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Pine-Richland Rampage

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Pine-Richland's New School Year Begins



Seniors Tiffany Gathers and Sarah Wu during 6th period lunch: Photo taken by June McCune

Welcome Back

JUNE MCCUNE
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Pine-Richland kick-started the school year on August 22, and the first few weeks can best be described as eventful. Admin invited the senior class of 2025 to a pre-school pep rally with teachers from every school within the district. Students welcomed each other on the first day with chalked-up parking spots. We have had two thrilling home football games.

School Counselor Mrs. Bowers and the Guidance Department hosted a breakfast for new students. The year is just getting started, and the activities are flowing fast. More is in store for this fun packed school year which may leave students on the edge of their seat wondering, "What are we going to do next?"

Dear Readers,

I am proud to present the first issue of the Rampage of the 24-25 school year. I'd like to dedicate the first issue to this year's staff. Each staff member is filled with creativity and is dedicated to bringing you a great paper each week. So, sit down, take a break, and stay up to date with your Pine-Richland community by reading the Rampage.

Sincerely,
June McCune
Editor-In-Chief



Teachers and staff at annual kick-off event on August 18, 2024: Photo from pr_schools instagram

Coming up:
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ISABELLE HOPPE STAFF WRITER



Senior Kate Iams: Photo provided by Kate Iams

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What is something you wish people knew about you?

I think a lot of people assume I'm super shy, but once you get to know me, you know I'm far from shy. I'm very extroverted with people that I know. It just takes some time for me to warm up.

What is your favorite thing that you did over the summer?

I went to a bunch of different islands in Hawaii, but my favorite was The Big Island because the water was so clear. While we were there, we went hiking and snorkeling where we saw fish, crab, sea turtles, starfish, and an eel.

What is your favorite thing to do outside of school?

I just love being outside. I like to hang out with my dog, my friends, and I also love to play pickleball.

Do you know what you want to do after high school?

I plan to go to a 4-year college. I think I'd like to major in communications or nursing, but I don't know exactly where I want to be yet. I want to stay in at least a 6 hour range, but the location of the school doesn't matter too much.

What trait do you value most in friends?

I think loyalty is the most important thing to me. Someone I know will not to betray my trust.

What is your best subject in school and is it the same as your favorite subject?

I like history because the teachers are usually pretty relaxed, and it has always been the easiest for me.

Do you have any hidden talents?

I'm really good at skip-ball, the one with the ball and rope around your ankle. It's super random, but I'm actually pretty good.



Senior Chase Frye playing Hockey: Photo provided by Chase Frye

Rampage Spotlight

Get to Know Senior Journalist Chase

Frye

DAVIS NATALI STAFF WRITER

Favorite place in the world?

New York City

Favorite movie?

Good Will Hunting

Favorite food?

Fettuccine Alfredo

Hobbies?

Lift, Run, and Ice Hockey

Favorite sports team?

West Virginia Mountaineers

Favorite school subject?

History

Favorite athlete?

Rutger McGroarty

Worst season?

Spring

Favorite day?

December 20th (Birthday)

All-time favorite WVU player?

Tavon Austin

How many brothers/sisters do you have?

None

Pets?

2 Dogs

Why did you take journalism?

To write and cover stories and learn more about it and maybe do it for a career.

Staff Spotlights

Anna Karmanos: *Meet The Impressive Senior*

JUNE MCCUNE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Anna Karmanos has one of the best reputations in Pine-Richland. The talented, well-read, passionate senior sat down with me for an interview, and her story is truly inspiring. I suggest all underclassmen listen up.

We know her from the musical, Taylor Swift Club, her overall academic excellence, and most importantly the positive attitude she walks with every day. High schoolers tend to be described as brooding, cranky, and sluggish. However, Karmanos embodies the exact opposite. Every morning, she wakes up and reminds herself, "Today is a new day. It is not determined when you wake up if it is going to be good or bad, but I have the opportunity to make it what it is." As she spoke honestly about her daily motto, it became clear to me that she is true to herself. I needed to know more, for I admire this trait within her most. Staying true to oneself comes with keeping an open mind and challenging yourself. Karmanos discussed her experience battling the inner struggles in becoming the person she wants to be. She described her experience at Pine-Richland, stating that she had an identity crisis in middle school, like many of us do, and she is glad to have found her way back to what she loves. It is grueling to stay true to oneself and oftentimes you cannot do it alone. However, Karmanos gave the secret to this inner conflict: branching out. Friendships change and evolve throughout life as we individually change, and that has remained true for her too. As Karmanos experienced this, she realized the importance of maintaining an open-minded mentality when meeting new people.

With an open mind, she expanded her circle and made new friends, all whom she admires. A beautiful statement: "All the people I have met have inspired me to be a good person. There are little pieces of all my friends and teachers I want to take after and embody in my own life." Friendships do not magically form overnight, but Karmanos pushed herself to keep branching out despite the initial challenges. Her life, in fact, seems to have a common trend of branching out. In discussing what she is most excited about for senior year, her desire to keep meeting new people came about once again, and she expressed her desire to try her best and push herself.



Senior Anna Karmanos; Photo taken by Family Art Photography

This goal was similar to her aspirations beyond Pine-Richland once she graduates. Her desire to branch out stayed consistent as she stated that she does not know exactly what she wants to pursue when she is older because she has so many different interests. Many of these interests, however, revolve around a certain topic: performing.

"I like to think I can sing." I laughed at the statement because it is common knowledge Karmanos is very talented. Ultimately, she would love to be a part of the entertainment industry, whether that be in film or music. I responded with, "You can be on my show when you are famous." We may have giggled, but I was being serious. If anyone could achieve their dreams, it would surely be Miss Karmanos. I wanted to dig deeper into her brain and put her in a place where she could not branch out, so I asked her what one of her wildest dreams was. Smiling, she said, "I would love to be in a semi-famous band one day...I don't want to be super famous because the invasion of privacy would be too overwhelming for me." Her words, once again, prove she knows her truth.

These goals and ideas she expressed are attainable for the gifted senior. She enjoys writing and hopes to delve deeper into songwriting. She, once again, is a jaw-dropping singer along with an enthralling actress. She overall enjoys music and proved to me her ability to branch out lives strong within her because right now she is learning to play the guitar.

Anna Karmanos, a girl with dreams, talent, and a kind heart. We could all learn something from Karmanos. The class of 2025 is lucky to be graduating with a true change-maker and inspiration to everyone she interacts with.

SAT Word of The Week

Perspicacious (adj.)- having a ready insight into and understanding of things

Staff Spotlights

Rampage Staff Spotlight: June McCune

Learn Quick Facts About the Senior Writer

ANNA KARMANOS COPY EDITOR

Do you have any siblings? Yes! I have an older sister named Ruby.

What is your favorite animal? Tigers. They are so cool, and I'd love a pet tiger one day.

What is your favorite color? Pink!

What is your favorite subject? English because I like to write.

What are you involved in outside of school? I do mock trial at PR, and I host the podcast: "The Art of Rambling". I also enjoy making music, including songwriting and producing.

What is your favorite genre of music? Pop (NSYNC, Britney Spears)

What is your favorite movie? Pride and Prejudice

Who inspires you the most? My dad. He really just goes after it and is incredibly ambitious. He joined the army at an older age and ran a marathon at 42. He's basically superhuman.

Five years from now, where do you see yourself? I hope to have my own TV show. I am planning on pursuing a career in the entertainment industry so I can truly impact the world.

Do you have a dream travel destination? Antarctica

What did you want to be when you grew up as a child? A pop star

What do you want to be when you grow up now? A TV show host

How would you describe yourself in three words? Iconic, ambitious, eccentric

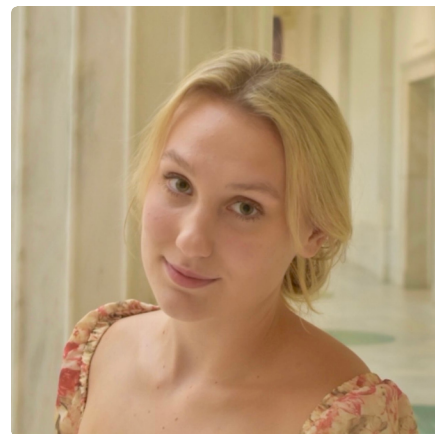
Are you a morning person or night owl? Both. I like to wake up early and get things done, but I also enjoy staying up late.

What's your favorite way to spend a weekend? The weekend is really when I have the opportunity to invest more time in most of my activities like making music.

What are you most looking forward to this school year? Graduating. I'm ready to get out and move on, but I still want to enjoy it while it's going on.

What do you miss most about childhood? I really don't miss anything. I do get nostalgia because I moved so much as a child, though. I miss not being so worried about the future. Still, my childhood fears and anxiety taught me who I am today.

What do you wish you did more of in your daily life? When I was younger, I wish I did more acting and music. In general, today, I wish I had more time for my music.



Senior June McCune:
Photo provided by June McCune

ASK-A-RAM

Learn about The Rampage's new column, "Ask-A-Ram."

Do you have a question you are too embarrassed to ask a friend?

Are you stuck in a sticky situation and need some guidance? Go to our Instagram and follow the link in the bio to ask your question anonymously. We will send a Ram to help guide you. Look out for this column on the next Rampage issue to check out the advice! We hope to hear from you soon!

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Getting to Know Senior

Journalist Ava Barson

GRACE LOGUE STAFF WRITER

What career is she planning to pursue in the future?

For her future, Ava explains her aspiration to accomplish a career as an ultrasound technician. Her hopes to achieve this goal are motivated by her mother and sister, who are both nurses, and the reward she feels through helping others.

Do you consider yourself as a hard worker in your academics?

In her academics, Ava defines herself as a hard worker. While the change in her schedule by having a senior flex year is different, Ava does not mind it.

If you would like to go on vacation anywhere, where would you like to go?

Ava's dream destination is the Maldives, where she would stay in a hut located in the water for a relaxing vacation.

Do you prefer individual work or group work?

Ava shares a preferred likeness towards having individual work rather than group work because she enjoys working by herself and finds it easier to have the opportunity to work independently instead.

What is your favorite subject?

Ava shared that her favorite subject is English. Although Ava is not particularly keen on the reading aspect, she enjoys assignments with the opportunity to express her thoughts through her own writing.

What are some of your hobbies?

Ava uses her time regularly working at her job. In the moments she is able, Ava often spends time socializing with her sisters and friends.



Senior Ava Barson: Photo provided by Ava Barson



Junior Shome Rao: Photo provided by Shome Rao

Rampage Spotlight

Meet Junior Journalist

Shome Rao

CHASE FRYE STAFF WRITER

Who is your favorite music artist?

Brent Faiyaz for sure.

What's your favorite album by him?

Definitely Wasteland. I think the album as a whole is perfect.

Where do you want to go to college?

THE Ohio State University

Who is your favorite college football team?

Ohio State

What is your favorite sport?

Basketball

Who is your favorite basketball player?

Anthony Edwards

What makes Anthony Edwards your favorite Basketball player?

Just his mentality, the way he carries himself and just his overall skill.

What is your favorite NHL team?

The Pittsburgh Penguins

Who's your favorite penguins player?

Obviously Sidney Crosby.

Where do you see yourself in 5 years?

Working for a professional sports team.

What's your favorite food?

I love seafood boil.

What got you interested in writing?

My interest in sports and entertainment made me want to share that with other people, and writing is the best way to do that.

What's your favorite subject in school?

English because I've always enjoyed it, and I've always had good teachers in it.

Staff Spotlights

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Meet Sophomore Journalist Davis Natali

SHOME RAO STAFF WRITER

What was your favorite moment of your summer?

Visiting Hilton Head Island.

What's your favorite sport?

College Football.

Who's your favorite team?

Alabama Crimson Tide.

What's your favorite subject in school?

English.

What's your favorite movie?

Forrest Gump.

Who was your favorite teacher here at PR ?

Mrs. Vigliotti.

Who's your favorite music artist?

Kanye West

Favorite album by him?

My Beautiful Dark Twisted Fantasy.

What's your go-to for school lunch?

Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich.

Favorite food?

Any type of pasta.

Favorite appetizer?

Onion rings.

Favorite fast food restaurant?

McDonald's.

Favorite holiday?

Christmas

Favorite TV show?

Breaking Bad



Sophomore Davis Natali:
Provided by Davis Natali

Rampage Spotlight

Get To Know Me Well

BAEDEN GAUTHIER STAFF WRITER

What is your favorite animal?

A parrot is my favorite animal. I love how it can communicate with proper training, and it's very colorful, so it stands out.

What is your favorite food?

Salad and mac and cheese.

What is your favorite subject?

History. I love learning about the things that happened when I wasn't alive.

Do you have any pets?

Yes, I have 1 golden retriever named Zoey. She is the best.

Why did you choose to take Journalism?

Because I was in the newspaper club last year and I loved to write in it and share stories with other people.

Do you have any siblings?

Yes, I have a sister that is currently in 5th grade (her name is Ryker.)

Do you have any special talents?

I can read really fast and efficiently.

When did you start writing for fun?

I started writing when I was very little and it was just fun for me, but school did make me love it more.



Freshman Baeden Gauthier:
Photo taken by Baeden Gauthier

Staff Spotlights

Rampage Spotlight

Look Into The Life of Isabelle Hoppe

KATE IAMS STAFF WRITER

Why did you decide to take this class?

I really enjoy writing, and I wanted to see if this could be a possible career for me.

Are you more like your mom or your dad, and why?

I think I am more like my dad because we have a very similar approach to life. When we get into arguments, it is funny because sometimes it feels like I am arguing with myself. We have the same mannerisms.

Do you have any siblings?

I have one little sister who is 11 years old and one older brother who is 25 years old.

Do you have any hobbies outside of school?

I love to be creative and enjoy doing art. I also love playing pickleball with my friends at North Park.

What is one of your favorite childhood memories?

One of my favorite memories growing up was learning how to play baseball and basketball with my older brother. Also, just being outside and spending time with him.

What do you wanna do for a living?

I am not completely sure yet. I think I could see myself being a lawyer or psychiatrist.

If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go?

It would be so cool to travel to Bora Bora or Fiji. I have also always wanted to go to Greece. Everything just seems so perfect there, with all the white and blue buildings. I love any place with a good beach.

What is your favorite movie or show?

I love the movie *10 Things I Hate About You* and teen movies that are lighthearted and relatable. *The Office* is my favorite show, because I grew up watching it with my family. I think it is so funny.

What is your hot take/ unpopular opinion?

I don't like Starbucks because I am not a fan of coffee in general. I also don't like their refreshers, and I think they taste kinda watery with no flavor.

What is your favorite holiday?

Christmas and the Fourth of July are tied for me. I love the warm weather during July, and I love to see my family around Christmas.



Junior Isabelle Hoppe :
Photo provided by Isabelle Hoppe

Rampage Staff Spotlight

Meet Izzy Banjak In Her Second Year of Journalism

IZZY BANJAK STAFF WRITER

What grade are you in?

Sophomore

When's your birthday?

August 3rd, 2008

What's your favorite food?

Pasta

Describe yourself in one word?

Loud, because she's always talking

Who inspires you?

Her mom because she's a lawyer which is her dream job and because she does everything for her and her brother.

What's your favorite color?

Light blue or pink

Why are you in Journalism?

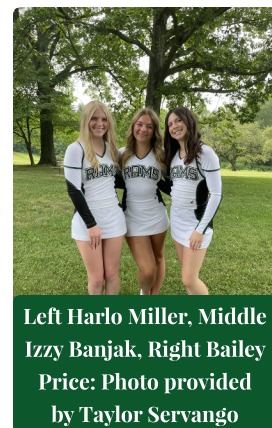
She likes writing and is a very inquisitive person.

What do you do in your free time?

Cheers, works and hangout with friends.

What's your favorite season?

Fall because of football games. It's also not too hot and not too cold.



Left Harlo Miller, Middle
Izzy Banjak, Right Bailey
Price: Photo provided
by Taylor Servango

Staff Spotlights

Izzy Banjak Continued

What did you do over the summer?

Got her permit, bought a car, went to Deep Creek, and New York.

What are you looking forward to this school year?

Cheering at the Varsity football games and anatomy class.

What's your favorite subject in school?

English because she likes writing.

What sport do you play, when did you start it?

Cheer for sideline and competitive and started 6th grade.

Do you have siblings?

A brother named Owen who is 12 years old.

What's your dream job?

Lawyer.

Where do you see yourself in the next 5 years?

In an out of state college and in a sorority.

Do you have any pets?

2 dogs Teddy and Sydney and one cat Callie.

Are you a morning person or night owl?

Night owl

What always makes you smile?

Being with friends and family

What is your favorite vacation spot?

Punta Cana because the beaches are really nice and the UV is high and the locals are really nice and funny.

What's your favorite holiday?

Fourth of July because I always goes to the lake and it's really nice. I call it "Prime Summer."

What's your favorite day of the week?

Friday because there are always plans.

Rampage Staff Spotlight

Taylor Servagno: A New

Member of the Staff

IZZY BANJAK STAFF WRITER

What grade are you in?

Sophomore

How old are you?

15

Do you play any sports and when did you start?

Volleyball, she started the summer going into 7 grade because of her sister.

Why did you take Journalism?

Taylor wanted to try something new and it sounded really interesting.

Do you have any hobbies?

Baking

What's your favorite subject?

English because it's interesting and fun.

Are you in any school clubs?

Student Government and Peer2Peer

Do you know what you want to do after high school?

Go to college. I'm not sure where.

Do you have any siblings?

An older sister (18) and older brother (22)

Do you have any pets?

2 boy cats Stalze and Flurry

What's your favorite color?

Blue and pink

What is your dream job?

Something in the medical field

Who do you look up to and why?

Her mom because "she is so caring and sweet".

What is your favorite vacation spot?

Hilton Head Island

What's your favorite movie?

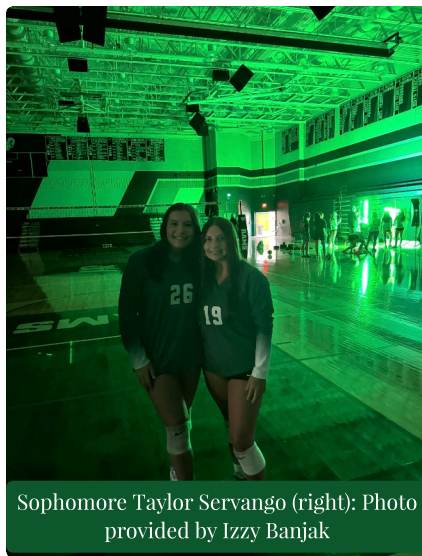
It Ends With Us

What are you most looking forward to this year?

Meeting new people and going to football games

What's your favorite food?

Chicken



Sophomore Taylor Servagno (right): Photo provided by Izzy Banjak

What are you most proud of?

Becoming more of an outgoing person

How do you like to spend your free time?

Hanging out with friends family and playing volleyball

How long have you gone to PR?

Since Kindergarten

What's your Favorite Book?

"The Hate U Give"

Favorite restaurant?

Texas RoadHouse

Where do you want to live when you're older?

Close to a beach and somewhere warm

When's your birthday?

March 22, 2009

What was your favorite thing you did this summer?

Went to Hilton Head and Marco Island

Staff Spotlights

Rampage Spotlight

Meet Freshman Bailey Rodriguez

SOPHIA KERNS STAFF WRITER

A new year means it's time to meet new people. Bailey is a rising freshman who is super excited to take Journalism this year. She loves to write and has even published her own book called *Bonehead* that she wrote with her cousin and grandmother. Her favorite class currently is Journalism. Bailey's preferred method of writing is paper and pencil.

Bailey is a very busy person after school. She is a competitive dancer, but she also said, "I like hanging out with my friends and reading." Her friends would describe her as talkative, and the word she would use to describe herself is "outgoing".

One of Bailey's biggest fears is not succeeding. Steak and yellow rice is her favorite food, while Dr. Pepper is her favorite drink. Her favorite movie is *Ordinary Angels*. She said this was her favorite movie because it, "changed her perspective on life" The 4th of July is one of Bailey's favorite holidays. Some of her favorite things to do on The 4th of July are going to a fair with her friends and seeing the fireworks. Light purple is her favorite color. Bailey has four pets. She has three dogs: a Pitbull, Boxer, and Husky. Bailey also has an orange tabby cat.



Freshman Bailey Rodriguez:
Photo taken by Emma Cuningham

Rampage Spotlight

Knowing The Junior Journalist Gianna

BAILEY RODRIGUEZ STAFF WRITER

Meet Gianna Ungor, a junior at PR. She was born on September 23, 2007. She took the journalism class as her elective because she enjoys the writing aspect of the class. Gianna enjoys hanging out with friends, and she is at her happiest whenever she is hanging out with her family. She specifically enjoys hanging out with her grandparents. Her grandparents motivate her to follow in their success. Her sister has made the biggest impact on her life because Gianna aspires to have some of the characteristics her sister carries.

A perfect day for Gianna looks like sleeping in, then spending time with her family, then going on a late night drive with her friends. Her biggest accomplishment in terms of school was taking all honors in her freshman year. After high school, she would like to go to college and join the FBI, "badge and everything."



Junior Gianna Ungor:
Photo taken by Gianna Ungor

Her two favorite music artists are Morgan Wallen and Travis Scott. If Gianna could go to any concert, it would be a Travis Scott concert. She says she would also like any type of country concert, but they are a little more "laid back" than her liking. Gianna says if she could only listen to one song for the rest of her life it would be *Die With a Smile* by Bruno Mars and Lady Gaga.

Staff Spotlights

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Get To Know Freshman Staff Writer

Vienna Restelli

ERIN ZHENG STAFF WRITER

How old are you?

I'm 14, turning 15 at the end of November.

What's your favorite hobby to do outside of class?

I like to write for fun and play with my dog, Butterscotch. He is a cavalier king charles spaniel.

What's your favorite color to wear?

The color I wear the most is white.

What's your favorite dessert?

My favorite dessert is either Graeter's black raspberry ice cream or chocolate chip cookies.

What's your board game?

My favorite board game is probably Clue. I also like Uno.

What's your favorite season and why?

Winter because I like the snowy weather and wearing sweaters and hoodies.

What's your favorite class and why?

I like English the most because I love writing. I'm also really liking journalism so far.

What's your favorite app on your phone?

Pinterest because I love looking at anything I'm interested in.

What's your favorite quote?

My favorite quote is "Follow your heart and everything you do".

What's your favorite childhood memory?

I loved hanging out with my friends during recess in elementary school. We would always go to the swings and talk.

What's your favorite place in the world?

My house and anywhere I can hangout with friends.



Freshman Vienna Restelli: Photo taken by Vienna Restelli

What's your favorite place to get clothing?

American Eagle

What's your favorite thing to do on New Year's Eve?

I like to have sleepovers with friends, eat snacks, stay up until midnight, and watch fireworks.

What's your favorite souvenir to bring home from vaca?

Sweatshirts from that place or anything that's unique to the area

What's your favorite Apple product?

iPhones.

What's your favorite animal?

Pandas

What's your favorite thing to do at the beach/boardwalk?

Sitting by the waves and relaxing"

What's your favorite Disney movie?

Tangled and Zootopia.

Who's your favorite genre of music?

Pop and indie.

Staff Spotlights

Get To Know Grace Logue

A Kind, Well-Rounded Individual

AVA BARSON STAFF WRITER

This year Grace Logue is taking Journalism as a freshman. On the first day, she came over and asked to sit beside me. I could tell from the beginning she was super friendly and hard-working. She has just entered her high school years and for being young, she knows where she is headed.

Starting with the little details, Logue's favorite color is light pink. She loves to play tennis and draw. Her family consists of four brothers and two sisters. Their family traditions include Greek Easter, and they travel down to Florida to celebrate.

Logue values her academics. In the future, she plans to be a psychiatrist. She loves bio and anatomy as well.

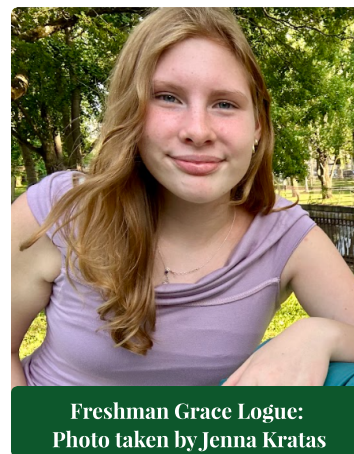
"One time I was on an airplane reading an anatomy book," Logue stated.

Although Logue is just starting her high school career, she has already adapted to mature efforts.

"My favorite thing about myself is I self-reflect a lot," Logue said. She can think about her actions and can grow from situations. One of her strengths is that she can write well, and she is also good with her grammar.

She said, "My friends always would ask me for help with any writing assignments they had," and she always helped them. She is constantly friendly and open to others. Logue also recommends being open with teachers too. She said it can help students if they need help or guidance.

Being a freshman can bring bundles of stress to a student, but, based on our discussion, Logue seems ready to take it all in. She has experienced a lot during her middle school years, and now she is ready to thrive during her high school career. Since she is a young, down-to-earth, and hard-working student, she will make her mark on the world.



Freshman Grace Logue:
Photo taken by Jenna Kratas

Rampage Staff Spotlight

Get To Know Hannahjayne Shannon

ADELINE HUDECK STAFF WRITER

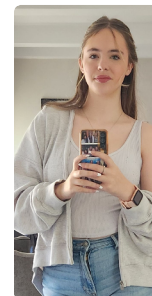
Freshman Hannahjayne Shannon is joining the team this year to continue her writing career from the Pine-Richland Middle School's newspaper. She enjoys writing, especially opinion and creative writing pieces. She hopes to carry over the skills from this class to become a journalist or a detective after graduation. She said, "I just like crime. When I see stuff like that on the news it seems cool to learn about and investigate." If Shannon were to develop her own newspaper, she would like to write about things going on in the world. If she were to pick one person from history to interview and write about, she would choose George Washington.

In her freetime, Shannon enjoys singing and acting. Her favorite music artists are Sabrina Carpenter and Taylor Swift. Her favorite song is "Taste" by Sabrina Carpenter. Shannon expressed her interest in the captivating writing styles and plot twists of author

Holly Jackson. Her dream city to live in is LA. She said, "The people and the environment are fun." Her favorite social media platform is Instagram.

Getting into questions with deeper meaning, her role models are both her parents. As time continues further past Covid-19, Shannon recognizes that time is an event that has influenced the person she is today the most. The most important or special item she owns is a stuffed animal given to her by her mom. The place she feels most comfortable is her bedroom, especially during the fall months as it isn't too hot or too cold.

Shannon finds closing statements easier to write because it is easier to let the reader go. She is so excited and optimistic to see what the rest of her time in high school will bring.



Freshman Hannahjayne Shannon:
Photo taken by Hannahjayne Shannon

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Get to Know

Freshman: Sophia

Kerns

GIANNA UNGOR STAFF WRITER



Freshman Sophia Kerns:
Photo taken by Sophia Kerns

What is your favorite thing to do?

Probably read.

Do you have any pets and how many?

I have seven pets; two cats, one dog, one lizard and three poison dart frogs.

Where is your dream place to travel to?

Hawaii.

Do you have any siblings?

I have a little sister, Chloe, who is in 7th grade.

What is your favorite food?

Steak, filet mignon.

Favorite color?

Dark blue.

Do you play any sports and what are they?

Softball.

What is your favorite class you take?

English.

Have you traveled anywhere?

I have been all over the place. My favorite places are West Virginia, Canada, Jamaica, and Florida.

What is a goal you want to achieve this year?

I would like to get A's in all my classes and learn a screwball.

Which holiday is your favorite?

Thanksgiving because me and my family go to West Virginia, where I'm from, and hunt.

What is your favorite movie?

The first Hunger Games because I like movies with life and death situations.

What is your favorite season?

Fall since it's colder but not winter cold. Also softball begins and hunting season begins.

What is your favorite animal?

Housecat, they are just amazing and I have two that I get everyday. I just gravitate towards them.

What is your favorite genre of music?

Country.

What would be your dream job?

A veterinarian I always loved working with animals.

Do you have a favorite tv show?

The Mole, I like the psychological aspect of it.

What is your favorite memory that you have?

Probably the day I got my cats. Five years ago now.

Rampage Staff Spotlight

Getting to Know Bree Arthur

BREE ARTHUR STAFF WRITER

What grade are you in? I am a sophomore.

What is your favorite candy? Sour Patch Watermelons or Reese's Cups.

What is your dream vacation spot? I would love to go to Bora Bora or Greece. They both are such gorgeous places and they are warm with great beaches.

What is your favorite season? Summer is definitely my favorite season.

What is your favorite color? Light purple or light pink

What is your favorite dessert? I love cake, brownies, and cookies.

Sweet or Salty? It depends on my mood.

What sports do you play? I am a competitive swimmer and I am part of the track and field team.



Who is your favorite Disney Princess? I love Princess Tiana, she has always been my favorite since I was a little kid.

Do you have any siblings? Yes, I have a younger brother in seventh grade.

What is your favorite ice cream flavor? My favorite is probably Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough, or Graham Central Station.

What is your favorite fruit? Pineapple, watermelon, or strawberries.

What is your favorite food? I love french fries so much, they are the best.

Staff Spotlights

Student Spotlight

Meet New Staff Writer Adeline

Hudeck

HANNAHJAYNE SHANNON STAFF WRITER

Who is someone you look up to?

She said she really looks up to her Aunt Clare.

What kind of music do you like to listen to?

She likes Gracie Abrams and Taylor Swift.

If you could go anywhere in the world that you haven't already been to, where would you go?

She would love to go to the Philippines.

If you could meet anyone, dead or alive, who would you want to meet?

She would like to meet Sylvia Plath.

What is your favorite book and/or book series?

The Silent Patient is her favorite book.

What is your favorite thing to write about?

She likes to write about things that are happening in the world and things that are happening in the media.

What is your biggest pet peeve?

She does not like people who cough or sneeze without covering their mouths.

Do you have any pets? If not, what pet would you like to have?

She has a dog for a pet.

What's your biggest strength?

Writing, mostly poetry.

What three things would you bring to an island?

She would bring a water bottle, a book, and a journal.

What is your favorite thing to do in your spare time?

She likes to write in her free time.

If you could live anywhere else in the world where would you want to live?

She would like to live in London.

What advice would you give to your younger self?

She would tell herself to accept help when you need it.

Would you want to be immortal or not?

She would not want to be immortal.

Would you rather go to school at night or in the morning?

She would like to go to school at night more because she feels like it would be more fun.

If you could have any job in the world, what would it be?

She would like to be a criminal psychologist.

If you could have any superpower, what would it be?

She would like to be able to see into the future.



Freshman Adeline Hudeck: Photo provided by Adeline Hudeck

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Staff Spotlights

Rampage Staff Spotlight

Get to Know Freshman Journalist Erin Zheng

VIENNA RESTELLI STAFF WRITER

Why did you decide to join Journalism?

I used to write stories when I was younger and really enjoyed it.

What are some topics you hope to write about?

I hope to write about holidays or my friends.

Who is your favorite author?

My favorite author is Alan Gratz, the writer of *Ground Zero*.

How do you like to spend your free time?

I enjoy playing tennis and spending time with my dog, Max.

What's your favorite movie or movie genre?

I don't have a favorite movie, but my favorite genre is comedy.

Where do you find inspiration?

I find inspiration from being outside or just watching my brother practice soccer with his team because his team is pretty entertaining.

Do you prefer writing alone or with someone else?

I prefer writing with a partner so we can bounce ideas off each other and we can just chat if we need a break.

How do you stay organized and manage your time?

I create schedules and set alarms.

What's one goal you have for this school year?

I want to get good grades and hopefully get better at tennis and dancing.

Who are your favorite music artists?

Taylor Swift and The Weeknd.

What hobbies or interests do you have besides writing?

I like to play tennis and dance. Sometimes I like to do my homework outside.

What's your dream job and why?

I want to be a nurse or pediatrician because I love working with kids.

If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go?

I would travel back to China because one of my nieces lives there and I really miss her.

What's your favorite food?

Fettuccine Alfredo.

How do you relieve stress?

By being with my dog.

What's your favorite social media platform?

Snapchat.

Do you prefer writing by hand or on a computer?

I prefer writing on a computer.

What's your favorite season and why?

Summer, because we always go to New York.

Do you have a pet? If so, tell me about them

Yes, I have a dog named Max. He is a golden retriever.

What's a skill you have that might surprise people?

It sometimes surprises people when I tell them I dance.



**Theme Day Thursday
Champs!**

**Mrs. Whalen and Mrs.
Brough on Taylor Swift Day**
Photo Provided By Jake Pazin



Freshman Erin Zheng: Photo taken by Erin Zheng

Sports

Sports Over School or School Over Sports?

Student Athletes Adjust To New School Work Loads

ISABELLE HOPPE STAFF WRITER

As everyone is getting back into the swing of things and settling into new classes, the fall season of sports and clubs provides a surplus of extracurricular activities. Figuring out how to balance the new workload of the school year and the things students have going on outside of school can be tough, to say the least.

Piper Vogel, a sophomore on the volleyball team, says that she tends to have 1–1.5 hours of homework per night.

“I would say I’m stressed at least three times a week. It’s super hard on practice days because the timing of our practice makes it hard to be maximally productive,” she said.

After school she only has one hour to decompress from the day before she has to be back at the school for a two hour practice.

“Homework is the last thing I do before I go to bed every day,” she said.

Sienna Napolitano, a junior on the volleyball team, said she typically has around three hours of homework every night. She has to balance school work on top of a busy practice and game schedule. From the time she gets home to the time she leaves for practice, she does homework, and, as soon as she gets back home, she is right back at it.

When asked how stressed she is on a daily basis, Sienna responded, “I’m honestly really stressed almost every day except for weekends. I always either have assignments due, or a test the next day so every night I spend tons of time thinking about school.”

With her workload this year, she has no choice but to prioritize academics.

“I think I always put school first before sports. I just know that school will take me farther in life, and my parents really emphasize the importance of school so it has always been a top priority,” she said.

Back-to-school adjustment to new workloads can be stressful, especially if students play sports. Student athletes need to find what works best and figure out priorities.

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Sienna Napolitano, a junior, doing homework before volleyball practice: Photo taken by Isabelle Hoppe

Sports

Lights, Camera, Action: How Divyanshi Mishra Brings PR Football to Your Screen

Dedicated Freshman Ensures No One Misses a Moment

VIENNA RESTELLI STAFF WRITER

If you've been a student at Pine-Richland for a while, then you've probably been to at least one school football game. Amidst all the fun of watching the game and chatting with friends, have you ever wondered who captures the action for those who are unable to attend? Dedicated freshman Divyanshi Mishra takes on the role of making sure no one misses a moment of the game by recording it for the school and PRTV.

Mishra has been recording school football games since the beginning of middle school. "It goes on the PRTV archive channel for anyone unable to attend the game to watch it live as we're recording it," she said. Her dedication ensures that every student, even those who can't attend, can still experience the excitement of the game.

"I volunteered because it sounded fun to do. You get to go to the football

games for free and get free food," she said.

Mishra clarifies about the commitment required, saying, "You don't have to go to all the games; it's completely optional to go, and the setup depends on how many people go, so it could be big or small depending on the amount of people." This flexibility allows her to balance her other responsibilities and interests. By going on her own terms, she can manage her time effectively while still contributing significantly to the school and PRTV.

Even though Mishra records the entirety of the game, she still gets extra time to talk with friends and hang out. "You get free time before the game, during half time, and after the game," she said. This balance of work and socializing makes her role even more enjoyable. She plans to

continue recording the games throughout high school, having started in 7th grade. Her commitment highlights her desire to be an active part of the school community.

For those worried about the technical aspects, she reassures, "The cameras are actually pretty easy to figure out once you've been given instructions." Her confidence and ease with the equipment show that anyone with a bit of interest and willingness to learn can take on this opportunity.

Divyanshi Mishra's enthusiasm and commitment to recording Pine-Richland football games ensures that everyone can enjoy the entertainment of the sport, even if they can't attend in person. With her passion for filming and flexibility of her role, Mishra's contribution highlights the importance of volunteering for your school or community.



Pine-Richland Stadium: Photo from Google



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Sports

New School, Who This?

Meet Pine-Richland Student Athlete, Dajaun Webb

SHOME RAO STAFF WRITER

Meet 16 year old Dajaun Webb, a young, aspiring student and football player here at Pine-Richland. Born in Garfield, Pittsburgh, he first attended Seneca Valley before moving here earlier this year.

Dajaun enjoys playing football and golf, as well as playing video games with friends. His favorite video game is NCAA Football. His favorite meal is steak. As for music taste, his favorite artist is Youngboy Never Broke Again, and his favorite song from the artist is “I Got The Bag.” When not on the field, you can see him rooting for the UCF Knights and our own Pittsburgh Steelers.

He is very excited to be here at PR; he says he likes the people here, especially the ones he sits at lunch with. When asked what he’s most excited for this school year, he said, “I’m looking forward to meeting new people, and getting new opportunities.”

On the field, he plays both wide receiver and cornerback, but he thinks his skills as a cornerback and as an overall defensive player are stronger. So far this season, Dajaun has already made a strong impact on the team. In our week one game against Central Catholic, he had an interception in the first half. Our team and community is looking forward to seeing him perform this season.


As for the future, Dajaun wants to go Division 1 in football. “I hope to get recognition from colleges, specifically UCF,” he says. He is adamant about his skills, and he is ready and willing to keep working hard to one day play in the NFL.



Junior Dajaun Webb:
Photo taken by Roman Thomas



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**Girls Volleyball
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Student Life

Pine-Richland's Podcast: *Tune Into The Art of Rambling* Today

JUNE MCCUNE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

“Good morning, good afternoon, good evening, or whatever time you are tuning in.” This is the opening line of every episode of, *The Art of Rambling*, my podcast. Allow me to bestow upon you essential information to better understand the podcast.

Imagine a six-year-old who is babbling to themselves playing pretend with their imaginary friend. Keep thinking of the child and imagine them coming up with the most unfunny joke, but telling their Dad the joke twelve times after the thought popped into their brain. The kid keeps on wandering off into their own world and never seems to shut up. Yeah, that kid is pretty much me, or, at least, captures the essence of me. I am your host, June McCune. I am a senior this year and as Editor-In-Chief of the Rampage I plan on majoring in journalism mass media with a minor in film, so obviously hosting the podcast fits right into my personality and goals. I am often referred to as charismatic (at least I like to believe so) with a hint of oversharing, hence the name *The Art of Rambling*. I can talk for hours and hours at a time, but don't worry. When you tune in, it will only be for 7-10 minutes.

Each week, I will bring in a new guest. I want every conversation to be genuine, so the guest has no clue what my beginning question is; only I do. Once they start talking, the ball gets rolling and the rambling will not end until I finally say, “Okay, well, I love ya, see you later.”

If you haven't picked up on the theme so far, I will spell it out for you. I want to have fun. As high schoolers, we are stressed sometimes and get lost. We might have a horrible habit of letting other people's opinions of us take away from our individual passions. We might become insecure. With my rambling each week, I hope to show you all it is okay to be yourself and put yourself out there. Be who you want to be and do what you want to do. Go babble

to yourself or go tell a really bad joke you find to be hilarious (you will hear me do it a lot over the next however many weeks left of school).

Now, get it straight, this is the *art* of rambling. Talking aimlessly may come off as a waste of time, but in reality it's an art form. The words are the paint, and as the conversations continue colors get thrown onto the canvas to mysteriously end up with an unexpected masterpiece. Rambling lets you break free from mundane conversations and in the box thinking. This is not a Socratic Seminar. It's more spontaneous; that's what makes it so fun. You never know where it's going to take you, and honestly, I don't even know where it will take me either.

I am here to be your supporter and give you a brief 7-10 minutes of entertainment. I try to make every conversation lighthearted and ensure whoever is listening feels the joy that comes from each word my guest and I spit out. The whole point of *The Art of Rambling* is not to interrogate someone, but to get to know something new about them. Over 1,400 students attend Pine-Richland High School and I don't know half of their names. We share the same space, teachers, cafeteria food, experiences, and activities; some that we may not even know we share.

There are millions of topics to cover and I only have so many people I can talk to and topics I can talk about before I graduate in 2025, so, as your host, I will do my best to ensure you feel heard, laugh, maybe think about the deeper meaning behind the conversation, and/or learn a little anecdote about your fellow peers.

The Art of Rambling is meant for everyone, no matter where you listen or what time of day. Respectfully, if you don't tune in you'll be missing out, but, if you don't listen, that's okay because that is your prerogative. “Okay, well, I love ya, see you later.”

The first episode is out now with a special junior guest. Tune in to find out.

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Sophomores Jackson Dutty and Serafina Rios

Student Life

The Last Homecoming

Seniors Prepare for Their Final Fall Dance

ANNA KARMANOS COPY EDITOR

As the calendar nears September 28th, students scramble to finalize their plans for one of the most popular high school events: the Homecoming dance. For the freshmen, this anxious anticipation is a first. On the other hand, while the sophomores and juniors find themselves with some experience under their belts, the seniors are the true veterans.

“Homecoming is one of my favorite events,” said senior Jojo Barbiaux. “I always look forward to it every year.”

Senior Jake Pazin said, “I love the energy that comes with the dance. All of my Homecoming experiences have been amazing.”

“Each year gets even better,” said senior Maggie Campbell.

The class of 2025 has found that the secret ingredient to a “happy Homecoming” is simply enjoying the dance with your friends. After all, there’s truly no better time than senior year to celebrate the people that have transformed our high school experiences for the better.

“This year, I’m going with my best friend of 4 years, Nedda,” Pazin said. “Along with Nedda, I’m going with a huge group filled with all of the rest of my best friends. I can’t wait.”

Homecoming marks the first of many “lasts” for the seniors, so, naturally, nostalgia accompanies these approaching weeks. However, this feeling simultaneously promotes a sense of gratitude for all that has passed and excitement for all that is yet to come.

Barbiaux said, “I definitely feel sad that this will be my last Homecoming, but I’m happy that I can reflect and know that every Homecoming has been a really positive experience for me so far.”



Seniors Brooklyn Ramirez, Erin Murray, Anna Karmanos, Maggie Campbell, and Annamaria Samuels (left to right) before PR's 2023 Homecoming

“I want to make this one just as memorable as the rest,” said Pazin.

Unfortunately, the stress of getting organized for Homecoming can sometimes overshadow and over complicate the event, especially for underclassmen.

“It’s supposed to be fun,” said Campbell. “Find your friends and have a good time.”

“All that matters is that you enjoy it,” said Pazin. “Truly dance like nobody’s watching, because no one is.”

2023-2024 Homecoming Court



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SKI & BOARD CLUB: The Ski & Board Club will be having an informational session for anyone interested in joining the club for the 2024-2025 season during the activity period on October 3rd in the High School Auditorium.

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A Few Tips for A New Year

The Three "P"s

ANNA KARMANOS COPY EDITOR

Returning to school can pose a difficult period of adjustment for many. We spend our summers relaxing and grow accustomed to a relatively blank to-do list. So, as we get back into some sense of routine, I've crafted a list of a few of my favorite tips to provide for productive evenings and a productive year:

1. Put your phone away. While I can't claim perfection when it comes to my screen time and phone usage, I try my best to at least remain aware of it. Through trial and error, I've found that the only way my phone doesn't distract me from my work is to entirely remove the distraction from my line of sight. Just as the phrase goes, "Out of sight, out of mind."

Without your phone sitting next to you as you attempt to study for your next big exam or finish writing that dreaded essay, you allow yourself to truly tap into your focus.

2. Plan ahead. Planning is simply a form of time management. We all have days, weeks, and even months that are busier than others. If you can recognize this in advance, you can get work done ahead of time to save you those extra late nights. I recommend accomplishing this using a planner.



Seniors: Maggie Campbell, Anna Karmanos, Annamaria Samuels, and Erin Murray (left to right): Photo taken by Jake Pazin

Prioritize you. At the end of the day, you still have to pay attention to your own needs. Whether that is ensuring you get enough sleep routinely or taking time to do something creative each night, you can't let striving for perfection in your academics or extracurriculars damage your mental health. Your quality of life and happiness remains just as important and impactful to your routines. A new school year can feel daunting as so many tasks and responsibilities lie ahead. However, figuring out what works for you and sticking to that routine can transform your experience for the better. So, PR, let's make this school year one to remember.

People

Freshman Spotlight

Meet Haidyn Harrington

AVA BARSON STAFF WRITER

This school year a bunch of new kids are entering high school. The majority of that group are new freshmen and amongst those freshmen is Haidyn Harrington. She is a student who is ready to start her first year of her high school career.

New learning experiences come with being a freshman, one including the mapping of the giant school. For Harrington, it was not too easy.

“I got lost the second day,” she said.

This is a valid experience as it occurs to the majority of the new students. Apart from that experience, Harrington has been on top of her game.

“I feel fine. I don’t hate school yet and I am having fun with friends,” said Harrington.

High school is all about having more freedom and getting to see more people everyday. This is why it is important to step outside your shell and talk to others around you. It can widen your friendships and provide you with more comfort. With the freedom that comes with being a highschool student, there are always new events for students to look forward to.

“I’m looking forward to getting closer with my friends and making new ones. The football games and dances as well,” Harrington said. These events are a big deal to students. Football games and dances are where memories can last forever. They are also great ways to get involved with the school spirit. What is also a big deal to students is the stress that comes with entering a bigger school.

Harrington advises, “You will be fine and everyone is a little nervous. Just talk to everyone and be kind to everyone. You never know who you’ll meet and go to the football games with new people so you can get closer. Just have fun and go to things and stay on top of your work.”

Entering a different environment can be scary but it’s important to remember that everyone has been in your shoes once. It’s normal to feel nervous but just remember to focus on yourself and what is best for you. Don’t forget to also have fun.



Freshman Haidyn Harrington



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Rampage Teacher Spotlight

Get to know Mrs. Carrabba

BREE ARTHUR STAFF WRITER

How long have you been teaching at PR? This is my fifth year teaching at PR.

What class do you teach? I teach Biology.

Do you have any pets? I have a golden retriever, named Ace.

What is your favorite movie? The Parent Trap.

What is your dream vacation spot? I would love to go to France.

Do you have any siblings? Yes, I have two sisters and a brother.

Sweet or Salty? Salty.

What is your favorite food? My favorite food is sushi.

What do you do when you are bored? I like to read, and watch TV.

Who is your favorite Disney character? My favorite is Rapunzel.

What is your favorite flower? Peonies and hydrangeas.

Milk or Dark Chocolate? Dark Chocolate.

What is your favorite ice cream flavor? I love vanilla soft serve ice cream.

What is your favorite season and why? My favorite season is fall. I love how it is getting cooler, but it is not too cold.

If you could teach another subject what would it be? I would teach art, because it is relaxing.

What is your favorite color? Navy Blue.

What is your Starbucks order? Black Coffee.

What is your favorite animal? I love golden retrievers.

What is your favorite spot to eat in Pittsburgh? Jimmy Wan Fox Chapel.

Bruster's or Cold Stone? Bruster's.

Did you always want to be a teacher? Yes.

What is your favorite thing to bake? I like to bake bread.

What is your favorite store? My favorite store is Anthropologie.

What is your go-to vacation spot? Florida.

What is your favorite candy? Sour Patch Watermelons.



Biology Teacher Mrs. Carrabba: Photo provided by Bree Arthur

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**There would be no need for a Rampage if you did not read it.
Thank you for stopping by and we hope to see you next
Thursday!**

PSAT/NMSQT: On October 22nd, the PSAT/NMSQT exam will be taken during school. All Juniors are required to take this exam. Room assignments will be communicated prior to the test via email. Any Sophomore that would like to take the exam must register within the Counseling Department Google Classroom. Registration is open until September 30th. Registration for sophomores requires an 18-dollar fee. Drop your check off in the HS Counseling Office to confirm your seat.

LETTER JACKETS: Jostens/Neff is scheduled for Sizing/Order Day on Tuesday, October 8th, during lunches in the cafeteria.



Students by Stair Way To Heaven on the first day of school: Photo taken by Jake Pazin