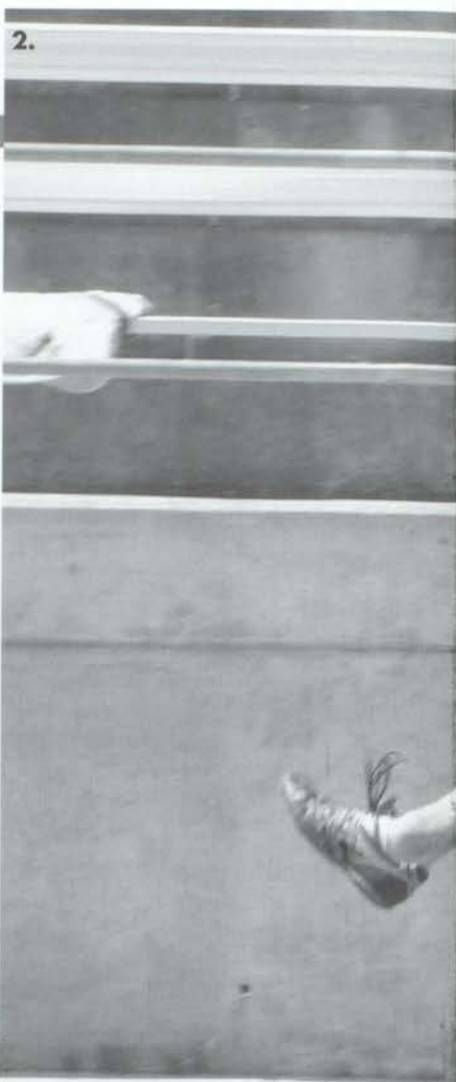
1. Leaving the competition behind, Bonnie England jumps over her last hurdle in the 300 meter hurdle race at the district meet in Atlanta. She placed 1st in the 300 meter hurdles and 2nd in the 100 meter hurdles and advanced to regionals in both events.

### gliding to glory

2. Brett Metcalf leaps over one of the last hurdles in the 300 meter hurdles at the district track meet in Atlanta. He placed 3rd in the 300 meter hurdles and advanced to regionals.



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## dealing with anxiety

"I don't think about my event until they call my name to throw. I act like I'm just at school with my friends."

**Ashley Gilmore**



"I just quit thinking about the race and just do it."

**Anthony Page**



"I'm really not that nervous because I have in my mind when I'm out there that nobody can beat me."

**Blake Rowden**



## runners to your mark

This year's track season started out a little slow, but as the district meet approached, it started to pick up speed.

Sometimes when you go to a track meet, you'll face teams that seem like they outnumber you four to one, especially at the district meet in Atlanta. This didn't stop our teams from competition.

Several people advanced from district to the regional meet in Commerce. On the girls' team,

Shelia Carroll advanced in the long jump, Bonnie England advanced in the 100 and 300 meter hurdles, and Patty Lovall advanced in the 100 meters. For the boys' team, Anthony Page, Brandon Williams, Keidratt Smith, Andre Dorsey, and Brett Metcalf advanced their 400 and 800 meter relays.

Keidratt Smith also advanced in the 200 meters, and Brett Metcalf advanced in the 300 meter hurdles.





**Varsity Boys**



**Varsity Girls**



**Junior Varsity Boys**



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going **for the gold** athletes show determination to win

1. Shelia Carroll lands her long jump, trying to keep her balance. Shelia placed 3rd in the district track meet and advanced to the regional meet at Commerce where she placed 5th.
2. Keidrott Smith gives all of his effort to reach the finish line during the 200 meter dash at the district track meet in Atlanta. He placed 3rd and advanced to regionals.
3. Coach Hill discusses Patty Lavoll's time after she placed 1st in the 100 meter dash at district meet in Atlanta.
4. DeAndra "De De" Goldsmith sets her feet and gets ready for the start of the girls' 4 by 100 meter relay.

## Football

**MVP** Aaron Downs

**Lion Heart** Matt Goodsell

## Volleyball

**MVP** Haylee Houston

**Lion Heart** Lindsey Stewart

## Basketball

**MVP** Derrod Williams

**Lion Heart** BJ Wade, Sam Collom

## Lady Lion Basketball

**MVP** Chasitye Griffin

**Lion Heart** Becca Collom

## Baseball

**MVP** Josh Turner

**Lion Heart** Sam Collom

## Softball

**MVP** Claire Collom, Micah Knox, Laura Hanna, Haylee Houston, Jill Kasitati, Brianne Wardell

**Lion Heart** Becca Collom

## Track

**MVP** Brett Metcalf

**Lion Heart** Keidraitt Smith

## Lady Lion Track

**MVP** Bonnie England

**Lion Heart** Shelia Carroll, Patty Lavoll

## Power Lifting

**Lion Heart** Alex Barfield

## Tennis

**MVP** Josh Chappell

**Lion Heart** Kolton Mitchell

## Lady Lion Tennis

**MVP** Elizabeth Pardue, Nicole Hensley

## Cross Country

**MVP** Justin McCarty

## Lion MVP

Brett Metcalf, Justin McCarty,  
Derrod Williams, Josh Turner, Josh Chapel



## Lady Lion MVP

**Back:** Nicole Hensley, Laura Hanna,  
Brianne Wardell, Jill Kasitati, Haylee  
Houston, Bonnie England

**Front:** Elizabeth Pardue, Micah Knox,  
Claire Collom

Coch Millier recognized all six senior  
softball players as most valuable players.



## Lion Heart Award

**Back:** Alex Barfield, Kolton Mitchell,  
Keidraitt Smith

**Front:** Sam Collom, BJ Wade,  
Matt Goodsell



## Lady Lion Heart Award

Becca Collom, Lindsey Stewart,  
Shelia Carroll, Patty Lavoll



## Scholarship Awards

**Weldon McCord -  
Highest Male GPA** Sam Collom

**Hubert Simpson -  
Highest Female GPA** - Micah Knox,  
Lindy Raney-

**Outstanding Male/Female Athlete**  
BJ Wade, Haylee Houston





booster club treats  
athletes to sports banquet

# ATHLETIC AWARDS



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## handing out kudos

1. Senior Lady Lion Lindsey Stewart checks out her award for best attitude and team effort in volleyball.

2. Coach Hill brags on Steven Sissons' skills and his improvement during the basketball season. Cody Cope and Mason Delanghe agree with pats on the back.

3. Coach Alex Harris presents Keidrat Smith with a plaque for the Lion Heart Award. Teammates Anthony Page, Brandon Williams and Blake Rowden stand in support of his work ethic and team comradeship.

4. Receiving a vote of confidence from the *Citizen's Tribune*, Coach Amy Doss accepts an award for being named volleyball Coach of the Year.



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## hall of famers honored at induction ceremony



David Jones - Class of 1977



Billy Bell - Class of 1981



Anthony "Tony" Dollarhide  
Class of 1983

**2005 Hall of Fame Inductees**  
High school standouts David Jones, Billy Bell, and Anthony Dollarhide display Hall of Fame awards.



athletic banquet  
brianne wardell





### spring cleaning

Sixth grader Erin Watson takes time before lunch to throw away any unwanted trash from her locker. "I was cleaning out my locker because it was really messy, and I found a t-shirt I had lost."

# NBMS

*bridging the gap*



Looking for something to do, Justin Hammonds and Kelley Sneed join others under the shade trees.

nbms division  
jessica baggett

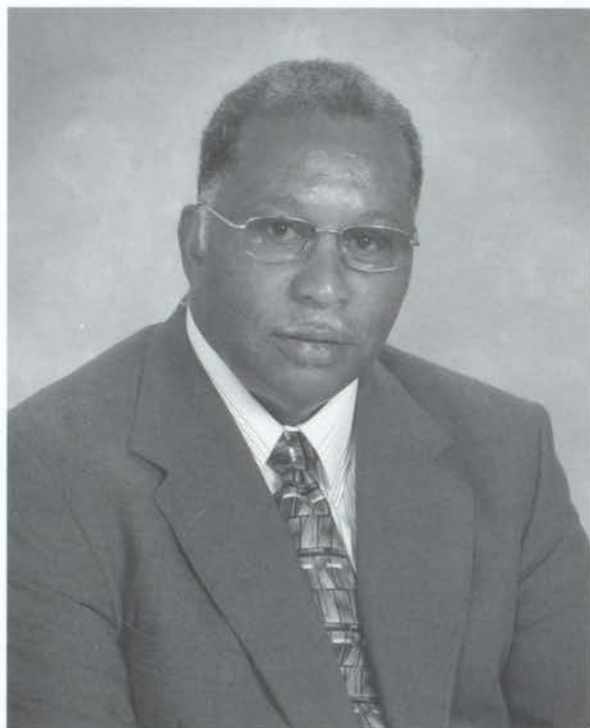


# middle school faculty

connects information, ideas



**Ron Norman**  
Assistant Principal



**Richard Ellis**  
Principal

Sandra Allison, Technology  
Heather Batchelor, Aide  
Luann Cate, Math  
Jennifer Cokeley, English  
Janie Coleman, Science



Sheila Collom, Counselor  
John Dempsey, Science  
Brenda Duncan, English  
Shirley Durham, Aide  
Kim Epperson, Reading





Lillian Flournoy, Life Skills  
 Tommie Foster, Athletics, PE  
 Jill Garrett, History  
 Tori Harkins, English  
 Alex Harris, Athletics, PE



Pamela Holland, Librarian  
 Brenda Jackson, Science  
 Pamela Jackson, English  
 James Jones, Social Studies  
 Michael Kelley, Athletics, PE



Sheryl King, Math  
 Cynthia Labat, Aide  
 Margie Manning, Asst. Band Director  
 David May, Athletics, PE  
 Katressa May, Secretary



Charles Melton, Band Director  
 Gary Miller, Athletics, PE  
 Jerri Miller, Reading  
 Teresa Mills, Secretary  
 Donna O'Rear, Math



Joyce Parr, Science  
 Charles Patton, Math  
 Sharon Raney, Art  
 Michael Rhoden, World History  
 Jamie Self, Reading



Tammy Slagle, Reading, English  
 Christy McCarter, Reading  
 Jimmie Thomas, Library Aide  
 Paula Woodard, Texas History



**the finer points in life**

1. Fifth grade math teacher Ms. King cleans the overhead before starting a new problem for the class to learn. 2. Patrolling the playground at lunch gives band director Charlie Melton a chance to get some fresh air between classes. 3. Mrs. Allison works with Mrs. Parr's science class while they test in the computer lab. 4. Making good use of a quiet moment, eighth grade English teacher, Mrs. Jackson, enters grades while the class quietly works at their desks. 5. Mrs. Self, Mrs. Cokeley, Ms. Manning, and Mrs. Holland attend to their daily hall duty. "The teachers were having a meeting of the minds, but no one showed up," Ms. Manning said. 6. Caught in the act, Educational Diagnostician Dibbi Denson eats an apple on the run. "Mealtime is my favorite time of the day," she said.

**the clock is ticking**

Fifth grade social studies teacher Mr. Jones types a test over "Regions of the U.S." on his computer. "My favorite time of the day would have to be at 4:30 because that is when my bus route is over."

## tried and true

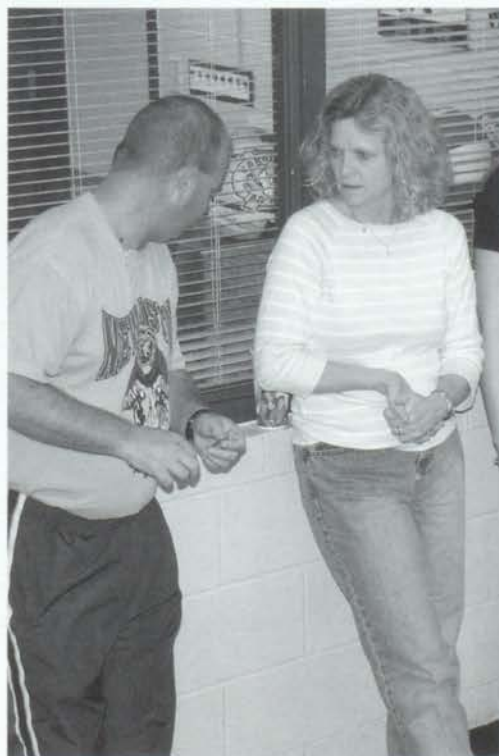
*instructors teach young dogs old tricks*

### exploring new ideas

Eighth grade science teacher Mrs. Coleman tells how the earth was formed through movement of tectonic plates throughout history. "I have to give the same lesson six different times," she said. "Sometimes it's hard to remember what I have already taught."

### no end in sight

Busy with early morning reports, Mrs. Mills types up a schedule change before school starts. "I spend a lot of my time doing PEIMS (enrolling students/schedule changes), answering the phone, and whatever else may come up during the day," Mills said. "My favorite time of the day would probably be the end of the day just like everyone else's."



### lesson preparations

Mrs. Garrett, eighth grade history teacher, is making up yet another power point presentation for her class.

### keep it simple

Spending much of her time on IEP's each day, life skills teacher, Mrs. Flournoy enjoys getting out of the classroom. "Physical education is my favorite class of the day."

### no kidding

Coach Miller asks Coach Foster about a shot one of the players made at the Atlanta basketball game. "So it was the other basket we were suppose to shoot at?" Miller said. "I will try to remember that next time."

# eighth grade



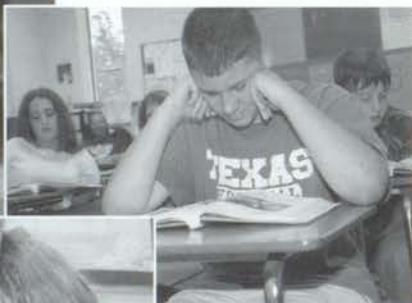
### accelerated reading

Trying to get points for her grade, Heather Maidens reads "Loser" to obtain 6 points.



### wake up!

Krystal Capps struggles to keep her eyes open in Mrs. Coleman's science class.



### in black and white

Cory House takes his time while seaching his text book for answers.



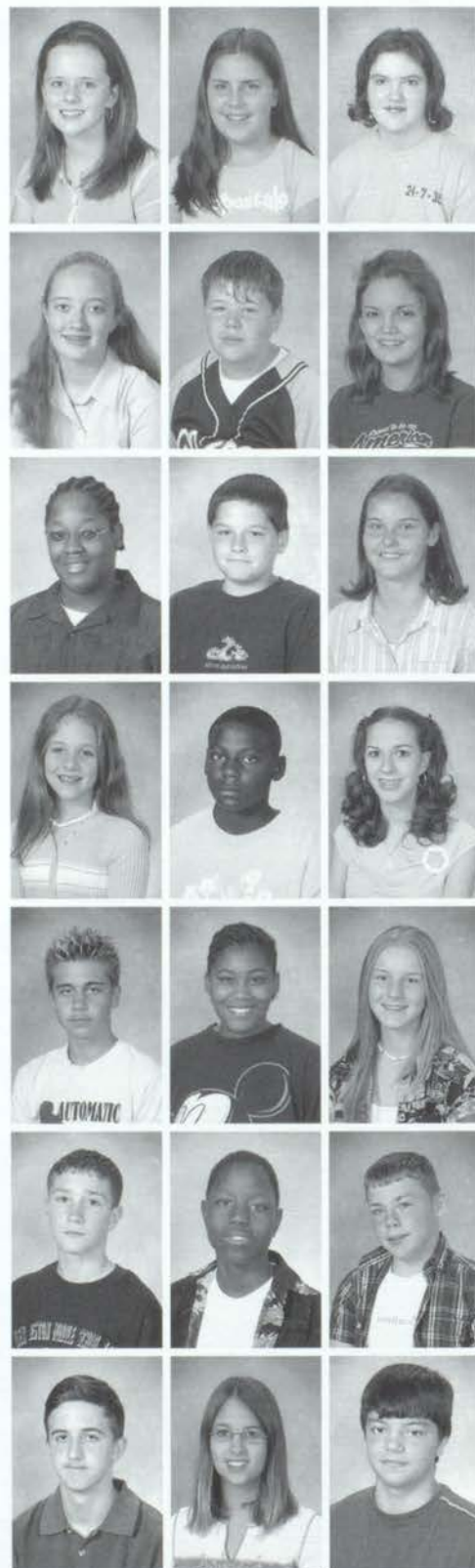
### striving for excellence

Clarissa Engelman concentrates hard while taking a "make up test" during study hall.

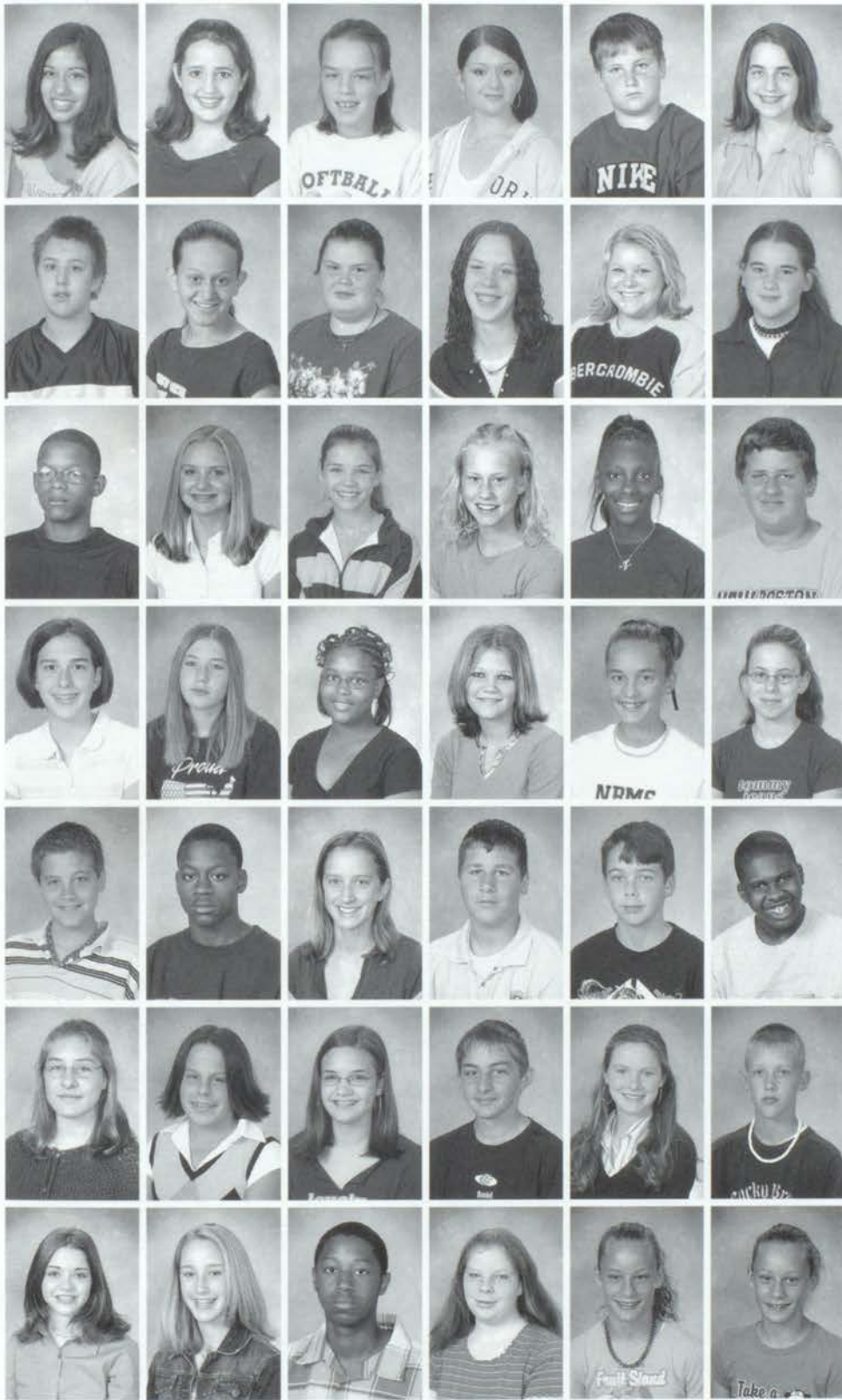


### enough is enough!

Tired after lunch, Ashley Ford works to finish her pre-algebra homework during study hall.







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Mika Allison  
Claudia Ballard  
Erika Barrera-Shirley  
Hailey Barrett  
Christina Batchelor  
Andrea Baugh  
Jeffery Beggs  
Samantha Beggs

Callie Berryhill  
Joseph Birdsong  
Sara Birdwell  
Matthew Bloyd  
Whitney Bobo  
April Bowman  
Dawn Bowman  
Cheyenne Briggs  
Miranda Bullard

Anthony Burnett  
Cody Burns  
Kaleigh Butler  
Travonta Butler  
Kali Campbell  
Krystal Capps  
Kaitlynn Chadwick  
Nikki Chavers  
Michael Chitwood

Emily Cokeley  
Christopher Culberson  
Alicia Daniel  
Ashley Daniel  
Dora Doyle  
Raven Eastman  
Clarissa Engelman  
Ashley Ford  
Chelsey Foster

Adam Garrett  
Robyne Hartley  
Audrey Hensley  
Caleb Hensley  
Greg Hill  
Olivia Hixson  
Cory House  
Matthew House  
Aaron Hurd

Drew Hutchinson  
Scotty Johnson  
Levi Johnston  
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Cayla Montgomery  
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Roland Morphew  
Daniel Myers  
Samantha Norman  
Katie Norton  
Kristy Pardue  
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Laura Raney  
Sean Rathburn  
Derrick Ray



James Rentroe  
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Jody Saatkamp  
Jacob Simmons  
Aman Singh  
Cody Smallwood



Justin Smith  
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Michael Smithson  
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**after the 3:30 bell**

1. Samantha Norman waits for her ride after school.
2. Waiting on her bus, Nikki Shavers watches as her friends get on the bus.
3. Timothy Waldrum and Brandon Payton talk about football plays while standing around outside.
4. Mika Allison hurries to catch her bus after school.

**speakUP** What are the advantages of being "top dog" at school?



"All the people in the lower grades look up to you."  
**kayla**WILLIAMS



"It's great to be the oldest, but it doesn't make a difference to me."  
**cody**BURNS



"You don't have to worry about people trying to fight with you."  
**sean**RATHBURN



"I love being the oldest and getting to boss the lower grades around sometimes."  
**olivia**HIXSON



"Sometimes it feels like we're the biggest ones in the school."  
**sara**BIRDWELL



"I guess I feel the same, only older, but everyone knows me."  
**emily**TREADWAY

## father, daughter dance

### Andy & Paige McCarter

"It was really sweet when my dad asked me to dance with him to, *I don't want to miss a thing* by Aerosmith. It made the dance great!"



### Katie Norton & Vincent Welch

"My face lit up when my dad asked me to dance. I shared him with one of my best friends too because her dad wasn't there."



### Neilan & Audrey Hensley

"My dad and I danced to *Boot Scootin' Boogy*. I did have a little trouble two-stepping with my dad."



### caught in the moment

**1.** All into the "cha cha slide," Paige Smith shows her date, Bradley Phillips, how it goes. "Bradley could dance alright, but not near as good as Katie Norton," Smith said.

**2.** Awkwardly placing the corsage on his date, Derrick Ray presents Erica Shirley with flowers. "It took him a while, but after a few tries he finally got it on my wrist right," Erica said.

**3.** Nikki Shavers dances to *Lovers and Friends* with, Greg Hill. "Greg and I have been friends for awhile now," Nikki said. "So we thought it would be a good song to dance to even though we didn't come together."



# Paradise Island

Eighth graders dance on sandless beach



## village people

**1.** Laura Raney and Drew Hutchinson dance to YMCA with their new, but slow moves. "Everyone was doing the same thing so we wanted to change things up a little," Raney said.

**2.** Hailey Barrett enjoys dancing to the YMCA with her friends Kyndel King and Mika Allison.



**3.** Krystal Capps and Whitney Bobo clap along to Village People's YMCA. "We were so tired of dancing that we just decided to watch and laugh at everyone dancing crazy," Capps said. **4.** "I had taken this crazy hat from Steven Stevenson and then the music to YMCA came on," Kaylee Allen said. "So I started dancing around all silly with this hat on."

## what's the buzz?



### Cheyenne Briggs

"My mom wouldn't let me get a formal dress and I kept begging her. Finally, I got my grandma to take me to Dillard's and I bought my own dress. That night my mom kept telling me how beautiful I looked. She should have listened to me in the first place."



### Anthony Burnett

"I had a blue and white tux. It was different than anyone else's. I went to 'Levines' in Texarkana and bought some white and blue checkered shoes to go with it. Everyone talked about it all night. It was so funny."



### Kaitlynn Chadwick

"I was so worried about getting ready for the dance. Luckily our cheerleading carwash got cancelled, so I had more time to relax and get ready. Ashley Ford, Kaylee Allen, and I went to eat at Roadhouse and we were even a half an hour early!"



### Claudia Ballard

"It took me awhile to find the perfect dress. I finally found the right one for me at JCPenny. It was long and blue. I got some high heels to match also. I wound up taking them off at the end of the night because my feet were killing me."

# seventh grade



### perked up

Asia Sandige is tuned in during Mr. Dempsey's science class. "Science is boring most of the time, but every now and then it gets interesting."



### practice makes perfect

Caleb Mulkey checks over his math homework to make sure it is just right.



### undecided

While in art class, Chelsey King tries to decide what to draw on her poster for Ty Granberry's hamburger supper fundraiser.



### reading between the lines

Whitney Knowles catches up on her accelerated reading (AR) after finishing her English work.

### down time

Drew Carson reads a TIME magazine article during his free time.





Bryan Allen  
Micah Anglen  
Dustin Austin  
Rufus Baker  
Chelsea Barnes  
Sydney Benjamin  
John Berbig  
Treyvon Bolden-Stewart  
Cara Brooks



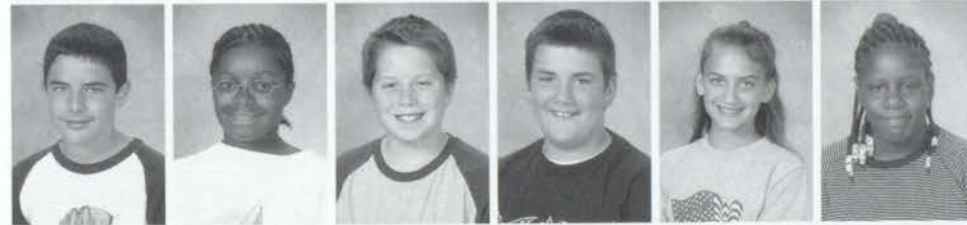
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Keundrea Cotton  
Michael Delogado  
Mitchell Doan  
Rayneta Dotson



Brooke Duffer  
Jasmine Eastman  
Casey Edwards  
Darius Ellis  
Aaron Etue  
Jacob Fellers  
Rodrick Fields  
Carly Flenniken  
Danielle French



Cassandra Gallegos  
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Des'Roe Griffin  
John Guilmette  
Hayden Hall  
Kristen Hall  
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Andrew Harmon  
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Stephen Hartwick  
Katie Hensley  
Erica Hobbs  
Brandi Johnson  
Chelsey King  
Kirsti Kingery  
James Kirk



Whitney Knowles  
Gary Lorange  
Demarius Mack  
Jamie Malac  
Steven Malone  
Raven Martinez  
Cody May  
Bailey McDonald  
Krystal McFall

Heath Meador  
Morgan Miller  
Danielle Mize  
Caleb Mulkey  
James Nelloms  
Gregory Olivella



Brooke Olson  
Jerad Overturf  
Kaylea Owen  
Lauren Parrish  
Brandon Payton  
Johnny Pierce



Ryan Powell  
Victor Powell  
Allison Raney  
Brandon Raney  
Darren Ray  
Terrance Rowden



Wesley Saling  
Briana Sanders  
Asia Sandidge  
Bryan Sargent  
Cassie Scott  
Carissa Self



Joseph Smith  
Timothy Spilman  
Rebecca Stewart  
Jamie Thompson  
Phelix Threadgill  
Micah Tinsley



Bobby Walker  
Tyler West  
Kendrick White  
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Morgan Wisinger  
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Justin Zellers



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#### soap opera

1. Brooke Duffer tries not to get wet while participating in a car wash. 2. Chealsey King and Taylor Granberry play a joke on Kendrick White by dumping soap on his head.



#### working at the car wash

3. Carly Flenniken scrubs in order to get the tires washed as fast as she can. "After awhile it got old scrubbing nasty tires," Carly said. 4. Carissa Self, Morgan Miller, and Brooke Duffer give up a Saturday for fun in the sun at the band car wash.

## speakUP What's your favorite thing to do when you hang out with your friends?



"Ride bikes because it's good exercise for me."

**seaira**RICHARSON



"Play football with the boys and just hang around."

**gary**LORANCE



"Just talk with all the girls so I can catch up with things."

**ashley**CONKLETON



"I like to ride my dirtbike at my dad's friend's house whenever I have time."

**carly**Flenniken



"I play any sports or my friends and I talk to each other about weird stuff."

**hayden**HALL



"We are always laughing or playing around."

**trey**STEWART

# sixth grade



**ready to roar**  
Chris Gilmore rises high with spirit during a pep rally. "Some of the teachers made homemade pom-poms and signs for us to use on spirit day."



**nothing to it**  
Jessica Horridge cleans off her tray of nachos before going outside to hang out with her friends.



**loud and clear**  
The sixth grade section screams for the cheerleaders to throw them the spirit ball during a pep rally.



**it's a lion thing**  
Allison Barrett wins one of the spirit awards for going all out on spirit day. "I was wearing a cheer uniform, maroon socks, pom-poms, footballs, ribbons, cheerleader shoes, and a stuffed lion."



**time to go**  
Joseph Kasitati packs away his lunch box before the bus comes to take him home.





Brianna Allen  
Deanna Allen  
Candice Arendt  
Christopher Arendt  
Ashley Ayala  
Devonte Ballard  
Allison Barrett  
Nicholas Basso  
Devante Brown



Glen Brown  
Keyante Brown  
Graeson Bruce  
Jessie Caudle  
Adam Clark  
Chaunceta Clark  
Hillary Clark  
Lindsey Clayton  
Trenton Clements



Madeline Cohn  
Timothy Cole  
Christopher Cooksey  
Casey Cox  
Marann Crawford  
Abby Crittenden  
Caleb Davis  
Tara Derleth  
Nathan Doyle



Nicholas Dunbar  
Devonn Elliott  
Ralisha Ellis  
Alisha Evans  
Lee Farris  
Ethan Felker  
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Sherri Firth  
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Bryan Henry  
Orrin Horn  
Jessica Horridge  
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Amber Jones  
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Aimee Lee  
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Roger Mannette  
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Ashlee Moxley  
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 Dustin Nichols  
 Amy Patel  
 Amanda Patrick



Matthew Peek  
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 Trisha Stayton  
 Jamon Stephens  
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Ronnie Stroman  
 Heather Sullivan  
 Courtney Talton  
 Harley Thornton  
 Jon Turner  
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Nathan Ulmer  
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Erin Watson  
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 Hanna Grayson  
 Chloe Halliburton  
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#### every minute counts

1. Courtney White, Breanna Allen, Deanna Allen, and Dani Jordan clean off the table before moving outside after lunch. 2. Matthew Fletcher plops his head in what's left of frito chili pie.

#### time out

3. Nick Dunbar and Mason Brown discuss how they can't wait for an upcoming pee wee football game. 4. Alexis McGill works on her math problems for Mrs. O'Rear's class.

## speakUP

What is your definition of a friend?



"A friend is someone you can trust. Deanna is my best friend because she is cool."

**emileigh**GARRETT



"A true friend is someone who never talks behind your back. R.J. Stroman is my best friend."

**ethan**FELKER



"A friend is someone who will be nice to you and won't betray you. Ashley is my best friend because she is funny and very nice."

**kimber**SANDERS



"A best friend is a person that will stick by your side no matter what."

**taylor**NEAL



"It is someone you can trust. Ethan Felker is my best friend because he doesn't say things about me that aren't true."

**r.j.**STROMAN



"A friend is someone who is nice to me. Tori and Claudia are my best friends because they are nice and ask me to do stuff with them."

**devonte**BALLARD

# fifth grade



### it all starts here

Alexander Norman finishes up his science test in the computer lab. "We always have fun in Mrs. Parr's class."



### the fun is over

Reluctantly returning inside after playing basketball during recess, Larry Carroll joins his friends back inside for afternoon classes.



### a whole new chapter

Micheal Brown quietly reads one of his favorite Harry Potter books in Mrs. Duncan's class.



### waiting on the bell

Dillon Freeman, Ricky Mendenhall, and Trevor Gibbons line up at the door before leaving for their next class.

**one step at a time**  
After third period, Devonte Smith and Nekole Martinez eagerly head to the cafeteria for lunch.





Carrolynn Adcock  
 Rachel Allison  
 Aydria Betts  
 Mercedes Betts  
 John Blythe  
 Jonathon Bonilla  
 Patricia Boyte  
 Lucy Brassfield  
 Scott Brooks



Michael Brown  
 Donald Buckley  
 Haley Burleson  
 Garrett Burnett  
 Aaron Campbell  
 Adrian Campbell  
 Kaitlyn Capps  
 Christopher Carpenter  
 Larry Carroll



Breanna Chitwood  
 Damin Clark  
 Breana Coffey  
 Lauren Cole  
 Brandon Contoleon  
 Whitney Copeland  
 Dustyn Cowling  
 Cody Crouch  
 Jessica Davis



Thomas Delacerda  
 Gabrielle Dike  
 Cullen Earnest  
 Brittany Edwards  
 Brianna Elrod  
 Kali Epperson  
 Nathan Eubank  
 Josh Flurry  
 Chyanne Ford



Shimeka Forte  
 Dillan Freeman  
 Lexus French  
 Cody Fulgium  
 Kathryn Garner  
 Josh Garton  
 Treveor Gibbons  
 Savannah Gooden  
 Danielle Grider



Kelsey Griffin  
 Rodrick Gulley  
 Devonte Hamilton  
 Justin Hammonds  
 Tiffany Hanna  
 Jerrica Hardeman  
 Staten Harmon  
 Symone Hartley  
 Colton Hensley



Alexandria Herbert  
 Booker Hooks  
 Ethan Horn  
 Christian Hurd  
 Kurtlen Johnson  
 Aaron Jones  
 Terynda Keith  
 Hunter Labat  
 Lukas Leathers

Denzell Mack  
 Nekole Martinez  
 Samantha Mathis  
 Brittany May  
 Emily McBroom  
 Janice McFall  
 Deandre' McIver



Patrick McIver  
 Johnny McKinney  
 Richard Mendenhall  
 Scotty Mitchell  
 Lauren Mocny  
 Joshua Morphew  
 Tanner Morton



Jaquen Nelloms  
 Jerrod Nelloms  
 Alexander Norman  
 Robert Nowlin  
 Kimberly Oglesby  
 Ashlyn Olson  
 Paul Owens



Kayla Pardue  
 Charles Patton  
 Haylea Patton  
 Victoria Perez  
 Robert Pierce  
 Damon Prichard  
 Jessica Procella



Lauren Randle  
 Haydon Raney  
 Madisen Rawls  
 Joseph Reed  
 Alexander Rice  
 Kaitlyn Richardson  
 Magus Rodeheaver



Ashton Rolf  
 Anna Rothwell  
 Kelley Scales  
 Erik Shirley  
 Kristina Shirley  
 Devonte' Smith  
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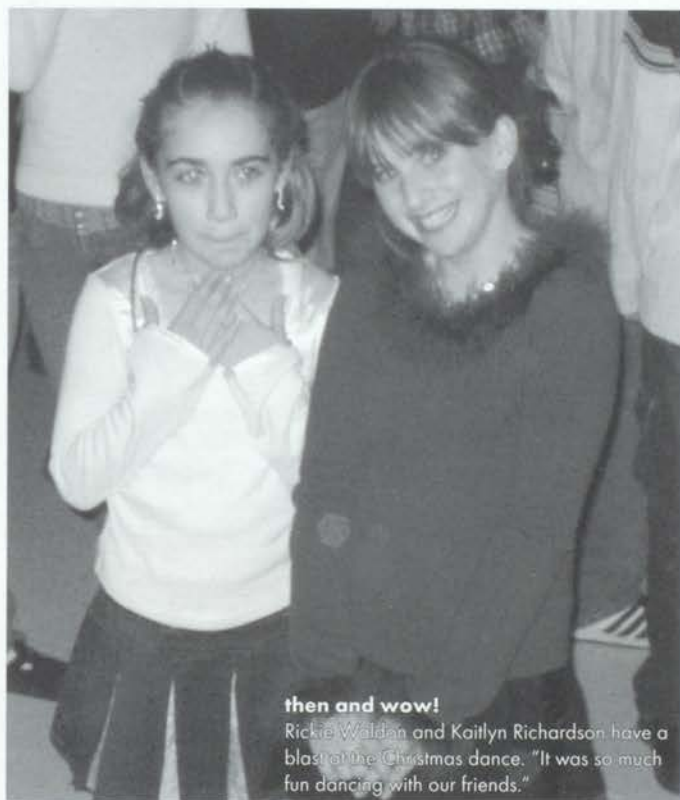
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Rikki Walden  
Lexiana Warren  
Ian Weliever  
Dylan White  
Keara Williams  
Markevon Williams



McKenzie Wooldridge

**not pictured:**

- Khari Campbell
- Lauren Hammonds
- William Hester
- Samantha Mathis



**then and wow!**  
Rickie Walden and Kaitlyn Richardson have a blast at the Christmas dance. "It was so much fun dancing with our friends."



**wild thing**

Ashton Rolf entertains her friends, Lauren Mocney, Haley Burleson, Gabby Dike, Kali Epperson, and Ashlyn Olson during recess.

**working hard**

Hayden Raney attempts to complete his test for Mrs. Parr in the computer lab.



**paws-abilities**

In the spirit of the night, Gabby Dike shows team support at homecoming. Her mom painted her game-face. "People were constantly saying 'You're so cute! You look like a lion!'".

**speakUP**

Who do you look up to and why?



"I look up to my dad because he is very smart. He encourages me not to drink when I get older."  
**joshuaGARTON**



"My brothers because they are very helpful in some situations, and they fix my stuff even though sometimes they are the ones that break them."  
**kaliEPPERSON**



"My 25 year old brother Nick, because he has always been there for me and he stands up for me."  
**breanaCOFFEY**



"I look up to my dad because I can always talk to him about anything. We like to play sports together."  
**coltonHENSLEY**

### as good as gold

Cheering from the stands, Jamie Fowler waves her pom-poms in hopes to have her class receive the spirit ball. "The pep rallies were so much fun this year. I think that everyone had a blast at all of them."

### zeroing in

Staton Harmon plays 'knock out with friends during P.E. "I really enjoy playing basketball, it's a lot of fun to play with my friends at school."



### fishing frenzy

1. Twirling her umbrella, Zanechia King waits her turn to fish.
2. Magus Rodeheaver hangs out with Smokey the Bear during the Fishing Derby.
3. Showing his catch of the day, Rod Fields reels in his fishing pole to find that he has caught one of the biggest fish in the pond.
4. Carolyn Adcock gets her lunch box ready to go eat with the rest of her classmates.
5. Jordan Gammons, and Brittany May wait in line to do some of the fun activities they had planned for them before fishing.



# starting to connect

middle schooler's find new interests,  
form identities



## a sense of pride

Morgan Wisinger and Hunter Cannon hold up a sign made by Mrs. Cokeley to support their class, the Sassy Seventh Graders. "My favorite part about going to the pep rallies was being able to scream and holler at the top of my lungs," Morgan said.



## crazy daze

Emily Treadway wins the foil princess contest. "The cheerleaders had to pick a few volleyball girls to do their game, and they picked me. I won because I was the only one with a foil hat. My friends, Paige and Ashley insisted that I wear it."

## breaking the code



**Lauren Mocney, 5th**

"I think that we should be allowed to bring cell phones to school in case something happens while you are at school, like if your after school ride can't pick you up or something."



**Nick Dunbar, 6th**

"Cell phones should be allowed at school, not to use during school but just for after school."



**Carly Flenniken, 7th**

"The dress code needs to be changed, because girls can hardly find any shorts that go down to their knees, unless they're boy shorts."



**Kaleigh Butler, 8th**

"I think that the gum policy needs to be changed because no one really sticks their gum under desks anymore, and plus it helps some people concentrate on their school work."

# student council

## takes on community projects



**8th grade:** Kalee Allen, Paige McCarter, Samantha Norman, Laney Klimaszewski

**7th grade:** Ashley Conkleton, Taylor Granberry, Carly Flenniken, Chelsey King, Morgan Miller, Brooke Duffer

**6th grade:** Courtney White, Nick Dunbar, Casey Cox, Lee Farris, Courtney Talton

**5th grade:** Shimeka Forte, Tony Thompson, Ashton Rolf, Kaitlynn Capps

### helping others

Student Council members participate in the annual Susan B. Komen breast cancer fund raiser. They honored breast cancer survivors, Lynn Cox and Jamie Flenniken.

### easier said than done

Courtney White and Morgan Miller walk in the race for the cure. "We all had a lot of fun," Courtney said. "We weren't too tired after the race."



### duty calls

1. Before starting the race, Laney Klimaszewski, Samantha Norman, and Courtney White get a picture taken with one of the sponsors, the Chick-fil-e mascot.
2. Casey Cox, Lee Farris, and Nick Dunbar take down the flag as part of their daily routine while serving on Student Council.



**side by side**

ROAR teacher, Mrs. Miller, helps out student, Mika Allison, with her layout for the newspaper. "It is a lot of hard work trying to get done with your page," Mika said. "But it's actually kind of fun sometimes."

# roar

our name says it all



**Top row:** Paige Smith, Miranda Bullard, Ashley White, Katie Norton, Emily Cokeley **2nd row:** Catie Willis, Kayla Williams, Samantha Beggs, Paige McCarter, Drew Hutchinson, Mika Allison **3rd row:** Alicia Daniel, Hailey Barrett, Kalee Allen, Samantha Norman **4th row:** Emily Treadway, Kyndel King



**Katie Norton**

"Being able to entertain people with our work has been my favorite part of being in ROAR. I get to roam the halls and interview people for the paper."



**Ashley White**

"The newspaper is definitely work, but it is a lot of fun getting to make layouts for the pages. Also, I am a reporter so I get to pick just about any kind of page."



**Alicia Daniel**

"My favorite part about being in ROAR is being able to work on the newspaper. I have to keep my grades up and get my A.R. points on time to be able to work on the paper."



**all eyes on us**

**1.** Drew Hutchinson gets to work on one of his pages for the school newspaper. "It's kind of cool being the only guy in ROAR, it's nice to know there's no competition." **2.** Taking a break from doing their work, Kayla Williams, Alicia Daniel, and Catie Willis catch up on their reading to earn A.R. points. **3.** While hard at work, Paige Smith finishes on a cartoon outline for the school paper. "I spend most of my time working on reports for the newspaper, it can be hard sometimes to finish the pages you are assigned, but it's still a lot of fun." **4.** Kalee Allen picks a layout for her variety page. "It's kind of hard to do your pages depending on which article you get assigned, if you have a whole page, it can be very difficult but overall it's a lot of fun."





**Officers:** V. President - Kalee Allen, President - Emily Treadway, Parliamentarian - Emily Cokeley, Secretary/Treasurer - Samantha Norman, Reporter - Kyndel King

**8th grade members:** Katie Norton, Heather Maidens, Adam Garrett, Sean Rathburn, Drew Hutchinson, Emily Treadway, Laura Raney, Kyndel King

2nd row: Alicia Daniel, Mika Allison, Dora Doyle, Kelli Smith, Ashley Daniel, Callie Berryhill. 3rd row: Laney Klimaszewski, Paige Smith, Paige McCarter, Kristy Pardue, Miranda Bullard  
Bottom Row: Samantha Norman, Kalee Allen, Emily Cokeley, Ashley White. Not Pictured: Kaleigh Butler, Kayla Williams, Catie Willis

**7th grade members:** Wesley Saling, Brandon Payton, Briana Sanders, Ashley Conkleton, Lauren Parrish  
2nd row: Kendrick White, Caleb Granberry, Janson Carr, Michelle Yang, Cody May. 3rd row: Justin Zellers, Chris Buckley, Micah Tinsley, Sydney Benjamin, Courtney Messer, Erica Hobbs  
Bottom row: Morgan Miller, Brooke Duffer, Carly Flenniken, Taylor Granberry, Kaylea Owen

### showing off that lion pride

Club members decorated a float for the Christmas parade. Representing the school well, they won first place.



### taking time to care

**1.** Laura Raney, Samantha Norman, Emily Treadway, and Emily Cokeley spend time talking and eating before wrapping presents for the Samaritan's Purse. "During this project we had children that we bought Christmas presents for," Samantha said. "Me and my friends got a little girl and spoiled her with all the necessities."

**2.** Sean Rathburn gets his picture with sponsor Mrs. Cokeley after the induction ceremony.

**3.** Micah Tinsley and Kendrick White pack up gifts for the Samaritan's Purse.

# NJHS

promotes good citizenship



### standing out

During a NJHS meeting, President Emily Treadway gives a speech telling the inductees what is expected of them while they are in NJHS. "It is so much fun being in NJHS; I enjoy being President because I like having people look up to me."



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### knowing the ropes

1. Drew Hutchinson speaks to the inductees about leadership. 2. Kaylea Owen and Chelsea Champion goof around before having to pack up shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child, one of their many projects. 3. Cody May recites the NJHS pledge. 4. Taking a 'grill check', Kyndell King and Taylor Granberry sit around and visit before a meeting. "I love being in NJHS," Kyndel said. "Helping people is something that I really like to do."

## community involvement



**Ashley White, 8th**

"The project that I enjoyed the most was the Samaritan's Purse. We got to stay after school, have a party, and help some kids. In the end, our group couldn't fit all our presents in one box."



**Justin Zellers, 7th**

"The best activity that we were able to do was making the NJHS float, we got to go to Mrs. Cokeley's house to build it, and then we got to ride it in the parade."



**Catie Willis, 8th**

"I believe that the float was the most fun project we have done. When we were building the float at Mrs. Cokeley's house, I was playing with her dogs. That is the day I found out that I am allergic to dogs."



**Adam Garrett, 8th**

"My favorite part of being in NJHS is being able to help people. One of the fun things we were able to do was make a float that went in the Christmas parade."

**keeping pace** Sarah Martin, Kaitlynn Chadwick, and Laura Raney get together with Roary before a pep rally. "I always tried to help get Roary (Audrey Hensley) ready for the pep rallies," Martin said. "That's why I was always the last one out of the dressing room."



**pretty girl** Morgan Miller strikes a pose in the air as she goes up in a basket toss. "It only took us one practice to get it down," she said. "It was my favorite stunt this year."



**huddling together**, the cheerleaders prepare for their performance. "We try to organize everything before the game so we don't waste any time," Kaitlynn Chadwick said.



## nbms



### nbms cheerleaders:

Front - Morgan Miller, Brooke Duffer, Carissa Self; Middle - Kaitlynn Chadwick-squad leader, Kalee Allen-squad leader, Sarah Martin-squad leader, Kyndel King;; Back - Kayla Cook, Taylor Granberry, Erika Barrera Shirley, Roary-Audrey Hensley, Laura Raney-squad leader, Kaidie Norton-squad leader

**bundled up** Kyndel King and Brooke Duffer dance to the song "Lean back" during the Jefferson game.



## learning cheers, teaching the student body/fans, performing for the crowd



### Kyndel King

"This year I have learned how to get along with a group of girls as well as compromise with everyone."



### Erika Barrera Shirley

"I learned to have self-respect because no matter what anyone tells you you've got to believe in yourself and do your best."



### Audrey Hensley

"There is a lot of hard work put into cheerleading and being a mascot. Also, the conditioning will help me out a lot for other tryouts."



### Morgan Miller

"It's not easy to be a cheerleader. It takes a lot of hard work, and you have to have a lot of spirit to get the crowd going."





**pumpin' up the crowd**  
Erica Barrera Shirley, Kalya Cook,  
and Sarah Martin invole the crowd as  
they perform the cheer "fire it up"



**cheering** to "maroon and gold," Kayla Cook, Kaitlynn Chadwick, and Laura Raney take their school spirit to the Bandits game.



**singing** to the fight song, Carissa Self, Brooke Duffer, and Katie Norton take the lead at the homecoming pep rally.

## cheerleaders

flying high



1. Getting the crowd off their seats, the cheerleaders lift Carissa Self into an elevator.

2. Brooke Duffer successfully holds her weight as she is lifted in a stunt. "After we got back from camp, I started working on my liberty," Brooke said. "I finally got it down towards the end of football season."

3. Set and ready to go, Morgan Miller prepares for a basket toss.

4. All arms and legs, the varsity squad joins the middle school squad to perform a pyramid at the middle school homecoming pep rally.



Kaitlynn Chadwick



Sara Martin



Kayla Cook

### 8th football team:

**Front:** JJ Beggs, Cody Burns, Kyle Watson, Chris Culbertson, Kion Stewart, Michael Lancaster; **2nd row:** Justin Smith, Nic Piatoli, Caleb Hansley, Jordan Lawing, Drew Hutchinson, Cedric Wade, Derrick Ray; **3rd row:** Coach Kelly, Jody Saarkamp, Jordan Thompson, Michael Chitwood, Michael Marplew, Cory House, Derrick Martin, Coach May; **Back row:** Jabarius Powell, Sean Raliburn, Javar McGill, Jacob Simmons, Trey Butler, Tyler Leathersimon, Steven Stephenson



### 7th football team:

**Front:** Justin Zellers, Micah Anglen, Damon Ray, Jerrod Overturf, Morgan Wainger, Victor Powell, Dustin Austin, Caleb Mulkey; **2nd row:** James Kirk, Michael Woodridge, Heath Meador, Jonathan Gault, Shawnire Cheston, Kaitell Davis, Clint Yount, Ryan Powell, Trey Stewart; **3rd row:** Coach Kelly, Joseph Smith, Gary Lorange, Demarius Mack, John Berbig, Phillip Threadgill, Brandon Poyton, Coach May; **4th row:** Caleb Granberry, Drew Carlson, Janson Coon, Cody May, Stephen Harwick, Jake Fellers, Terrance Rowden, Bryan Sargent, Greg Olivetto; **Back row:** DJ Ellis, Mitchell Doon, Keshad Wilson, Hayden Hall, Aaron Elue, Kendrick White, Rudy Baker, Brandon Koney



### battle for the ball

1. Drew Hutchinson carries the ball down field while Justin Smith makes a tackle.
2. Cedric Wade (#30) rushes the ball in for a touchdown.
3. On the ground, Jacob Simmons and Jabarius Powell keep a Tatum player from making a first down.



## 7th - 8th football

### big plays

1. Rudy Baker kicks off the start of the Mt. Vernon game while teammate Cody May rushes in for a tackle.
2. Seventh graders Kendrick White and Rudy Baker stride for the endzone to complete a touchdown.
3. Coach May instructs Jerrod Overturf and Cody May on how to beat the defense.
4. The 7th grade Lions pursue the Atlanta ball carrier. New Boston defeated the Rabbits 21 - 7.



punt, pass, kick



"The Mt. Vernon game was an exciting game for us. We barely won by one point."  
**Cory House**



"The 7th and 8th grade boys are a hard working group. They should have a bright future."  
**Coach Kelly**



"My favorite part of football was tackling the other team and taking them out."  
**Jerrod Overturf**





**8th volleyball team:**

**Front:** Christina Bachelor, Megan Janey, Cayla Montgomery, Jaleesa Riley, Audrey Hansley, Emily Cokerley, Erica Shirley.  
**2nd row:** Paige McCarter, Samantha Norman, Kisty Pardee, Courtney Montgomery, Kaitlyn Chadwick, Layren Wilson, Samantha Beggs.  
**3rd row:** Coach Courtney Johnson, Cherylene Briggs, Krystal Capps, Heather Madani, Whitney Bobo, Ashley White, Kali Campbell, Ashley Ford, Coach Tommie Foster.  
**Back row:** Olivia Hixon, Amanda Spradlin, Chelsey Foster, Nikki Chavers, Laura Raney, Kaleigh Butler, Emily Treadway.



**7th volleyball team:**

**Front:** Brooke Olson, Sara Brooks, Miranda Carpenter, Cassie Scott, Kaitlyn Burke, Caitissa Self, Morgan Miller, Brona Johnson, Chelsea Barnes, Diarise Griffin.  
**2nd row:** Kaylita Dotson, Jasmine Eastman, Jazminne Hankins, Cara Brooks, Erica Hobbs, Cassandra Goffigan, Lauren Brooks, Sydney Benjamin, Kristen Hall.  
**3rd Row:** Destiny Huley, Kelley York, Asia Sandridge, Whitney Knowlton, Chelsey King, Carly Flenniken, Brooke Duffer, Danielle French, James Thompson, Allizon Raney.  
**Back row:** Michelle Yang, Ashley Conkleton, Kayla Cook, Rebecca Stewart, Taylor Granberry, Kaylea Chaver, Brianna Sanders, Bailey McDonald, Chelsea Champion.

**dig this**

1. Emily Treadway passes the ball over as Kaitlynn Chadwick awaits the return. 2. Serving an ace, Samantha Norman tosses the ball up for another point. 3. Coach Foster reviews their opponent's offense with the 8th graders.

**7th-8th volleyball**

**bump, spike, set**



**something to talk about**

1. Carley Flenniken passes the ball to Morgan Miller to set up a play.
2. Thrilled for the victory, seventh grade Lady Lions' cheer with excitement as they accept their 1st place trophy at the Hooks tournament.
3. Taylor Granberry waits for the set from Brooke Duffer.
4. Ready on the back row, Bailey McDonald saves the ball from hitting the floor.



"By the end of the season, my serving improved. I ended up scoring a lot of points."  
**Chelsey King**



"These girls were a fun bunch to coach. They worked hard and finished 2nd in district."  
**Coach Tommie Foster**



"We had a lot of exciting moments this year. I improved most on my hitting."  
**Nikki Chavers**

### 8th grade:

**Bottom:** Kyle Watson, Kion Stewart, Cedric Wade, Scotty Johnson, J.J. Beggs  
**Middle:** Drew Hutchinson, Jordan Lawing, Michael Morphew, Derrick Ray, Caleb Hensley, Jordan Thompson  
**Top:** Coach May, Sean Rathburn, Jacob Simmons, Trey Butler, Javar McGill



### 7th grade

**Bottom:** Justin Zellers, Katrell Davis, Victor Powell, James Kirk, Ryan Powell, Micah Anglen, Trey Stuart, Darren Ray  
**Middle:** Demarius Mack, Brandon Payton, Janson Carr, Terrance Rowden, Caleb Granbery  
**Top:** Jacob Fellers, D.J. Ellis, Ke-Shad Wilson, Brandon Raney, Rudy Baker, Drew Carson



### slam dunk

Javar McGill(44) soars over the defense while he prepares to lay up a shot.  
 Jacob Simmons(52) searches for a teammate to receive his pass.  
 Coach May holds a motivational conference with the 7th graders during the Jefferson game.



## 7th - 8th boys basketball

### on the court

1. Releasing a shot toward the hoop, Travonta Butler shoots for two points at the Jefferson game.
2. Terrance Rowden(24) pauses to check out the action at the Atlanta game.
3. Shunning an Atlanta defender, Caleb Granbery (44) dribbles his way to the hoop.
4. Jordan Lawing(12) prepares to send a shot over the head of a Jefferson player.



### different from little league



"It's more serious, and a lot more competitive."

Janson Carr, 7



"The surrounding is one-million times better."

Drew Hutchinson, 8



"When you're in little league, you play each other, but when you play for the school, you play teams like P.G. and L.E."

Javar McGill, 8



take it to the hoop



**8th grade: Bottom:** Christina Batchelor, Emily Cakeley, Paige McCarter, Kristy Pardue, Kaitlynn Chadwick, Audrey Hensley, Danielle Myers **Middle:** Ashley White, Erika Shirley, Amanda Spradlin, Emily Treadway, Laura Raney, Nikki Chavers, Olivia Hixson, Jaleesa Riley **Top:** Robyne Harley, Cheyenne Briggs, Ashley Ford, Courtney Montgomery, Coach Foster, Samantha Norman, Coach Johnson, Cayla Montgomery, Megan Laney, Dara Doyle



**7th Grade:**

**Bottom:** Brandi Johnson, Enca Hobbs, Kristen Hall, Courtney Rodriguez, Brooke Olson, Des'rae Griffin **2nd:** Miranda Carpenter, Kayla Cook, Kurny Burnett, Chelsea Champion, Cassia Sell, Morgan Miller, Chelsea Barnes, Jasmine Edman **3rd:** Kayneta Dotson, Lauren Brooks, Brooke Duffer, Chelsea King, Carly Flenniken, Cassie Scott, Cara Brooks **Top:** Danielle French, Sydney Benjamin, Ashley Conkerton, Coach Foster, Bailey McDonald, Taylor Granberry, Coach Johnson, Kayla Owen, Whitney Knowles, Jamie Thompson



**hoping for two**

Leaping into the air, Taylor Granberry lays up for a two-point shot.

Audrey Hensley, 8th grade, rushes past the Atlanta defense in order to reach the basket.

I'll shoot anytime.....anywhere, just give it to me!  
Emily Treadway, 8th grade, shoots two from the outside.

# 7th-8th girls basketball

**prepared to play**



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**fast forward**

1. Arms up, Kaitlynn Chadwick (45) faces an Atlanta opponent after the ball went out of bounds.
2. After being fouled, Samantha Norman (33) sends up her free throw shot at the Jefferson game.
3. Too late, the Atlanta defender unsuccessfully tried to block Carly Flenniken's 2 point shot.
4. Quick on her feet, Morgan Miller (10) reacts to an Atlanta defender's attempt to cut her off.

**team motivation**



"The coaches just tell me to do it, and I do it."

**Cayla Montgomery, 8**



"They push us to do our best, because they know we can be great."

**Morgan Miller, 7**



"When they know I can work harder at what I am doing, they push me to do my best."

**Laura Raney, 8**

### 8th track team:

Front: Michael Lancaster, Drew Hutchinson, Chris Culberson, Cedric Wade, Derrick Ray, Bray Chitwood, Adam Garrett, Kion Stewart;  
Back row: Coach May, Jordan Lawing, Tyler Leatherman, Trey Butler, Jacob Simmons, Jovar McGill, Sean Rathburn, Jody Saatkamp



### 7th track team:

**Front:** James Kirk, Justin Zellers, Joseph Smith, Showndre Cheatam, Brandon Payton, Victor Powell, Demarius Mack, Heath Meador  
**Middle row:** Stephen Hartwick, Michael Woodbridge, Gary Larence, Janson Carr, Sebastian Hester, Caleb Granbery, Terrance Rowden  
**Back row:** Drew Carson, Rudy Baker, Hayden Hall, Brandon Roney, Keshad Wilson, Kendrick White, Cody May, Coach May



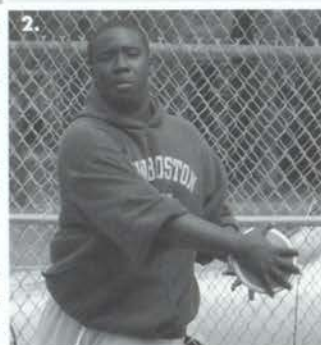
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### amazing heights

1. Leaping to clear 5'4" at the Paul Pewitt track meet, eighth grader Jacob Simmons, pushes the limit to fly over the pole.

2. With only one discus throw left, Kion Stewart prepares for a perfect throw. Stewart threw his best at Pewitt with a distance of 90.1 ft.

3. Hayden Hall leans way back as he begins to hurl the 8.8 lb. steel ball into the air. Hall received 3rd place at the PG district meet.



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## 7th - 8th track

### full speed ahead

1. Drew Carson hustles to catch up with Heath Meador in the 1600 meter run at the district meet.
2. Just a step ahead, Adam Garrett paces himself ahead of runners in the other lanes.
3. Taking a break between events, James Kirk and Keshad Wilson cheer on their teammates.
4. Using his arms to pump up his speed, Kendrick White gets around the track. Kendrick placed 8th in the mile at the district track meet.



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"Coach has always told me 'Hard work results in victory' and I really believe in that."  
**Derrick Ray**



"This group has a lot of heart and grit. They are hard workers and will get better."  
**Coach May**



"Even though we didn't do too well and win a lot, we still had fun going out and running hard."  
**Caleb Granbery**



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going for the gold



sports  
**brianne wardell**



#### 8th track team:

Back row: Dora Doyle, Audrey Hensley, Kristy Pardue, Kaitlynn Chadwick, Courtney Montgomery, Jaleesa Riley, 3rd row: Coach Foster, Ashley Ford, Paige McCarter, Emily Treadway, Ashley White, Kali Campbell, Samantha Norman, 2nd row: Amanda Spradin, Heather Maidens, Nikki Chavers, Laura Raney, Chelsey Foster, Olivia Hixon, Front row: Danielle Myers, Christina Batchelor, Megan Laney, Cayla Montgomery, Emily Cokerley, Sara Martin, Amber Boyte



#### 7th track team:

Back: Chelsey King, Ashley Conkleton, Brooke Duffer, Jasmine Hankins, Erica Hobbs 3rd row: Brooke Olson, Cassie Scott, Cara Brooks, Chelsey Barnes, Brandi Johnson, Coach Foster 2nd Row: Whitney Knowles, Kayla Cook, Bailey McDonald, Kaylea Owen, Chelsea Champion, Front: Kourtney Rodriguez, Morgan Miller, Rayneta Dotson, Carissa Sell, Miranda Carpenter

#### making a run for it

1. Eighth grade hurdler Miranda Carpenter, leans over the hurdle and out in front of her opponents, placing 4th place at district.
2. Making a quick last exchange, Cayla Montgomery and Megan Laney, pass the baton in the 400 meter relay. The relay placed 5th at the district meet with a time of 54.91.
3. Audrey Hensley finishes up strong in the 800 meter run. Hensley ran a race of 2:54 and received 3rd place at the district meet.

## district dictators

### finishing up strong



#### extreme efforts

1. Giving it all she has, Rayneta Dotson lifts the shot put into the air for a distance of 24' 11".
2. Taking long strides, Cayla Montgomery, runs the last leg of the 1600 meter relay which received 1st place at the district meet.
3. Heather Maidens arches her body up and over the bar to safely clear (4'6"), her personal best.
4. Brooke Duffer leans into the curve, as she pulls ahead in the 400 meter relay. Her team placed 3rd.



"I didn't think I would like track, but after I finished, I love it now!"  
**Taylor Granberry**



"I really enjoyed coaching these girls. They worked hard and it paid off by placing 2nd at district."  
**Coach Tommie Foster**



"Track was fun and I liked running the hurdles. The best of all my events!"  
**Christina Batchelor**

1. Bailey McDonald rushes from the shotput arena to change out her flat shoes for her track spikes so she can compete in the 100 meter dash. McDonald placed 1st in shotput, 6th in the 200 meter dash, and 3rd in the 800 meter relay.

2. Trey Butler gives some advice to Jovar McGill and Cedric Wade during a partner stretch.

3. Handing off the microphone to Janson Carr, Percy Davis walks back to his seat. Carr gets so tickled before he speaks to the student body at the pep rally, he had to cut his football pep talk short.



1. Showing spirit after a yell, Taylor Granberry executes a flawless back handspring during a middle school pep rally.

2. Goo-goo eyed, Carissa Self and Drew Hutchinson rest between events at the district track meet. 3. Thursday night football allows Heath Meador and Andrew Harmon to show off their drum skills in the stands. 4. Carly Flenniken returns a serve from Daingerfield while Morgan Miller and Chelsey King back her up. 5. Jacob Simmons sends a shot over the reach of a Jefferson defender.





# extra curricular activities

consume middle schooler's time, energy



1. Tuba player, Kendrick White warms up with a scale during band period.
2. In concert, the band begins their spring performance May 16.
3. While the majorettes twirl, Bailey McDonald stands in the stadium to play her trombone.
4. Taking a deep breath, Lauren Smith waits for her cue from Mr. Melton to come in on French horn.
5. Chris Buckley follows the notes on his sheet music while playing the school song.

**sound  
the trumpets**

Christopher Buckley, 7th grade, leads the trumpet section in a pop tune at a middle school pep rally.



**Region Band Members**

**Bottom:** Erica Hobbs, Cara Brooks, Katdie Norton, Emily Treadway, Mika Allison, Kalee Allen, Laney Klimaszewski, Kyndell King, Heather Maidens **2nd:** Morgan Miller, Lauren Brooks, Audrey Hensley, Samantha Norman, Kali Campbell, Ashley White, Ashley Daniel, Kaleigh Butler, Alecia Daniel **Top:** Chris Buckley, Cedric Wade, Kendrick White, Caleb Granberry, Brianno Sanders, Lauren Parrish



**District Band Members**

**Bottom:** Justin Zellers, Ashley White, Emily Cokeley, Kaitlynn Chadwick, Emily Treadway, Laura Raney, Katdie Norton, Heather Maidens, Paige Smith, Cara Brooks **2nd:** Kyndell King, Drew Harmon, Audrey Hensley, Miranda Bullard, Lauren Brooks, Chelsey Champion, Morgan Miller, Erica Shirley, Kalee Allen, Brooke Olson, Sara Martin, Erica Hobbs **3rd:** Bailey McDonald, Callie Berryhill, Samantha Norman, Kali Campbell, Laney Klimaszewski, Paige McCarter, Krystal Capps, Mika Allison, Ashley Daniel, Kaleigh Butler, Alecia Daniel **Top:** Joseph Smith, Drew Hutchinson, Tyler Leatherman, Caleb Granberry, Brianna Sanders, Lauren Parish, Kendrick White





6th grade band



7th grade band



8th grade band



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**band stand**

1. Paige McCarter checks her baton for money during a break from playing. 2. Laney Klimaszewski performs a two-baton routine for the crowd during a halftime majorette performance. 3. Clicking their batons, Hailey Barrett and Megan Laney perform their routine perfectly during a pep rally. 4. Mika Allison, Brooke Olson, Alecia Daniel, and Hailey Barrett count through their routine before stepping on to the field at halftime. 5. Singing and directing, middle school band director Charlie Melton tries to keep everyone on time during a pep rally rehearsal. 6. For every touchdown the team makes, the band plays the fight song. 7. Seventh grade percussionists, Cody May, Drew Carson, and Jake Fellers play drums at the pep rally. 8. A model student... teacher, Ms. Manning decides to show the middle school percussionists how it's supposed to be done.

**NBMS majorettes:**

Front: Megan Laney, Emily Treadway, Ashley Ford, Mika Allison, Brooke Olson  
Back: Paige McCarter, Laney Klimaszewski, Alecia Daniel, Hailey Barrett, Catie Willis

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## excellence

Distinguished by the Duke University Talent Search, Wesley Sailing, Kendrick White, and Janson Carr received state recognition for their high ACT scores as middle school students.



### on the artsy side

Shaking hands with her 7th grade son Brandon Raney, Art Teacher Melissa Raney presents him with the outstanding art II award.



### Functional Academics Class

Outstanding student - Matthew Floyd  
Most improved student - Aaron Hurd



## teachers reward students at May assembly



5th grade subject awards



6th grade subject awards



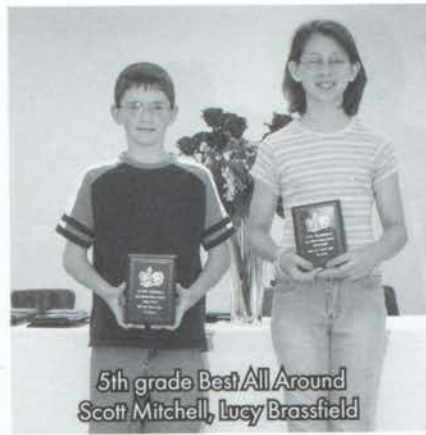
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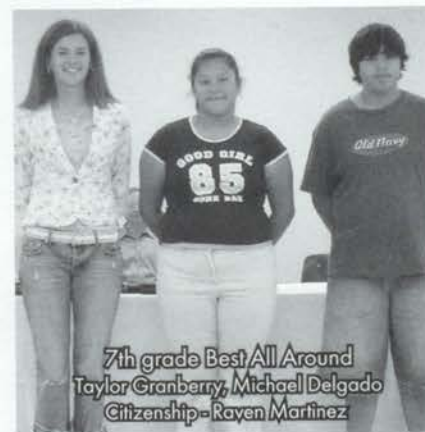
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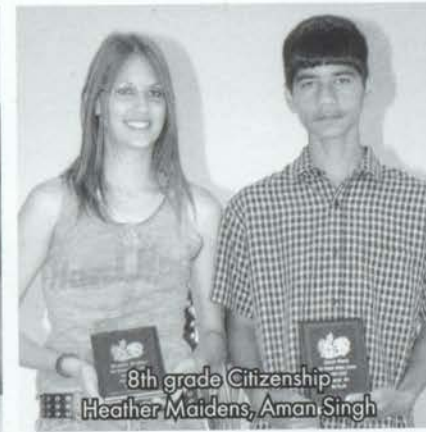
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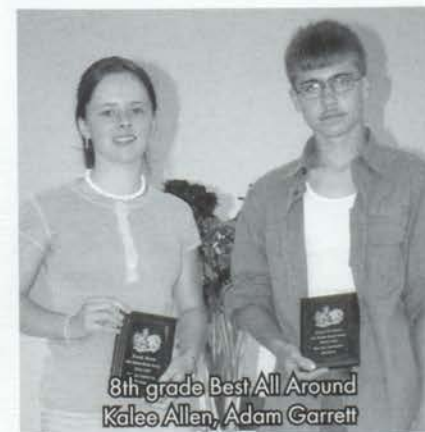
6th grade Best All Around  
Jon Turner, Madeline Cohn



7th grade Best All Around  
Taylor Granberry, Michael Delgado  
Citizenship - Raven Martinez



8th grade Citizenship  
Heather Maidens, Aman Singh



8th grade Best All Around  
Kalee Allen, Adam Garrett

**Citizenship**  
 5th - Anna Rothwell, Michael Brown  
 6th - Dani Jordan, Devante Brown  
 7th - Raven Martinez  
 8th - Heather Maidens, Amanda Singh

**Best all-around**  
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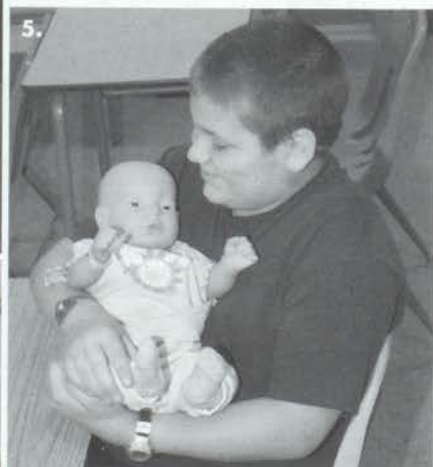
### bundle of noise

Mr. Dempsey offers his 7th grade science class extra credit for a 6 week project called the *Baby Think it Over Program*. Students are issued babies that cry for attention, diapering, and feeding. The babies require around the clock care and students are responsible for keeping a diary.

Clint Yount rushes to place the key from his wrist into the babies back, to stop the crying. Clint named his baby Junior. "This project was really fun. I already have a lot of practice with babies from helping take care of my younger nephews."

### buckle up

Making sure baby 'Chad' doesn't come out of the stroller, Jake Fellers fastens the strap. "This made me realize that I probably never want to have children. Overall, it was a positive experience. My mom helped me out a lot with this project."



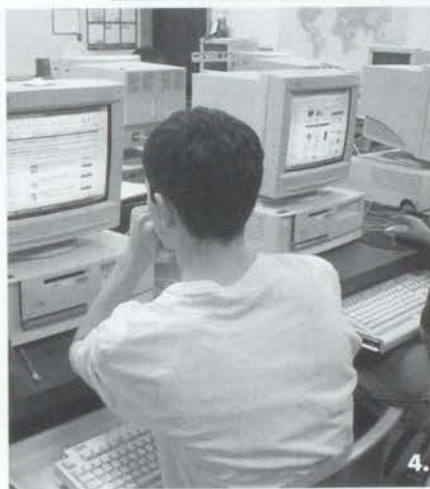
### parents in training

1. Des' Rae Griffin tends to the baby's needs during her band sectional practice. "It made me feel good to have someone depend on me."
2. Teaching the ropes, Mr. Dempsey shows Courtney Messer, Kendrick White, and Hunter Cannon how to insert the keys.
3. Organized and on time, Jamie Thompson pushes her baby to class.
4. Showing off her little girl, Mya, Michelle Yang looks like a happy mother. "I liked my baby, but it got to where it annoyed me when it cried."



5. Tim Spilman cradles his son, Jessie, in hopes to get him to stop crying. After inserting the correct key, the baby starts cooing.

# ready or not tot 'baby think it over'



#### childcare expenses

1. Lauren Parrish reviews her list to make sure she hasn't left out any costs.
2. Using the Excel program, Trey Stewart makes a spreadsheet of the costs to raise an infant for one year.
3. Lending a hand to friend James Kirk, Darren Ray offers a few pointers.
4. Caleb Granbery takes into consideration the high cost of kids as he looks over his finished list.

## reality check... how did this project change your daily activities?



**Des'Rae Griffin, 7**

"The baby changed everything! It made me realize I am not ready for children, because I have so many other plans for my life. It would cry in class and everyone would stare until it stopped."



**Rebecca Stewart, 7**

"I could never get anything done without the baby crying. It started to cry during my history test and I had to tend to it. I almost didn't finish my test in time!"



**Kendrick White, 7**

"I had to stop playing in band to put the key in. I had to take it everywhere I went, which was embarrassing. I also couldn't sleep as much because it cried every hour."



**Courtney Messer, 7**

"I didn't like to go out to eat with it, or go into the store. I was afraid to go to sleep because I didn't think I would hear it cry!"





**working overtime**

Getting down to business, Brianne Wardell sells an ad to Front Street Junction in DeKalb. "Since I work at the 'Junction,' I was able to convince them to buy an ad pretty easily."



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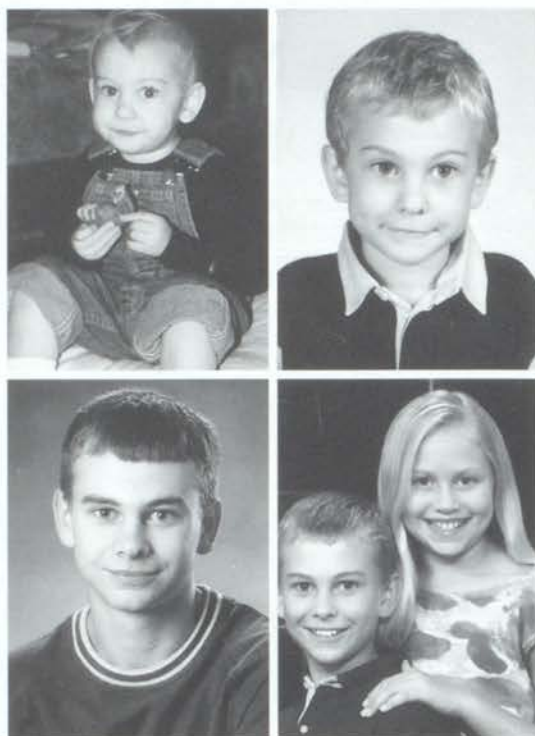
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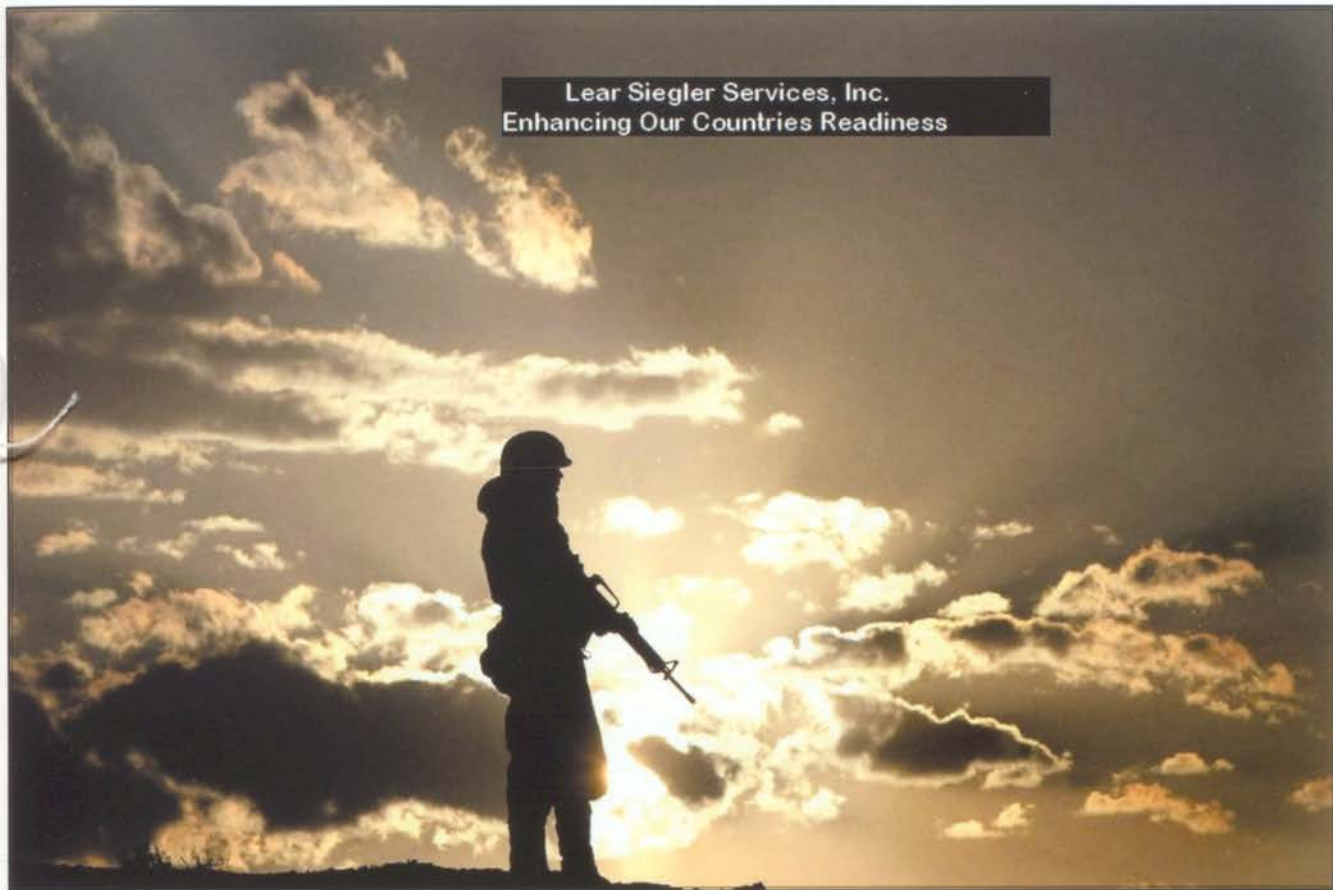
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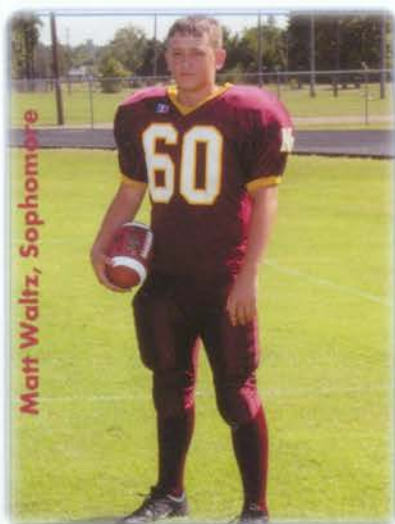
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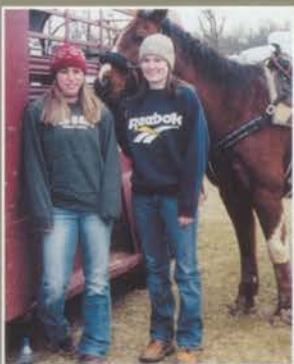


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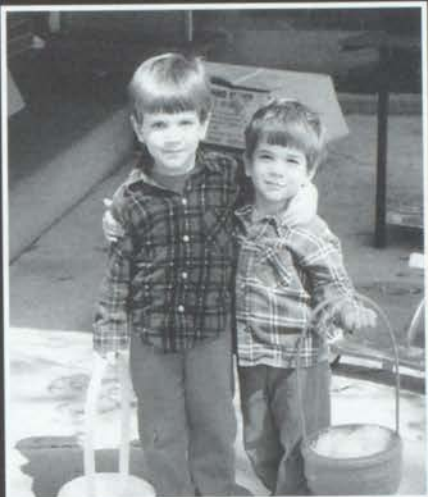


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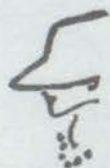
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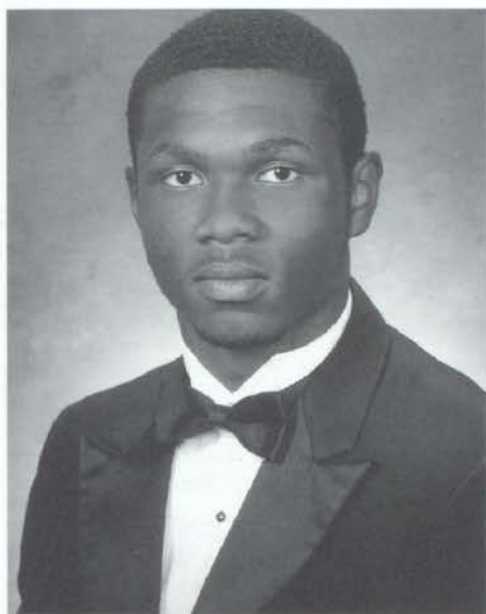
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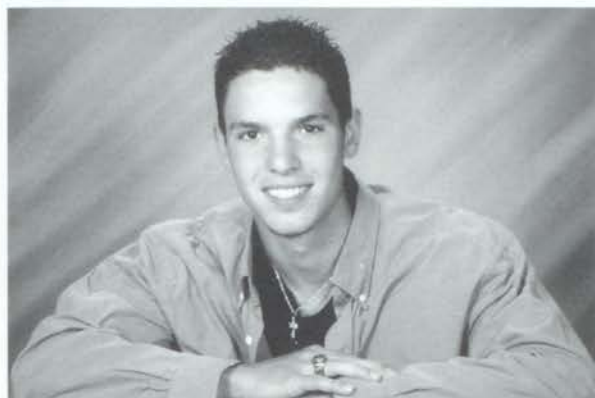


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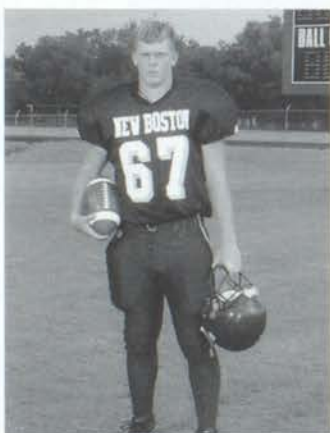
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*Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right,  
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you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me--put into  
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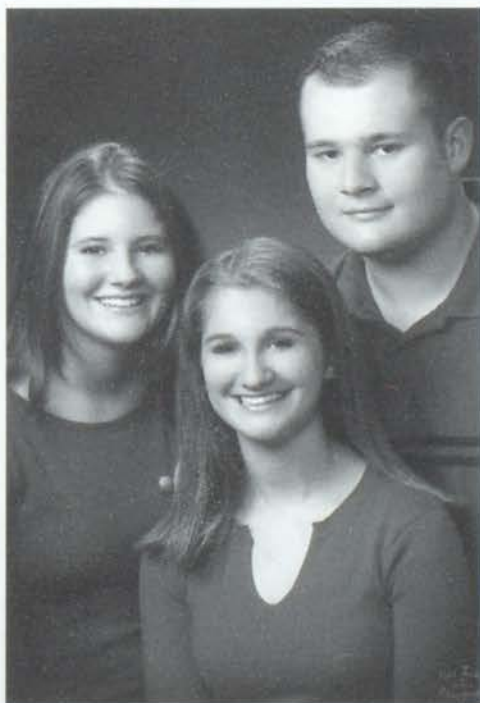
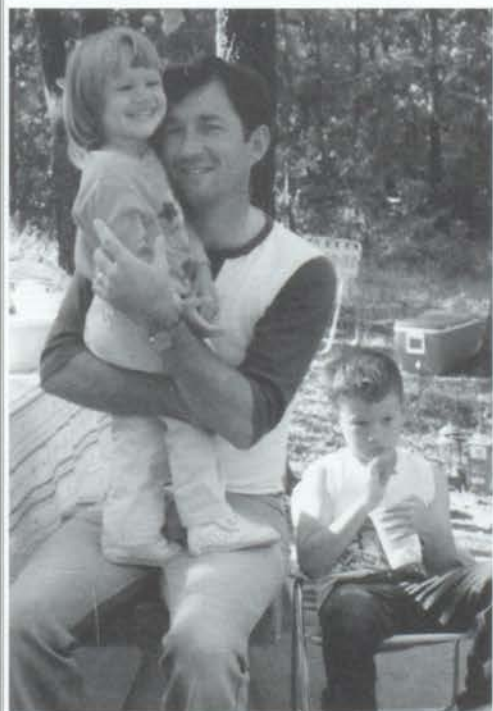
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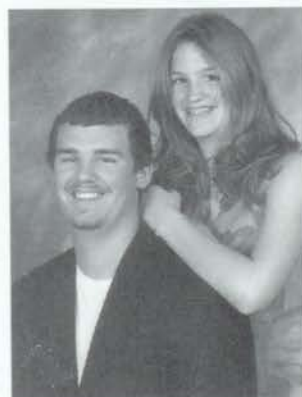
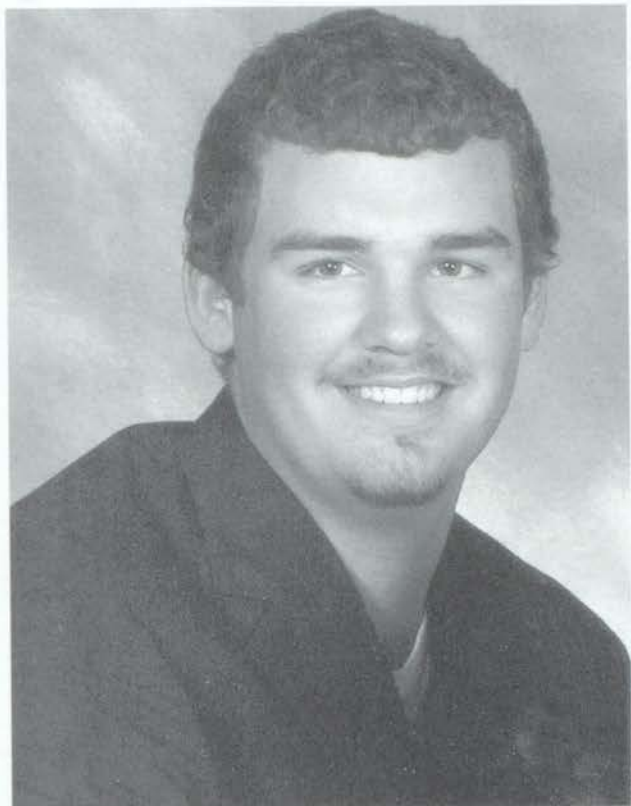
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Where does the time go: yesterday you were my little boy, today you are my young man. You have your whole life ahead of you - set your goals high and always keep your dream in sight. Always remember your family loves you and supports you. I will miss the rattling of my windows when you go to college!!!

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We love you.  
 Momma, Daddy and Kaylea  
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2004 New Boston Riding Club Queen  
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Continuing to be **connected** socially or professionally after high school can be a challenge. Things change, people change but the past stays the same.

So, as we proceed through our lives, we remember the finer things in life are not necessarily obtained in classrooms, but by the experiences we endure as people. The lessons we learn are not taught only by parents or teachers, but by friends and peers. There is just something about this school, this town and the students that keep us linked together.

On May 27, students and faculty joined together to acknowledge the graduate's accomplishments and say their final farewells. Graduating 105 seniors with 25 honor graduates, all are different individuals with a rainbow of perspectives, experiences, backgrounds, strengths and weaknesses. Molded by our choices and circumstances, we pass through these hallways with distinctive yet similar hopes and goals. Both uncontrollable and unpredictable, our graveled paths push us to constantly redefine ourselves.

High school is a separate world, featuring a battle for self-actualization and privilege; a series of moments lived between burgeoning independence and parental control. It allows us to search for ourselves and develop our passions.

Life presents us with chances and challenges; we have to be ready to embrace both at any moment. Challenges trip us just as we begin to gain our balance, but trust us to overcome. What happens to us, what we do for ourselves and for one another, shapes the person we become; high school is an opportunity for exploration and growth. What happens to us is our road, potholes and all. What we make of it is our legacy.

# connected



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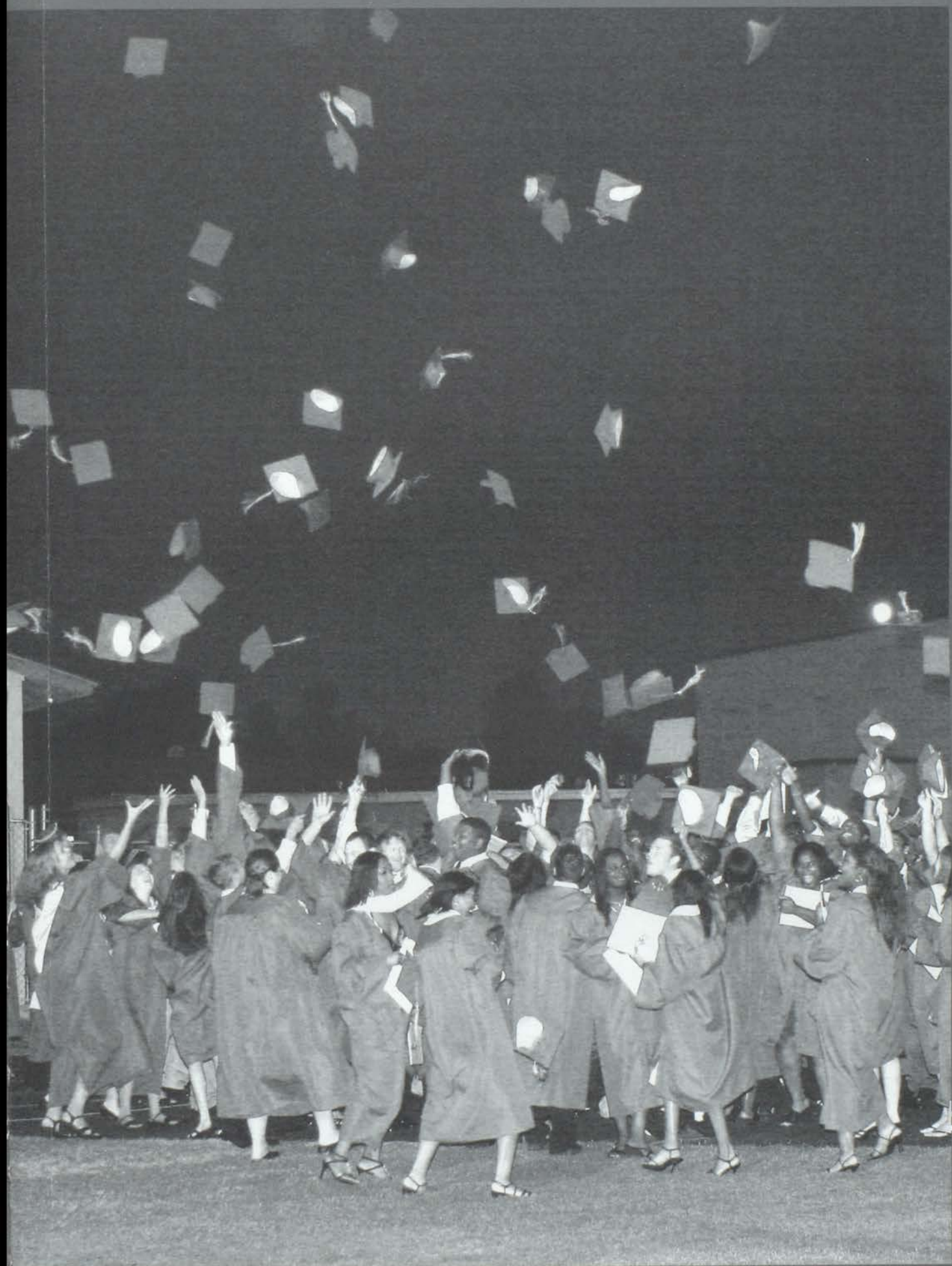
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The yearbook is divided into six sections, each having an individual theme spinoff.

**Student Life** - *a rare combination*, **Academics** - *grasping the point*, **Clubs** - *joining forces*, **Sports** - *making contact*, **Middle School** - *bridging the gap*, **Advertisements** - *making connections*. Fonts used in this book include AHJ Function, AHJ Function LH and AHJ Mistral.

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