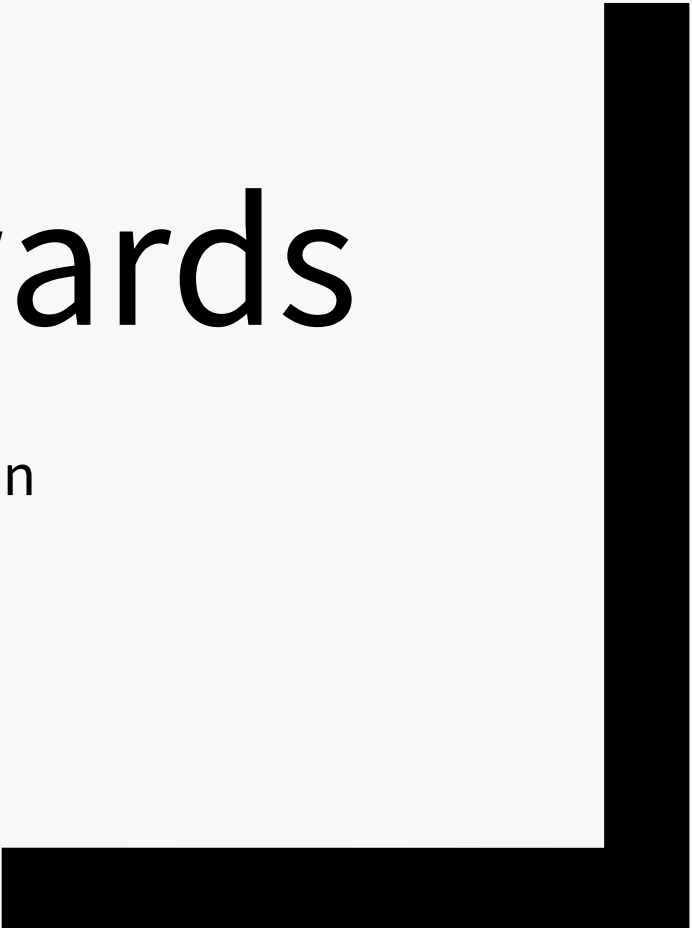




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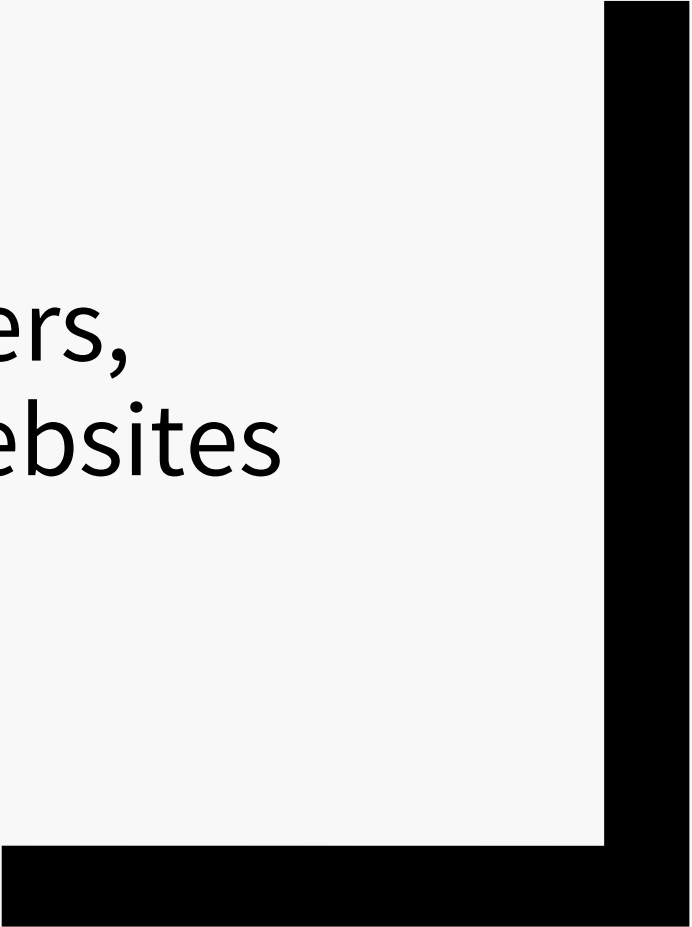
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INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Special



SOCIAL JUSTICE REPORTING



Social Justice Reporting

Superiors

- “Georgia High School Students Suspended for Protesting Confederate Propaganda,” Laurel Davis, *The Sting*, Roswell High School
- “Abolitionist teaching brings a new perspective to education” Lilly McGreevy, *BluePrints*, Cedar Shoals High School
- “Blinding America: Race and Gender Theory,” Ren Lloyd, *The Chant*, North Cobb High School

Social Justice Reporting

All-Georgia

“Dress code movement pushes for reform,”
Caroline Hubbard,
The Prowler, Starr’s Mill High School

COVID-19 REPORTING



COVID-19 Reporting

Superiors

- “Next Semester and COVID-19,” Ella Grace Dunn, *The Forum*, The Paideia School
- “Calling The Shots,” Melissa Liu, Rachel Everett, Cameron Chappell, *The Messenger*, Northview High School
- “Tracing Trials,” Jackie Wright, *BluePrints*, Cedar Shoals High School

COVID-19 Reporting

All-Georgia

“Distrust causes low vaccination rates,”

Lilly McGreevy,

BluePrints, Cedar Shoals High School

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Broadcast



NEWS PACKAGE

Broadcast



News Package

Superiors

- “Counseling office opens new clothes closet,” Ruby Calkin and Aissatou Sarr, *WJAG-TV*, Cedar Shoals High School
- “GAC Theatre Presents “Anastasia,” Faye Li, Khariss Bender, Alex Marler, *Live @ 1575*, Greater Atlanta Christian School

News Package

All-Georgia

“Football Production Team,”

Abbey Duke,

Live @ 1575,

Greater Atlanta Christian School

IN-DEPTH NEWS/ DOCUMENTARY

Broadcast



In-Depth News/Documentary

Superiors

- “USPS: The Ever Changing Dynamics,” Rohan Movva, *The Golden Lion*, East Homestead Academy
- “Legacy of the Atlanta Braves,” Daisy Strine, Andrew Hathaway *Live @ 1575*, Greater Atlanta Christian School

In-Depth News/Documentary

All-Georgia

“Sonny Melton’s Story,” Kara Newstreet,
Live @ 1575, Greater Atlanta Christian School

FEATURE PACKAGE

Broadcast



Feature Package

Superiors

- “Long Beach Expressions,” Evan Dewey and ENN S9 Staff, *Eagle News Network*, Riverside Military Academy
- “Think Before You Move,” Melanie Frick and Lilly McGreevy, *WJAG-TV*, Cedar Shoals High School

Feature Package

All-Georgia

“30x30: restoring green spaces to Athens,”
Violet Calkin, *WJAG-TV*,
Cedar Shoals High School

PRODUCTION

Broadcast



Production

Superiors

- “Commercial: Chess Club,” ENN S7 Staff,
Eagle News Network, Riverside Military Academy
- “Black and White: Sunken Galleon Reveal,”
Morgan Gosdin, *The Verve*, The King’s Academy

Production

All-Georgia

“Sports and Arts Segment Openers,”
Alex Marler and Faye Li, *Live @ 1575*,
Greater Atlanta Christian School

SPORTS PACKAGE

Broadcast



Sports Package

Superiors

- “Girls’ Basketball Season Preview,” Timika Scarlett, *Live @ 1575*, Greater Atlanta Christian School
- “RMA Athletics S9 E1,” Savon Astrel and Armand La Douceur, *Eagle News Network*, Riverside Military Academy

Sports Package

All-Georgia

“Preparations underway for baseball season,” Alexander Holland, *WJAG-TV*, Cedar Shoals High School

PODCAST

Broadcast



Podcast

Superiors

- “Beyond the Curtain: The Future of the US Economy and who Assassinated it?,” Rohan Movva, *The Golden Lion*, East Homestead Academy
- “News Flash: Homecoming Titans,” Grace Yang and Orelia Thottam, *The Messenger*, Northview High School

Podcast

All-Georgia

“This I Believe: Antonio Starks,” Antonio Starks,
ODYSSEY Media Group,
Clarke Central High School

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



NEWS STORY

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



News Story

Superiors

- “Right to pads” Ikeoluwa Ojo,
Blue Prints, Cedar Shoals High School
- “Sixteen Families Sue FCS Over Mask Mandate” Suhani Mahajan,
The Messenger, Northview High School
- “Devious Licks Tik Tok Challenge Hits NSHS ”Emily Papeaux,
Mairen Brown, Roman Morris, Christopher Alvear Ochoa,
The Oracle, North Springs High School

News Story

All-Georgia

“Local educators protest anti-critical race theory resolution,”

Savannah Duncan-Barnett, *BluePrints*,
Cedar Shoals High School

IN-DEPTH NEWS STORY

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



In-depth News Story

Superiors

- “Behavioral screener raises concerns” Ava Smith, *The Southerner*, Midtown High School
- “Neutral Necessities,” Sofia Balsamo, *ODYSSEY Media Group*, Clarke Central High School
- “Growing Gifted: CCSD Program Evolves to Become More Inclusive,” Melanie Frick, *BluePrints*, Cedar Shoals High School

In-depth News Story

All-Georgia

“CCSD bus drivers cooperate and sacrifice to transport students,” Jackie Wright, *BluePrints*, Cedar Shoals High School

FEATURE STORY

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Feature Story

Superiors

- “The Dead Rise in Athens,” Ava Maddox, *BluePrints*, Cedar Shoals High School
- “Senior Heisler connects with half-siblings,” Stella Mackler, *The Southerner*, Midtown High School
- “No Escape: Arezoo Wakili on Her Life in Afghanistan,” Jordyn Mobley, *The Trail*, McIntosh High School
- “Senior Stroppel excels on big stage, small screen,” Alannah Edwards, *The Southerner*, Midtown High School

Feature Story

All-Georgia

“Alum makes artistic comeback to new library,”
Lindsay Ruhl,
The Southerner, Midtown High School

FEATURE PROFILE

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Feature Profile

Superiors

- “Hustling Heredia,” Kira Law, *BluePrints*, Cedar Shoals High School
- “Odhiambo’s Odyssey,” Isabella Morgan, *BluePrints*, Cedar Shoals High School
- “Freedom in Creation,” Natalie Schliekelman *ODYSSEY*, Clarke Central High School

Feature Profile

All-Georgia

“Alum Forman portrays father in ‘Son of the South’,”
Sayan Sonnad-Joshi,
The Southerner, Midtown High School

COLUMN WRITING

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Column Writing

Superiors

- “Boiling Point,” Chloe Sears, *ODYSSEY Media Group*
Clarke Central High School
- “Letter from the Editor,” Naomi Hendershot, *ODYSSEY Media Group*, Clarke Central High School

Column Writing

All-Georgia

“Letter from the Editor,” Audrey Enghauser,
ODYSSEY Media Group,
Clarke Central High School

OPPOSING VIEWPOINTS

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Opposing Viewpoints

Superiors

- “Head to Head: Valentine’s Day,” Lilli Sams and Owen Donnelly, *ODYSSEY Media Group*, Clarke Central High School
- “Cancel Culture: The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly,” Courtney Suber and Veronica Kogan, *The Oracle*, North Springs High School

Opposing Viewpoints

All-Georgia

“Should Buckhead become its own city?”
Katie Sigal and Aran Sonnad-Joshi,
The Southerner, Midtown High School

HOUSE EDITORIALS

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



House Editorials

Superiors

- “More out-of-zone students should be allowed to attend Midtown” Marcus Johnson, *The Southerner*, Midtown High School
- “Staff Editorial: Texas Senate Bill 8” Staff, *The Messenger*, Northview High School

House Editorials

All-Georgia

“Our Take,” Staff,
ODYSSEY Media Group,
Clarke Central High School

COMMENTARY

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Commentary

Superiors

- “The Ramirez Resolution,” Isaac Ramirez, *ODYSSEY Media Group*, Clarke Central High School
- “My Dark Truth: Navigating a Color-Struck World,” Ikeoluwa Ojo, *BluePrints*, Cedar Shoals High School
- “Forsyth County’s Book Banning: A Momentous Step in the Wrong Direction?,” Shruti Nemala, *The Speculator*, Chattahoochee High School

Commentary

All-Georgia

“The World is Crumbling: Why Even Apply?”

Violet Calkin, *BluePrints*,
Cedar Shoals High School

CRITICAL REVIEW

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Critical Review

Superiors

- “How to ruin a series in one prequel or less” Mary Davis, *The Prowler*, Starr’s Mill High School
- “Look on the BRIGHTSIDE,” Wyatt Meyer, *ODYSSEY Media Group*, Clarke Central High School
- “Food Review: Gao Fresh Noodle,” Disha Kumar, *The Messenger*, Northview High School

Critical Review

All-Georgia

“Easy on Me,” Isabella Westrich,
ODYSSEY Media Group,
Clarke Central High School

SPORTS NEWS STORY

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Sports News Story

Superiors

- “Pre-Season Madness,” Lucas Donnelly, ODYSSEY Media Group, Clarke Central High School
- “Injuries hamper Lady Jags softball season,” Gabriel Holcomb, *BluePrints*, Cedar Shoals High School
- “TKA hires new Assistant Athletic Director,” Matthew Iredale, *The Verve*, The King’s Academy

Sports News Story

All-Georgia

“Slow decline of football at Midtown”
Cole Parker and Duncan Tanner,
The Southerner,
Midtown High School

SPORTS GAME COVERAGE

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Sports Game Coverage

Superiors

- “Jags clinch playoff spot in 27-20 win over Chestatee,” Gabriel Holcomb, *BluePrints*, Cedar Shoals High School
- “Cedar Shoals drop third consecutive Classic City Championship 42-21” Jacob Weiszer, *BluePrints*, Cedar Shoals High School

Sports Game Coverage

All-Georgia

“Blue Devils crush McEachern High in rival game,” Ella Chesney,
The Pitchfork, Marietta High School

SPORTS FEATURE STORY

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Sports Feature Story

Superiors

- “From Whit to Wofford,” Jacob Weiszer, *Blue Prints*, Cedar Shoals High School
- “School record holder Brown returns as assistant coach,” Archer Streelman, *The Southerner*, Midtown High School

Sports Feature Story

All-Georgia

“Slamming the Standard,”
Megan Wise, *Blue Prints*,
Cedar Shoals High School

SPORTS COLUMN

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Sports Column

Superiors

- “Prioritizing New Players,” Isabella Baker-Johnson,
ODYSSEY Media Group, Clarke Central High School
- “Reclaiming Power,” Gretchen Hinger,
ODYSSEY Media Group, Clarke Central High School

Sports Column

All-Georgia

“At long last, Dawgs on top,”
Jacob Weiszer, *BluePrints*,
Cedar Shoals High School

HEADLINE WRITING

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Headline Writing

Superiors

- “Cracking Under Cultural Expectations”, Suhani Mahajan
The Messenger, Northview High School
- “Great! Now My Food has Covid,” Winfred Odhiambo,
The Oracle, North Springs High School
- “She Wears Short Skirts, He Wears T-shirts- Men's vs women's sports uniforms” Krysta Schwab, *The Sting*, Roswell High School

Headline Writing

All-Georgia

“Can’t repeat the past?
Why of course you can!”

Joslyn Weber,

The Prowler

Starr’s Mill High School

CAPTION WRITING

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Caption Writing

Superiors

- Chloe Preston, *The Verve*, The King's Academy
- Erinn Gardner, *The Chant*, North Cobb High School

Caption Writing

All-Georgia

Jenny Loveland and Elijah Pacis, *The Chant*,
North Cobb High School

EDITORIAL CARTOON

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Editorial Cartoon

Superiors

- “#trending,” Zoe Marsh, *The BirdFeed*, South Forsyth High School
- “Only MHS students would understand”
Kate Williamson, *Pitchfork*, Marietta High School

Editorial Cartoon

All-Georgia

“The Poland-Belarus
Border Match,”
Zoe Marsh,
The BirdFeed,
South Forsyth
High School



SPORTS PHOTOGRAPH

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Sports Photograph

Superiors

- “Off-Court Comrades,” Nakia Harmon, *McIntosh Trail*, McIntosh High School
- “On the mat,” Megan Wise, *BluePrints*, Cedar Shoals High School
- “Holding On” Lucas Donnelly, *ODYSSEY Media Group*, Clarke Central High School

Sports Photograph

All-Georgia

“Destiny has arrived,”
Annika Pepper
The Prowler,
Starr’s Mill High School



[Annika Pepper](#)

Seniors Ryder Wagenknecht (left) and Chay Yeager (right) celebrate atop a dogpile at the end of the AAAAA state championship game against the Loganville Red Devils. Against a Loganville team vying for their fourth consecutive state title, the Panthers outplayed the Red Devils in two tight games to sweep Loganville 1-0 and 4-2 to win the state championship. This win was the first time Starr’s Mill has ever won the state championship. “It’s been a long time since I’ve been wanting one of these,” Yeager said. “We’ve earned it.” Next year, Wagenknecht will play at Flagler College and Yeager will play at Wofford College.

NEWS PHOTOGRAPH

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



News Photograph

All-Georgia

“Getting Vaccinated,”
Melanie Frick,
BluePrints,
Cedar Shoals High
School



GETTING VACCINATED: Junior Megan Wise gets her first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine from nurse Marty Woods at the Cedar Shoals vaccination drive on October 20. Photo by Melanie Frick.

FEATURE/ENTERTAINMENT PHOTOGRAPH

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Feature/Entertainment Photograph

Superiors

- “At Home in the Theater,” Aza Khan, *ODYSSEY Media Group*, Clarke Central High School
- “Arana’s art club arrives, astounding attendees,” Jenny Loveland, *The Chant*, North Cobb High School
- “Crossing Generations,” Rebekah Bushmire, *McIntosh Trail*, McIntosh High School

Feature/Entertainment Photograph

All-Georgia

“Black History,”

Zaria Byers,

The Pitchfork,

Marietta High School



Ms. Akiba Gilbert and Makayla Modeste (10) dance at the top of the Grand Staircase during the Soul Train Stroll to kick off the first week of Black History Month celebrations. Photo by Zaria Byers

PHOTO ESSAY

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Photo Essay

Superior

- “Tatted Up,” Ikeoluwa Ojo and Zaya Roberson,
BluePrints, Cedar Shoals High School

Photo Essay

All-Georgia

“Athens Day of Jubilee”

Luna Reichert,
Audrey Enghauser,
Nico Willman and
Jaydon Dennis,
ODYSSEY Media Group,
Clarke Central High School



Athens Day of Jubilee

*By Luna Reichert, Audrey Enghauser, Nico Willman and Jaydon
Dennis*

INFORMATION GRAPHIC

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Information Graphic

Superiors

- “Balancing the Scales for Women in the Workforce,”
Saanvi Tatipalli, *The BirdFeed*, South Forsyth High School
- “Calling the Shots,” Melissa Liu, Rachel Everett,
Cameron Chappell *The Messenger*, Northview High School
- “Representing the Roots” Ren Lloyd, *The Chant*,
North Cobb High School

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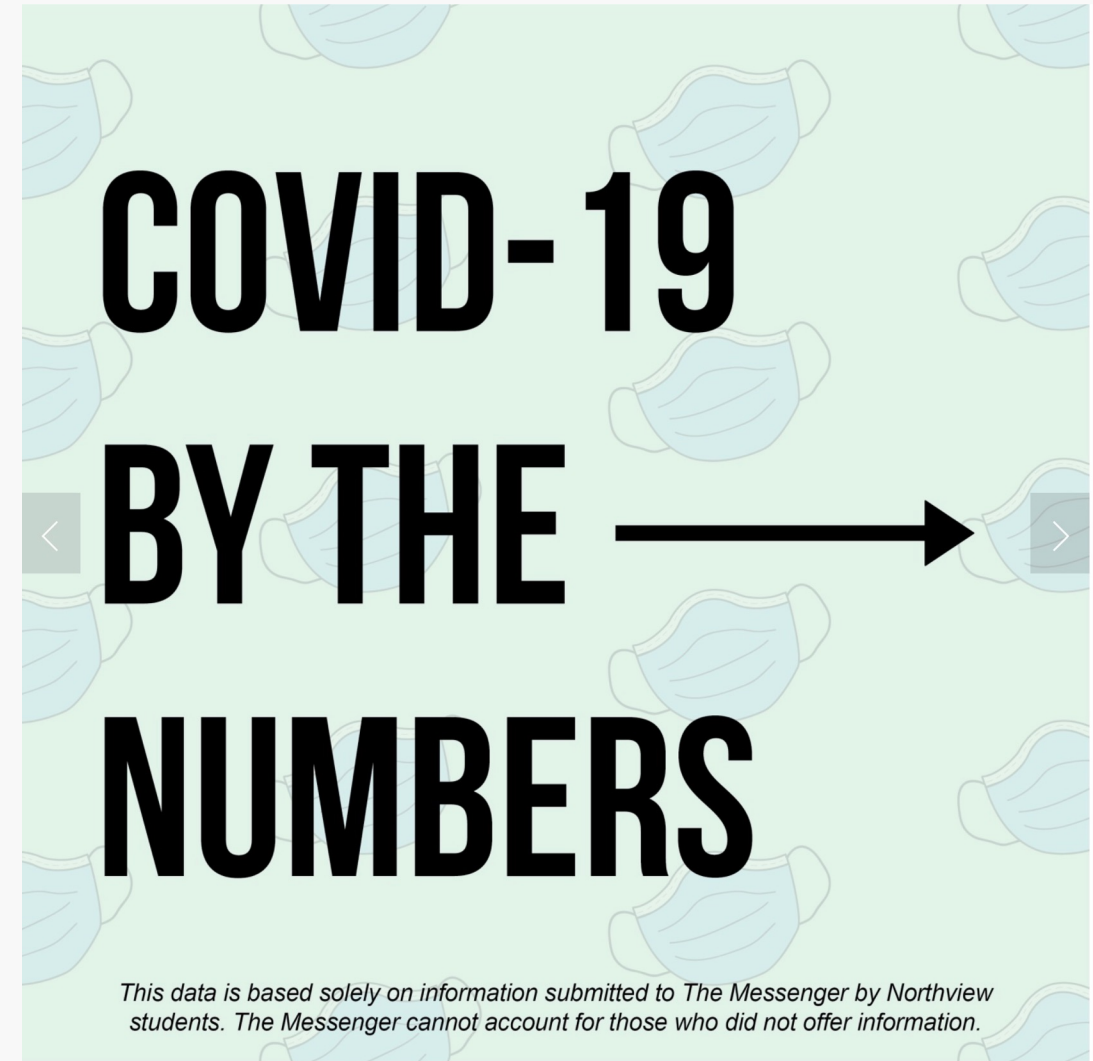
All-Georgia

“Return to Remote Learning,”

Disha Kumar,

The Messenger,

Northview High School



ILLUSTRATION

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Illustration

Superiors

- "Fallen Arch," Eva Lucero, *BluePrints*, Cedar Shoals High School
- "Christianity elevates women as priceless image-bearers of God," Sarah Evans, *The Verve*, The King's Academy

Illustration

All-Georgia

"Red Dot,"
Disha Kumar,
The Messenger,
Northview High School

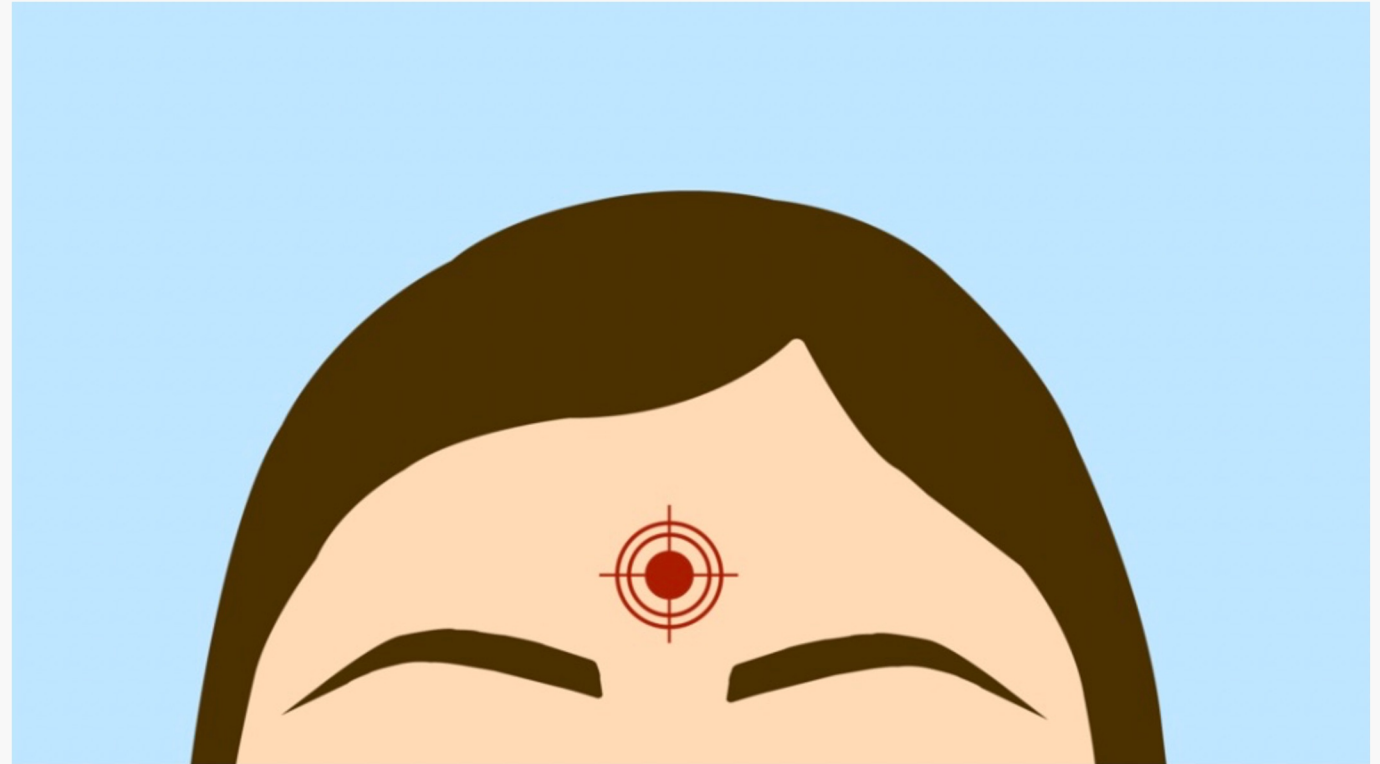


PHOTO ILLUSTRATION

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Photo Illustration

Superior

- “Peaks and Mounds: Georgia’s Top Hiking Spots,” Peyton Stack, *The Chant*, North Cobb High School

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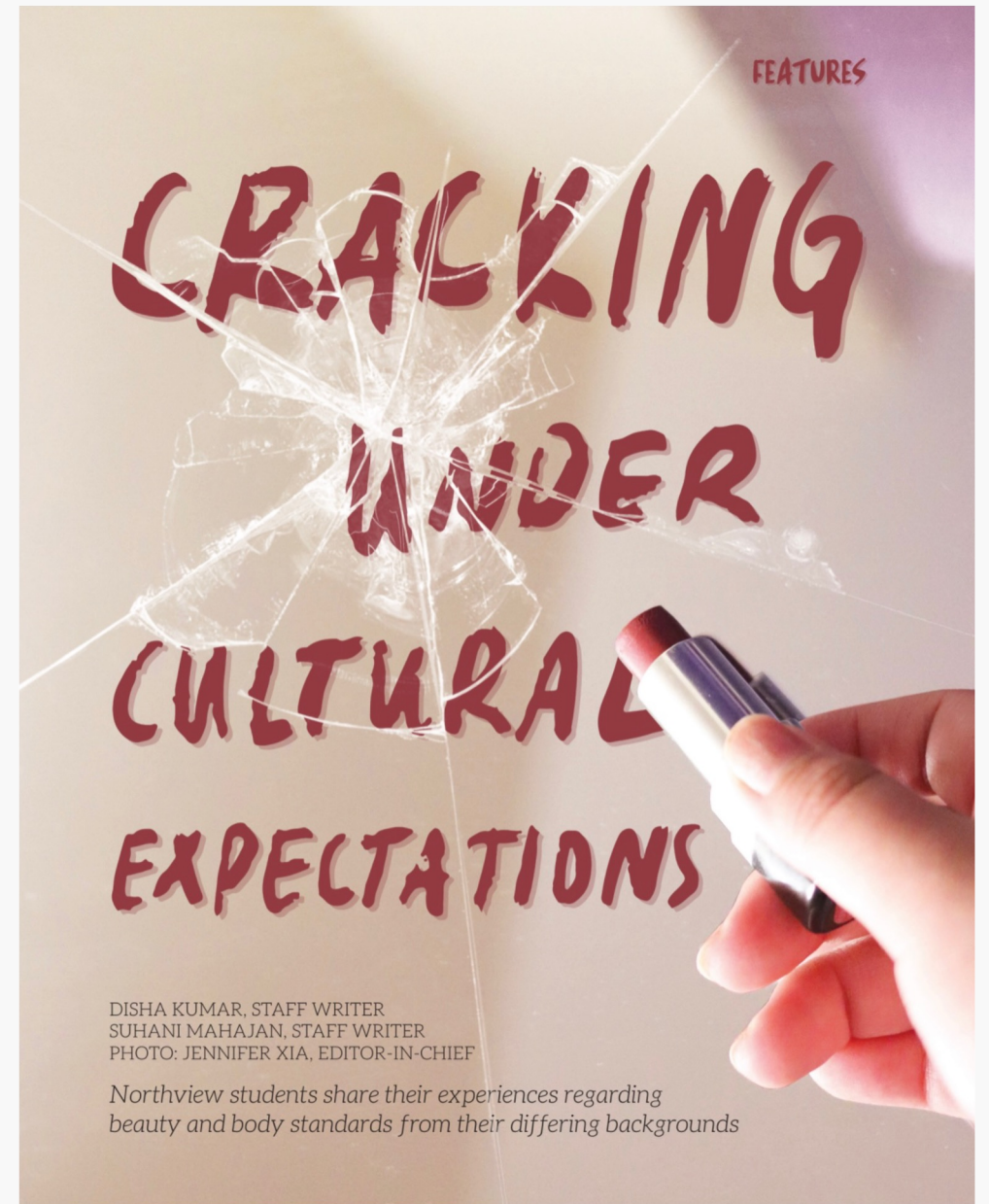
All-Georgia

“Cracking Under Cultural
Expectations,”

Melissa Liu and Jennifer Xia,

The Messenger,

Northview High School



DOUBLE-TRUCK LAYOUT/DESIGN

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Double-truck Layout/Design

Superiors

- “Social Media,” Lillian Salter, *Pitchfork*, Marietta High School
- “The Secret Life of Pets at Northview,” Disha Kumar, *The Messenger*, Northview High School

Double-truck Layout/Design

All-Georgia

“Carrying the
Community,”

Naomi Henderson,
ODYSSEY Media Group,
Clarke Central
High School

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Naomi Goff

Layout by NAOMI HENDERSON
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Lark City EBR

COVID-19 has impacted different Athens communities and sectors in different ways, and a network of support from the ACC government, community members, businesses and other organizations has offered assistance.

With the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in March 2020, the Athens hospitality and service industries, as well as historically underrepresented communities, have struggled to make ends meet due to lost revenue and decreased engagement in the economy.

On March 19, 2020, the Athens-Clarke County government passed a mandated shelter-in-place ordinance that prohibited residents from leaving their homes except for essential needs and placed limits on most operations in the city. In the year since, the functions of everyday life have adapted and reopened in most capacities, but the community has not been able to return to pre-pandemic levels of economic strength. Downtown Athens, once a vibrant, bustling area with a diverse range of businesses, saw a steep decline in activity.

“Prior to March 15, 2020, the economy of Athens was thriving in a lot of different ways (through a lot of different means, goods and services,” Athens Area Chamber of Commerce President David Bradley said. “Because Athens is such a rich cultural entertainment and food environment, we attract a ton of visitors for seminars, workshops, whatever, perhaps at the Classic Center. Our economy was thriving (until) on March 14, the hospitality component of our economy died.”

On April 2, 2020, Georgia Gov. Brian Kemp passed a statewide shelter-in-place order that closed all nonessential businesses, leaving only infrastructure such as grocery stores, banks and hospitals open. Restaurants could only operate at a limited capacity with takeout, outside pick-up and delivery options.

“All those businesses that maybe would normally have a hundred patrons on a Thursday night have many fewer, so that means that their income is diminished and (so is) everybody who they would help support by buying flour and sugar, or accessing one of those sort of laundering services or by buying cases of wine,” Athens-Clarke County Mayor Kelly Gritz said. “All of those links in the chain are impacted.”

The University of Georgia sent students home in March 2020 due to the coronavirus, and they did not return until August. Located in the center of Athens, UGA is an essential part of the Athens economy, providing a large customer base in its student body. It also brings in a significant amount of money

Featured: BIRD'S EYE VIEW People and cars populate East Clayton Street in Downtown Athens on March 21. Many Downtown Athens businesses have struggled to maintain a customer base and have had to close. For the first time due to the pandemic, we're starting to see some shuttered businesses, some vacancies, and that's been hard,” Athens Downtown Development Authority Planning Director David Lynn said. Photo by Adrey Engelsen.



ADVERTISING DESIGN

Newspaper/ Newsmagazine/ News Website



Advertising Design

Superior

- “Maji,” Melissa Liu, *The Messenger*,
Northview High School

Advertising Design

All-Georgia

“Promotional Posters”
Eva Orbock,
ODYSSEY Media Group,
Clarke Central
High School

ODYSSEY MEDIA GROUP



These posters were designed as promotional materials for the ODYSSEY Media Group. The ODYSSEY is a student-produced newsmagazine and online publication, published with the intent to inform, entertain and give voice to the Clarke Central High School community, as well as to educate student journalists.

SOCIAL MEDIA STORYTELLING

New Media



Social Media Storytelling

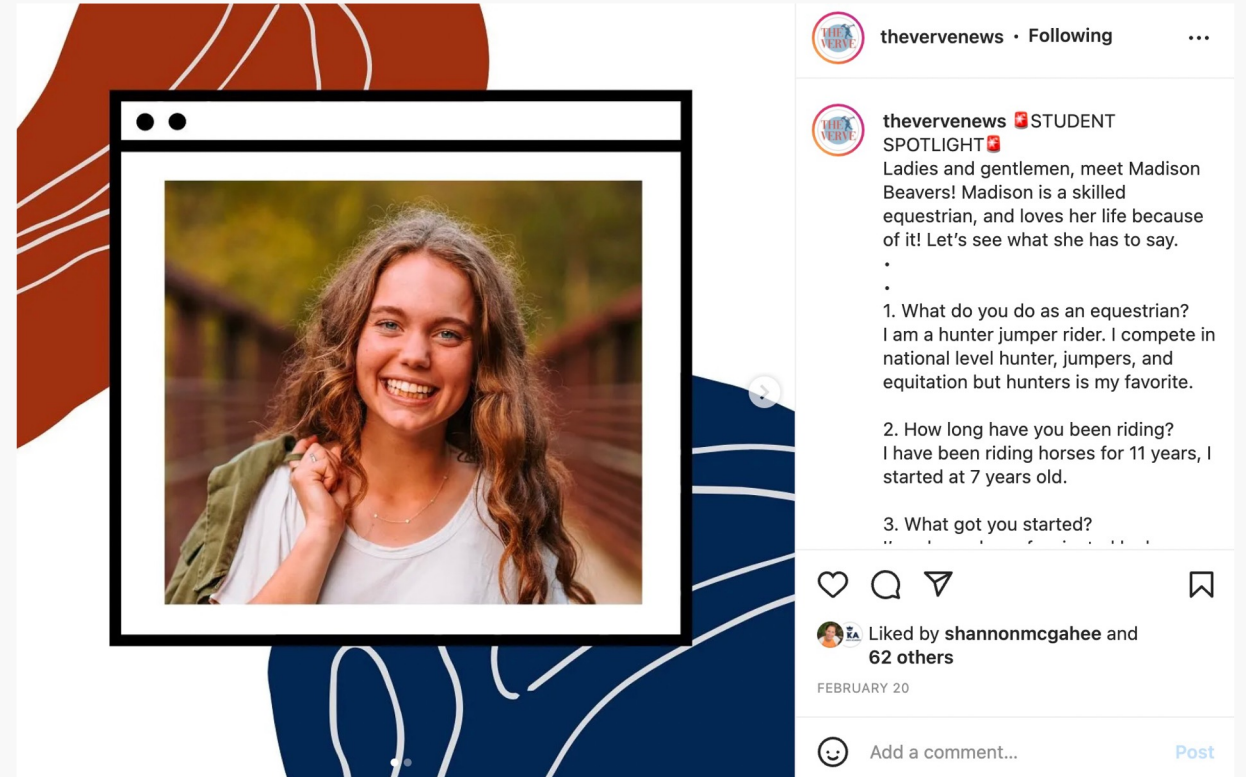
All-Georgia

“Madison Beavers
Student Spotlight,”

Claire Shirley,

The Verve,

The King’s Academy



SOCIAL MEDIA BREAKING NEWS

New Media



Social Media Breaking News

Superiors

- “Breaking News: Return to virtual learning,”
Audrey Enghauser, *ODYSSEY Media Group*,
Clarke Central High School
- “Sports Game Scores,” Staff,” *The Messenger*,
Northview High School

Social Media Breaking News

All-Georgia
“COVID-19,”
Melissa Liu,
The Messenger,
Northview High School

COVID-19 Updates on Instagram and Facebook Stories

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COVID-19

There are currently 4 confirmed cases of COVID-19 at Northview, said Principal Brian Downey. An estimated 150 other individuals have been in direct contact with COVID-19 positive individuals via classes, buses, and athletic teams.

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COVID-19

Masks will be optional at Northview starting Wednesday, Oct. 27 based on Johns Creek's rate of infection dropping below 100 per 100,000 residents in two consecutive epidemiology reports.

Mask wearing will still be required on buses.

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COVID-19

[FULTONSCHOOLS.AZ1.QUALTRICS.COM](https://www.fultonschools.org/qualtrics)

Parents should submit a COVID-19 report using the link above if their student meets one or more of the following criteria:

- a) Has tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 15 days.
- b) Has been in close contact (within 6 ft for at least 15 min) in the past 15 days with a COVID-19 positive individual from outside of school.
- c) Currently waiting for the results of a test for COVID-19 and/or reporting a pending test result.

M

COVID-19

On Monday Jan. 10, FCS will return to face-to-face instruction.

Masks will be required indoors through Jan. 21.

Anyone who tests positive must isolate at home for 5 days. After the 5-day isolation period, asymptomatic students can return to school as long as they continue to wear a mask for 5 additional days. Anyone exhibiting symptoms, even beyond the 5-day isolation period, must remain home.

You do not need to wait for the Response Team or a School Nurse to contact you to return to school after completing the isolation period.

SOCIAL MEDIA PROMOTION

New Media



Social Media Promotion

Superiors

- “The Oracle Wants You!,” Ansley Bokath, Abby Simon, Phoenix Riviera, Mairén Brown, *The Oracle*, North Springs High School
- “Seniors Coverage,” Melissa Liu, *The Messenger*, Northview High School

Social Media Promotion

All-Georgia
“Black History Month
Promotion,”
Zaria Byers,
Pitchfork
Marietta High School

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CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH

THIS MONTH WE CELEBRATE
BLACK HISTORY MONTH
TAKE THE PROMPT BY ZARIA BYERS
THE HISTORY & RELEVANCE
READY TO TAKE THE YEAR BY THE REINS?

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Celebrate #BlackHistoryMonth @MariettaGAhs

BLACK HISTORY IS OUR HISTORY
February

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Celebrating #BlackHistoryMonth this morning with Old vs New Skool Soul Train Stroll @MariettaGAhs with a little @OfficialBBD #NowYaKnow #FridayFunDay

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February 9

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Spirit Week @MariettaGAhs #BlackHistoryMonth

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SPIRIT WEEK
Stories of Love: WeHo Monday
February 07
WE ARE EXCELLENT
February 08
A Boy Without Black Invention
February 09
LIVE & CARTOON CHARACTER DAY
February 10
THE Diaspora
February 11

MHSpitchfork @MHSpitchfork
Wrapping up @MariettaGAhs celebration of #BlackHistoryMonth

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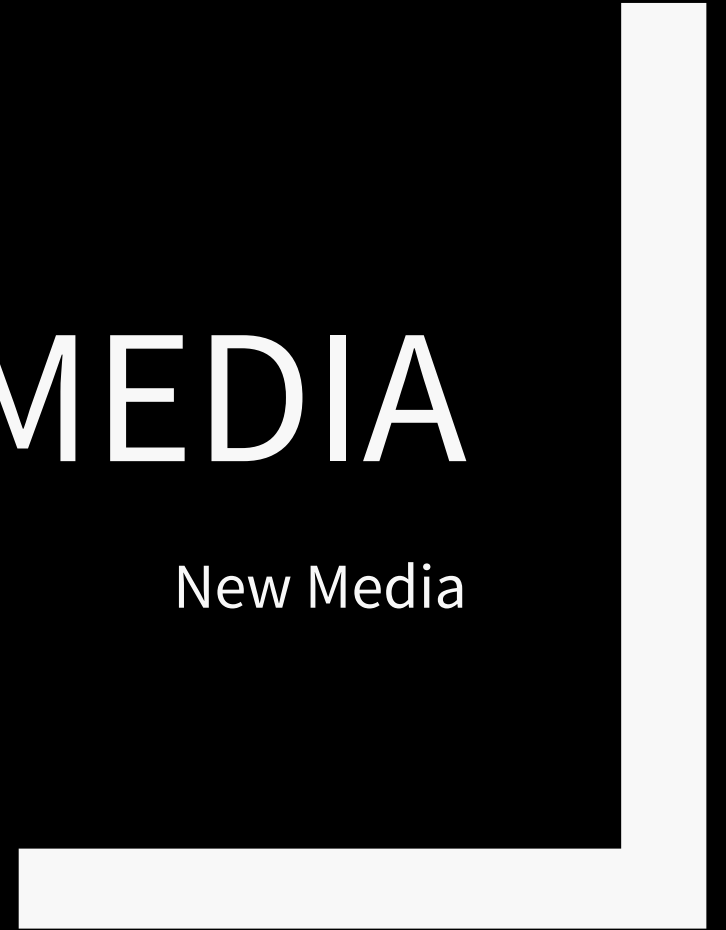
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#BlackHistoryMonth
Wednesday, Feb 15 schedule

Block	Advisement/PM	Activity	Bell Schedule	Start	End	Minutes
LA/IB & GRANT				7:45 AM	8:45 AM	60
Enrichment				8:50 AM	9:25 AM	35
CA/IB				9:25 AM	10:20 AM	55
BA/IB				10:25 AM	12:25 PM	120
	A Lunch			10:25 AM	10:47 AM	24
	B Lunch			10:57 AM	11:20 AM	23
	C Lunch			11:30 AM	11:53 AM	23
	D Lunch			12:03 PM	12:26 PM	23
LA/IB				12:30 PM	1:25 PM	55
DAI Activity Block				1:30 PM	2:30 PM	60

MHS BLACK HISTORY MONTH PROGRAM

EMERGING MEDIA

New Media



Emerging Media

Superiors

- “Am I Indian enough? The toxicity of gatekeeping in the Indian community,” Naisha Roy and Sahithya Gutta, *The BirdFeed*, South Forsyth High School
- “City rejoices over historic Braves World Series Win”, Ava Smith and Stella Mackler, *The Southerner*, Midtown High School

Emerging Media

All-Georgia

“Nik Bruckman: Future Gamer,”
Maddie Shaw, *The Southerner*
Midtown High School

GENERAL EXCELLENCE

BROADCAST



Superior

■ *Verecast!*, The King's Academy

The screenshot shows the YouTube channel page for 'The Verve Newspaper'. At the top, there is a banner with the channel's logo, 'Verecast!', in a red script font, and the tagline 'UNCAGING THE BIG STORIES.' in blue capital letters. Below the banner, the channel name 'The Verve Newspaper' is displayed in white, along with '127 subscribers' and a red 'SUBSCRIBE' button. A navigation menu includes 'HOME', 'VIDEOS', 'PLAYLISTS', 'CHANNELS', and 'ABOUT'. The 'Uploads' section is active, showing a 'PLAY ALL' button. Four video thumbnails are visible: 'VERVECAST EPISODE SIXTEEN ISSUE 3' (5:58), 'Sunken Galleon: Black & White 2022 Behind the...' (1:30), 'Black and White: Sunken Galleon Reveal' (2:49), and 'VERVECAST EPISODE FIFTEEN ISSUE 2' (6:55). Each thumbnail includes a view count and upload date.

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VERVECAST
EPISODE FIFTEEN
ISSUE 2
THE VERVE IS YOUR VOICE.
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Fall Ball Unites All

by Isabella Hemington
Staff Writer

On Saturday, Oct. 30, around 300 students gathered at Paideia for the Fall Ball. The rain outside of the theatre lobby shielded students from the rain and chilly weather, and most students warmed up because of the body heat and dancing. Students agreed that the Fall Ball was enjoyable and they would definitely do something like that again. Brooks Howard '22 even described it as a "jolly good time." Despite it being her first high school dance, Main Pope '24 said that she would "love to have more parties [or] dances at Paideia," and that "it was a great way to come back all together after the time we were in lockdown." Ethan Austin-Crusc '25 felt like it "was a good start off of the year especially because many students haven't gotten to do anything like this with their schools in a couple years."

Some thought that the music was unpopular, but that didn't restrict students from dancing and having fun with their friends. Aurora Gray '23 said, "the music felt a little dated and only really subscribed to one demographic of people. I wished the genres were broader. Everyone else seemed to enjoy it though." While Karla Urquiza '25 believed that "some songs were really bad but overall a great playlist," Howard said, "I can party to anything. I don't care. The music selection was good though." Grant Nguyen '25 thought "the music was okay," but suggested "making a school-wide playlist that everyone can add to next time."

Students said that the food assortment could have been better, but overall most students liked it. Tommy Sullivan '24 said "the food was good" and Pope said she "loved that they had hot cocoa, super cute." Gray liked the food, but said "it would have been nice to have soda and more vegetarian options." Differentiating from most students, Austin-Crusc believed that "the food was not very interesting especially based on the time of the dance being right after most people's dinners."

This was most students' first high school dance and Kendall Kirkland '23 agreed that "it was a step up from [the junior high dances because] the music was better and people were engaged in the dance." Anelia Darling '24 agreed and said, "I think it was better. I really liked that it was outside. Also the vibes were just immensely better than junior high dances (which were, frankly, not great)."

All in all, most students had a fun time and said that they would love to attend more dances. Although there were some complaints and suggestions about the setting and food, the dance was beautifully decorated and an overall hit.



Freshmen enjoying the Fall Ball.

Day of Dialogue: A Brief Overview

2021 Edition

by Megan Walter
Managing Editor

On Nov. 17, the Paideia community will engage in Day of Dialogue (previously known as Race Day) an active discussion of the impact of race and racism on students and faculty. From year to year, Day of Dialogue has evolved; last year, for example, a student panel offered feedback to peers, teachers, and administrators. The panel represented the first of its kind. Moreover, the addition of affinity groups added a new dimension to Day of Dialogue—for the first time ever, students and faculty could engage with multiple aspects of their own identities (e.g. religion, sexuality, etc). This year, the Student Diversity Leadership Initiative (SDLI) club and Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Committee has already begun planning the various activities and schedules for the 2021 Day of Dialogue.

Oman Frame, the executive director of diversity, equity, and inclusion, shared a preview of Paideia's plans for this year's Day of Dialogue. At the start of the day, recurring speaker and diversity consultant Rosetta Lee will facilitate two discussions: an identity inclusion dialogue with the ninth and tenth grade, as well as one with the eleventh and twelfth grade.

Following the two discussions, the Paideia community will divide into affinity groups for more in-depth discourse. Affinity group leaders, in partnership with SDLI, have been planning and preparing for weeks. After affinity groups conclude their respective activities, advisory groups will then meet to collaborate on two schoolwide projects: a dot-pilot project with which Paideia can gain a big-picture perspective of its racial breakdown, as well as an undisclosed secondary activity. Kaya Chio '23, a leader of SDLI, said that "[t]he first activity will

include creating a wall of slips of paper with each student's reflections on their experience with race at Paideia, color coded by race."

Overall, the Paideia community is excited for the possibilities of the 2021 Day of Dialogue. SDLI hopes that the various activities and workshops will instigate long-term changes to curriculum, student and faculty activism, and community reform. Chio said that the "single most important takeaway I am hoping [that] the Paideia community [retains] as a result of [Day of Dialogue] is that continued action is needed on every level and to be done by every person. Ideally every student would know that they need to do to improve themselves and their various communities and to work to do so." Frame also expressed his own excitement for the event, adding that "the single most important takeaway in this process is to listen and learn."

Can Bad Parking Find a Spot at Paideia?

by Eva Young
Staff Writer

Since the beginning of the 2021-2022 school year, many Paideia students have found entertainment in the anonymous Instagram account @badpaideiaparking. With witty captions and hilariously embarrassing parking jobs, the account brings some humor to the epidemic of questionable Paideia parking. "I feel like it's making light of a bad situation, so I don't think it's bad," said Anelia Darling '24. The account, as the name suggests, features pictures of bad parking sent in by students.

Since the first post on Sept. 2, the account has built up a loyal fan base of 264 followers. The owner said

that they were first inspired to start it because of the @midrowbadparking account. "We figured there were a ton of bad parkers there, and [there] had to be at least a few funny ones here. Turns out we were right, so I started the account." They said that they receive the most submissions on days with heavy traffic, because everyone's in a rush and parks cars terribly.

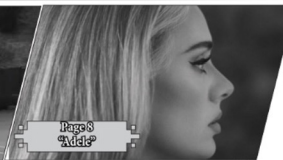
However, this isn't Paideia's first experience with an anonymous Instagram account. In previous years there was the very popular Paideia memes account, and the trend has continued this year with accounts such as Paideia Affirmations and Paideia Sports Highlights. When asked how she feels about Bad Paideia Parking, Sophie Goldman '22

said, "It holds us accountable, it's just funny and it motivates us not to embarrass ourselves." Lila Krugler '23, seconds Goldman, saying, "I think it's funny, and it influences people to park better." The account seems to have had a mostly positive response, especially from students with adequate parking skills. Others, such as Kenan Kadrigic '23, simply describe it as "terrible." Madeline Reynolds '24 also feels negatively about the account, saying "I don't like it because I don't know how to park either." If you're wondering where the owner of the account falls in terms of parking capability, they told us they are "a parking master."



Parked cars featured on Paideia's "bad parking" Instagram account.

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Buckhead Makes Big Moves with Potential Annexation in the Works

By Rollins Hamrick

A big decision is in the works that involves the fate of our community and neighborhood. The large choice currently looming is whether or not Buckhead will secede from the city of Atlanta. This would come with a lot of potential implications, positive and negative, but it comes down to what the community decides. As this could have an impact on our school system, how aware are the Dubs of what is happening, and how much do they know about this choice that could have a large impact on many aspects of their day-to-day lives? One of the most significant possible implications of this decision would be the impact it could have on North Atlanta's stance within Atlanta Public Schools. The city lines that the City of Buckhead has drawn up do not match up with those of the North Atlanta school district. Potentially, only a part of the North Atlanta community could continue attending school at North. "There are a lot of implications for our community at North Atlanta that many are unaware of," said senior Olivia Schramkowski. "It is important to be fully aware of what is happening and what it means

before making any big decisions." Many students are somewhat oblivious to the possible impacts this choice could have. People are commonly aware that the idea of Buckhead annexing from the City of Atlanta stemmed from the rise in crime rates in the community, but lack other information on the topic. "I heard Buckhead wants to annex to be able to have their own police force due to the surge of crime but that is about all I know," said senior Margo Werner. There are even a few students that are completely in the dark about any information surrounding this decision. Some Dubs bear no intel about the subject and are not even aware of what Buckhead annexing means. The only thing (again) they have some idea of is the fact it could have to do with crime. "Quite frankly I really don't know anything about Buckhead annexing from Atlanta," said junior John Gregory. "All I have heard is that it could possibly have to do with crime rates." While keeping our community safe is crucial and it would very likely serve the Buckhead



community well to have their police force, many other prevalent factors have to be taken into consideration before a decision is made. This annexation could potentially bring a lot of positives to the community, but we can not forget to take into account the fate of our school system and the impact it would have on North Atlanta students.

Black Student Union Advances Change

By Madison Lawson

The year 2020 was huge for bringing awareness to certain issues America faces, with one of the biggest examples being racism and its ongoing prevalence. The killings of George Floyd and Breonna Taylor have sparked massive protests across the



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country and opened up a greater conversation on inequality and what needs to change. North Atlanta is a much smaller sample when referring to these national events, but students have still reported experiencing racism on and off campus throughout their high school years.

North Atlanta's Black Student Union (BSU) was founded in 2020 and is still going strong today. The leaders of the club are Nueka Otuonye, Drew Barber and Brooklyn Lynch. These three decided to take initiative and lead the BSU club because as underclassmen they felt that once they became seniors they needed to be involved at the highest level

Promoting Positivity: First Annual NAHS Hope Day

By Tanner Adams

In this day and age, ending the stigma around mental health is not only wanted but extremely necessary, especially in schools. Groups such as the Mental Health Awareness Club and Hope Squad are working to do just that at North Atlanta. With school back in session and students back in the building, Hope Squad emerged this year in full swing with the first-ever NAHS Hope Day!

After losing a fellow Warrior to suicide in 2019, many North Atlanta students felt that it was very important to further their efforts to break the mental health stigma. The Dubs wanted to create a community where students could talk to each other and know that

they are not alone. Members of the class of 2021 brought Hope Squad to North Atlanta to facilitate such a community, but the pandemic made



it difficult for the program to reach its full potential. However, upon passing the leadership torch to Josie Bird and Kate Davis, members

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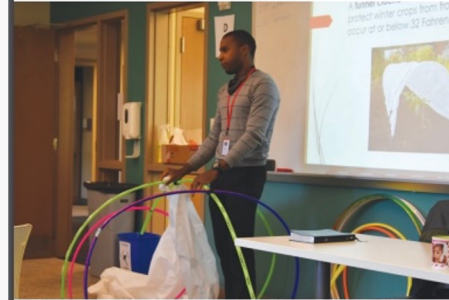
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Horticulture class cultivates community



Chemistry teacher Joubert Pierre introduces the day's objective—designing a "cloche" to protect the garden from the coming frosts.

By KATE McGEHEE

For the first time in Mount Pisgah history, students have the opportunity to learn about the important skill of gardening and caring for their very own garden. This is the first school year where students have been able to work in the garden through the Horticulture elective.

Joubert Pierre, the upper school chemistry teacher, started the Horticulture class and helped prepare the garden over the summer. The garden has been flourishing and the two Horticulture classes have been working very hard to help grow and maintain the garden.

Horticulture is a very unique class because it is unlike any other elective that Mount Pisgah offers. Pierre describes a regular day in horticulture class.

He says, "it's a mixture of lecture and practice. For instance, we learn about composting and tomorrow we compost. It's a mixture of learning the material and then experiencing it. Denny [Davidson], has been helping us tremendously with building the greenhouse."

To students who walk by, the new upper school garden might not look very extravagant. However, the garden is filled with several different foods, including artichoke, okra, squash, sweet potato, tomatoes, and Carolina reaper peppers.

Many of these plants will sadly die as the weather gets colder, but the plants will then be replaced with new crops that are intended to be grown in a colder climate. These new plants will include lettuce, beets, carrots, collards, kale, bunching onions, snap peas, and bok choy.



Juniors Michael Lynch, Max Greene, and Josh Tamarkin enjoy a class outdoors gathering mulch for the garden area



The garden is still growing and is constantly being updated and added to.

In an interview, Pierre said, "we are going to add a greenhouse which we are in the process of building right now. We are fencing in the raised bed area. Chickens will be coming. And right now that's where we stand."

The chicken coop was a recent addition to the garden that was built by Alec Sabatino with help from friends. The two first-ever horticulture classes are filled with eager students who are passionate about the environment and the beautiful resources it can produce. Makael Carter talks about his personal experience as a horticulture student.

"One thing I've learned," Carter says, "is the process of planting, and

how much research, dedication, and effort it takes."

The Upper School can look forward to seeing how the garden develops over time.



eSports becomes newest Mount Pisgah team

By SANNA SHIBLEY

In the last few years, several Mount Pisgah Students have sought to turn one of their favorite at home hobbies into an actual sport that they can compete in... and win. With the new addition to Mount Pisgah athletics—eSports—they have the opportunity to do so.

Michael Saari, math and science teacher, came to Mount Pisgah this year as a new teacher and brought with him skills and experience with coaching eSports as well as the determination to create a team here at the school. "eSports is a GHSA sport, which means that the GHSA governs it," Saari explains. "Basically, it is competitive gaming. There are a bunch of different sports, or 'games.' Here, we offer Super Smash Brothers Ultimate on Nintendo Switch. This is the only thing that we do right now but there are other opportunities, potentially, in

the future with Rocket League, League of Legends, FIFA, and Madden."

Saari was able to spread the word about the new team through Blackboard messages and word of mouth. Once interest was expressed amongst the student body, they formed two teams of three.

Matches are set up for the team using a third party program and they compete against other teams in the state of Georgia every Wednesday at 4 o'clock.

When asked how the matches are structured, Saari compares this structure to tennis and explains that,

"We have three players in our starting lineup. They [the opponent] have three players. However, we are randomly matched up against them. So it's not like line one versus line one, line two versus line two, it's just random."

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Seniors capitalize on unique political opportunity over break

by Samuel Rice, News Editor



"The senior trip proved successful in pushing the students into their last year in a fun and exciting way."

by Kait Bouman



"Johnson knew leading the team would pose challenges, but he was prepared to give it his all, no matter what."

by Matthew Iredale



"We couldn't dream of starting a business anywhere but here. When we searched for fresh juice bars, we would find ourselves traveling to Alpharetta, Roswell and Kennesaw."

by Chloe Preston



"The dream of Maverick City Music was to join people together with the passion and in-your-face message of the gospel."

by Lydia White

Senior Joe Wages stepped into the large lecture hall. The buzz of conversation washed over him. Discussing topics of interest, 70 to 80 students milled about getting to know one another. The hall echoed with the untapped potential of the future generation as Wages and his fellow senior Will Russell sat down at a table and began conversing with a student from Chicago. Excitement thrummed and the hubbub died down as the Young America's Foundation, or YAF, conference began.

Wages and Russell flew to Washington D.C. to attend a two-day conference held Sept. 17-19 by the YAF titled, "High School Free Enterprise Leadership Conference: How to Confront Socialism."

"It was a two-day conference. We heard from a variety of different speakers focusing mainly on the benefits of free-market capitalism and the disadvantages and why socialism doesn't work," said Wages. "We heard from economics professor Brian Brenberg of the King's College in New York, Steve Forbes, the chief of the Forbes magazine, and other economics professors. We heard from people that escaped from communist China and socialist Venezuela and their stories of what it was like under those conditions."

The acquisition of such an interesting

and prized opportunity was through alumna Ms. Jamie Hahn. Ms. Hahn works for the Young America's Foundation in Washington D.C. and reached out to TKA teacher Mrs. Johnson to inform her of the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity: an all-expense-paid trip to the nation's capital to listen to some of the top economic professors in the country speak on relevant social issues.

Passionate about the topic of the conference, Wages was attentive and learned many new ways of discussing the topic of the different political ideologies, capitalism vs. socialism.

The conference included speakers who illustrated their first-hand experiences living in communist or socialist societies. Attendants of the conference heard details of damaging policies tied to



When attending the YAF "High School Free Enterprise Leadership Conference: How to Confront Socialism" seniors Will Russell (left) and Joe Wages (right) meet Steve Forbes (center), CEO of Forbes Media.

provided by Shannon Russell

these ideologies. "There was a lady from China. Her grandfather was a wealthy man and during the Communist Revolution all of his land was taken, and he died a poor man," said Wages. "During the Great Leap Forward, her entire family was starving. Because [her father] didn't subscribe to the communist ideologies, he was put into a labor camp, tortured and beaten by the Communist government."

Because of his affiliation with the organization, Russell organized participation in a 9/11 memorial project advertised by the YAF. Russell, along with other seniors and the JROTC battalion, placed 2,977 U.S. flags across the campus lawn, each flag representing a victim of the 9/11 attacks.

One family, two home countries: a story of student missionaries

by Caroline Walker, Website Architect

Sophomore Ema Vogli has served in the mission field since she was in 3rd grade, a move that was spurred by her parents' desire to return home while also serving the Lord. They lived in Albania for eight years, serving at a local church and living on mission for the Gospel.

Vogli attended an English-speaking Christian school where she learned everything that she would have here in the U.S. On the weekends, the Vogli family served their community. Vogli grew up amongst the Albanian culture, and it became her home as well.

"On Saturdays and Sundays, we would help out with the youth and kids ministries," said Vogli. "The culture is just different, and so is having a different language."

Even though she was born in Georgia,

Vogli considers Albania her home. She grew up learning both Albanian and English, so to her, Albania is just as much of a home as the United States.

"The worst part was the move to Albania," said Vogli. "I hadn't lived there before, so getting used to the culture was different, but it did help that I already spoke the language."

Vogli has never had what most would consider a "typical education." While in Albania, she continued her education just as she would have in the U.S. but with a few differences.

"School was really different because most of the kids who went there were missionary kids," said Vogli. "We had kids from Korea, Guatemala, Brazil, and other places. It was really unique because even though we all had different home countries and things like that, we

understood what everyone was going through. The community we built is amazing."

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Ezra and Ema Vogli dress in traditional Albanian clothes. They enjoy immersing themselves in the culture and taking advantage of the time that they have in Albania because they know it is not forever.

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Fall play flies to Neverland with new director

Caroline Croley
During the week of October 18, Wesleyan's Theater Department will put on its first production of the year, Peter Pan, directed by the High School Theater Director Stephanie Simmons.

Throw out all you know about Peter Pan. This fifteen-person play will not be the traditional Disney movie that so many know and love. This play is not a musical and will not have any singing except for the occasional pirate sea shanty. Wendy's brothers, John and Michael, will not be in this version. Peter and Wendy will also not be flying like the traditional show, but "flying" on ladders. The Native Americans who are in the original Peter Pan movie, will be "warrior princesses" in Wesleyan's production.

This play is not a musical and will not have any singing except for the occasional sea shanty.

Another aspect of the original tale that will be changed is that Captain Hook and the rest of the pirates are women. This story will explore Peter and the Lost Boys' desire for a mother in Wendy. But it will also show how women can't always be mothers through Hook being a female.



The pirates (left to right: freshmen Rebekah Neimann and Ellie Simmons, sophomores Elizabeth Hodges, seniors Tori Hedlund and Nadia Theriot, and freshman Norah Mukana) practice getting into character during warm-ups.

"I am feeling good, excited, and overwhelmed. But not in a bad way. I am very hopeful and excited." - Stephanie Simmons

When asked why she chose this play to kick off the year, Simmons said, "I've wanted to do Peter Pan for a long time. I've looked to find a version that is not a musical, one that we can perform on our stage, and that is appropriate. I've always loved the idea of being able to grow up. I think that growing up is a cool topic to discuss with the cast as they start preparing for and going away for college."

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New Omicron fall service team begins their season

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The Wesleyan Omicron fall service team started their season on Aug. 31 traveling to various locations around the community to aid in after-school care and tutor younger children. Omicron is about service and serving others, which is the heart of the Wesleyan mission and JOY motto: Jesus, Others, Yourself. The Omicron team embodies the JOY motto: as serving is focused on putting others before oneself.

Assistant Director of Christian Life Corrie Nash is the head sponsor of the team this year. Starting last year, she assumed the leadership position from Mrs. Kali Sessions, who was the head prior to Nash. When discussing how she was approached to become the sponsor of the team last school year, Nash said that it was a very quick and an easy decision for her to make. Director of Christian Life Greg Lisson came and asked her if she was interested in the position, and she immediately accepted.

In previous years, Wesleyan used to have a full day of service in the high school where all the student body would be grouped and posted to different areas in the city to participate in a service project. Due to the growing interest in volunteering and helping out with the after-school programs, this full service day became a winter activity to provide more consistent involvement. This school year, a year-round program was implemented in all three seasons: fall, winter, and spring. The fall

team extends until Oct. 23, and then applications for the winter team, which begins in early November, are sent out shortly after.

Nash said, "We really wanted to expand it year-round for two reasons: one, to give more students an opportunity to participate and two, to be a consistent presence in our community, which is more beneficial to our partners." The year-round program has created new opportunities for students to join who would not likely have been able to join because of another winter sport commitment. Students who are interested in being a part of the team may join Omicron by emailing Nash and stating their interest.

The team will be visiting three different locations this season. On Tuesday afternoons from 3:45 p.m. to 6 p.m., the team will travel to Spring of Peace, which is located in the Dunwoody Glen Apartment complex. Spring of Peace is an after-school program, so the members will be helping kids in that community with their schoolwork. The second location is Corners Outreach, which is scheduled for Thursday afternoons from 3:30 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. In both locations, the students come from DeKalb County, which was virtual for almost all of last school year; so, the tutoring is a great opportunity for the students to get the extra help they need. Every couple of Saturdays, the team will travel to the Gardens for Growing Community in Norcross, where they will

work in the garden and clean-up. Nash also noted how working in the garden ties in perfectly with the Christian Life theme of FLOURISH this year.

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Sophomore Matt Blanton helps a student with his math homework after school at the Dunwoody Glen Apartments.

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DeKalb County faces bus driver shortage Fewer buses lead to late arrivals, cause overcrowding

Nichell Brown, Katherine Rosinski

There has been a shortage of bus drivers in DeKalb County. Because of this, buses at Druid Hills High School and across DeKalb County continue to arrive late during the mornings and in the afternoons.

In addition to late arrivals, buses are now more crowded with fewer bus routes forcing some drivers to take on multiple routes.

Despite early hopes that the situation would improve into the school year, issues still arise and students are still missing out.

Assistant principal **Larrando Alexander** said that the pandemic was a cause of the shortage of staff and that better coordination early on could have reduced the impact.

"I think that could have been handled a lot better, and we probably could have

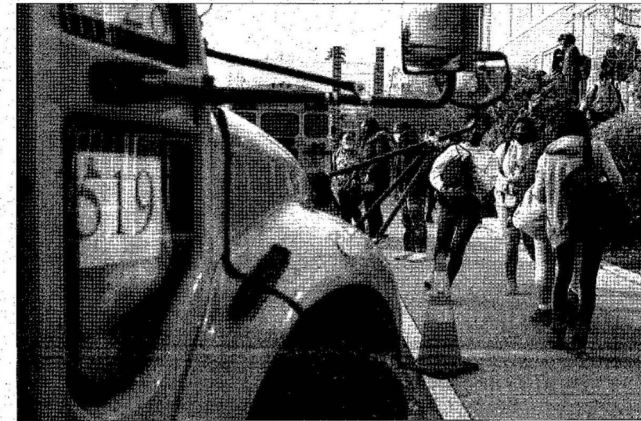


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Rows of buses line the front driveway of the school during afternoon dismissal. Students sometimes are left waiting as late as 4 o'clock after school for buses to arrive.

imately forty students at maximum capacity, and as the year turns to winter, windows are up and air is shared among all bus riders. This has raised safety concerns with some stu-

of everyone who rides the bus, the lack of resources for bus drivers means that students who forget their mask are not allowed on the bus.

This, along with the

"It's been this way since the start of the semester," social studies teacher **Victoria Leydecker** said. "We don't have enough bus drivers in this district in order for all of the students to get back and forth the way they need."

For students whose primary mode of transportation is the bus, this situation has been impactful on multiple levels, not just academics.

"A lot of my classmates, we have jobs," senior **Charlize Kennon** said. "If we get back to the school at 4 and we go to work at 4:30, plus the traffic, we're late. And that can make us lose our jobs."

As the shortage continues, arrival times will continue to vary for students depending on their bus route.



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Though Boys' High School only occupied the Midtown campus from 1924-1947, its impact is still felt today.

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OVERARCHING INFLUENCE: The arch at the entrance to the 10th Street parking lot was donated by the Boys' High Alumni Association. Alumni from Boys' High have continued to contribute to the school over the years.

By ANNA RACZWILLSKI AND SARAH SCHENAD-JONES

SEVENTY-SIX years ago, in 1946, Boys' High School welcomed its last class. The next spring, in 1947, both Boys' High and its sister school, Tech High School, both all-white male-only schools, would shut their doors. In the fall of 1947, the building would be occupied by co-ed Henry W. Grady High School.

In the last edition of the alumnus, the Boys' High yearbook, Principal F. L. Floyd wrote, "For 75 years, Boys' High School stood for the best in scholarship and character development. Into the finest colleges of the nation and into all walks of life, it has sent an abundance of boys in the life of the South and of the entire nation."

Boys' High School was founded 149 years ago, in 1872. Along with Girls' High School, it was one of the first two schools in the Atlanta Public Schools System.

"You attended a private school if you were wealthy," Grady alumnus and creator of the Atlanta Public Schools Forgotten Schools blog Shakia Guest-Holloway said. "If you were a poor person, you would either have to depend upon the philanthropic donations of the local city's wealthy elites [or] board of education. But, elected officials in [Atlanta] felt that it was high time for the city to offer public education to local students."

Boys' High was originally located in the basement of Girls' High but soon moved to a new location in downtown Atlanta. In 1924, due to overcrowding and a fire in the old building, Boys' High moved to what is currently the Midtown High School campus, which was the school's final location. The building was originally meant for Tech High, which had begun as the technical department of Boys' High before turning into a separate school. However, due to the issues with the previous Boys' High building and the expense of maintaining two facilities, both schools were moved into the new building.

"Tech High occupied the other part of the building we were in on 10th and 11th streets," Larry Halky, a former Boys' High student and former president of the Atlanta Boys' High School Alumni Association, said. "Our schools had a bitter rivalry in everything, including sports, in which they also had excellent teams. We didn't like each other very much. The Tech High guys always thought that it was their building, and they were resentful of us being there and then having to share the building with the guys from Boys' High."

After Tech High split off, Boys' High continued to focus on programs that prepared its students for college, including business and clerical courses. Many Boys' High alumni went on to be CEOs and other local "power players," Midtown art teacher John Brandtress said.

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Midtown Theatre's California Suite innovates despite pandemic

By ANNA RACZWILLSKI

One hotel room. Four scenes. Five couples.

This is the premise of "California Suite," the latest production by the Midtown Drama Department. The play, written by Neil Simon, focuses on five different couples staying in the same hotel room in California, during separate time periods.

According to director and teacher Lee Pope, the unique structure of the play allows greater safety for the actors and crew.

"The beauty of this show that I picked is that it's four scenes with two to four actors in each scene," Pope said. "Everybody didn't have to be here every day. It was easy to quarantine groups and create pods... I'm trying to follow as much protocol as I can and still stay realistic."

"California Suite" is Pope's first in-person show with an audience since the pandemic began. Junior and stage manager Leah Braun had worked as stage manager in a previous show, but she had to deal with new challenges in staging the show due to Covid. "Because the show that we are doing is all about a hotel, there's a lot of eating and drinking, and [the show was written in] the seventies, so there's smoking," Braun said. "There's a lot of stuff that we just have to work around."

The show, which premiered on Nov. 11, was shown to a live audience and performed entirely in masks. This was a major adjustment for senior Tui Brattain. Brattain plays Millie Michaels, a wife whose husband tries to hide his extramarital affair from, in the show.

"Acting with a mask on is very, very hard," Brattain said. "You [have to] manage to be able to act and find ways to express yourself through your body language or having really expressive eyes."

Though Brattain has needed to adjust to many changes in the show, one constant she's observed is the openness of the drama department.

"It's a very inclusive group of people," Brattain said. "Doing a show that's gender blind, race blind and entirely based off of acting and what you can bring to the show, is really something special. You're not limited."

Keeping with the attitude of inclusivity, Pope changed some of the show's plot to include a divorced lesbian couple, rather than a divorced wife and husband, arguing about their child in the first scene, titled "Visitors From New York."



ANNA RACZWILLSKI

FAKING OUT: Sophomore Eamon McNulty (left) plays a character pretending to have an illness to distract his wife (senior Tui Brattain, right) from an affair.

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Social Emotional Learning does not provide the support students need and should be reworked.

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Supt. Dr. Lisa Herring updated stakeholders about the state of the school district at the APS NEXT event in mid-November.

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Incumbent Tumlin secures fourth mayoral term in office

Etinosa Ogbomo
Business Manager

The recent mayoral election voting period ended with electors sending Mayor Steve "Thunder" Tumlin to his fourth term in office. Mayor Tumlin faced off against Ward 6 Councilwoman Michelle Cooper Kelly after running unopposed last election cycle. The precincts recorded Tumlin receiving 4,981 votes, approximately 57 percent, as opposed to Kelly's 3,733 votes, about 43 percent.

Although the candidates technically ran nonpartisan, Tumlin largely received support from Republicans while Kelly received the majority of her support from Democrats. Mayor Tumlin ran on a platform of continued stability, noting that low taxes, consistently low crime rates, and increasing property values resulted from his leadership. Conversely, Congresswoman Kelly ran as the candidate of change, aiming to increase affordable housing options, attract young professionals, and incorporate young voices into the political process. Their respective plans for Marietta were best encapsulated in their slogans, with Kelly saying we need to "Move Marietta Forward" while Tumlin hoped to "Keep Marietta, Marietta."

Councilwoman Kelly noted that this election was drastically different from any other election she's participated in. "Unlike my previous elections where I ran for only my ward, this was a city wide election. I have about 7,500 residents in my Ward, whereas the City of Marietta has a population of nearly 62,000 residents," Kelly said.

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Nora Hart (10), Gabi Comsudes (10), and Kristal McQueen (11) break away from their competition at the state race in Carrollton. This course is considered the most challenging of the season. Photo by Ada Chesney

Cross Country crushes competition

Lady Blue Devils clinch state title, boys finish runner-up

Ada Chesney
Staff Writer

For the second year in a row, the girls cross country team won state at Carrollton High. They won four of the last five years. With 107 points, the team beat Harrison by nine points.

"Overall, the season was very successful. The girls pulling off the trifecta, winning Cobb County, Region, and State, cannot be considered anything but successful," Coach Coleman said.

The girls team had one top ten finisher, Kristal McQueen, placing ninth. She finished the race with a time of 19:52.45.

"I'm super proud of my performance

and my team's performance. Getting ninth in the state race was a big accomplishment for me and I'm glad that my hard work paid off," Kristal McQueen (11) said. "I'm also very proud to be on such a hardworking team. My teammates all performed very well and gave it their all. Being the State Champions back to back is awesome, and I couldn't be happier."

The boys team placed second overall with a total of 104 points, losing to Mill Creek High by two points. The boys finished the race with two top ten finishers: James May placed second, with a time of 16:09.41, and Jared Fortenberry

placed ninth with a time of 16:36.91. "It was a pretty good race, I'm proud of what we were able to do, both individually and as a team," James May (12) said. "I think next year the guys will be able to come back even stronger."

To get to the state meet, the cross country teams dominated at the regional competitions at Allatoona Creek on Oct. 23. The girls team placed first in the region with a total of 41 points, beating Hillgrove High by one point.

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"Noises Off!": a hilarious return to live theatre

Isabelle Lovejoy
Section Editor

After a year of virtual performances, the theatre department makes its return to live theatre with the one act comedy, "Noises Off" by Michael Frayn. The theatre department has performed emotional dramas for their last three one act plays, making the choice of a comedy a unique one for this program.

"We purposely selected a comedy to try and lighten the mood given our current state of affairs in the world. We want to make the audience laugh and forget their worries," Holly Smith, director of "Noises Off" said.

"Noises Off" is a play within a play. It follows the rocky final dress rehearsal of a play called "Nothing On." The ridiculous series of events and wacky characters create a hilariously entertaining show.

"Noises Off" takes place in the 1970s, we have a director who is working so hard on

this wonderful comedy, however he is dealing with all of these different problems that are going on with the actors, and the props, the sets, and nothing seems to be going right. By the end of the show the question is, will the director keep their sanity with everything going on," Sophia Steigerwald, assistant director of "Noises Off" said.

The actors faced several challenges throughout the rehearsal process. Being their first in-person show since 2020, many of these performers had to relearn their core acting skills.

"It was challenging with projecting after being virtual for so long. We weren't really able to be in the theatre space as much, so projecting was definitely a big challenge coming back into performing in person. But as we've eased back into it, it's gotten better," Jamiyah Smith (12), secretary of the theatre department, said.

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Mrs. Clacker, played by Tiah Carthers (10) makes a hilarious call on behalf of the owners of the household in an outlandish British accent. Photo by Isabelle Lovejoy

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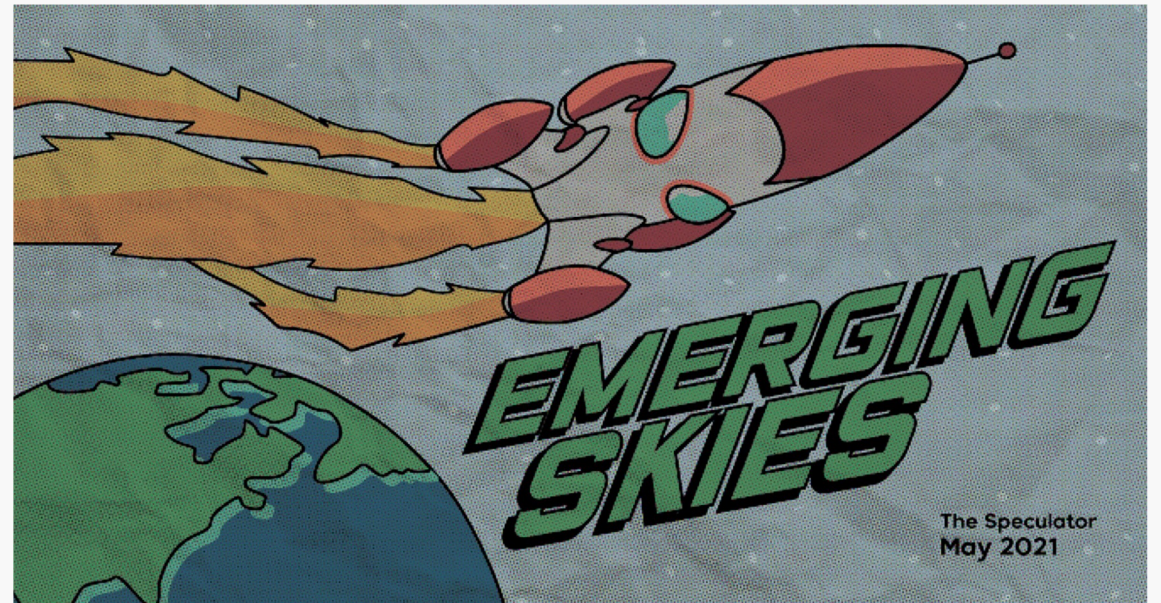
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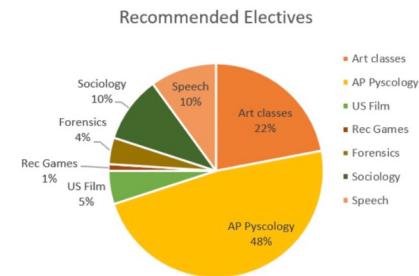
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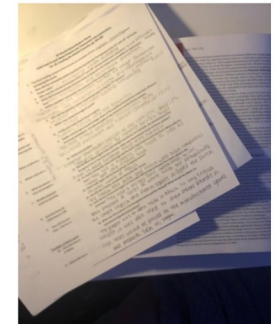


Searching for the Right Elective?

February 15, 2022
Kai Smith, Staff Writer

As it comes time for their senior year, students have the dilemma of which electives they should take. Some go for the easy grade, while others take the ones that will...

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The screenshot displays the homepage of 'The Warrior Wire' website. At the top is the site's logo, which includes a shield with the letters 'NA' and the title 'The Warrior Wire' in a gothic font. Below the logo is a 'More' dropdown menu. The main content area is divided into several sections:

- Featured Article:** A large image of Robin Oliver, a man wearing a pirate hat, sitting at a desk in a classroom. The article title is 'Robin Oliver: A Man of Many Languages' by Maddox Wade, dated March 15, 2022.
- News Section:** A smaller article titled 'Eyes on the Pies: The Dubs Celebrate Pi Day' by Rollins Hamrick, dated March 28, 2022. The article includes a photo of students gathered around a table with various pies.
- Recent Stories:** A list of three articles:
 - 'Soccer Freshman Phenom: Meet Midfield Maestro Hunter Black' by Curran Mitra, dated April 1, 2022.
 - 'Eyes on the Pies: The Dubs Celebrate Pi Day' dated March 28, 2022.
 - 'Over Half of Georgia Tech Applicants from NAHS Senior Class Accepted' dated March 28, 2022.
 - 'AP and IB: High Level Learning Lacks Diversity' dated March 24, 2022.
- Polls:** A poll titled 'What did you do over fall break?' with five radio button options: 'Chilling with friends', 'Going out of state', 'Six Flags', 'Teleporting to astral plains', and 'Watching "Squid Game"'. There are 'Vote' and 'View Results' buttons.
- Staff Profile:** A profile for Maddy Lawson, a Staff Writer, with a small portrait photo.

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The screenshot shows the homepage of nsoracle.com. At the top, the logo "nsoracle.com" is displayed in a black-bordered box, with the tagline "The Voice of the Spartans" below it. A navigation bar contains links for home, news, opinions, features, humor, sports, and entertainment. Below the navigation is a "CATEGORIES" list with various topics like Advertisement, advice, Announcements, Book Talk, Clubs and Extracurricular, Contests, Corona Diaries, Cummiskey's Corner, Echo Literary Magazine Presents, Entertainment, Features, Fulton County Updates, Fun Things to Do, Humor, It's Ok Not To Be Ok, Letters to Seniors, Local Community, mental health, MLK Day, Musicology Corner, News, North Springs News (with sub-links for Videos), Opinions, psychology and health, Quartey's Back, Quizzes, and Remote Learning. On the right side, there is a search bar and a "Announcements, Contests" link. The main content area features two articles. The first article is titled "PBIS PROS RAFFLE THIS WEEK" and includes a Starbucks logo. The text describes a raffle of \$5 Starbucks cards. The second article is titled "ORACLE'S MISSION STATEMENT, TECHNICAL ISSUES, AND KEEPING UP WITH THE 'SPRINGS" and includes a photo of a school building at sunset. The text discusses the Oracle staff's challenges in keeping up with school events. A small icon in the bottom right corner of the screenshot indicates a print or share function.

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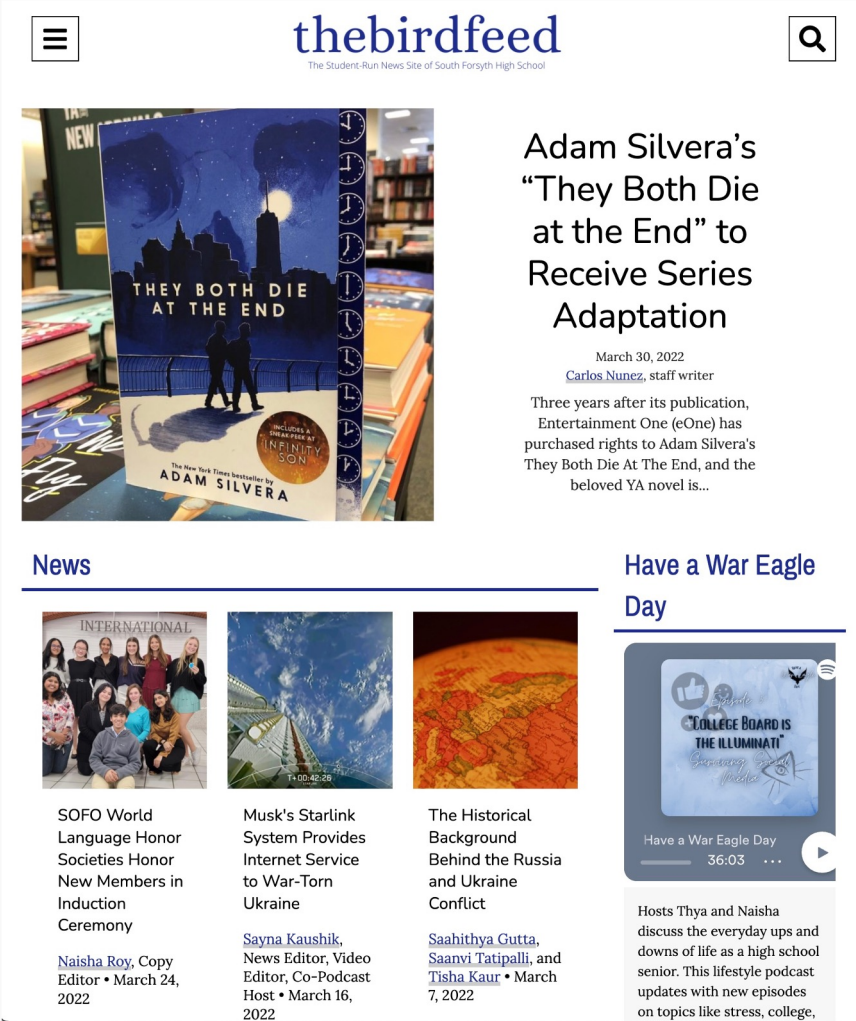
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The Student-Run News Site of South Forsyth High School

Adam Silvera's "They Both Die at the End" to Receive Series Adaptation

March 30, 2022
Carlos Nunez, staff writer

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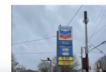
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Shea Edwards • April 1, 2022

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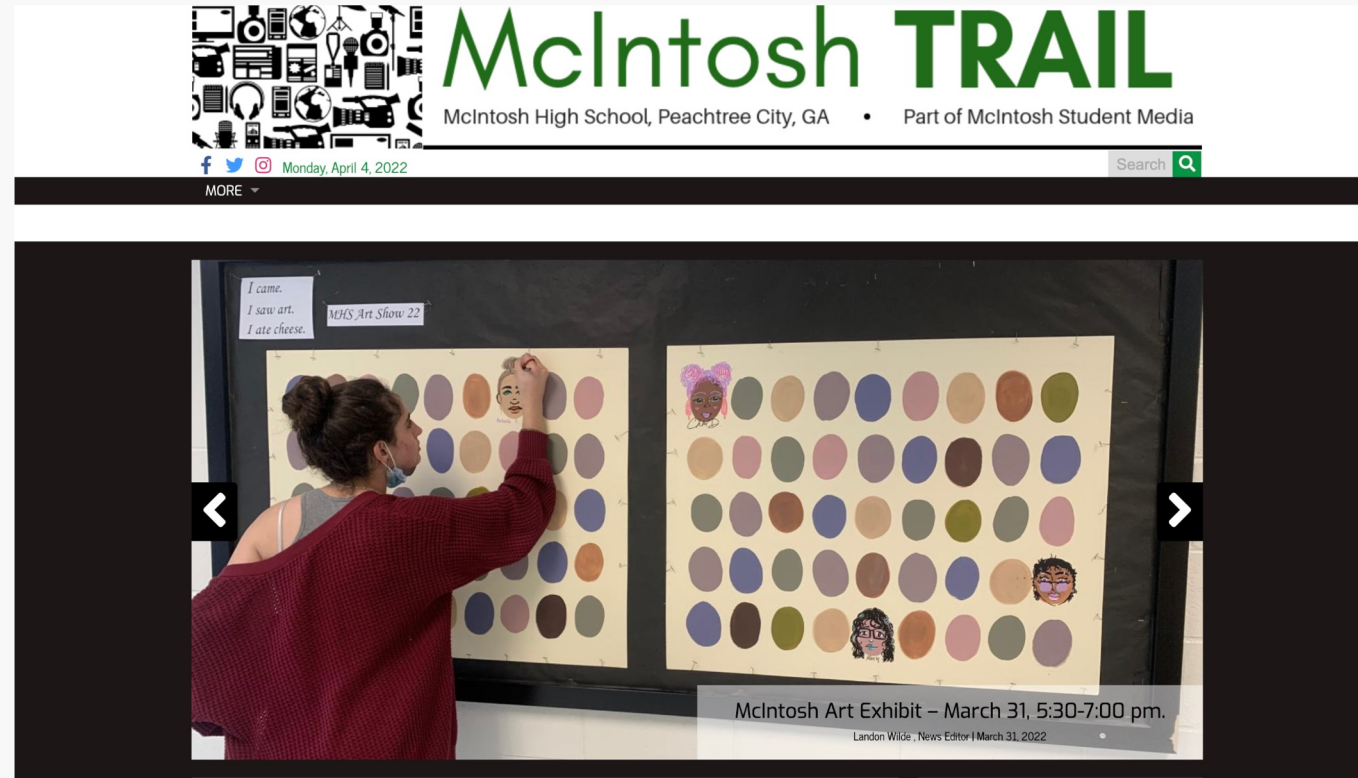
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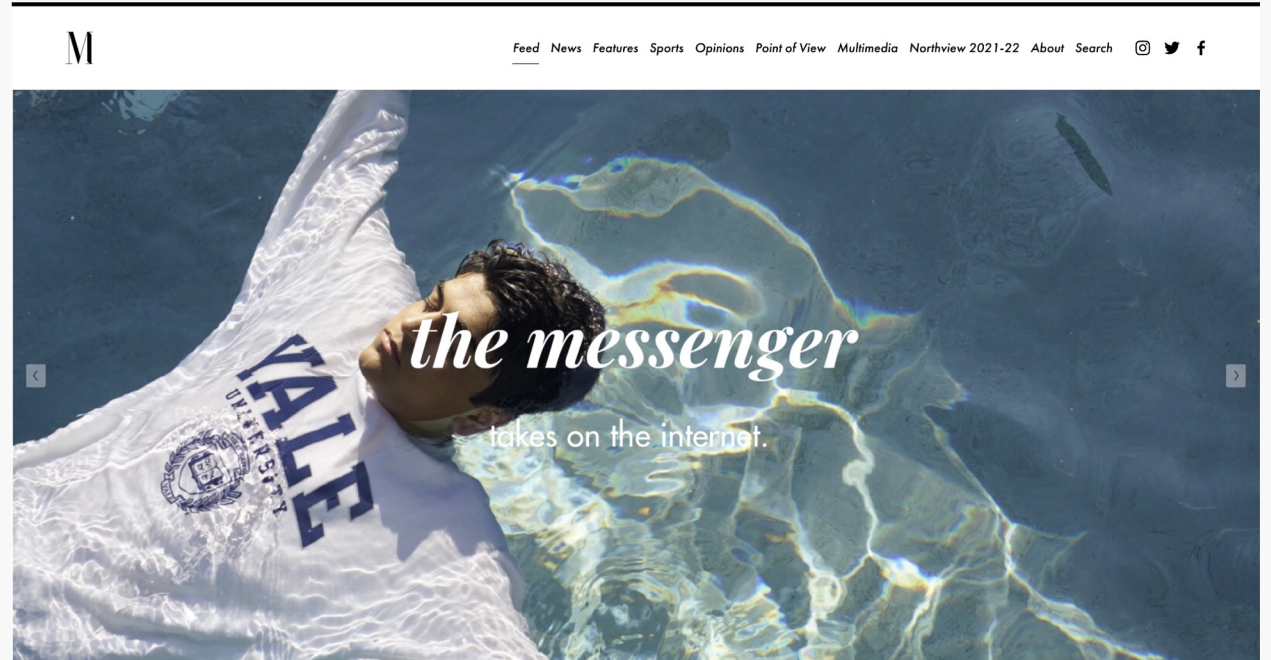
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