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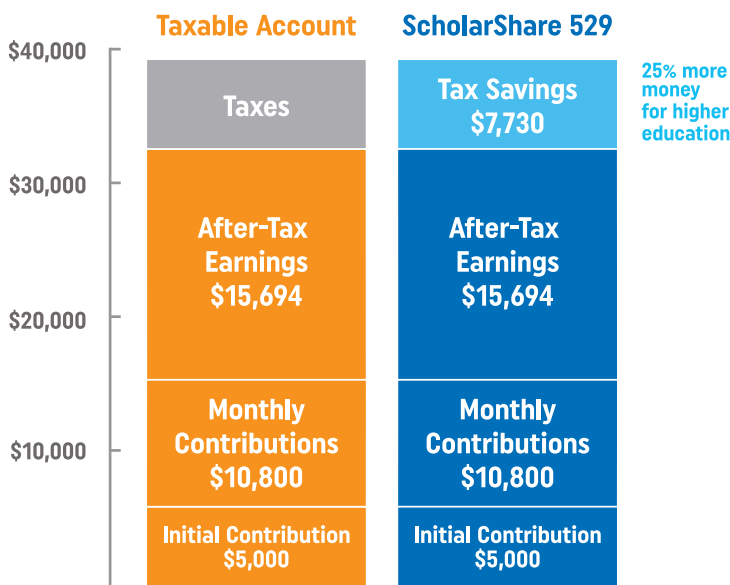
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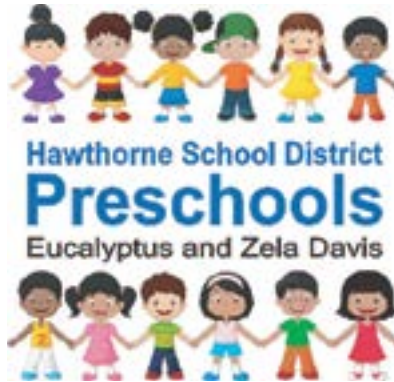


### **Preschool Program**

HSD Preschools offer early childhood educational programs for children who are three and four-years old. Families must meet State income requirements.

### **Eucalyptus Preschool**

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### **Programa de Preescolar**

Las Escuelas Preescolares de HSD ofrecen programas educativos de primera infancia para niños de tres y cuatro años de edad. Las familias deben cumplir con los requisitos de ingresos del Estado.

### **Zela Davis Preschool**

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**Reina Robledo**  
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### **Nutrition and Wellness**

At our preschools, we focus on shaping the overall development of each child. We take a look at students' learning, social development, as well as their nutrition and wellness. We encourage our preschool staff to embrace their roles as guiding lights for preschoolers and families by teaching ways to incorporate healthy food and exercise every day. We hope you will play a role in reinforcing these themes at home because as parents, you are your child's first and most important teacher in life.

### **Nutrición y Bienestar**

En nuestros preescolares, nos enfocamos en formar el desarrollo completo de cada niño. Observamos el aprendizaje de los estudiantes, el desarrollo social, así como su nutrición y bienestar. Animamos a nuestro personal del preescolar a adoptar su papel de guía de luz para niños en edad preescolar y las familias mediante la enseñanza de formas de incorporar alimentos saludables y hacer ejercicio todos los días. Esperamos que usted juegue un papel en reforzar estos aspectos en casa, porque como padre, usted es el primer maestro y el más importante en la vida de su hijo.







**Kay Coop**  
Founder/Publisher



*Netragrednik*

This school year is off to a great start. In this issue you will read about the importance of character development, students helping victims of Hurricane Harvey, the Parent Academy, the importance of attendance for academic success and in life, and so much more.

We have our popular student book reviews on pages 13 and 14 where you will also find the Word Search Contest. Thank you for your comments when you email your contest answers. Remember the contests are open to all ages.

We know you are very busy and appreciate you continuing to include *School News* among your reading choices.

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Our next issue is January 10. In the meantime, have a Happy Thanksgiving, Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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## ECC INVITES YOU TO COLLEGE NIGHT!

Please join us anytime  
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### Wednesday, November 15

- Learn about ECC Programs and Resources
- Tour the Campus
- Attend Workshops:  
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# El Camino College



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## HSD 2017 Tech Trek Alumni

Through the generosity of the Beach Cities American Association of University Women (AAUW) nine middle school girls were provided scholarships to experience a math, science, and technology camp at university campuses in southern California. The Beach Cities AAUW has partnered with our middle schools for the last several years to allow these students to live on a university campus for a week and participate in learning activities that expand their knowledge and interest in various fields of science, technology, and math

The students are selected through an application and interview process. Each successful applicant was assigned to one of the following schools: UC Irvine, UC Santa Barbara, UC San Diego, or Whittier College. The Hawthorne School District 2017 alumni are Jamiya McClelland (BCMS - Whittier College), Ashley Williams (BCMS - UC San Diego), Daniele Mejia (BCMS - UC Santa Barbara), Mayel Bustamante (HMS - UC Santa Barbara), Joy Uchegbu (HMS - UC Santa Barbara), Lisamarie Alfaro (HMS - Whittier College), Layla Godoy (PVMS - UC San Diego), Ifeoluwa Odugbola (PVMS - Whittier College), Valeria Arroyo (PVMS - UC Irvine).

Each student was invited to share their experiences with invited guests. I was so proud and honored to be present to hear our students speak eloquently about their week-long adventure. They spoke of friendships made, new learning, engaging activities, and for some, an awareness of a field of study they now found interesting. We are so fortunate to have this wonderful partnership that provides these incredible experiences for our students. I would be remiss if I did not thank and credit the teachers at each of our middle schools who recognize students who will benefit from this experience and assist them through the process. Thank you AAUW for this gift of learning for our Tech Trek Alumni

**Please see students on the front cover.**

## HSD 2017 Ex Alumnas de Tech Trek

A través de la generosidad de la Asociación Americana de Mujeres Universitarias de Beach Cities (AAUW, por sus siglas en inglés), nueve chicas de la escuela secundaria recibieron becas para experimentar en un campamento de Matemáticas, Ciencia y Tecnología en planteles universitarios del Sur de California. Ésta asociación (AAUW) se ha asociado con nuestras escuelas secundarias durante los últimos años para permitir a estas estudiantes vivir en un plantel universitario durante una semana y participar en actividades de aprendizaje que expandan sus conocimientos e interés en diversos campos de la Ciencia, la Tecnología y las Matemáticas.

Las estudiantes son seleccionadas a través de un proceso de solicitud y entrevista. Cada candidata seleccionada fue asignada a una de las siguientes universidades: UC Irvine, UC Santa Barbara, UC San Diego o el Colegio Whittier. Las ex alumnas del Distrito Escolar de Hawthorne de 2017 son Jamiya McClelland (BCMS - Colegio Whittier), Ashley Williams (BCMS - UC San Diego), Daniele Mejía (BCMS - UC Santa Barbara), Mayel Bustamante (HMS - Santa Barbara), Joy Uchegbu - UC Santa Barbara), Lisamarie Alfaro (HMS - Colegio Whittier), Layla Godoy (PVMS - UC San Diego), Ifeoluwa Odugbola (PVMS - Colegio Whittier), Valeria Arroyo (PVMS - UC Irvine).

Cada estudiante fue invitada a compartir sus experiencias con otras personas invitadas. Yo estaba muy orgullosa y honrada de estar presente para escuchar a nuestras estudiantes hablar elocuentemente sobre sus aventuras de una semana. Hablaron de amistades que hicieron, de nuevos aprendizajes, de actividades atractivas y para algunas, de un campo de estudio que ahora les resulta interesante. Somos tan afortunados de tener esta maravillosa asociación que proporciona estas increíbles experiencias para nuestras estudiantes. Sería negligente si no agradeciera y daba crédito a los maestros(as) de cada una de nuestras escuelas secundarias que reconocen a las estudiantes que se beneficiarían de esta experiencia y les ayuden durante el proceso. ¡Gracias AAUW por este regalo de aprendizaje para nuestras estudiantes de Tech Trek!



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# Bud Carson *Middle School*

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**Mark Silva**  
Principal

## Ram Country

Bud Carson Middle School students recently had the opportunity to collaborate with other schools and a Los Angeles Rams player during a Character Playbook Live event. The EverFi program is a remote gathering between NFL teams, the local United Way, and local schools which celebrates and explores the importance of character development and healthy relationships utilizing the power of video conference.

After participating in an interactive true/false activity, Bud Carson students asked Rams linebacker Connor Barwin what advice he would give to his middle school self. Five middle schools from across the state participated in the conference at the same time, and each school asked their own character-related question. Topics included defining character, conflict resolution, and staying confident.

This was an invaluable experience for our students. Thank you so much to Ms. Chavez and Ms. Shintani for making this awesome event possible!



# Hawthorne *Math & Science Academy*

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**Esau Berumen**  
Principal

## Class of 2022 Application

*By Victoria Kratz,  
Projects and Activities Coordinator*

“Who should apply to be an HMSA student?” Any student who is motivated and wants a high school experience that has proven successful in preparing students for college. HMSA offers diverse opportunities such as challenging academic courses, CIF sports, clubs and other extracurricular activities.

“Why choose HMSA?” HMSA earned Gold Medal status on the *U.S. News & World Report*—2017 Best High Schools list, and was ranked 66th in the country and eighth in California. HMSA earned the prestigious National Blue Ribbon Award in 2010 and 2016. Also in 2016, HMSA was the sole California recipient of the ACT College and Career Transition Award. HMSA was also selected to receive the 2015 California’s Gold Ribbon Award. HMSA completed the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) accreditation process in spring 2014 and earned the

maximum six-year accreditation.

“How do I apply to Hawthorne Math & Science Academy?” Interested students must attend an informational meeting that will review the application process. Meetings for eighth-grade students of Bud Carson Middle School, Hawthorne Middle School and Prairie Vista Middle School will be held during November—dates will be announced at each school site. An information meeting for out-of-district students will be held at HMSA on December 6. Completed applications must be submitted to HMSA on December 13 through December 15, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. If an application is not turned in during these times, the student will be placed on the wait list.

“How are students chosen?” Students are categorized into groups that are explained in detail on the application. Whenever an entire group of applicants cannot be accommodated, a random public lottery will determine which remaining students are accepted and who will be placed on the wait list.

Any questions about the application process can be directed to our office.

# Eucalyptus *Elementary*

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**Mike Goldstein**  
*Principal*

## Hard Work Pays Off

*By Jessica Moore, Assistant Principal*

Koala Nation started the year by awarding and acknowledging fourth- and fifth-grade students for their exceptional performance on the state tests they took at the end of last school year. Medals of achievement were awarded to these most deserving students during our September Koala-ty Kid assemblies, which were held by grade level.

The auditorium was buzzing with excitement, and there was roaring applause for the students as Mr. Goldstein and Mrs. Moore called the names and distributed the medals to students who had met or exceeded the state standards in the areas of math and language arts. In order to continue to show that hard work truly pays off, the students are being encouraged to wear their achievement medals to all awards assemblies this year.

Koala Nation is genuinely proud of our students' academic accomplishments and willingness to work hard to achieve success!



**A proud group of 5th grade students show off their medals for achievement in ELA and Math on the state test.**

Our next issue is January 10, 2018  
Happy Holidays and Thank you for reading *School News!*



# Hawthorne *Middle School*

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**Rudy Salas**  
*Principal*

## **Pay Attention to Attendance**

Showing up for school has a huge impact on a student's academic success in middle school and continuing through high school. Even as children grow older and more independent, families play a key role in making sure students get to school safely every day and understand why attendance is so important for success in school and on the job.

### **Did You Know?**

- Students should miss no more than 9 days of school each year to stay engaged, successful and on track to promotion.
- Absences can be a sign that a student is losing interest in school, struggling with schoolwork, dealing with a bully or facing some other potentially serious difficulty.
- By 6th grade, absenteeism is one of three signs that a student may drop out of high school.
- Missing 10 percent, or about 18 days, of the school year can drastically affect a student's academic success.
- Students can be chronically absent even if they only miss a day or two every few weeks.

- Attendance is an important life skill that will help your child graduate from college and keep a job.

### **What You Can Do**

#### **Make school attendance a priority**

- Talk about the importance of showing up to school every day and make that the expectation.
- Help your child maintain daily routines, such as finishing homework and getting a good night's sleep.
- Try not to schedule dental and medical appointments during the school day.
- Don't let your child stay home unless truly sick. Complaints of headaches or stomachaches may be signs of anxiety.

#### **Communicate with the school**

- Know the school's attendance policy – incentives and penalties
- Talk to teachers if you notice sudden changes in behavior.
- Check on your child's attendance to be sure absences are not piling up.
- Ask for help from school officials, after school programs, other parents, or community agencies if you are having trouble getting your child to school.

# Jefferson *Elementary*

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**Josh Godin**  
*Principal*

## **Everything But the Ants!**

Everyone loves to go on a picnic! So, our thought process was, let's bring the picnic to our school!

At Jefferson, we had a picnic for each grade, transitional kindergarten through fifth, where parents, students, teachers and staff enjoyed lunch together. Parents brought food, blankets, relatives, picnic baskets and joyful attitude. Students joined their families in the grass area and enjoyed food, music, weather and great company! I don't know who was more excited, the parents or the students!

Teachers also made time during their lunch to sit with students that didn't have families come so they could experience the great atmosphere with everyone else. Some of the parents even took time off work to participate!

It was so successful that Jefferson will have another picnic with parents in the spring, and we will continue this tradition for years to come.





# Kornblum *Elementary*

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**LaTima Jones**  
*Principal*

## Dine-Out Night!

Kornblum celebrated the beginning of the 2017–18 school year with its annual fundraiser and social mixer, a dine-out night at a local fast-food restaurant. The lobby was full of our students and their family members, and the drive through was packed with our families taking orders to go. Our staff served as hosts and served the meals to our families at their tables. Our staff is always full of the Cardinal Spirit! They cheered and danced every time someone donated money to the school.

The students enjoyed seeing their teachers and school staff at the event. It was a great time for our staff and families to connect and raise much-needed funds for school events. We raised over \$600 and had many families stay an hour after the event to socialize. We look forward to having this event annually.



# Prairie Vista *South Campus*

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**Marisa Stewart**  
*Site Administrator*

## Welcome Back

PrePare PreSchool welcomed the families back to school with a wonderful Back to School Night (BTSN). BTSN was well attended at PrePare PreSchool. Parents were able to get to know their

child's teacher, learn about the daily program, and spend some time in the classrooms.

BTSN this year featured FootSteps2Brilliance. Teachers were able to show the parents how they use this wonderful tool throughout the school day. They were also instructed on how to download the app and use it at home to support what their children are learning in school. Parents were thrilled to learn about the app and plan to use it immediately.

Both teachers and parents enjoyed the event. PrePare PreSchool is off to a great start for 2017-18!



# Prairie Vista *Middle School*

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**Wendy Ostensen**  
*Principal*

## New Panthers

Prairie Vista Middle School welcomes two teachers to the staff this year! Mrs. Turquand and Mrs. MacKellar are simply delighted to be a part of our Panther team.

Mrs. Turquand has been with the Hawthorne School District for 17 years. She graduated from Cal State Dominguez Hills with a bachelor's degree in liberal studies and a minor in math, and also received her master's degree from CSUDH in school administration. She taught sixth- and seventh-grade math at Hawthorne Middle School for 14 years, and was also the math coach at Jefferson Elementary School for the last three years. She missed the children so



**Nira Turquand and Sandra MacKellar**

Intervention in all grade levels. While at Jefferson, she took part in the School Site Council and Student Council, and was the designated school GATE and art liaison.

much that she is back in the classroom teaching seventh-grade math at PVMS!

Mrs. MacKellar received her B.S. and M.Ed. degree from California State University, Fullerton. She is currently attending CSU Long Beach, where she is working on her administrative credential.

Mrs. MacKellar also comes from Jefferson Elementary School. She was there for four years, and taught kindergarten, second grade, and

# Ramona *Elementary*

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**Patricia Ray**  
*Principal*

## Many Hands Make Light Work

Ramona parents, students, and teachers worked together one recent Saturday morning to clean up our garden. We also had help from members of the Environmental Club at the Hawthorne Math and Science Academy. Together we cleared the weeds from 12 planters, made new friends, and discovered a few roly poly bugs.

The Ramona garden was expanded from four planters to 12 during the spring of 2014. The garden was designed to have each grade level in charge of two planters and a tree. We have lemon, cotton, persimmon, pomegranate, apricot, lemon, and Mandarin orange trees. We also grow tomatoes, brussels sprouts, strawberries, miniature eggplants, broccoli, and artichokes.

Several benches were built so that the garden can be a place for classes to get a bit of fresh air. Various grade levels also sign up to visit the garden on Wednesdays to help water, weed, and harvest, too.





# Washington *Elementary*

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**Maritza Cruz-Brown**  
Principal

## Washington Lends a Helping Hand

*By Nica Meeks, Third-Grade Teacher*

We are honored to announce that the students, staff, families, and friends of Washington School have raised more than \$2,400 for the victims of Hurricane Harvey. This fund-raising campaign began on September 8, and it exceeded our modest goal of \$750 in less than a week! Our students were very encouraged by seeing how “every little bit helps,” and that they can indeed make a difference.

The proceeds will be donated to All Hands Volunteers, a volunteer-based organization that helps victims rebuild after a natural disaster. All Hands Volunteers addresses the short-term needs of a community.

Our fundraiser coincided with the beginning of our new English language arts curriculum called Benchmark Advance, and the first unit theme of “Government and Citizenship.” What better way for our students to see our government, communities, and good citizenship in action.

Special thanks go to our Wildcats Mrs. Meeks and Ms. Wilson for organizing our event.



# York *Elementary*

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**Jennifer Beekman**  
Principal

## Blue Spirit

Our students continue to show off their York spirit in various ways! One way is when our students wear their blue spirit shirts which proudly display our school logo. York students love these shirts which are considered an acceptable item, as a part of the mandatory school uniform

policy. As the weather turns cooler it is a perfect time to wear the cozy Super Star hoodie. This year, our new sweatshirts proudly display The Gold Ribbon emblem, which was given to our school by the California State Department of Education. All around York School there is a sea of blue!



Thanks to our Dean of Students, Mrs. Chavez for reminding students to dress daily in their school uniform and working with our families to accomplish this goal!

# Zela Davis *Elementary*

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**Kathy Carbajal**  
*Principal*

## Hawthorne Parent Academy

At Zela Davis, our Parent Education Partnership continues to grow! We truly appreciate all of the support that our parent volunteers provide to students and staff members. They assist with classroom projects, student supervision, and all fund-raising activities.

Every year our kindergarten parents are invited to join our Hawthorne Parent Academy (HPA). The HPA Academy is designed to provide targeted support to parents at key transitional points in

their child's educational experience.

Parents participating in the program are issued an HPA passport. They also receive credits for attending school-wide events, fall and spring conferences, and parent advisory council meetings. Parents also receive credits for school service and attendance at parent workshops.

Topics discussed by our school counselor and academic coaches include technology, behavior intervention, and various strategies to improve math and reading skills. Parents accumulating a minimum of 15 credits will receive a recognition certificate in June.





## Keira's Book Nook



Keira

### A Brilliant Fantasy of Adventure

*Time Stoppers - Quest for the Golden Arrow* by Carrie Jones

Welcome to a land of friends, stubborn grandparents and elves. In this emotional book the author draws readers into an amazing



fairy tale. (I laughed and cried a lot!) Aided by luck, a quiet desiring Annie joins forces with the enemies of The Raiff. The company of a mighty arrow helps them cross dangerous lands. Full of intense force and simple luck, this is an intriguing book. Carrie Jones uses outstanding vocabulary such as moseyed. However, I thought it ended too abruptly. I recommend this book series for fourth to eighth graders to read. I can't wait to read the next book! (This book is such a page turner!) I rate this book 4 apples.

Keira F. is a sixth grader. In addition to her love of books, she enjoys art, crafts, traveling and playing with her cats. She rates books from 1 to 5 apples with 5 being the highest.

## Katie's Review



Katie C.

### A Heartfelt Book

The book *Love What Matters* is a heartfelt book filled with different perspectives. Each story is a twist of something new. They are all everyday problems that we think about—homelessness, loneliness, sicknesses and more. But instead of just thinking about it, the people in this book take action. Tears, laughs, smiles—that is what this book is about. The internal connections that pull us towards the story are amazing. The humor of a mom driving chopped celery to her son at school, a child no longer feeling like an outcast because of his birthmark—this is all love. This book gave me a lot to think about, and I definitely recommend it. *Love What Matters* is like a ball of emotions that you can unravel, each story representing something special. I give this book a five out of five stars.



Katie is a 8th grader that loves to read and write. Fictional books are her favorite. Besides writing and reading, she loves soccer, acting, dancing, and playing the violin. She hopes to publish her own book someday.

## Book Review By Katrina

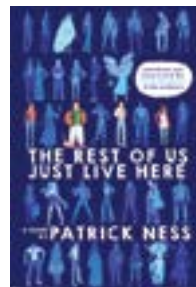


Katrina D.

### A Realistic Read

*The Rest of Us Just Live Here* is about

characters who aren't heroes or villains, simply side characters. Told from the perspective of Mikey, a senior who's struggling with the threat of life



after high school, we see there are two types of students in his town. There are the 'indie kids', with strange names like Satchel who end up saving the world from a zombie apocalypse or a vampire takeover. Then there are kids who observe, but never really take part. Kids like Mikey, his sister and friends who are going through difficult things without the supernatural factor. Patrick Ness explores the real life situations that teenagers face today, from eating disorders to having to leave all your friends for a different country and how these side characters still manage to deal with their problems in a heroic way. Though dusted with supernatural twists, this book is a realistic read for teenagers who are looking for a quirky book. I give this book 3 out of 5 crescent moons.

Katrina is a tenth grader who loves reading books as much as writing her own stories and enjoys watching Anime. Katrina hopes to be an author one day very soon. Katrina will rate her book reviews from 1 to 5 crescent moons with 5 being the best.

## Jenna's Review

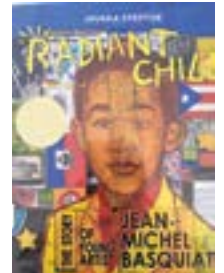
### Who is SAMOO?



Jenna C.

Author: Javaka Steptoe

There was a little boy who wanted to be a famous artist. He drew from morning to night until he made a masterpiece. His drawings were not clean but still beautiful. His mother lay



down on the floor with him drawing pictures. One day, he had a car accident. He was afraid but his mom read books with pictures of bones, skulls and other body parts. Then he was no longer afraid. He learned that art had a healing power. He became a teenager and went to New York City. There he drew a lot of collages, spray-painted the walls and signed the name "SAMOO". Everybody wanted to know "Who is SAMOO?" People loved his radiant and wild art.

I like this book because the illustrations are bright and interesting. It also tells you how Jean-Michel Basquiat became famous. I recommend this book to children who want to be famous artists.

Jenna is a second grader. She likes reading books and her parents reading books to her. Besides reading, she also likes art, dance and soccer.

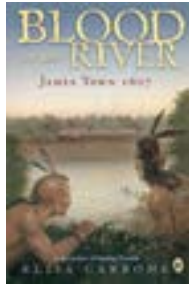
## Alana's Book Review



Alana F.

### Blood On the River

By: Elisa Carbone  
Samuel Collins, a tough and hardened preteen boy, was only a young child when his mother passed away. Now snarky, immature (yet undoubtedly intelligent),



and living on the streets of England, he isn't personable in the slightest. But when he's given the chance to have a fresh start in the recently discovered "new world," will he take it? Will he put his aggression, pride, and past behind him, or will he endanger all those that care for him?

I'd give this book 5 stars because, while reading this, I couldn't help but compare Samuel to my younger self. Seeing the main character overcome the same social and ego issues that I overcame really made me appreciate this book. Elisa introduces young children to characters with more complex troubles and personalities than those in other children's literature, and that is truly amazing.

Alana is a student columnist. When she doesn't have a book in her hands, she enjoys playing video games and writing fiction. She rates books on a scale of 1-5 with 5 being the highest.

## Lucy's Book Review



Lucy Davis

### The Only Road

Author: Alexandra Diaz  
Life in Jaime's small Guatemalan village is pretty peaceful, excluding one group: the Alphas. Drug dealers that ask



for 'favors' and new recruits. If you refuse, you die. So when Jaime's beloved cousin, Miguel, is murdered for that very reason, the whole family is devastated. And the death comes with something else: a request for Jamie and Miguel's sister Angela to join them.

The only way Angela and Jamie can escape is to leave Guatemala, and that might be harder than it seems. Train hopping, refugee churches, immigration officials, and lost dogs are all part of their journey, and hopefully they can make it to the other side. The U.S. is promising safety, but the road to get there isn't.

I really enjoyed this book. It talks about serious topics while still keeping the mood as light as possible. Five of five stars are well earned in this wonderful story.

Lucy is a 6th grade student. When she isn't immersed in a book, she loves musical theater, ballet, and singing. She enjoys stretching her imagination by writing short stories of her own. Lucy will rate the books 1 to 5 bookworms with 5 being the best.

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  - Food availability/recalls/weather
  - Equipment
  - Storage space
  - Preparation & service time
  - Food costs/ food packaging
  - Student preferences
  - CN labels, food specifications
  - Menu analysis/food components
- Just to mention a few!

- Regulaciones federales y estatales
  - Códigos de salud del condado
  - Disponibilidad de alimentos/retiros/tiempo
  - Equipo
  - Espacio de almacenaje
  - Tiempo de preparación y servicio
  - Costo de alimentos y envasamiento
  - Preferencia de los estudiantes
  - Etiquetas CN, especificaciones de alimentos
  - Análisis de Menú/fcomponents
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