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A photograph showing four male students sitting around a wooden table in a library. They are all focused on their work, with some looking at books and others writing. The table is cluttered with papers, pens, and a stack of books, including one titled 'LITERATURE' and another 'POETRY'. The background is filled with tall wooden bookshelves packed with books. The students are dressed in casual clothing like t-shirts and jeans. The lighting is bright and even, typical of an indoor library space.

Wouldn't you rather have plenty of time at home to hang out, than do homework? Using Team time wisely will help make



the twilight saga



**By Molly Fink
Tusker Tribune Staff**

Out of all the books I've read, the Twilight series has been my favorite series. Although I do admit that some of the books have parts that are not very interesting, each book is packed with action that will make you not want to put it down.

The first book, Twilight, is my least favorite book. I didn't enjoy this one as much as the others, mostly because there were only a few parts that were interesting, and many more parts that I had to almost force myself to read.



The next book, New Moon, was my second favorite. I loved this one because it was mostly about my favorite character, Jacob Black. Although if you like the other main character, Edward Cullen, you may not enjoy this one as

much. There were also many parts that came as a surprise to me.

Moving on to the next book, Eclipse, was another one that was not my favorite. I didn't like this one mostly because it did not have a lot of parts that were interesting to me. There were some very good parts, but not as many as my favorite books.

Lastly, my favorite book is Breaking Dawn. There is so much to say about this book, but I won't say in case you would like to read this. There are so many new characters introduced in this book and a lot of action and twists, especially at the end.

If you like a good fiction book, the Twilight series is for you!



Language From Page 1

This means that students would have a better ability to focus, ignore distractions, decide between alternatives, disregard irrelevant information, and have divergent thinking. This would give students the best opportunity to exceed in school. In addition, knowing two languages keeps your brain fit and to its best capacity.

Bilinguals actually get superior results than others in achievement tests especially in the two subjects reading and math. Joe Kreyhak, a senior took Latin and says it improved his English and vocabulary grades. Furthermore, learning another language at an earlier grade helps kids because they have more time to use it, get more opportunities to practice and get comfortable speaking it. Did you know that the need to always choose which language is needed for each situation boosts their brain development? Not only that but it can delay adults' cognitive faculties longer, the start of dementia, and even full on Alzheimer's disease. In conclusion, the brain grows becoming exceptional, more capable, and sharp during the process of learning a foreign language at an early grade.

Studying a foreign language at an earlier grade increases global awareness and appreciation for other cultures. Research shows, that when kids are at a younger age, they are better at learning about other people's cultures. Learning another

language gives kids a more open mind and positive attitudes to cultures, ways of life, people, and their differences. This is something that is called for in school because everyone would be nicer, and it would prevent bullying to kids whose only crime is being more different than others.

In addition, learning a language at an earlier grade will aid kids in a multicultural society and everyone should be conscious of that. Samara Shibab, a junior, has been taking French since she was little and says, "It was very useful and made me have to learn about the countries culture too."

Senior, Trisha Agrawal, also said that the experience made her more cultured. Furthermore, learning a foreign language can have fun, cultural benefits. For example, after they mastered the skill, kids can travel to a lot of places and have the alternative of communicating in multiple languages. Students might learn to cook and even try authentic meals. I know that 7th graders in SMS have a *World Language Day* where they prepare and taste food from all over the world, this shows that learning a foreign language can be enjoyable too. Overall, global awareness and understanding of other cultures is more common in kids learning a foreign language, so why aren't they?

I personally think that students should learn a language at an earlier grade for all of these reasons and more. If it's beneficial and helps them, why don't they have this education available. What do you think? Is it a smart move or bad one?



By Kaeleigh Picco Tusker Tribune Staff

Have you ever wondered what happened today ten years ago? Twenty years ago? Thirty? In *This Week in History* I will tell you about the events that happened that particular week that could have impacted our everyday lives or are just really interesting to learn about.



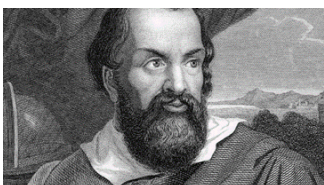
February 13th, 1635

The first public school was opened in Boston, Massachusetts on this date. It was called the Boston Latin School, and was established by early Puritan settlers. Today, it is named one of the top-twenty high schools in the United States.



February 14th

Happy Valentines Day! Celebrated across the United States and around the world, Valentines day is known for romance, flowers, and my personal favorite, chocolate! The holiday was named after St. Valentine, who lived during the time of the Roman Empire.



February 15th, 1564

Galileo Galilei, famous astronomer and physicist, was born on this date in Pisa, Italy. He is well known for being the first astronomer to use the telescope and add to the theory that the sun was the center of the solar system.

February 15th, 1898

This date marks a spark that brought the United States into the Spanish-American war. In Havana, Cuba, the American battleship, *Maine* exploded in the bay of Manila. The boat quickly sank and 260 sailors lost their lives. This infuriated Americans, and since Cuba was under the control of Spain, they declared war on the European nation on April 25th. The phrase, "Remember the Maine!" was intensely popularized, and became a slogan for the American cause.



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Grammy Awards 2019: Who Won Big?



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The Recording Academy Grammy Awards show is a concert and award show featuring the best musicians – making it one of music's most anticipating nights of the year.

This year's show was hosted by Alicia Keys, who has over a dozen Grammys of her own. Women were winning many of the biggest categories, including Lady Gaga, H.E.R., and Kacey Musgraves, among others.

Cardi B's *Invasion of Privacy* took best rap album over Mac Miller's *Swimming (Rest in peace)*, Pusha T's *Daytona*, Travis Scott's *Astroworld* (which I wanted to win) and Nipsey Hussle's *Victory Lap*.

It was also a night of record-breaking. Childish Gambino (Donald Glover)'s hit song "This Is America" took four awards, also being the first rap song to win both Record and Song of the Year. Now, the stats.

Record of the Year:

Who I Wanted to Win: God's Plan - Drake
Winner: This Is America – Childish Gambino

Album of the Year:

Who I Wanted to Win: Beerbongs & Bentleys – Post Malone
Winner: Golden Hour – Kacey Musgraves

Song of the Year:

Who I Wanted to Win: This Is America – Childish Gambino
Winner: This Is America – Childish Gambino

Best New Artist:

Who I Wanted to Win: Dua Lipa
Winner: Dua Lipa

Best Pop Solo Performance:

Who I Wanted to Win: God Is a Woman – Ariana Grande
Winner: Joanne (Where Do You Think You're Going?) – Lady Gaga

Best Pop Duo/Group Performance:

Who I Wanted to Win: Shallow – Lady Gaga &

Bradley Cooper

Winner: Shallow – Lady Gaga & Bradley Cooper

Best Pop Vocal Album:

Who I Wanted to Win: Reputation – Taylor Swift
Winner: Sweetener – Ariana Grande

Best Rock Song:

Who I Wanted to Win: Jumpsuit – twenty one pilots
Winner: Masseduction – St. Vincent

Best Rock Album:

Who I Wanted to Win: Pacific Daydream – Weezer
Winner: From the Fires – Greta Van Fleet

Best R&B Song:

Who I Wanted to Win: Boo'd Up – Ella Mai
Winner: Boo'd Up – Ella Mai

Best Urban Contemporary Album:

Who I Wanted to Win: Everything Is Love – The Carters
Winner: Everything Is Love – The Carters



Best Rap Performance:

Who I Wanted to Win: Sicko Mode – Travis Scott
Winner (Tie): King's Dead – Kendrick Lamar, Jay Rock, Future & James Blake, Bubblin – Anderson .Paak

Best Rap/Sung Performance:

Who I Wanted to Win: Rockstar – Post Malone & 21 Savage
Winner: This Is America – Childish Gambino

Best Rap Song:

Who I Wanted to Win: God's Plan – Drake
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Best Rap Album:

Who I Wanted to Win: Astroworld – Travis Scott
Winner: Invasion of Privacy – Cardi B

Best Country Duo/Group Performance:

Who I Wanted to Win: Meant to Be – Bebe Rexha & Florida Georgia Line
Winner: Tequila – Dan + Shay

Best Country Song:

Who I Wanted to Win: Tequila – Dan + Shay
Winner: Space Cowboy – Kacey Musgraves

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New Security Vestibule Opens!



SMS' New Security Entrance opened this week. After students arrive through the main doors off the bus loop, subsequent visitors to the school enter through the new Security Vestibule to be checked in before waiting in the main lobby.

At left, 7th grader Arjun Ojha inside the new vestibule.

Below, left, the view of the reception window that visitors first see upon entering the vestibule. Below, center, Security Guard Jim Reese monitors the cameras and other data in the reception room. At right, the view of the door leading from the vestibule to the main lobby.



Grammys

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Best Reggae Album:

Who I Wanted to Win: 44/876 – Sting & Shaggy
Winner: 44/876 – Sting & Shaggy

Best Compilation Soundtrack for Visual Media:

Who I Wanted to Win: The Greatest Showman
Winner: The Greatest Showman

Best Score Soundtrack for Visual Media:

Who I Wanted to Win: Black Panther – Ludwig Goransson
Winner: Black Panther – Ludwig Goransson

Best Song Written for Visual Media:

Who I Wanted to Win: All the Stars – Kendrick Lamar & SZA (from Black Panther)
Winner: Shallow – Lady Gaga & Bradley Cooper (from A Star Is Born)

Producer of the Year:

Who I Wanted to Win: Boi-1da (Be Careful – Cardi B, God's Plan – Drake, Lucky You – Eminem)
Winner: Pharrell Williams (Sweetener – Ariana Grande, Stir Fry – Migos)

Best Music Video:

Who I Wanted to Win: This Is America – Childish Gambino
Winner: This Is America – Childish Gambino