

SMH

Shaking my head

LOL

Laugh out loud

JK

Just Kidding

RU

Are you?

IKR

I know right

IDK

I don't know

BRB

Be right back

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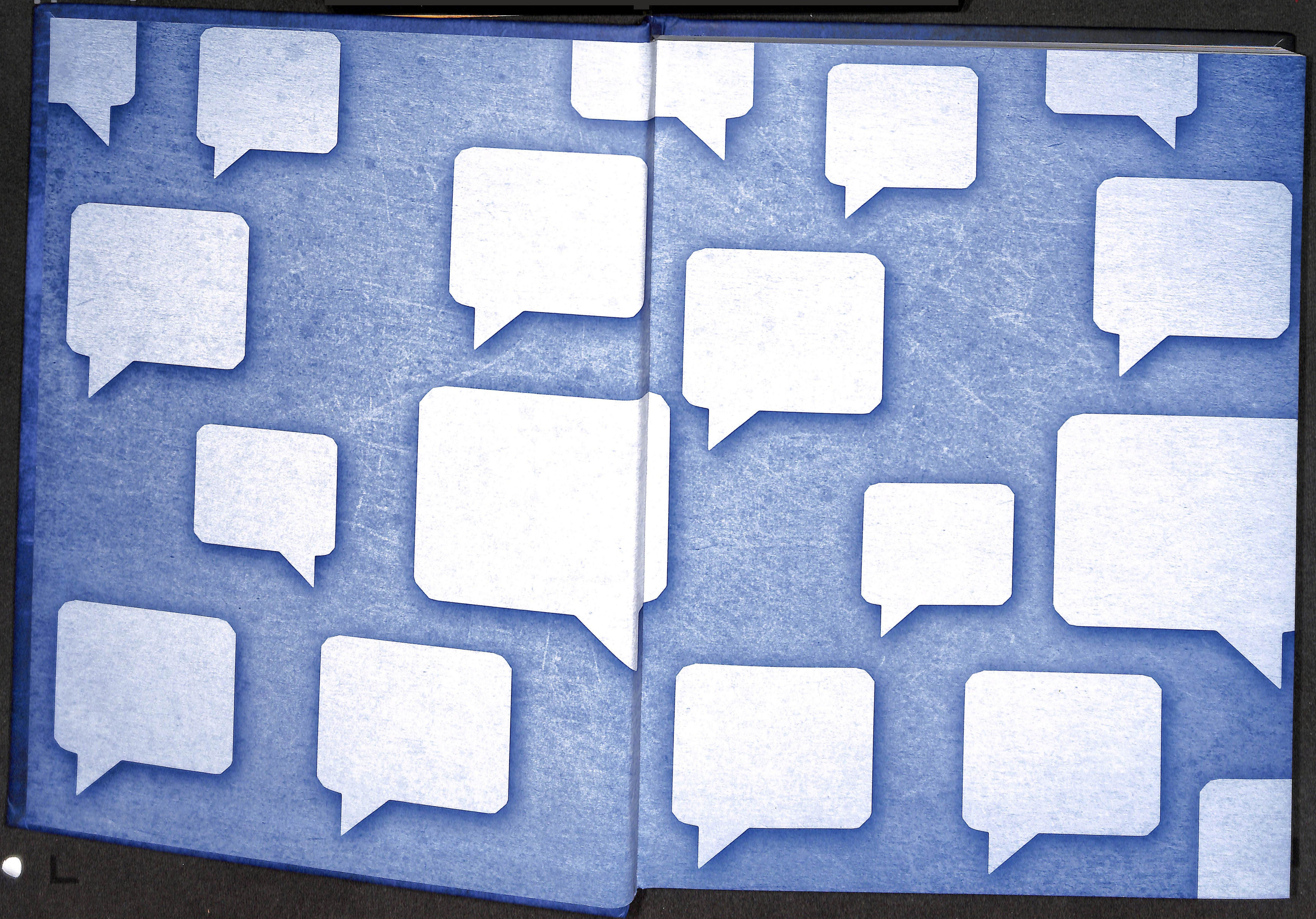
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BTW

OTW

On the way





A Message From...



Our Illustrious Principal,
Dr. Wilson

" I believe that **ALL** students are entitled to a high quality education that prepares them to be college and or career ready. I am committed to ensuring that the students of Booker T. Washington High School are exposed to rigorous, engaging instruction that encourages critical thinking, creativity and problem solving skills. I have high expectations of all students and every student reaches their full potential. This has been an outstanding year and we are definitely headed in the right direction. We have seen improvement in student and academic achievement and exited about continuing the tradition of excellence. Thanks to the help of the parent leaders, we have established a powerful PTSA that have been instrumental in forming partnership's needed to take our school to the next level. I am ecstatic about the progress made , and **I look forward to all of the great things that are sure to come from Washington. "**

Our Amazing Assistant Principals



I am honored to serve as an Assistant Principal at the esteemed Booker Taliaferro Washington High School. As an eighteen year veteran of the Atlanta Public School System, I have proudly worked all eighteen years at Booker T. Washington High School. Each successive year at Washington has proved to be more intriguing than the one before. This year, like all of the others, has truly been a rewarding experience I wish all of our students a successful and prosperous future. I eagerly look forward to all that the next year will bring.

Ms. Kimberly Moore



As a second year employee of Atlanta Public Schools it has been truly an honor to serve the students and community of Washington High School as the Assistant Principal. I begin my teaching career in 1998 after graduating from the University of Alabama. I went on to obtain a Master's degree from the University of Alabama in Special Education with an endorsement in Administration. I am currently working on a Doctorate in Education at Argosy University. The past two years here at Washington have been great ones! Thank you for allowing me to serve.

Ms. Tracey Harrell



It's been a pleasant experience working here at the illustrious Booker T. Washington High School. I have been working here for eight years. Prior to being the discipline coordinator at BTW, I worked at L.P. Miles Elementary School as the band director. While attending Alabama State University, I obtained my Bachelor's degree in Music Education which qualified me for the position. I later obtained my Educational Specialist degree from Jacksonville State University. My plan is to ensure that each child has a solid education.

Mr. Rickey Dixon



I serve as the Discipline, CTAE and Fine Arts Assistant Principal at Washington High School. I have worked with Atlanta Public Schools for over twenty years. Prior to serving here at Washington, I was the Assistant Principal at Dobbs Elementary and Principal at Therrell High School/School of Law, Government, and Public Policy. Being here at Washington for the past two years, I was presented with the opportunity to serve students, staff, and the community in a way that is meaningful and effective. I am dedicated to ensuring students have relevant, outside experiences related to instruction and Positive Behavior Interventions.

Mr. Joseph Harris



The experiences I have encountered at Washington are exceptional. The unique study body is the reason for that. My love for students developed before adulthood and I knew that my profession would have to be revolved around students. As a result, I went to Stony Brook University and received my Bachelor's degree in Spanish Language and Literature, after that I continued my education and received my Master's degree in Education Leadership and Supervision. As an educator, I am passionate about giving every child the opportunity to realize success both in the classroom and in life.

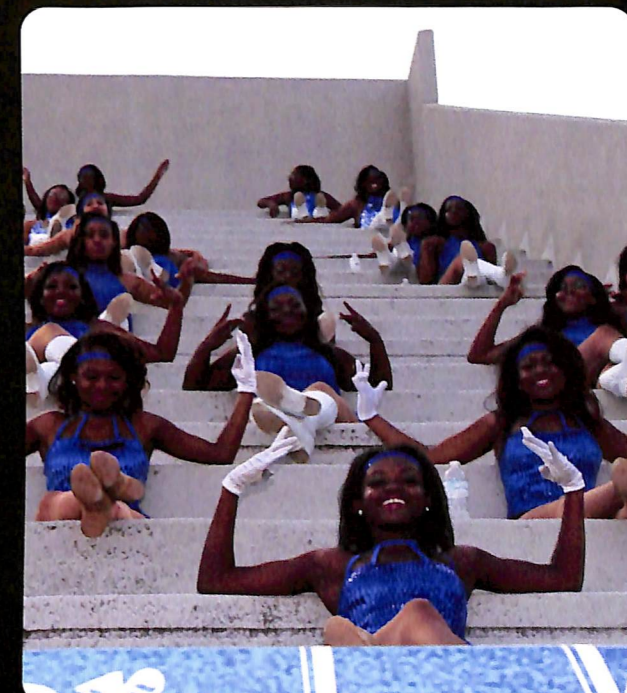
Mr. Robert Clark

Booker T. Washington



Senior Recognition
2016

BTWS MARCHING 100



It's SPIRIT WEEK!!!

BTW Cheerleaders

GO

BULLDOGS!!!

BTW Marching Band

Twin Day!

Football Team

Homecoming

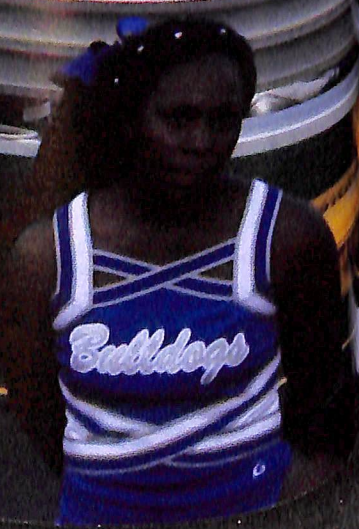


Pride



We got that Bulldog pride!!

SPORTS MANIA





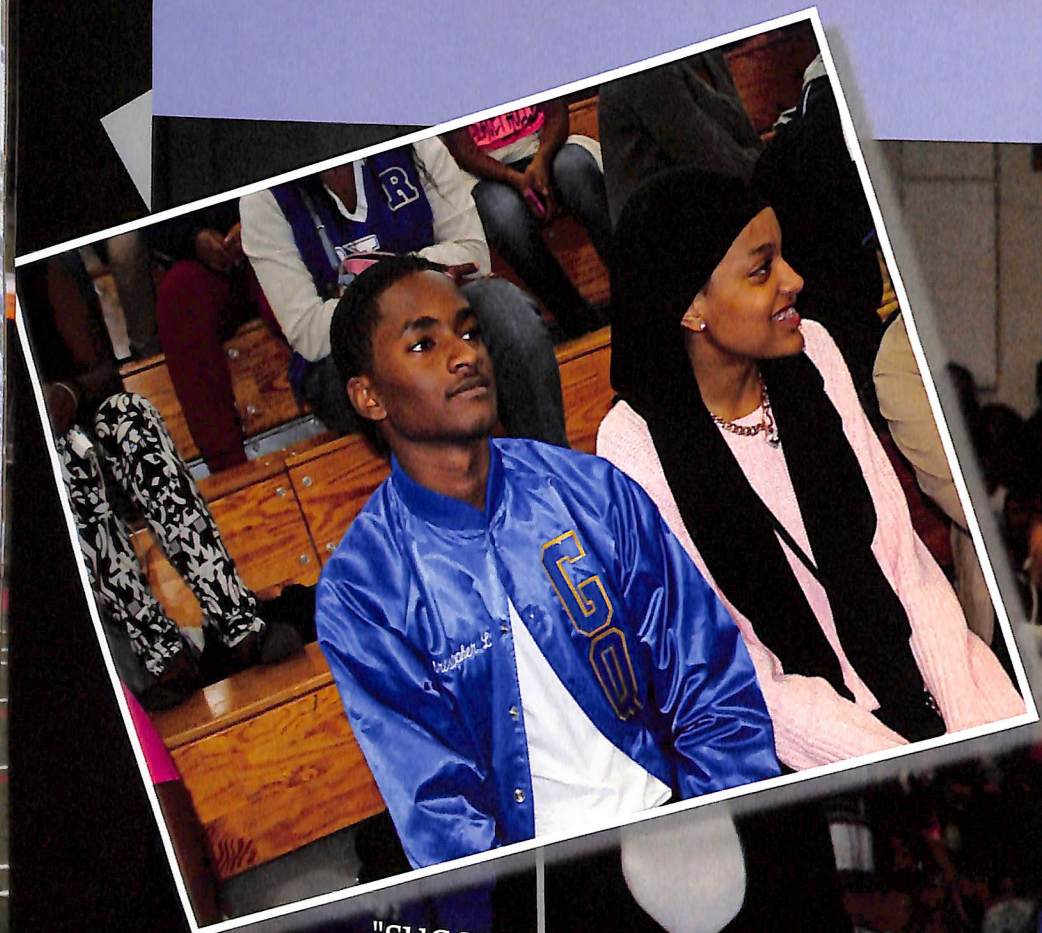
The B. The T. The W. The School!!

Bountiful Bulldogs



5. AAA
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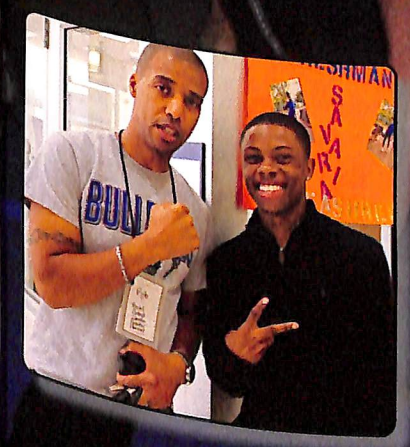
"Character, not circumstances, makes the man" Booker .T Washington



"SUCCEES ALWAYS LEAVES FOOTPRINTS "
Booker .T Washington



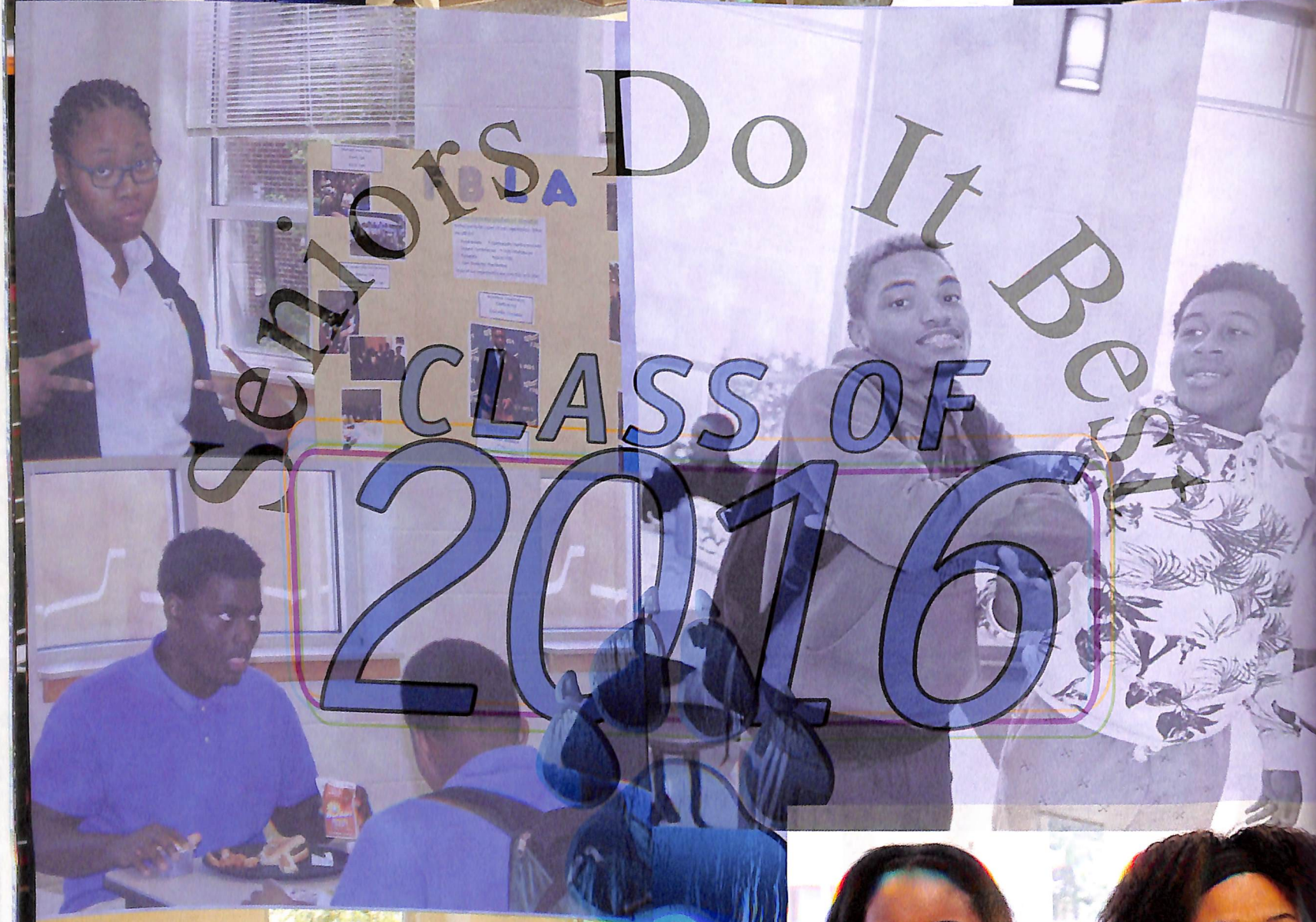
SENIOR
2016



Washington High School



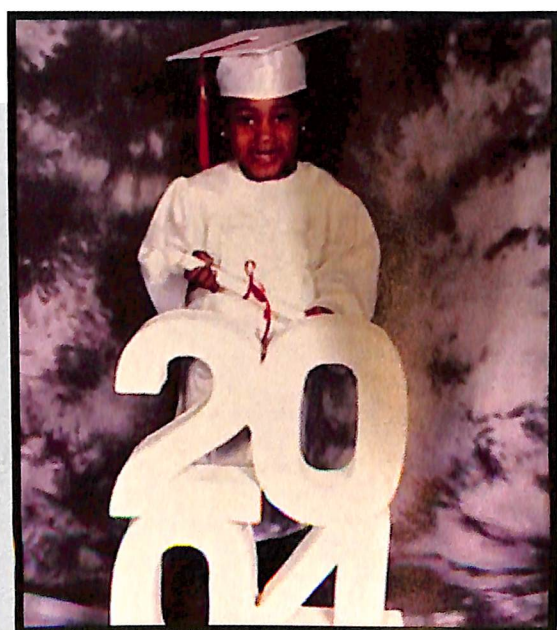
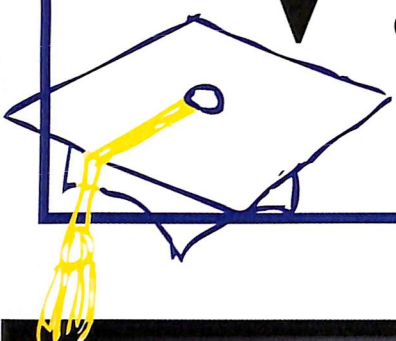
Washington Seniors and the Achieve Atlanta Program striving for college!



People will always stare, so we make it worth their while."

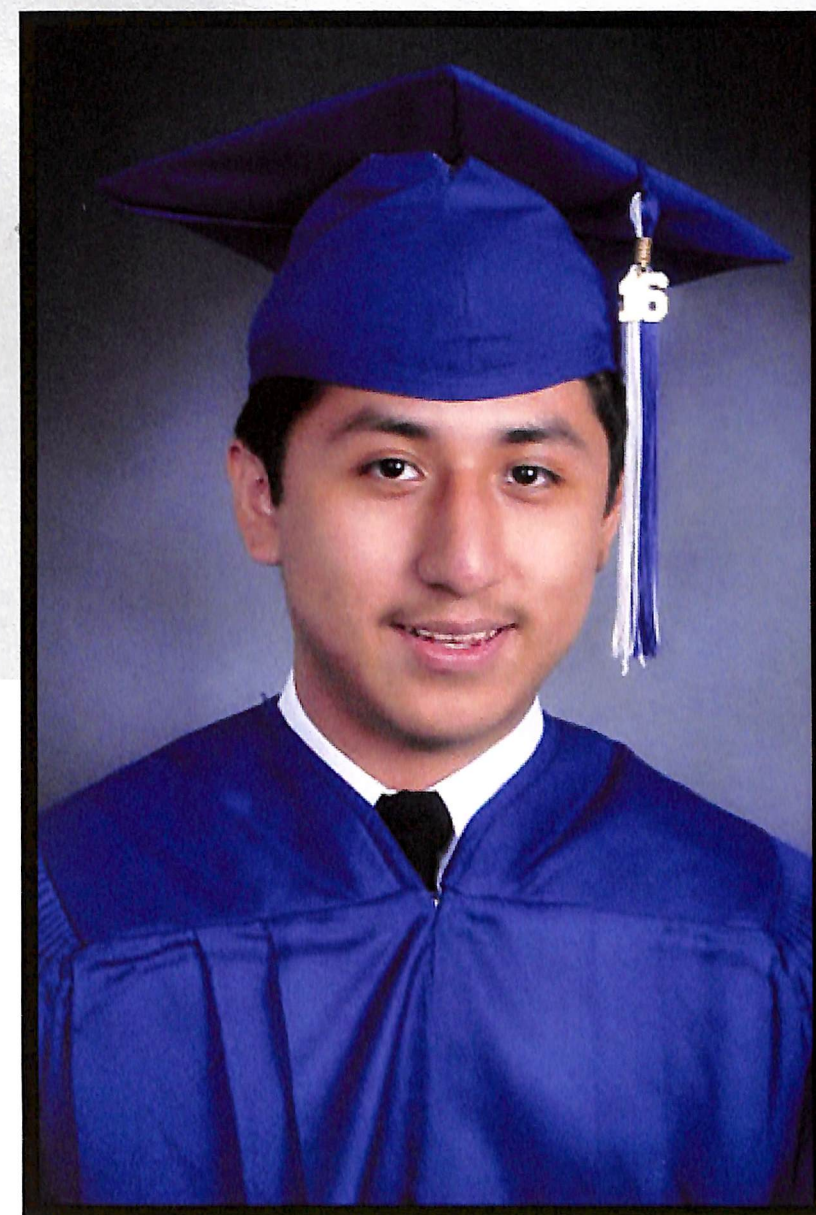
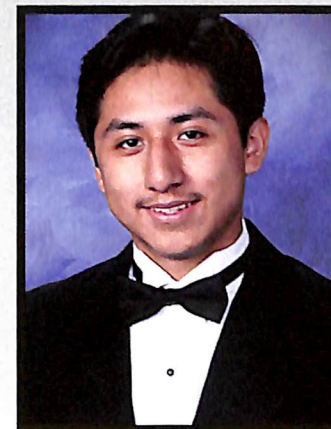



Valedictorian 2016



Jhazzmyn Joiner is an industrious young lady who has academically excelled, but who has also managed to make time to engage in many extracurricular activities at Booker T. Washington High School. Jhazzmyn aspires to become a United States Senator.

Salutatorian 2016



Usiel Hernandez is a young man who has earned everything through hard work and persistence; his head is always in his books. Usiel is always eager to learn new things. Usiel is an avid athlete who plays soccer and swims. Usiel plans on becoming an optometrist.

Class of 2016

Senior Class Of 2016



Ismail
Abdul-Hakim



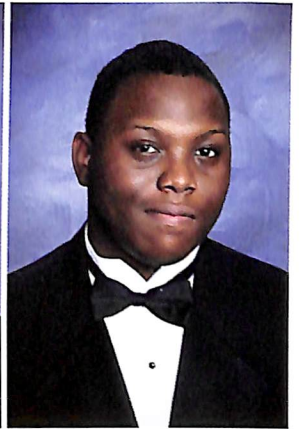
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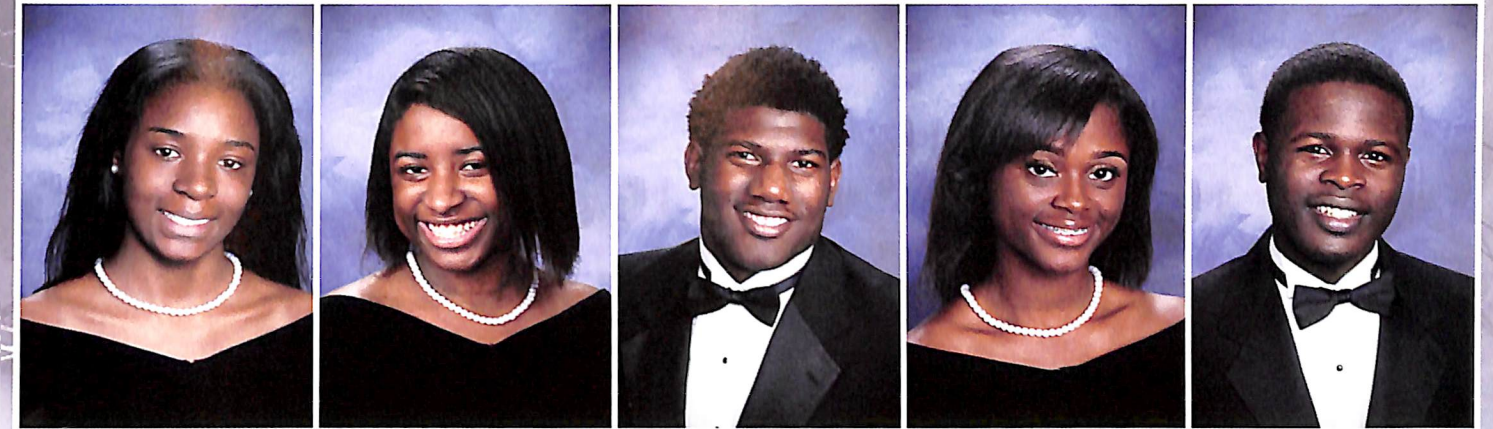
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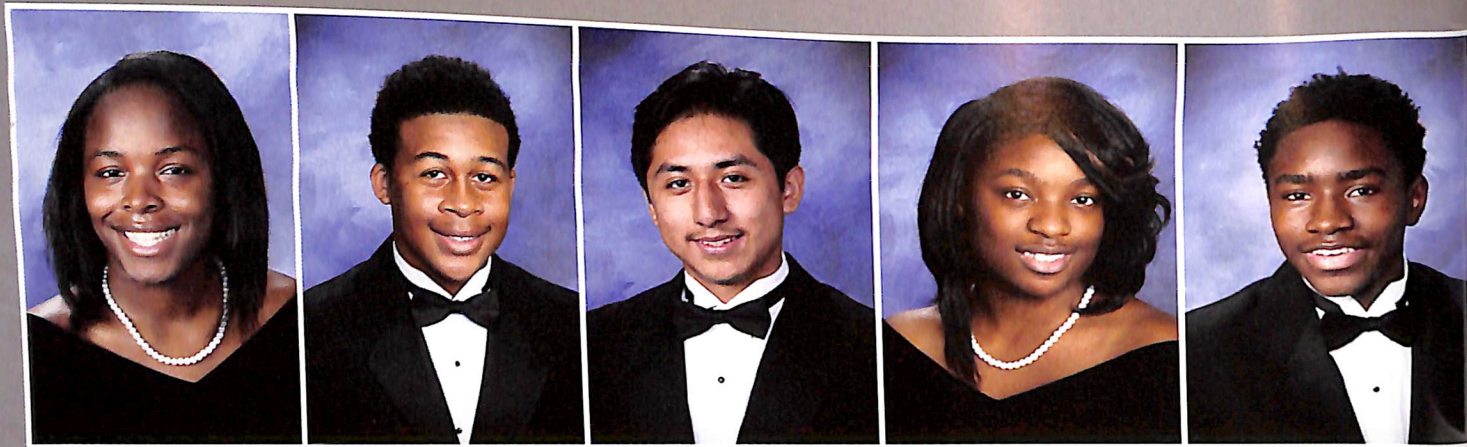
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Kaysha
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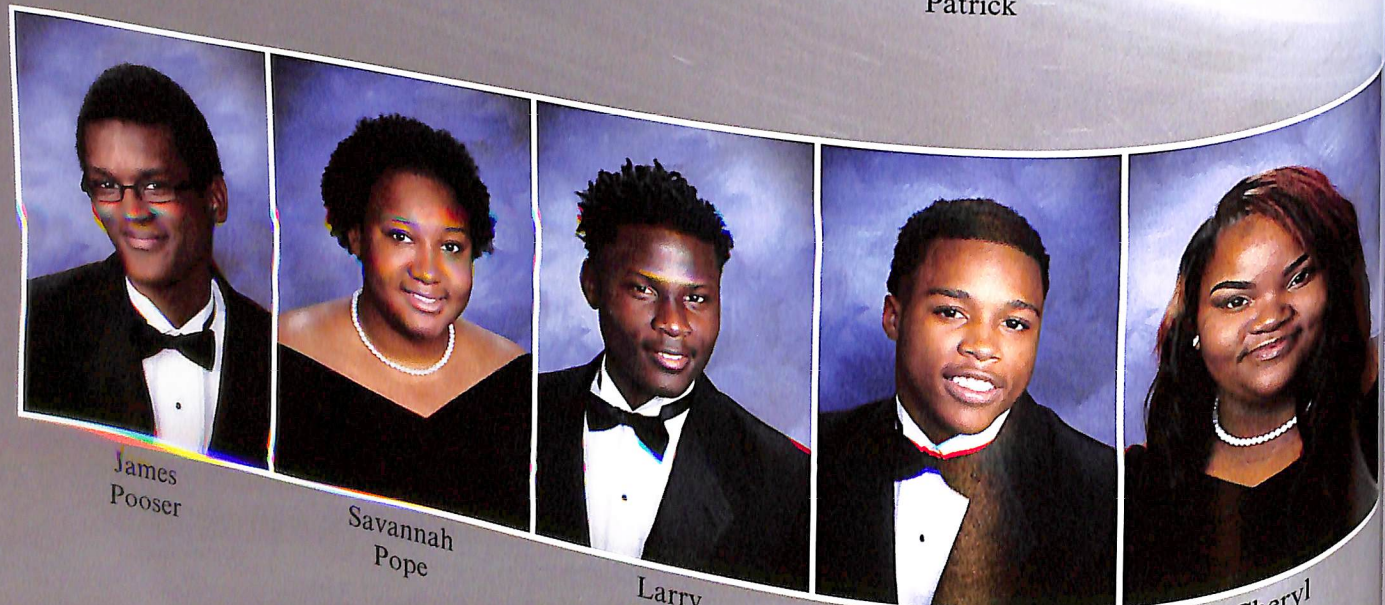
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Class of 2016



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Nykeria Thomas

Zechariah Thomas



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Reana Thompson

Jaysia Thornton

Darius Turner

Edilma Vasquez



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Demarcus Walker

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Desmond Watts

Class of 2016



Linda Weaver

Labreesha White

Nicela White

Antavious Williams

Labreshia Williams



Tito Williams

Seniors

What lies behind us and what lies
before us are small matters
compared to what lies within us .
-Ralph Waldo Emerson



Jamilah
Abdul-Hakim

Simail
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Alaija
Adams

Christopher
Almond

Preston
Andrew



Jabria
Arnold

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Fredrick
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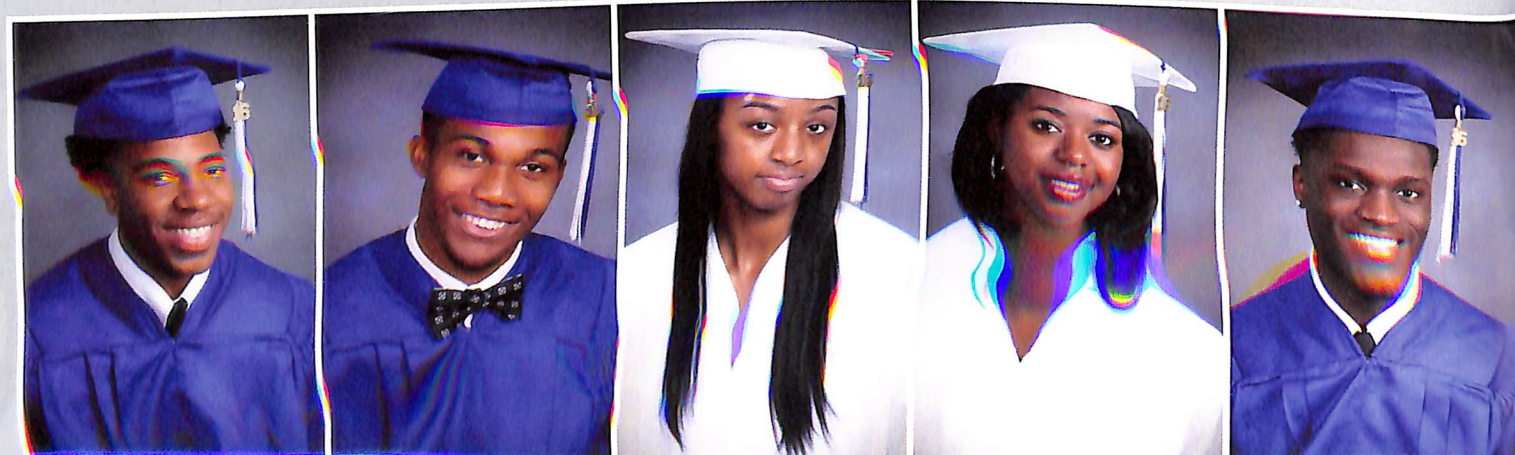
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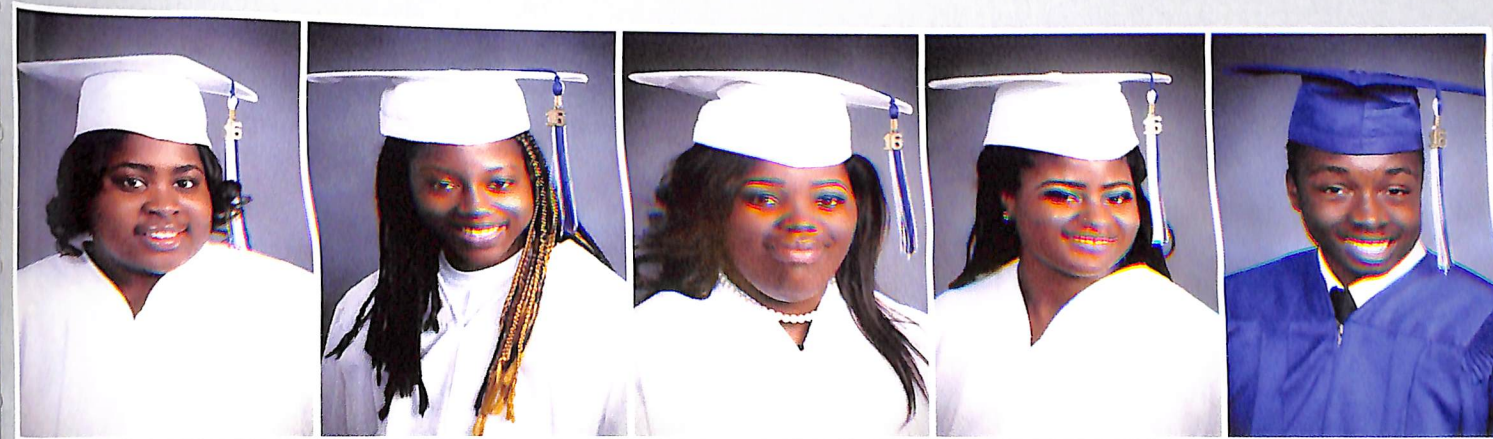
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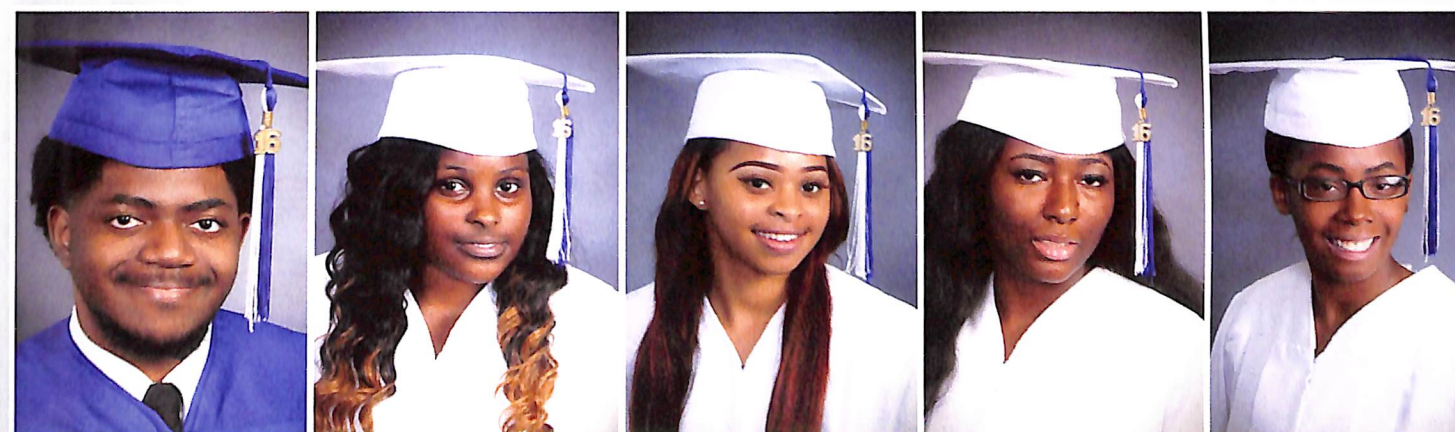
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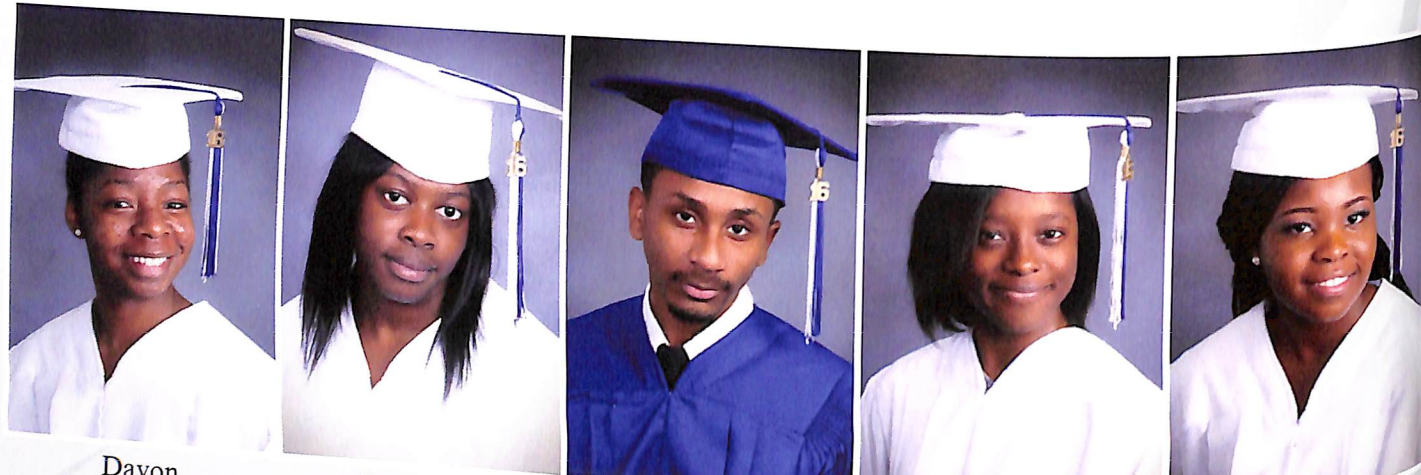
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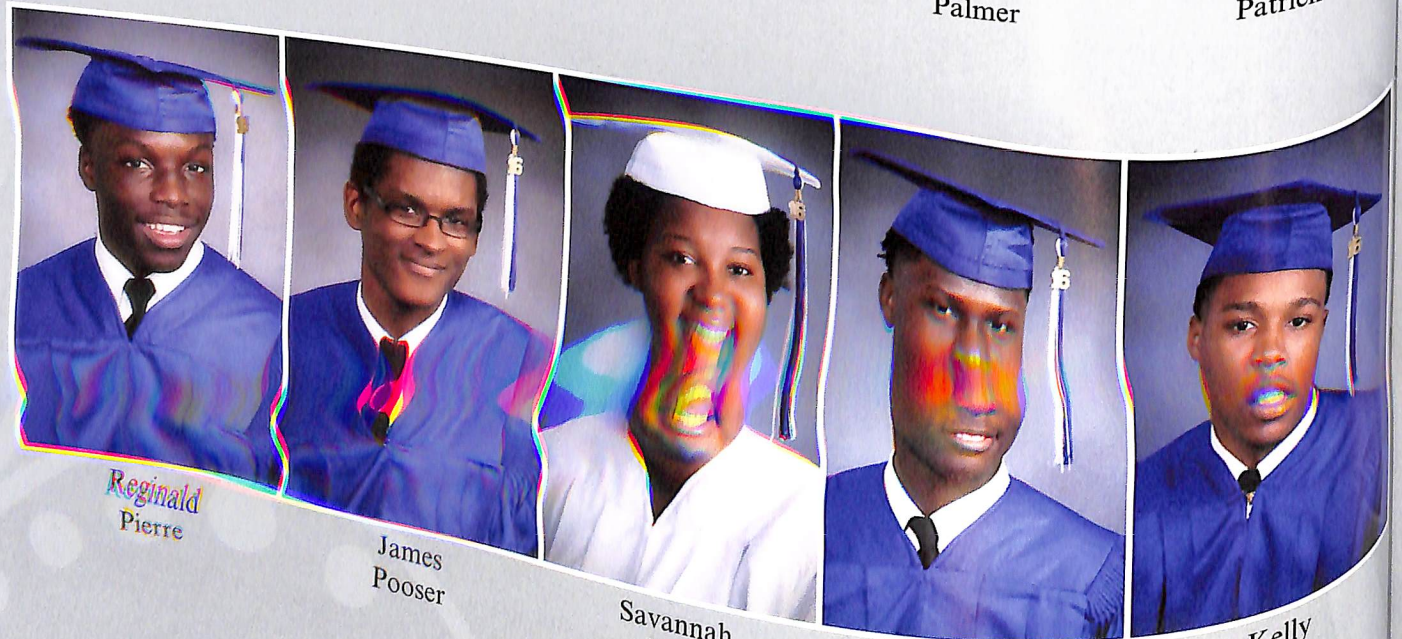
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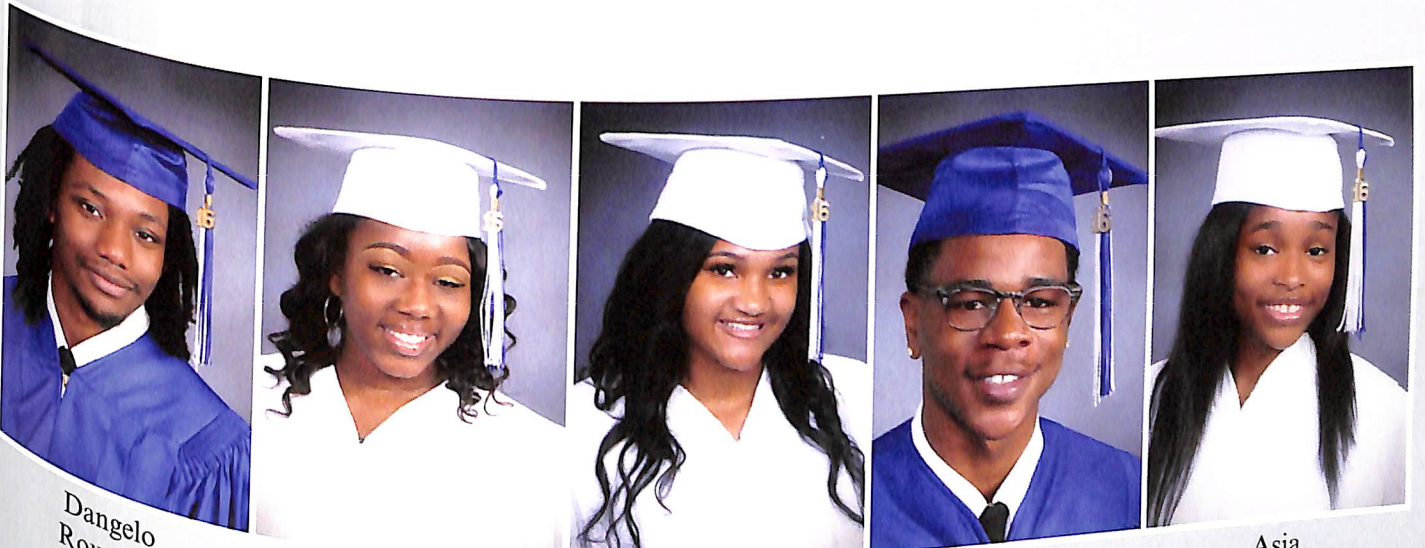
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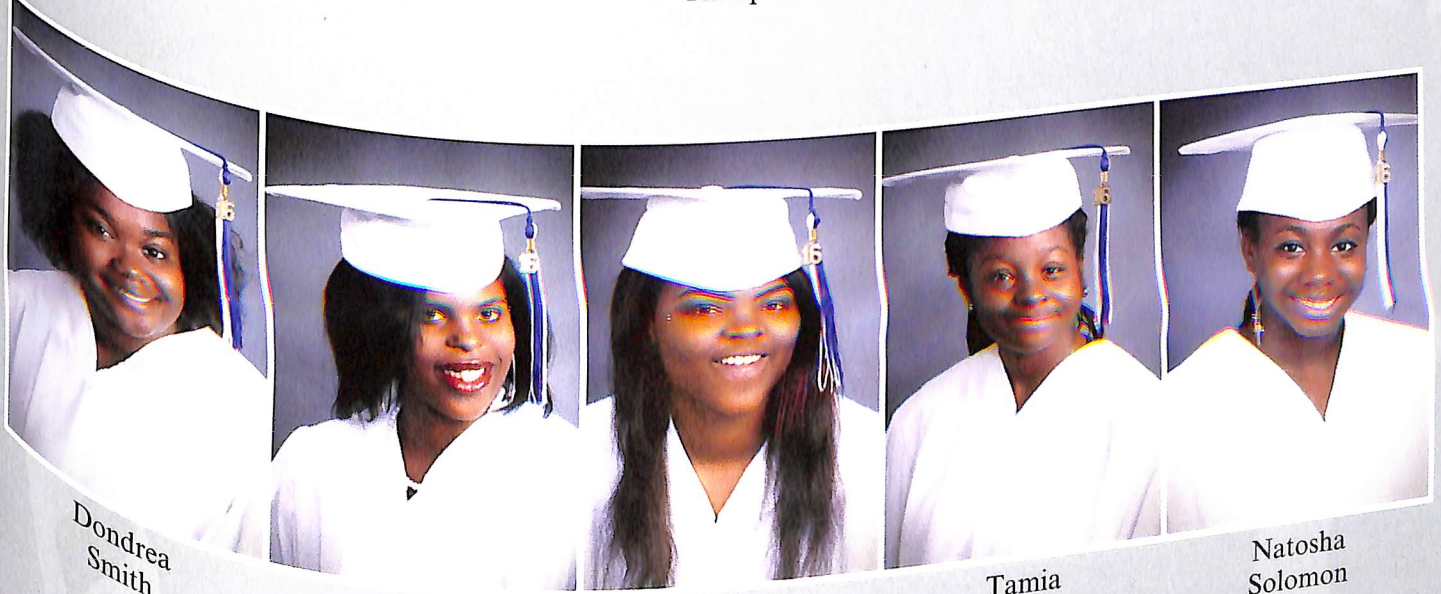
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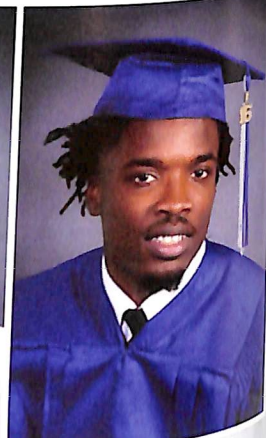
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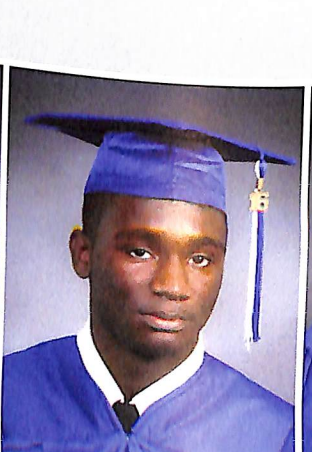
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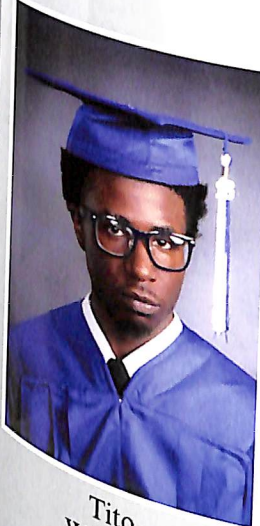
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College Readiness



Students At Work

Teacher of the Year 2005-2006

Ms. Monel Dixon



CLASS OF 2007

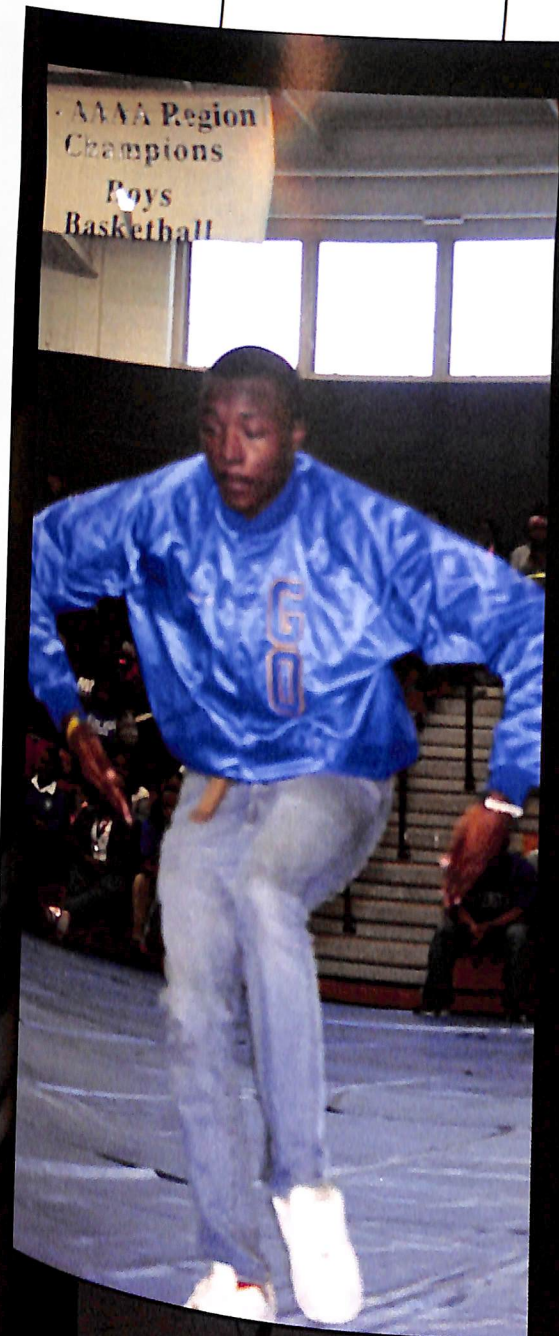
" You are always a student , never a master . You have to keep moving forward .
- Chad Hall

Just Kickin' It





Booker T. Washington
High School Band



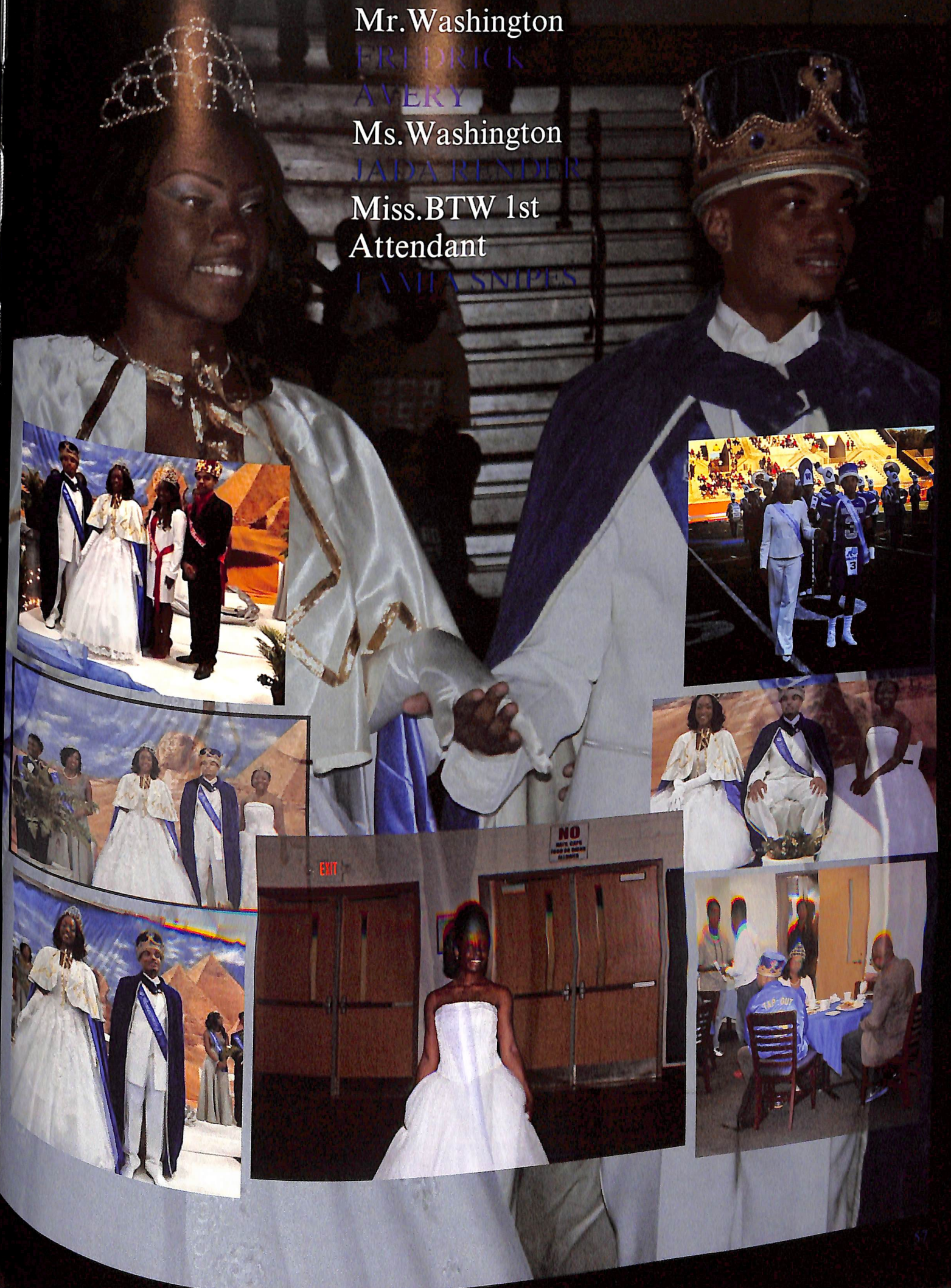
Coming To You
Live From 45
Whitehouse
Drive!!!!



FIRE
IT
UP
BTW!!!!



Royal Court//Homecoming



Mr. Washington
FREDRICK
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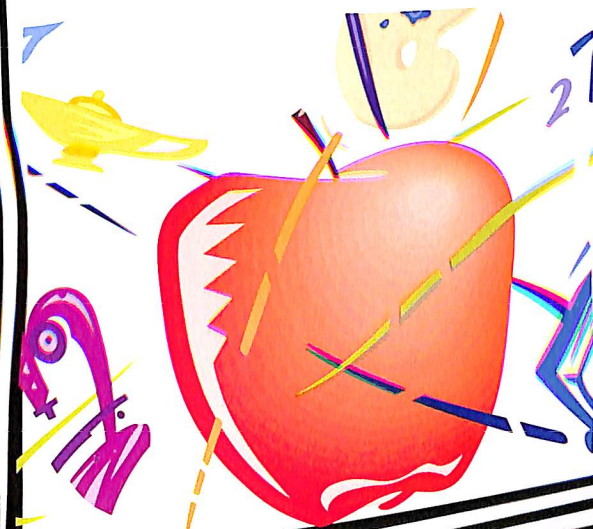
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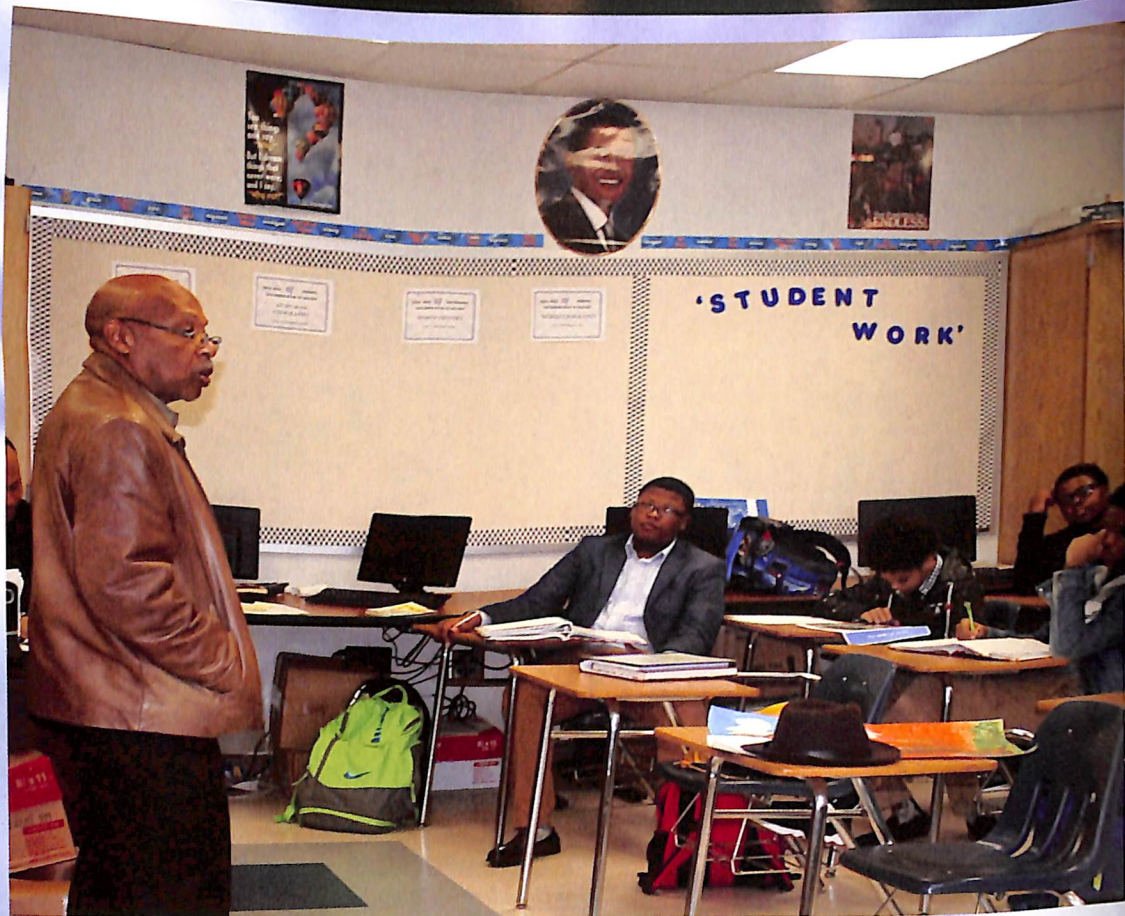
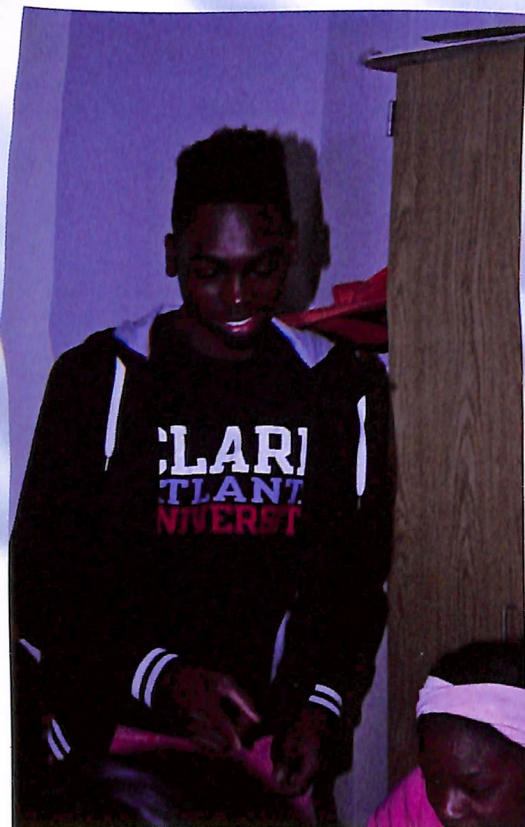
- .Always be yourself
- .Be Respectful
- .Be On Time
- .Be Willing to Learn
- .Do your work



Survival Guide

- . Get Involved
- . Always have extra clothing
- . Bring Food
- . Know: Excellence is an Expectation





What is PBIS?

PBIS is an exciting proactive approach to establishing the behavioral supports and social culture needed for all students in a school to achieve social, emotional and academic success. Here, at Washington High School we plan to accomplish this task by introducing three concepts; Be Respectful, Be on Time and Be Willing to Learn. Our attention will focus on creating an environment that allows for the growth of all our students by making targeted misbehavior less effective, efficient, and relevant, and desired behavior more functional.



Students willing to learn and help each other

MARKET

DAY





LOOK

At

MY DAB

Every time I
dance I turn
into a better
version of me
DAB!



DAB DAB DAB DAB DA

DAB DAB DAB!!!!

B DAB DAB DAB D



I walk in the room just to
pipe it up
I stand on this stage and I
pipe it up

Pipe it up Dab

Pipe it up Dab pi
pe it up Dab pi



Hotline



Girl...guess what I just saw on snapchat!!



Who you texting Coach Porter?

Bling



Excuse me miss,.... Can I get your number?



I got two phones, One for the class, and one for the halls.



We've Got Spirit



BTW's Varsity & JV Football Team



Never bring
a cat to a
DOG
FIGHT!!

BTW'S Finest!

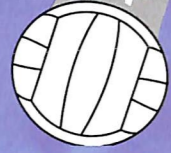


Cross Country and Volleyball

The Athletes of
Washington High



VOLLEYBALL



Perseverance is Key for the Lady Bulldogs.



CROSS COUNTRY

We are always running for the thrill of it !



**Booker T. Washington High School
45 Whitehouse Drive Atlanta, GA 30314
Athletes running hard, playing hard and, as
always, bringing home many victories.**

Varsity Cheerleading Team



I'm a crowd pleasing, cheer yelling, stunt building, short-skirt wearing, toe touching, hand clapping, big smiling, cheerleader!



CHEER



Lady Bulldogs Basketball



Ladies playing a riveting match.



Victory requires payment in advance.



There's no traffic in the extra mile.



Your loss is my game.



Bulldog supporters enjoying the game.



"Concentration and mental toughness are the margins of victory" - Bill Russell

"Good basketball always starts with good defense!" - Bob Knight

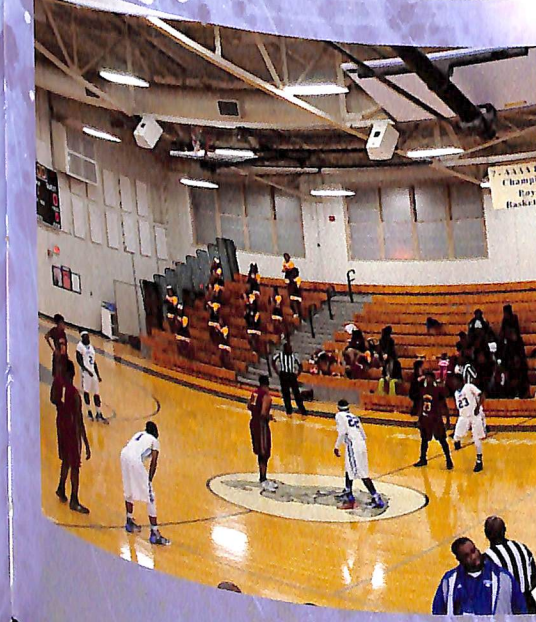


Bulldog Basketball



"Even the greatest players accept coaching and value the need for discipline and the order that it brings to the team" - Dr. Jack Ramsay

"Basketball is a beautiful game when the five players on the court play with one heartbeat" - Dean Smith



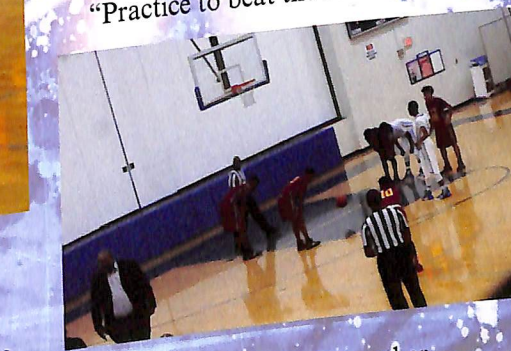
Bulldogs practicing endlessly for a win.



"The game honors toughness" - Stevens



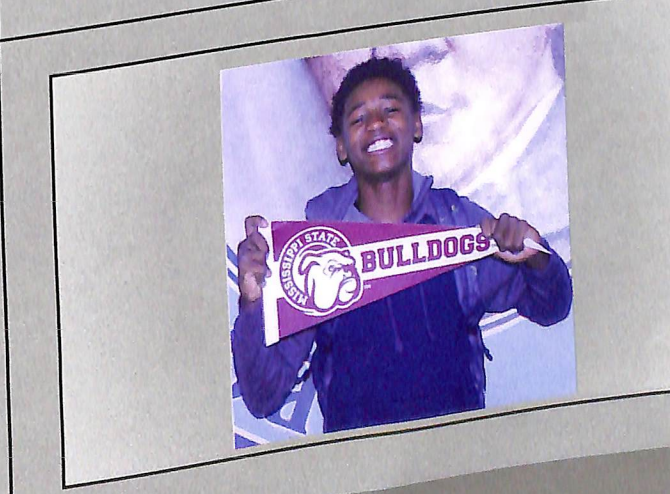
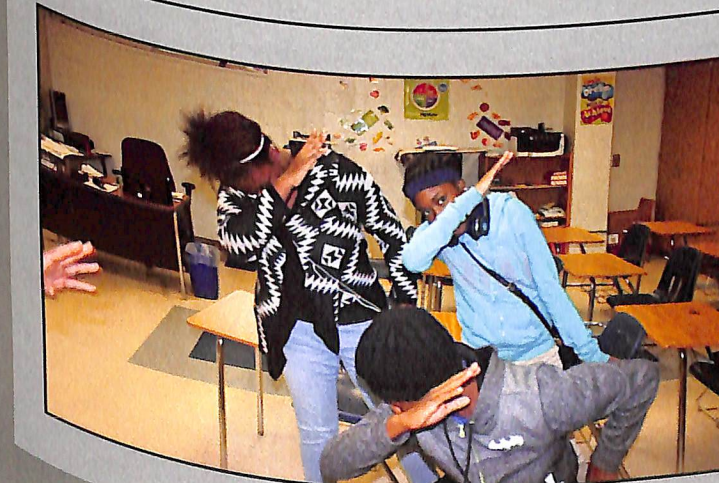
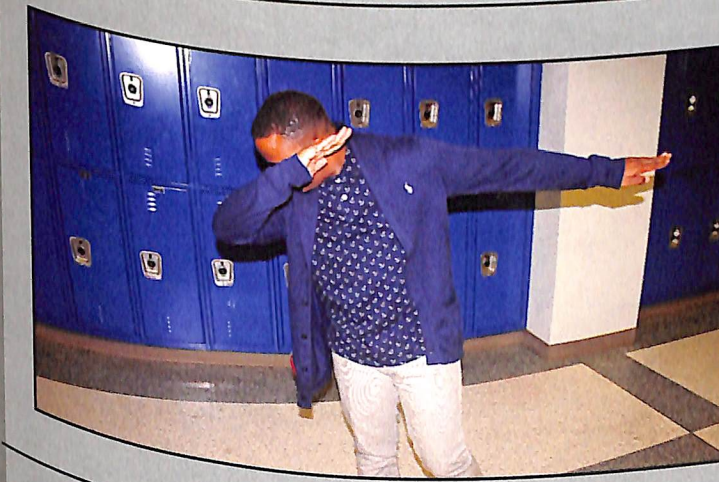
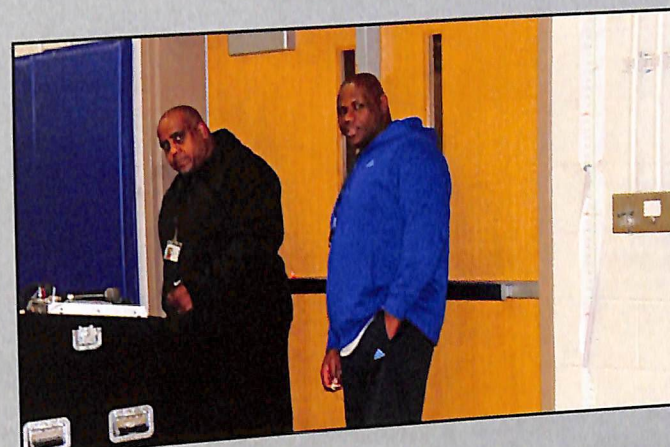
"Practice to beat the best" - Bennett



Wish together, swish together.



Rise to the top number 3.





Eleventh

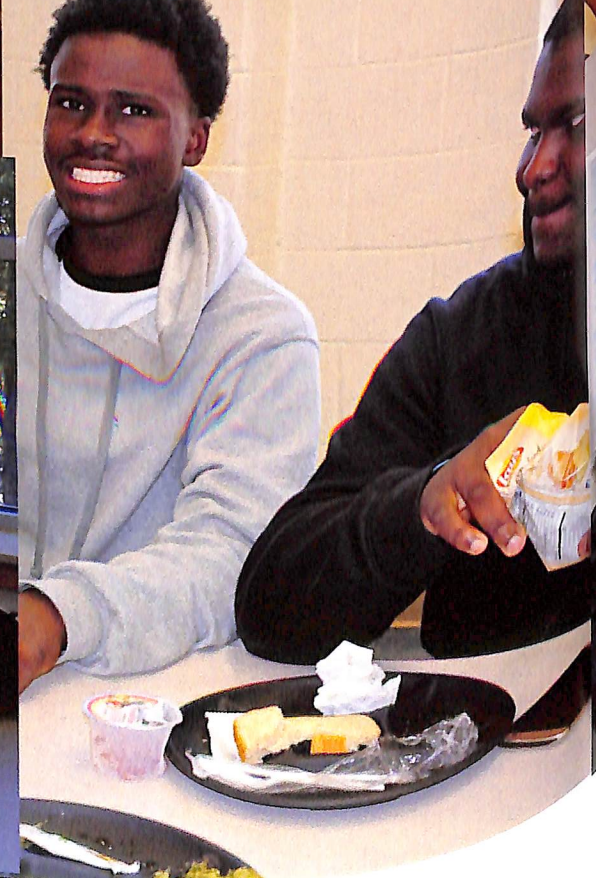
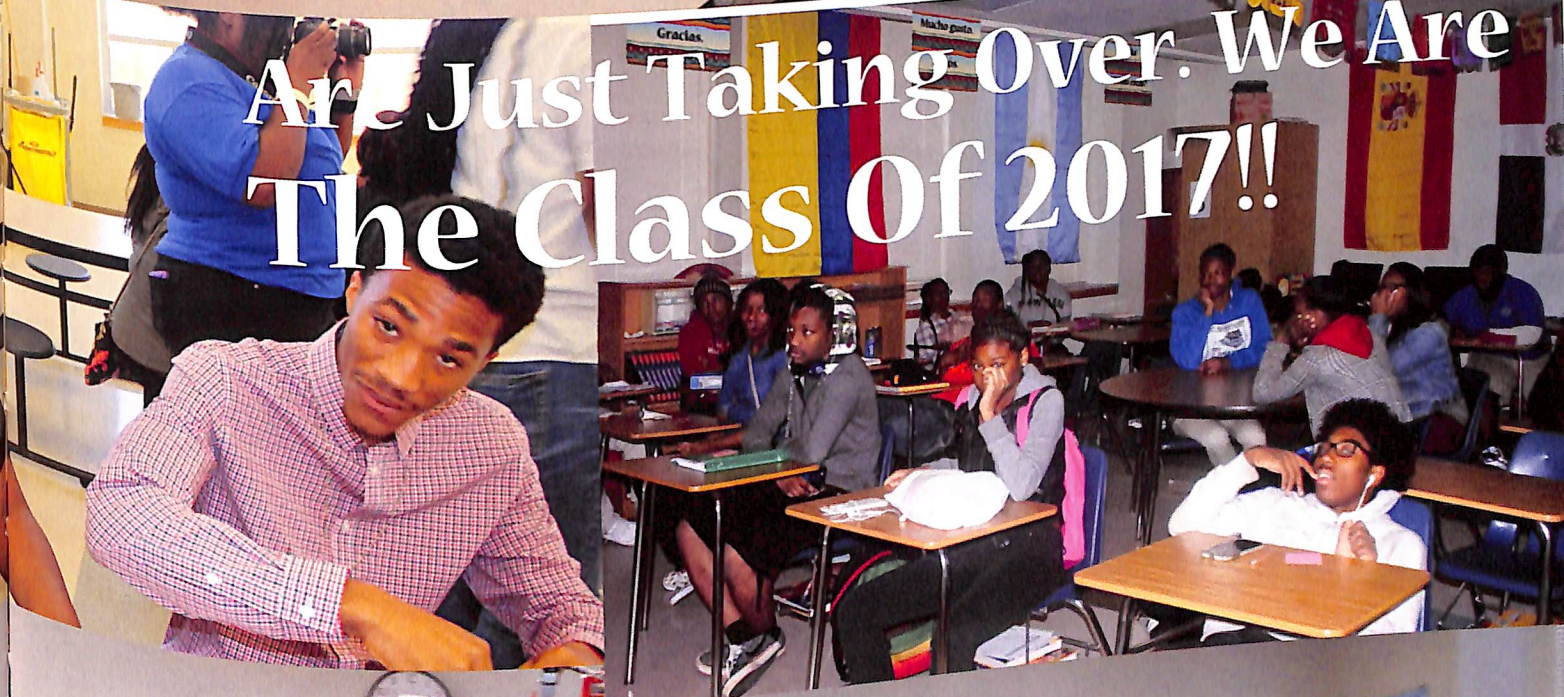


Grade





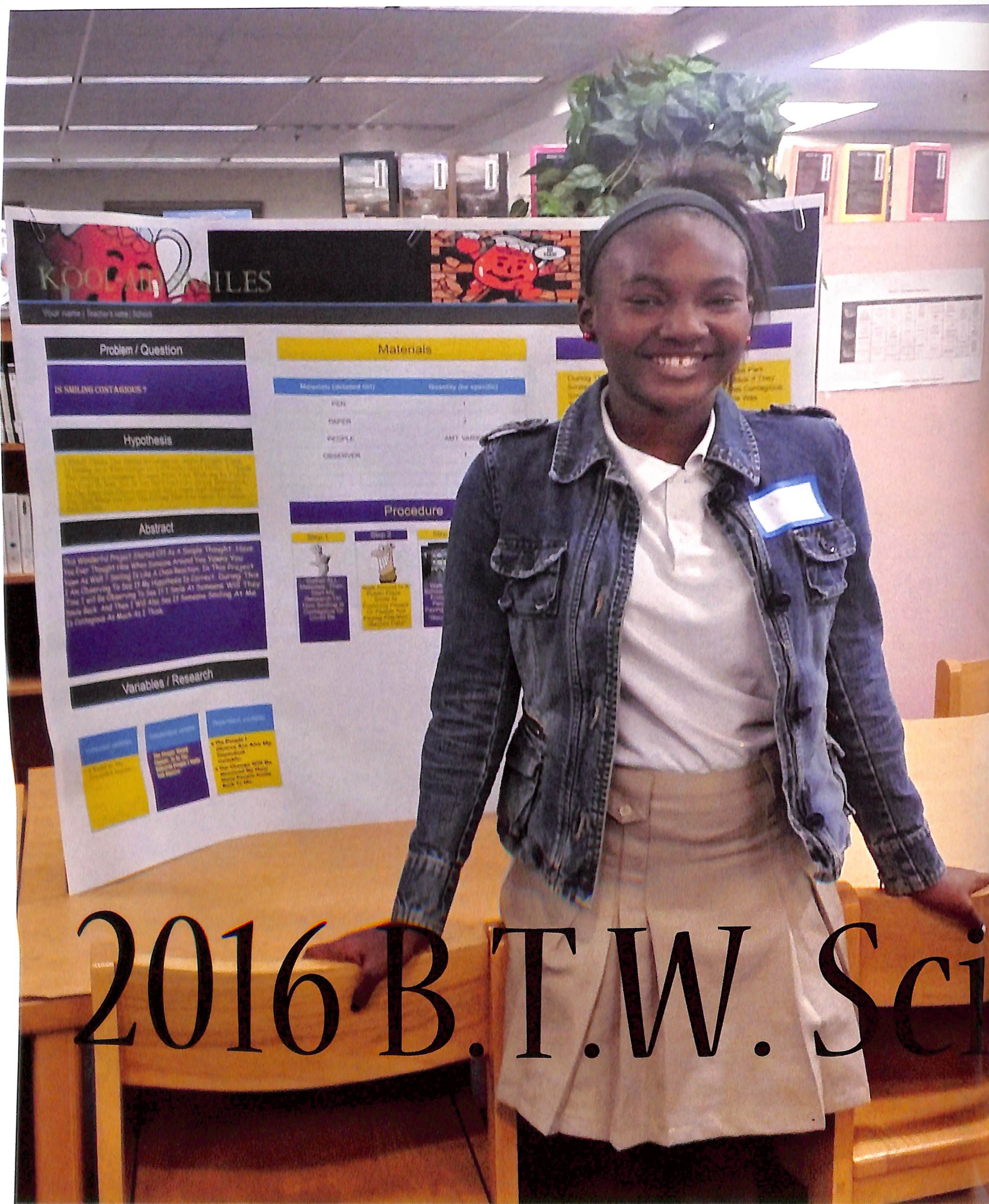
The World Isn't Ending. We
Are Just Taking Over. We Are
The Class Of 2017!!



CLASS OF 2018

TENTH GRADE

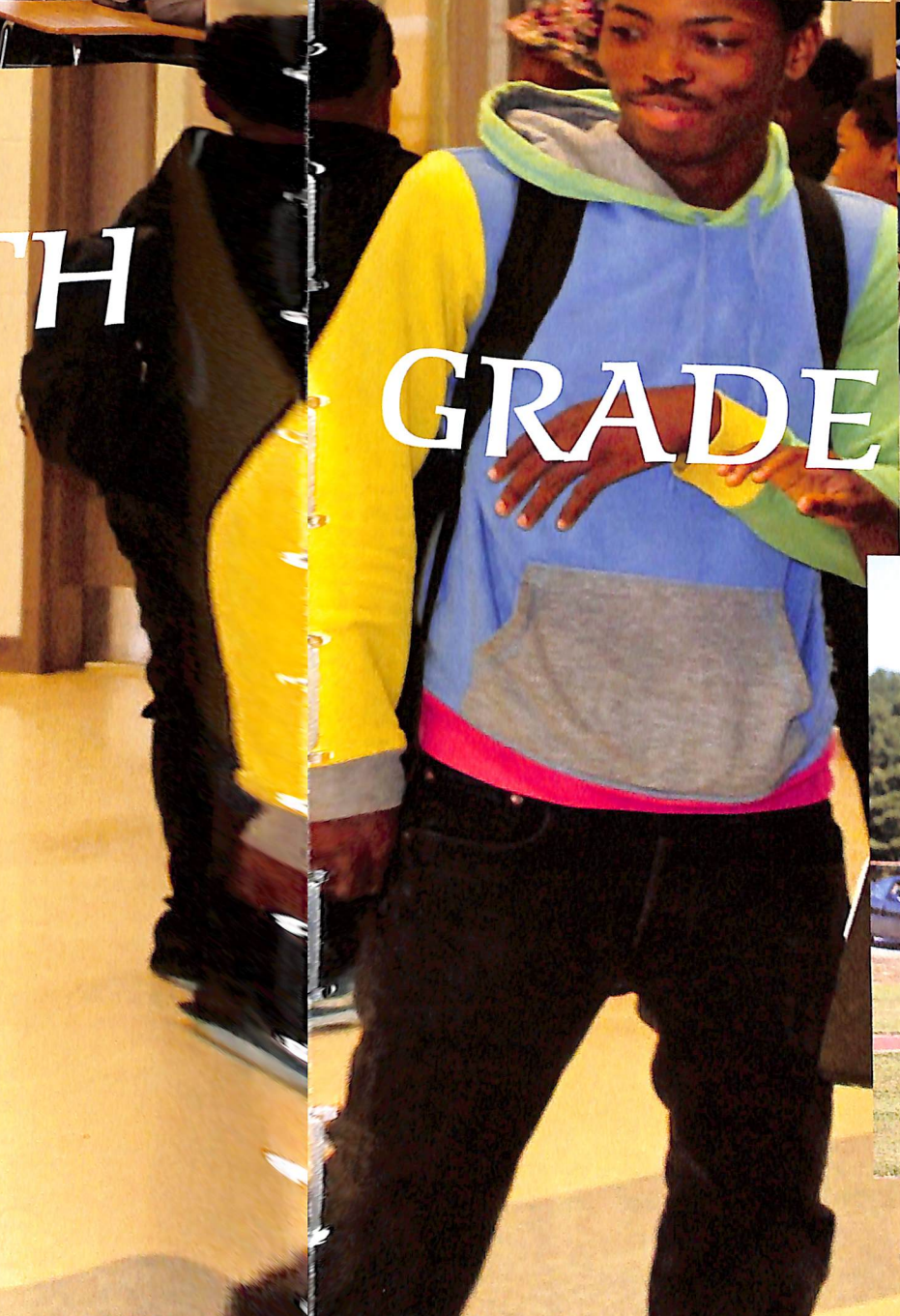


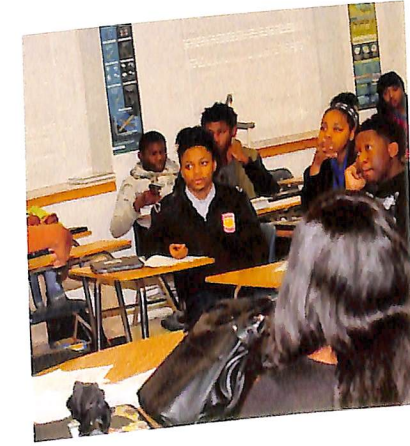
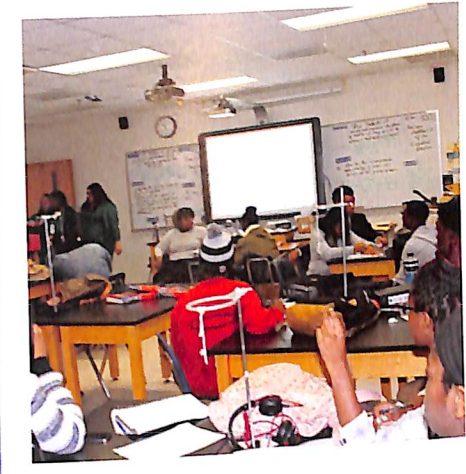
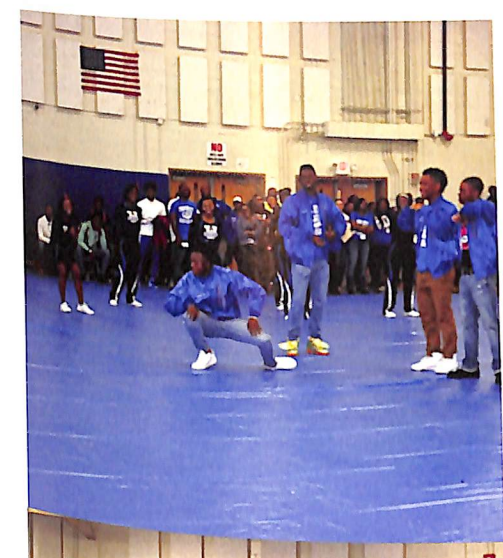


2016 B.T.W. Science Fair



NINTH GRADE





School may be ... **Hard**
Annoying and Irritating



But, admit it ...
You're going to miss it
When it Ends



Picture Perfect



"Fashions fade, style is eternal." ~Yves Saint Laurent

"People will stare. Make it worth their while." ~H.W.

Can you say gentleman of quality? Chris Lowe can.

Is that Mr and Miss Washington? Yes! Royalty at its finest.

"I know what women want. They want to be beautiful." ~V.G.



The lovely royal court in royal blue and black.

Bulldogs on Fleek!



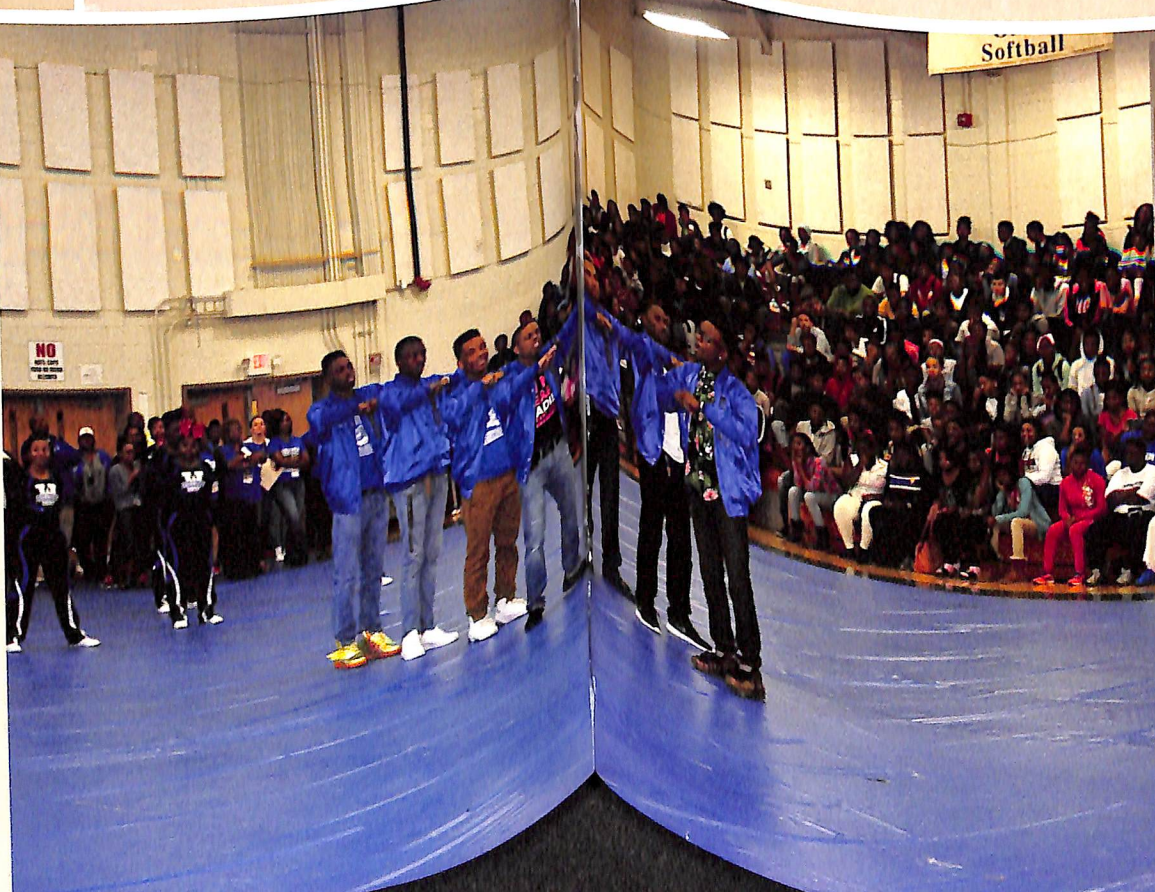
Get on the winning team. Go Big Blue!

Beautiful in black. These are some of the fiercest sponsors i've ever seen. Definitely *fleek!*



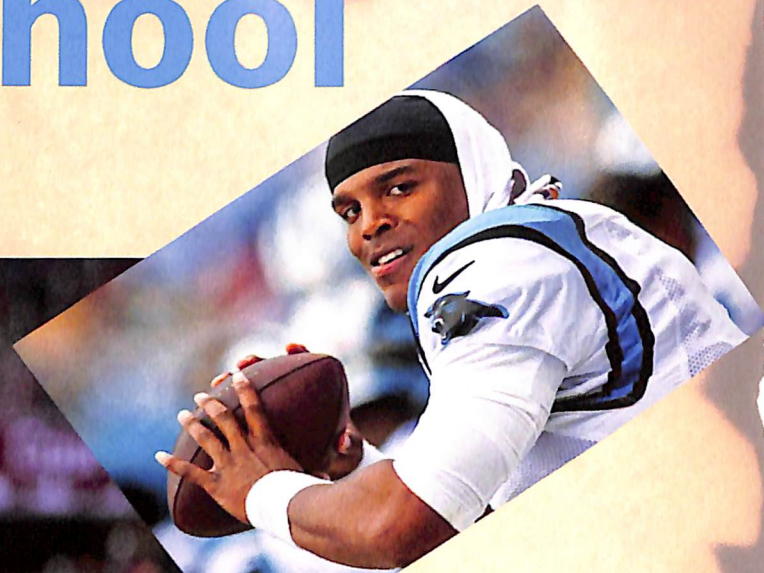
Any MAN can hold a girl's HAND, but only the ELITE can hold her by her FEET!

One School, One Family



New School

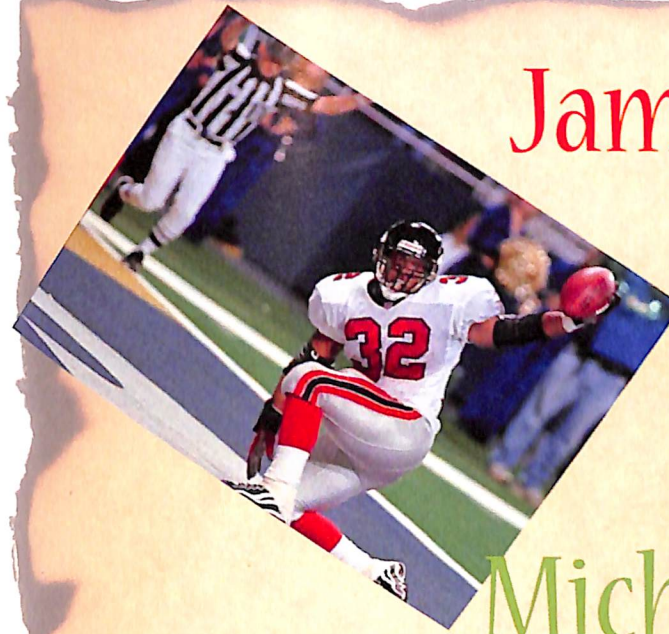
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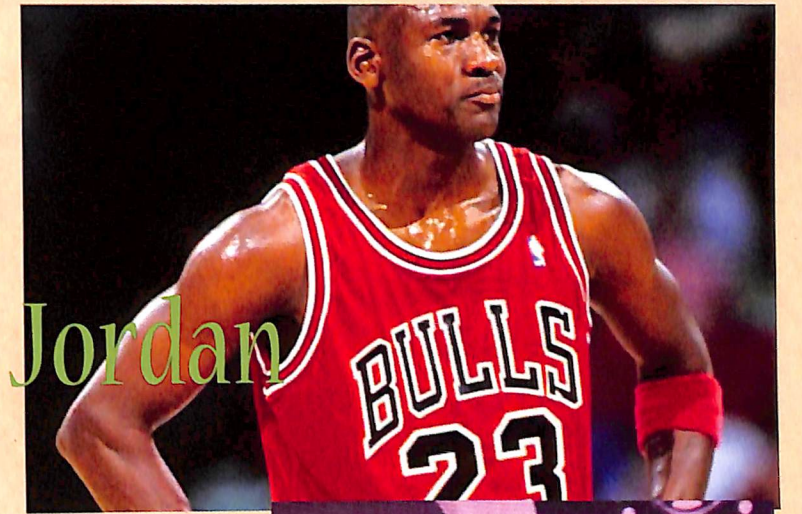
Cam Newton

VS

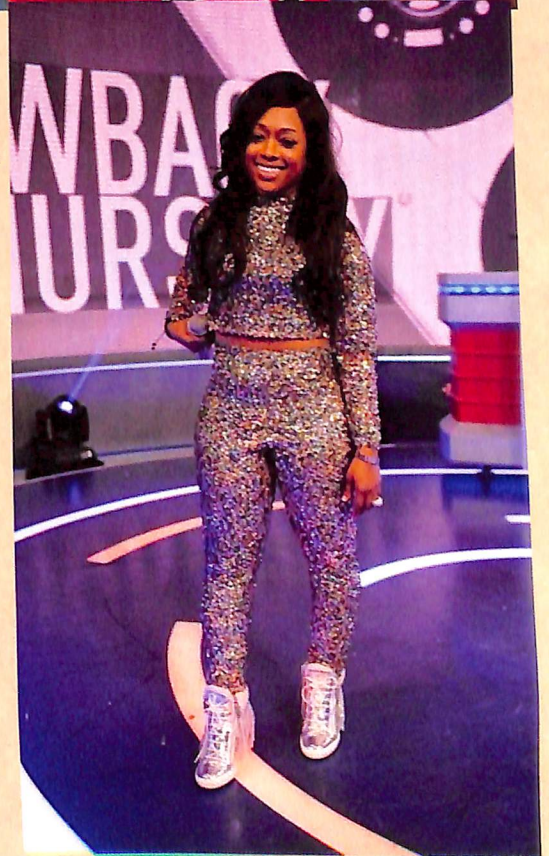
Jamal Anderson



Michael Jordan



Trina



Nicki Minaj



Lincoln Heights

The Cosby Show



"Respect the old, but seek out the new"

-Michiba Rokusabur

Old School

REMEMBER WHEN

...the marching band went from the marching 100 to the marching 10 #down bad

...Mr.Swan went to B.E.S.T #shade

...the dance team wore wigs! #nogo

...when we had to wear uniforms - they THOUGHT!

...when the football team beat the mustangs.LITERALLY!

...Michelle Obama came to the school

...Rufus was turnt at GQ's party! #nawfr

...the school fed us "canned chicken"! --So they say.

...Foots "bit his lip" *wink wink*

...when students performed Thriller at the homecoming pep rally



Juniors

Jimmon Allen
James Anderson
Rochalae Barnes
Mercedes Barnett
Myonme Bell



Willie Bell
Shareka Bellows
Malik Benton
Morguis Brock
Aubreyona Brown



Miracle Brown
Shuntiria Brown
Zacarria Burks
Cedric Cash
Darius Clark



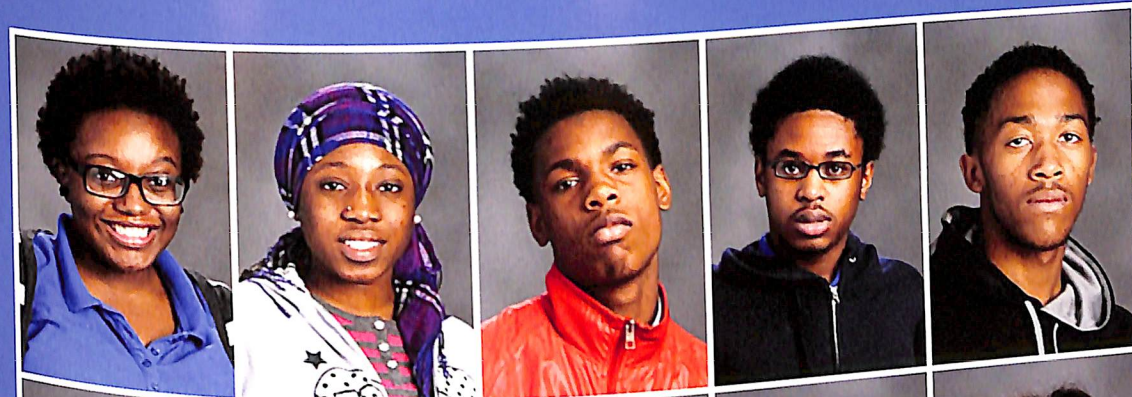
Kadasia Clark
Trevion Collins
Jamikus Covington
Travon Crews
Mikaela Darden



Quentin Darden
Quintayvious Darden
Paula Davis-Robinson
Moesha Dorsey
Quinterrius Douglas



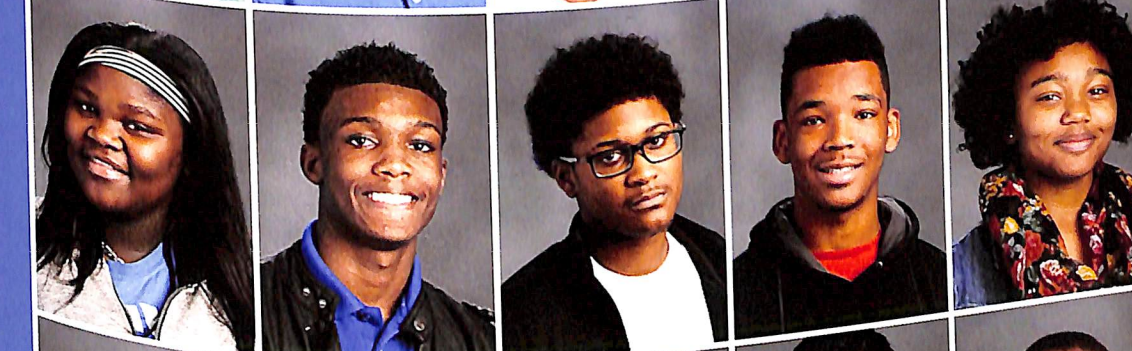
Class of 2017



Chasity Drake
Naesato Drammeh
Deanthony Fain
Walter Farmer
Akem Ferguson



Ayana Ferguson
Zac'Quanneasha Flemons
Arriana Gaines
Sabree Gallishaw
Miracle Garmon



Timoneica Garrison
Branden Gibson
Jeremiah Glass
Armani Gonzalez
Ayana Graham



Kendall Granderson
Marcus Grier
Malik Hamilton
Imani Hampton
Dguavious Harrey



Jakobeian Harris
Trevon Harris
Jala Hawkins
Andrew Hayes
Kalveion Heard

Juniors

Starnecia Heard
Franchesca Henderson
Jessica Hill
Emanuel Hood
Aasim Hudson



Gerren Hutcherson
Jamal Ingram
Vanecia Ivey
Anastasia Jackson
Jacqueline Jackson



Xavier Jackson
J'Tavian Johnson
Julius Johnson
Kianna Johnson
Quintavius Johnson



Dayan Jones
Jamauri Jones Jr
Jonathon Kendrick
Tekeyah King
Marcus Krayee



Keayra Law
Benjamin Leverette
Shanquavia Locklin
Sontoine Lotimore
Marquarious Martin



Class of 2017



Rickessiyah Mason
Demetriyana Mathews
Jia'Tavius McClendon
Cammari McDowell
Valerie McGhee



Shykeria Meriweather
Crystal Nakevia Milton
Mia Mitchell
Derod Moore
Angelique Moreland



Rinda Mubarik
Marvin Nance
La'Kesiya Pearson-Banks
Chania Peays
Brianna Perry



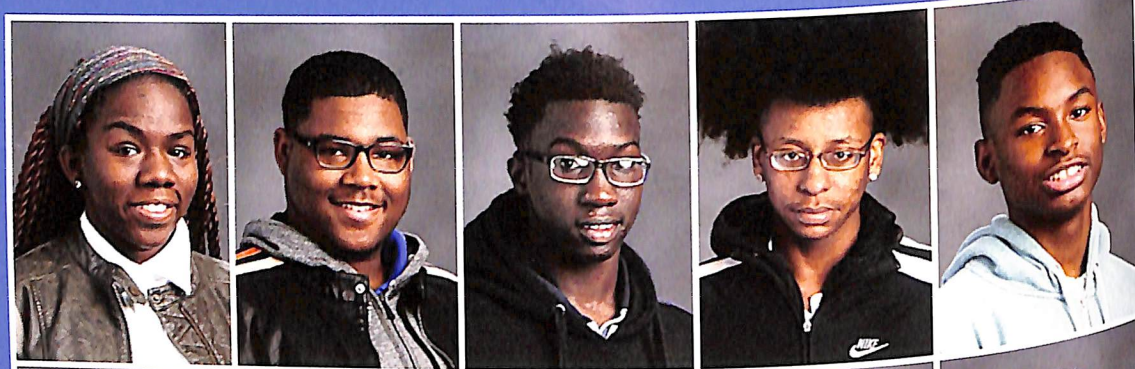
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Destiny President
Brandy Presley
Khadijah Ragland
Lula Redding



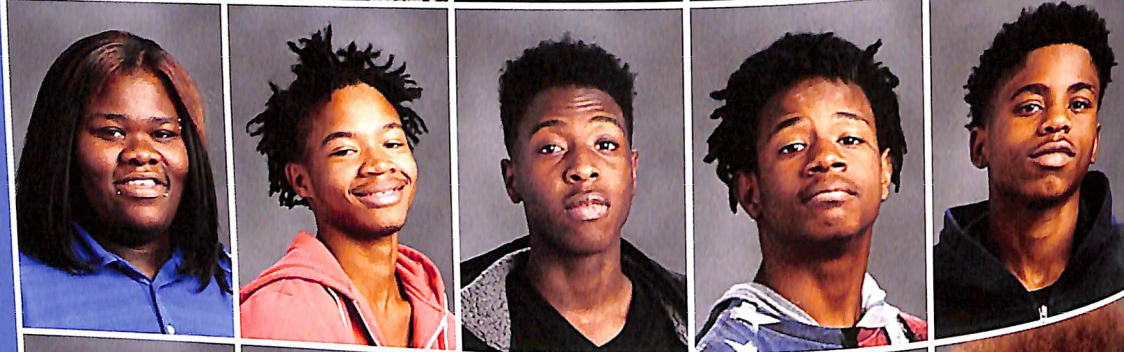
Taqueria Redding
Jamyra Render
Jocelyn Reynolds
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Quintavius Roby

Juniors

Tuesday Royalston
Tahj Sampler
Ibrahime Savane
Tony Scott
Rashaard Sheats



Keidra Shelby
Roderick Shields
Antonio Smith
Deondre Smith
John Smith



Terrance Stargell
Ta'Mya Stevenson
Dontevyius Taylor
Laurn Taylor
Thomas Taylor



Antesha Thomas
Mynateleiquazflo Tillman
Moussa Traore
Montavious Traylor
Troytoria Wade



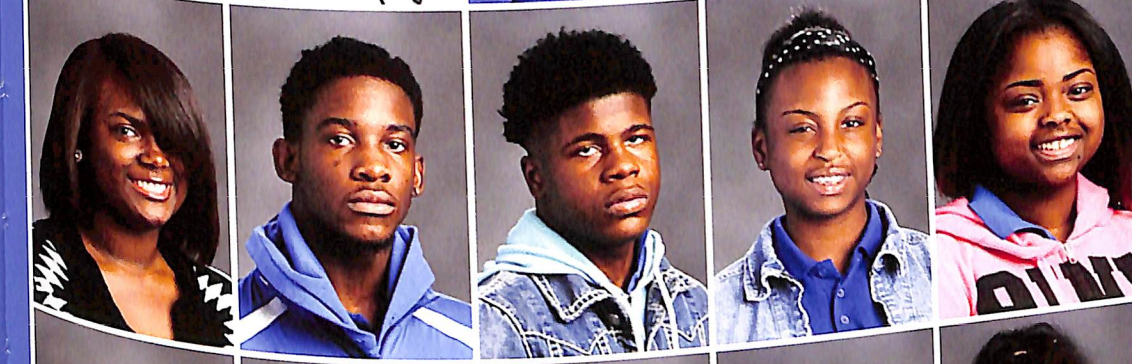
Ural Waters
N'Deia Watson
Tley Watts
Joshua Weaver
Chadrick Wiggins



Class of 2017



Shanjerria Wiley
Avery Wilkerson
Jamarya Wilkerson
Angel Williams
Jarica Williams



Kenya Williams
Khali Williams
Larry Williams
Zalika Williams
Quiana Willis



Shunteka Wilson
India Withers
Elandra Woodord
Sanchez Wright
Miracle Young

*Tough
times don't
last, but
people do.*



*Proud to be a
BULLDOG*

City
Champions
Boys
1991 1993 1995





Friends



Forever



WHAT ABOUT

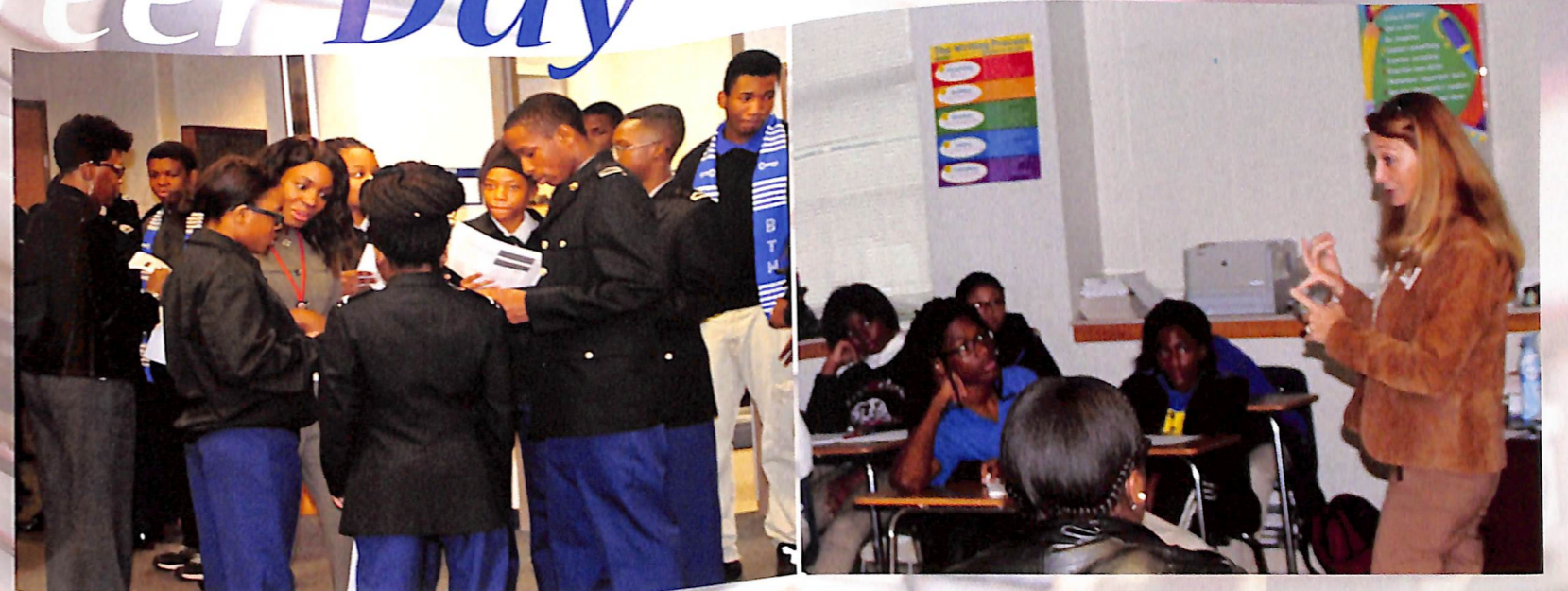
YOUR FRIENDS??



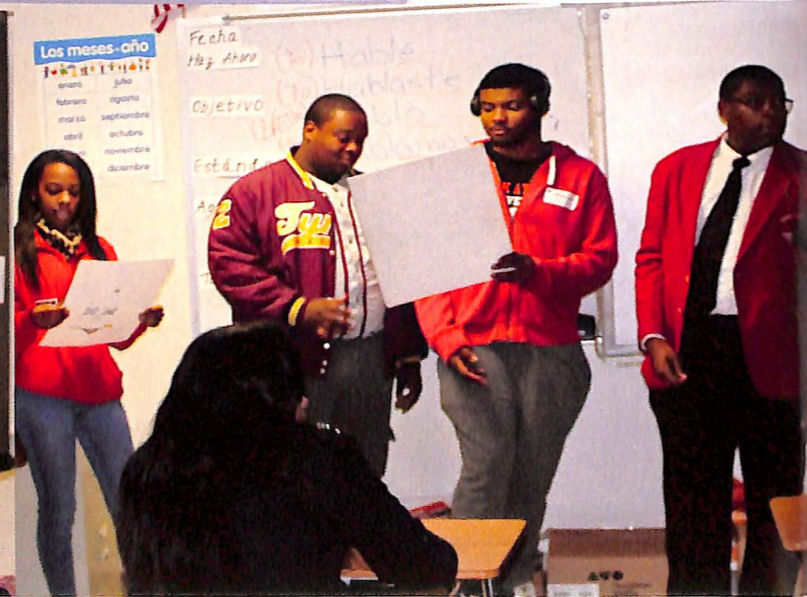
Go Best Friend



BTW Career Day



*"Never Dream
About Success
Without Working For It"*



Sophomore

Omar Abdul-Rahman
Horper Atkins
Kyla Atkins
Ariel Barnes
Dayla Bell



Robert Bell
Earline Bennett
Cameron Bolden
Ashunte Bowens
Mario Broadnax



Marionna Brocks
Morkail Brooks
Ranshavia Brooks
Donesha Brown
Jaquavius Brown



Marcus Brown
Aaron Burkes
Justin Butler
Laquana Carter
Tameesha Clark



Tkiyah Clark
George Counts
Tamilria Crane
Imani Crenshaw
Christopher Crosby



Class of 2018



Tionne Cullins
Aniya Culpepper
Mbinkinding Dampha
Traynard Davis
Taurean Demons



Terrell Dettaway
Briana Donerson
Lazaria Fannin
Stantrese Foster
Jasmine Freeman



Deja Fuqua
Kelsey Gearing
Princess Glenn
Jahkevis Goston
Letashia Gresham



Shandreka Grover
Ashley Hale
Jalan Harris
Spendarius Harris
Deangela Henderson



Daisy Hernandez
Anna Hickson
Cortez Hill
Maya Hill
Montanez Hill

Sophomore

Aliya Hillian
Eric Hollis
Bre'Asia Houston
Dekhala Hutcherson
Elizabeth Jackson



Lamarcus Jackson
Renard Jackson
Xavier Jackson
Darius Johnson
Jada Johnson



Nautonia Jones
Reginald Jones
Alexandria Jordan
Alexis Jordan
Degundra Jordan



Khari Kelley
Mercedes King
Aaron Lawrence
Edward Lee
Zenijah Lee



Charles Lewis
Preston Lewis
Tamieka Lonzo
Tonisha Mapp
Jmyree Martin



Class of 2018



Terrance Matthews
Rashon McClendon
Jakobe McGhee
Demonta Miller
Anaya Mincey



Jakeena Moson
Nadia Mwamuye
Keanna Olajide
Traore Ousman
Demarkus Parris



Derall Parrish
Rachelle Pierre
Treyvon Pinckney
Ezra Pooser
Hennessy Powell



Rashad Powers
Alicia Randolph
Karrington Releford
Tomar Richardson
Jaquan Riggins



Hershel Robinson
Trinity Robinson
Sanchez Rooks
English Rozier
Alaric Sanders

Sophomore

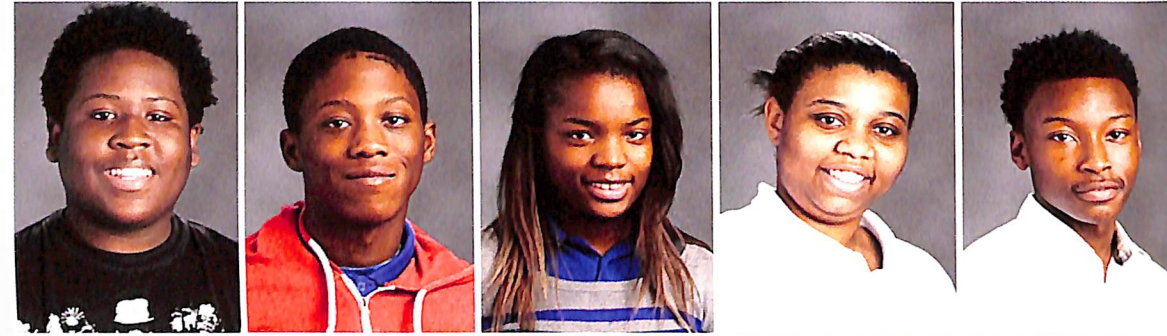
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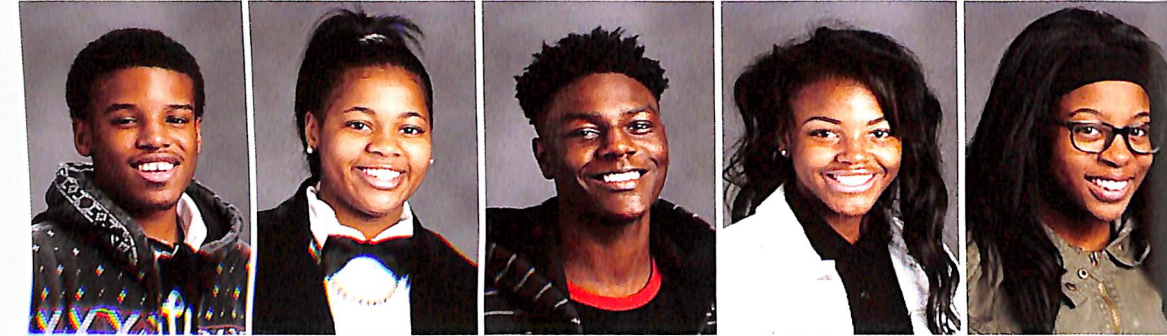
Michael Solomon
 Tyriq Speach
 Dionte Statham
 Sakyeya Stewart
 Nautica Strickland



Darrion Taylor
 Deontra Taylor
 Mikesha Thomas
 Azaria Tinch
 Quontavis Walker



Charles Watkins
 Shemika White
 Domion William
 Destiny Williams
 Hannah Williams



Mercedes Williams
 Elijah Wilson
 Destiny Wisdom
 Quenecia Woodruff
 Javoris Wright



Autographs

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Yusef Abdul-Hakim
 Quinton Ailes
 Azimrah Alleyne
 Tremia Alston
 George Andrews
 Reniya Armstead



Destiny Arnold
 Jordan Atkins
 Jeffrey Austin
 Alexis Baskerville
 Keddrick Beck
 Deshaun Bell



Kaseem Benton
 Nyasia Benton
 Kelvin Benyard
 Aerielle Braggs
 Tommy Bridgeman
 Bennie Brown



Chorleslyn Brown
 Jordan Brown
 Markela Brown
 Tamesha Brown
 Xzaykia Burdett
 Adonnas Cameron



Destine Carter
 Devonte' Carter
 Dominique Carter
 Daniela Castillo Sanchez
 Armoni' Chandler
 Rashad Cheney



Dealo Christian
 D'Angelo Church
 Inanyah Clark
 Kanijah Clark
 Angel Clayton
 Malik Cochran



Shondale Collins
 Jamal Conklin
 Sarai Cooper
 Tavares Cox
 Milanye Daniels
 Quenterria Darden



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 Garnett Davis
 Sasha Davis
 Khalaya Dean
 Lakearren Demolle
 Beyonce' Dobbs



Jaden Donaldson
 Dequavious Dukes
 Natasha Ellis
 Preia Eubanks
 India Evans
 Nylah Everson



Jayda Farnell
 Amata Faulkner
 Rodricus Fitten
 Raquan Ford
 Zameon Ford
 Aria Frost

Freshmen Class of 2019

Destiny Fuqua
Derek Gabriel
Vyanna Garrison
Sade' Gill
Everlyn Glass
Lecario Glass



Amari Ginton-Burton
Kayla Graves-Yancey
Genesis Green
Amiya Gregory
Adia Gulley
Ja'Keria Guthrie



Akin-Karief Haqq
Jessica Harper
Erin Harris
Jokava Harris
Terrell Harris
Dorien Head



Dequavious Hill
Samuel Hill
Johntay Hopkins
Mackenzie Hornsby
Michael Hornsby
Iteyana Hunter



Addis Johnson
Asia Johnson
Nokiya Kendall
Maliyah Kendrick
Thomas King
Chiqueta Law



Detrell Leverett
Marquavis Mabry
Jaquan Mack
Champrela Madison
Agneshia Mann
Anthony Mapp



Ronald Mason
Carleoc Mathews
Makiya Matthews
Jacardo Mc Clarti
Cajmere McCraw
Brianna McCullough



Kayla McDew
Kayla McDowell
Liguaevious Millett
Jeremiah Mitchell
Keywon Mitchell
Tristan Neal



Miracle Nelson
Gary Nixon
Chynna Oliver
Ashley Payne
Tyquavious Perry
Bouveia Porter



Desean Powell
Zykeria Price
Kala Printup
Todderick Rapley
Antonio Reed
Maudistine Reeves

Freshmen Class of 2019

Keyshawn Releford
 Kentravious Rhoden
 Jae'Len Rivers
 Antavious Robinson
 Hykiem Rodgers
 Jolijah Russell



Taliyah Rutledge
 Nichelle Sadler
 Kevon Scott
 Tiamya Scott
 Tiamya Scott
 Shaunessy Seabrook



Karlos Sheats
 Jaquan Sillman
 Teiarra Sims
 Torreyona Sims
 Vilencia Sims
 Armani Smith



Jermyia Smith
 Tamaría Smith
 Zachery Smith
 Zachery-Tokyo Smith
 Corliss Stinson
 Tamoria Stokley



Jerry Strong
 De'Aisa Sutton
 Demontavious Sutton
 Deondre Tarver
 Willie Thonias
 Jasmine Trotty



Jeremiah Tucker
 Jasmine Turner
 Tatyana Tutman
 Taniya Vasquez
 Gregory Vaughn
 Reginald Vaughn



Rikishi Walker
 Shateria Walker
 Leterran Wallace
 Julian Warren
 Jada Watts
 Andrea White



Dantaivus White
 Kemyia Whitlock
 Kiara Wiley
 Crystal Williams
 Davaughn Williams
 Deontae Williams



Jarin Williams
 Sarah Williams
 Timothy Winfrey
 Jasmine Wingfield
 Tobias Woods
 Dominique Wright

Freshmen Class of 2019

Clarence Anderson
 Jason Andrews
 Lincia Bennett
 Andrew Berkowitz



Michelle Brown
 Frank Carter
 Chanel Cobey-Williams
 Victor Dees



Brandon Fears
 Richard Garner
 Yashika Grace
 Ramona Harper



Tracy Harrell
 Candice R. Henry
 Douglas Hickman
 Mrs. Sarah Hobbs



Inglis Hunter
 Patricia Jackson-Jones
 D Jefferson
 Media Specialist Jerol



Mar-De Kilcrease
 Taneka Knight
 Tlynn Matthews
 Howard Michael



Erica Mickens
 Micheal Moore
 Sharina Moore
 Julius Moses



Donielle Oliver
 Sonya Owens
 Jazzman Parham
 Eldridge Powell



Chauncey Prather
Angela Rucker
Dr. Micki Sims
Timothy St. Clair



Marcie Wynn

Dr. Nmaobi Uzochukwu
Josh Weddle
Anabela Work
Denise Wright



Senior

Cutest Couple: Antwan Crews and Jamila Abdul-Hakim



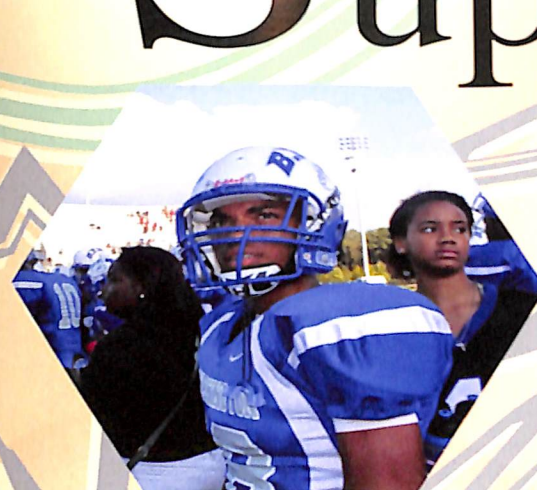
Most Humorous: Demarcus Walker and Aijia Atkins



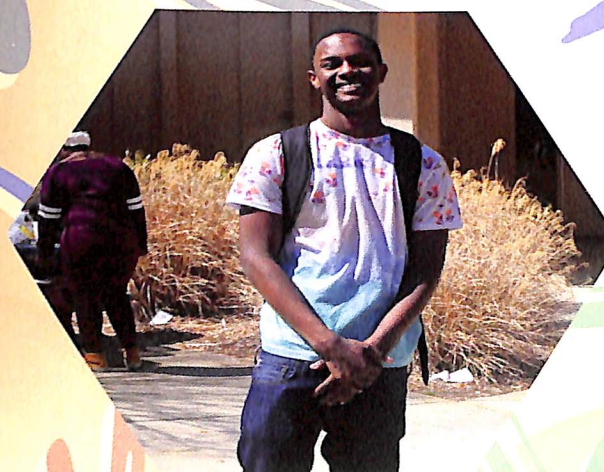
Most Eligible Bachelor/Bachelorette: Christopher Lowe and De'zhane Owens

Superlatives

Most Athletic: Fredrick Avery and Jasmine Walker



Most Annoying: Tommie Jones and Re'Ana Thompson



Most Talkative: Antavious Williams and Jordan Griffin

Senior

Superlatives



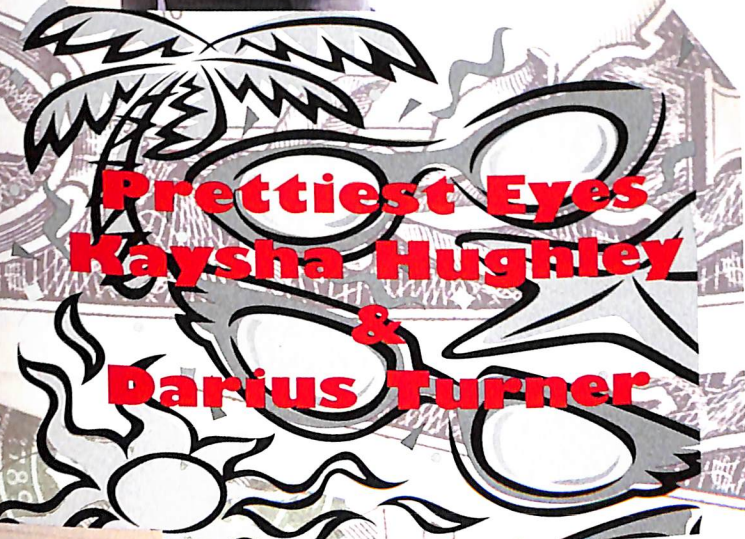
Most Dramatic
Jerome "JJ" Haynes
&
Cheryl "Tameka" Reid



Most Flirtatious
Demon Sanders
&
Shermaine Ethridge



Most Outspoken
Ismail Abdul-Hakim
&
Mahogany Hill



Prettiest Eyes
Kaysha Hughley
&
Darius Turner



Best Smile
Stashawn Johnson
&
Zaria Palmaer



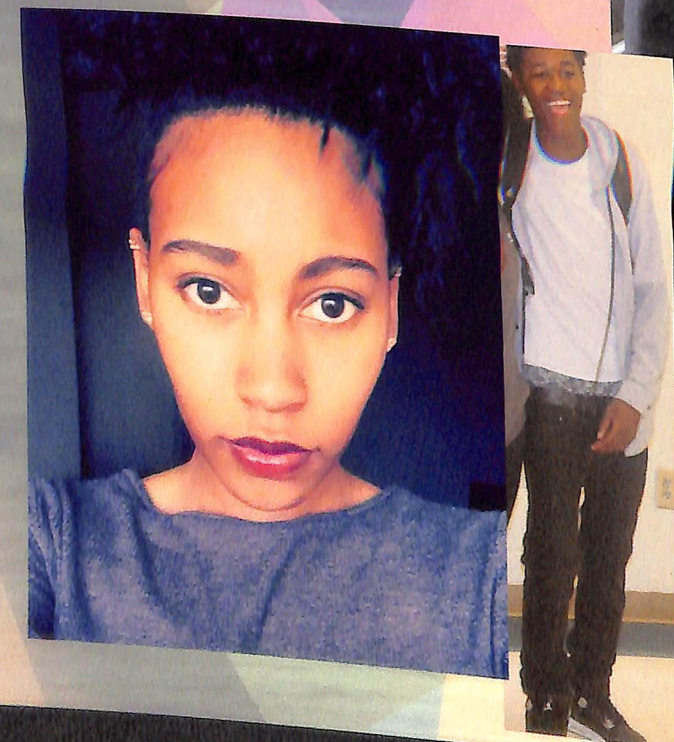
Best Dressed
Anwan Crews
&
Ajia Atkins

Senior



**Best to take home to
Mom and Dad
Christopher Lowe
&
Jasmine Gardner**

**Most Quiet
Usiel Hernandez
&
Gabrielle Patrick**



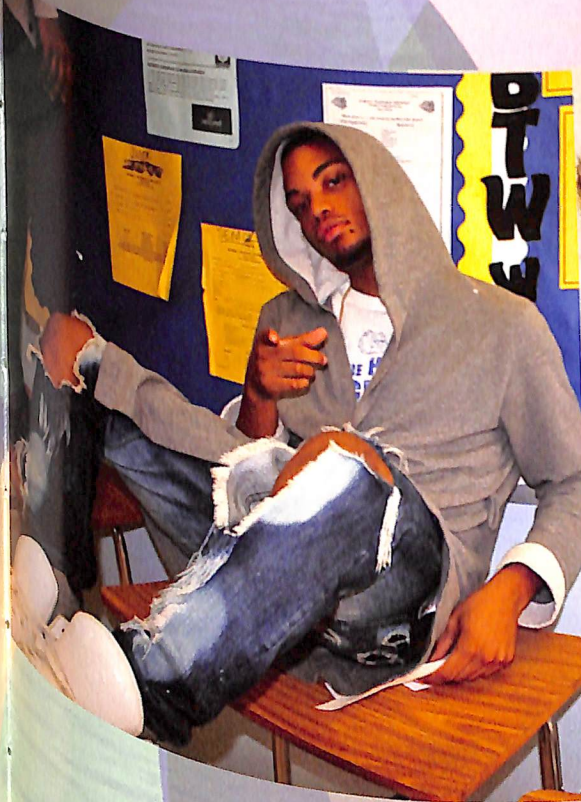
**Most photogenic
Demon Sanders
Jhazzmyn Joiner
&
L'Nyja Hubert**

Superlatives

**Best Dancer
Sam Jones
&
Ashley Burden**



**Most Talented
Fredrick Avery
&
Linda Weaver**

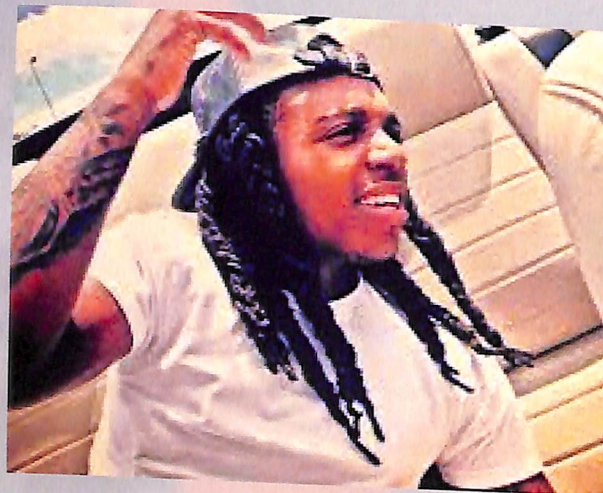


**Most likely to
Succeed
Usiel Hernandez
&
Jhazzmyn Joiner**



Celebrity

Odell Beckham Jr



Jaquees



Channing Tatum



Future



Crushes

Taraji P.
Henson

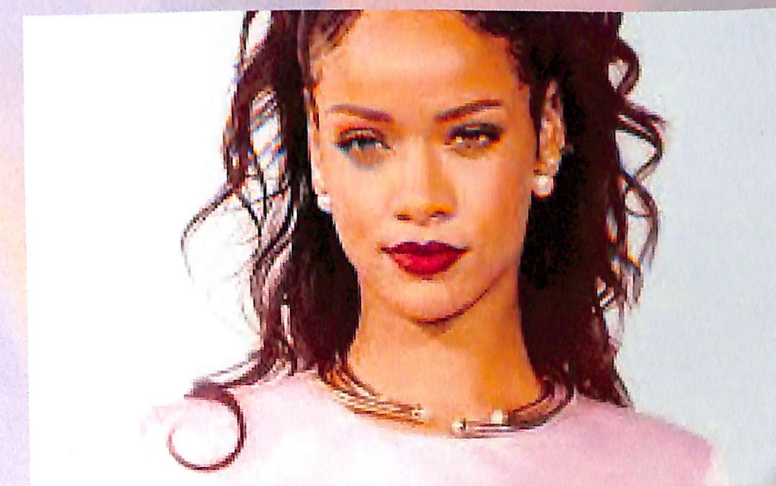
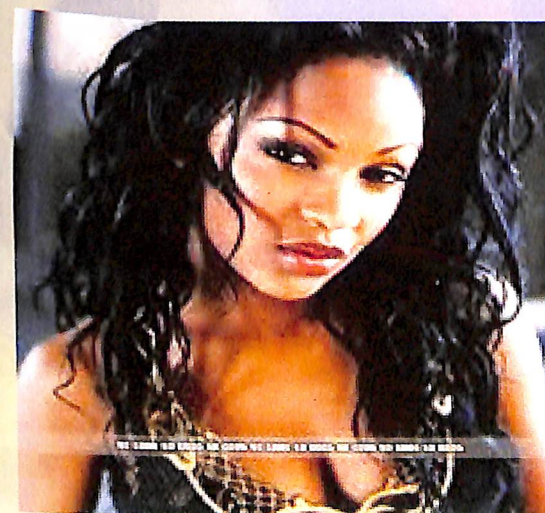
Dej Loaf



Meagan
Good



Rihanna



Clubs and Organizations

Girls Track and Field

TRACK



**& Track
& Field**

Track & Field



You are
braver
than you believe
stronger
than you seem
smarter
than you think



Tennis Team

Swim Team



Cross Country

Basketball Team



The BTW Swim Team, as shown on the upper left, has had a victorious season. Girls came in 4th place for relays and the boys came in 7th place. BTW's Swim Team worked endlessly to compete and win.

The BTW Tennis Team, lower left, has had a successful season and are victorious. They began the season undefeated. They work hard, long hours, and are always ready to compete.

They dunk, shoot three pointers and more. You guessed it, the Washington Bulldog Basketball Team (center picture) has also done extremely well this season. They are definitely in the winner's circle.

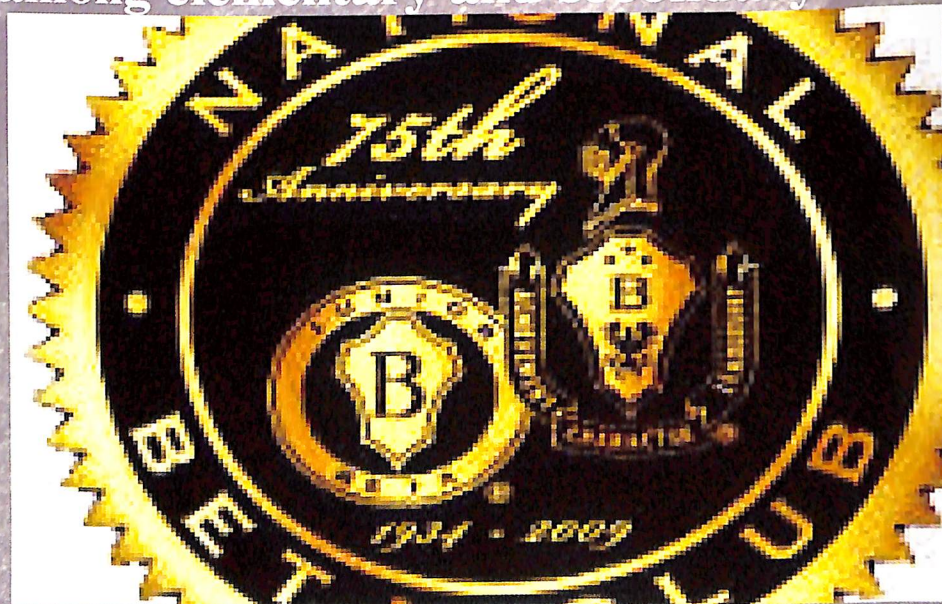


The Cross Country Team, lower left, can run circles around you (as they have done all season). The cross country team has been triumphant this season, winning plenty of races.

The Amazing Beta Club



The National Beta Club (often called "Beta Club" or simply "Beta") is an organization for 4th through 12th grade students in the United States. Its purpose is "to promote the ideals of academic achievement, character, leadership and service among elementary and secondary school students."



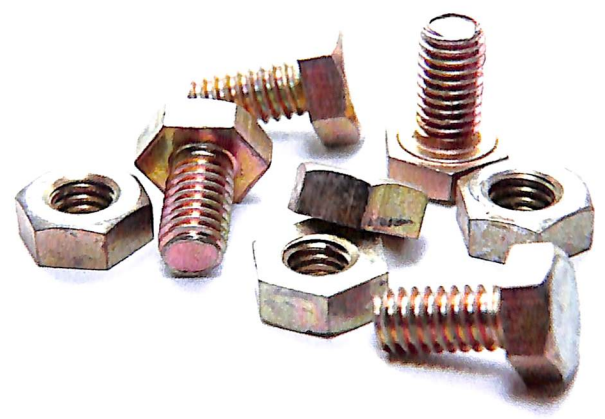
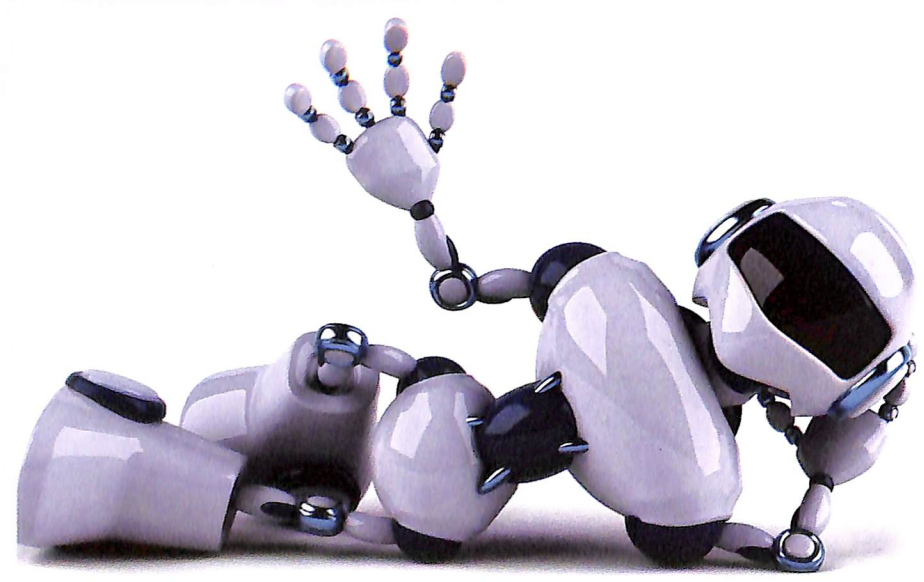
Chorus



ROBOTICS



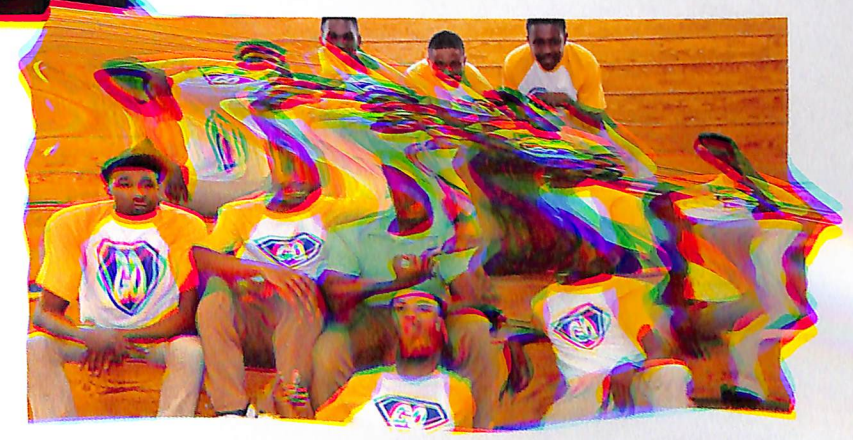
TEAM

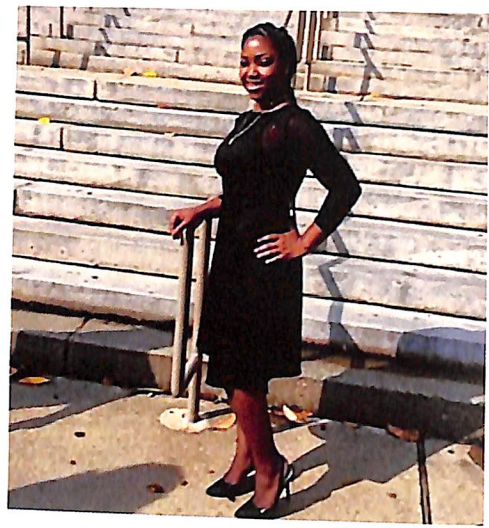


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Gentlemen of Quality





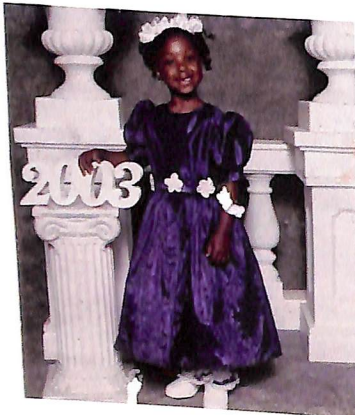
Brittany Hines

Congratulations to my baby girl. I am so proud of you. I have had the privilege to watch you mature into a beautiful, bright, young lady. "You did that!" Nothing has ever steered you from striving to be nothing but the greatest. Your brains, potential, and strive is incomparable. Always remember every great dream begins with a thought. You control your destiny. You are a kind, sincere, and compassionate young lady who is concerned about the wellbeing of others and those characteristics will take you very far in life. May God bless you during your journey! Keep your head up and always stay humble. Remember to always pray and embrace the gift of knowledge and life. This is only the beginning. #YouDidThatBaby #YouGotThis

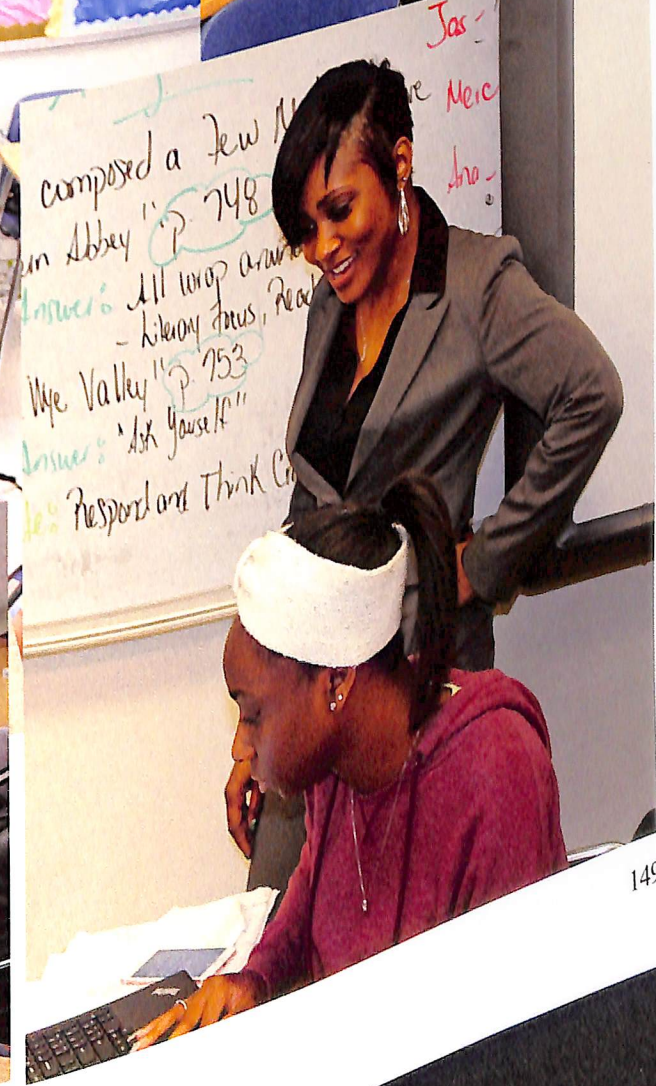
With much love,

Mom and Doc

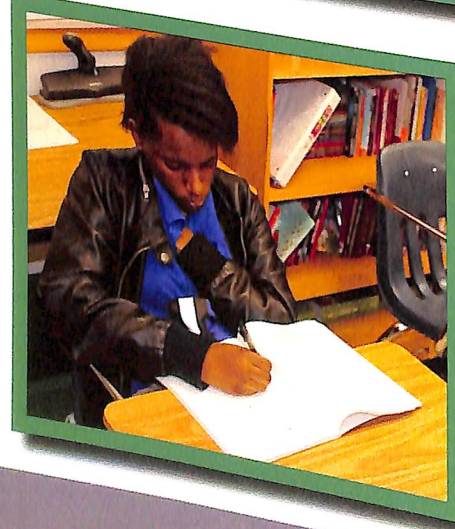
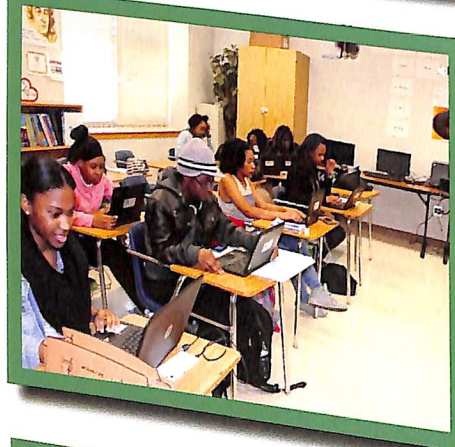
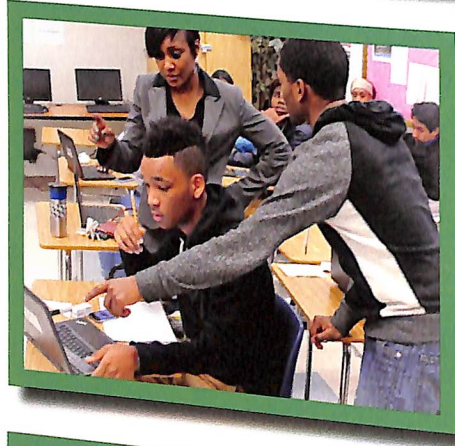
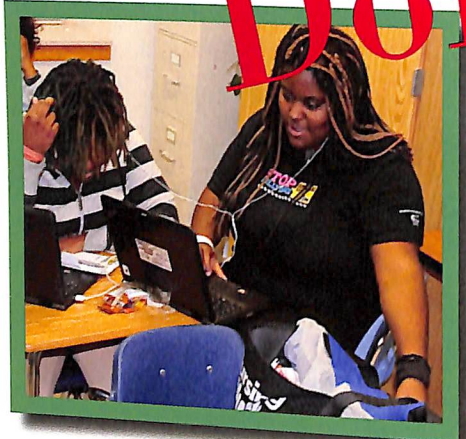
Again, Congratulations!



Journalism Class



Doing things the

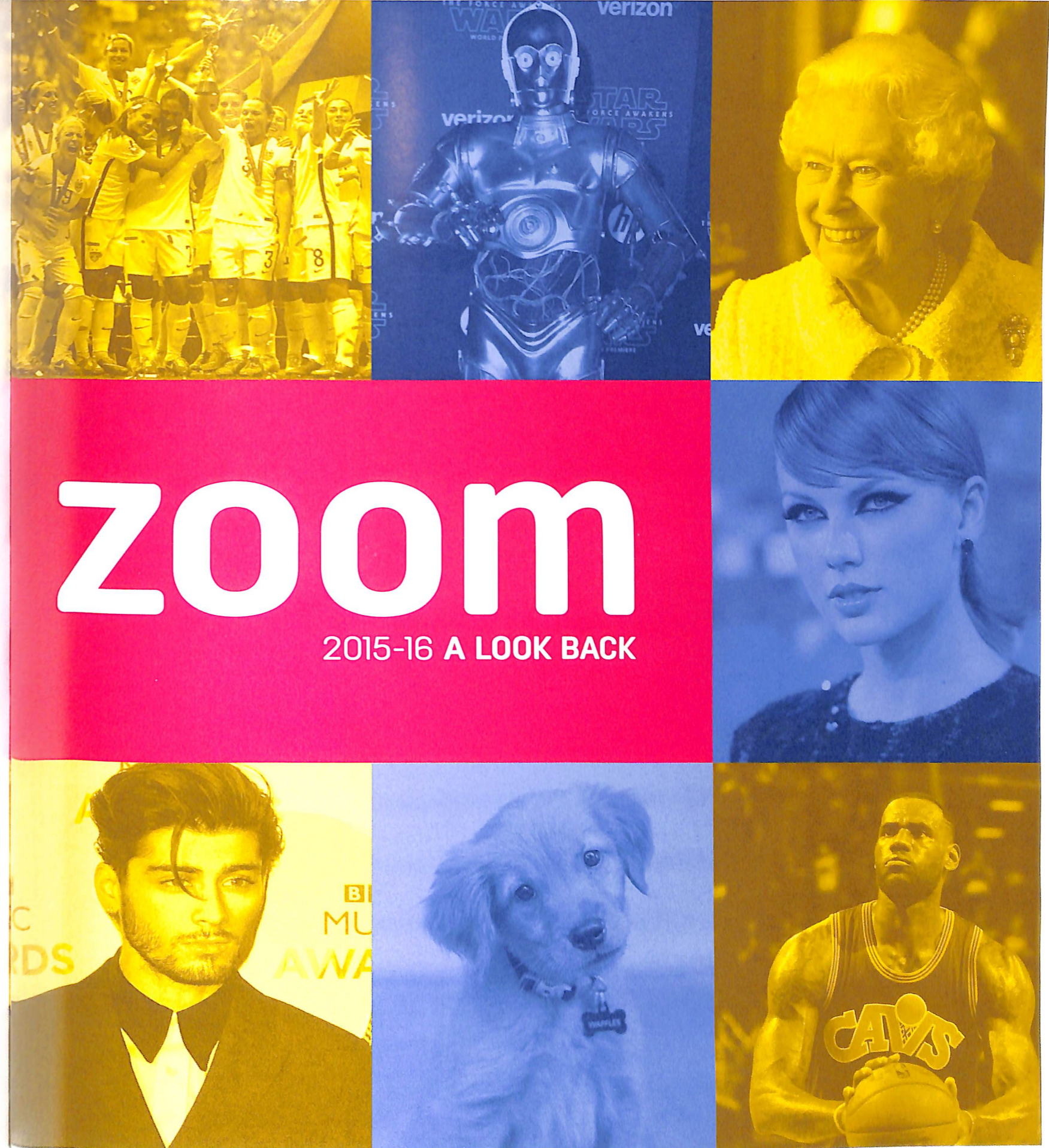


... Write way!



2015-2016 Yearbook Staff Take A **Bulldog** Bow:

Fredrick Avery
Trakeyma Barber
Mercedes Barnett
Moesha Dorsey
Imani Farmer
Zac'Quanneasha Flemons
Sabree Gallishaw
Jasmine Gardner
Princess Glenn
Armani Gonzalez
Jala Hawkins
Usiel Hernandez
Kaysha Hughley
Anastasia Jackson
Stashawn Jackson
Keshara Jarreell
Jhazzmyn Joiner
Christopher Lowe
Chania Peays
Destiny President
Jamyia Render
Tamia Snipes
Nicaela White
Damien Watkins



NEWSWORTHY

EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS

With support from Congress, President Obama signed the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) into law in December 2015. ESSA replaces the test-based accountability system of No Child Left Behind and reduces federal authority and influence in state decisions relative to academic standards, returning much of it to the state and local school districts.



HISTORICAL VISIT TO CONGRESS

Pope Francis gave the 1st ever papal address to U.S. Congress, calling for the spirit of cooperation and challenging political leaders to join a global campaign against climate change and poverty.



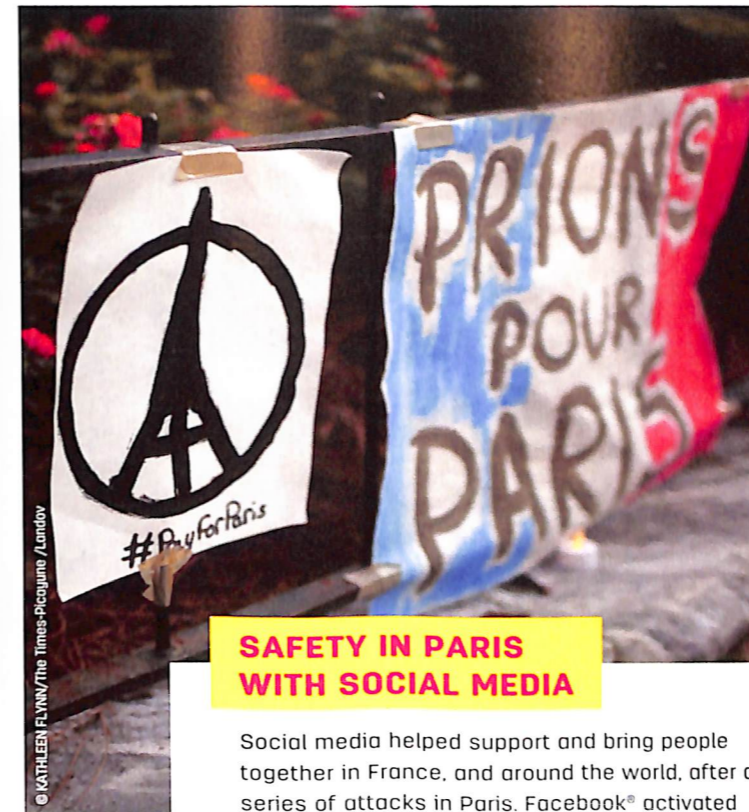
SUPREME COURT DECISIONS

Each year, the U.S. Supreme Court hears up to 150 cases of the more than 7,000 cases it is asked to review. 2015's major rulings included: First Amendment rights were violated when an Arizona town placed size limits on signs announcing church services; same-sex couples could legally marry nationwide; states may prohibit judicial candidates from personally asking supporters for campaign contributions.



THE ROYAL TREATMENT

The British Royal Family had much to celebrate in 2015. Prince William and Catherine, Duchess of Cambridge welcomed Princess Charlotte into the world on May 2; and on September 9, Queen Elizabeth II became the United Kingdom's longest reigning monarch, surpassing her great-great-grandmother Queen Victoria who reigned for 23,226 days, 16 hours and approximately 30 minutes.

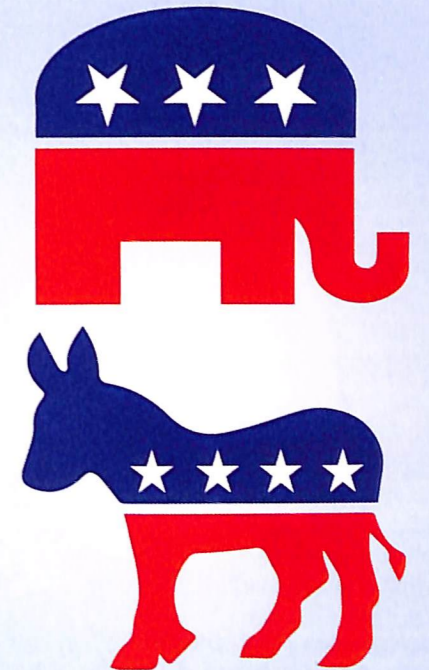


SAFETY IN PARIS WITH SOCIAL MEDIA

Social media helped support and bring people together in France, and around the world, after a series of attacks in Paris. Facebook® activated its "Safety Check" feature for the first time, and over 4 million people marked themselves as safe, notifying 360 million friends of their status. Users were also given the opportunity to show solidarity by overlaying their profile picture with the French flag. On Twitter, the hashtag #rechercheParis (search Paris) had more than 64,000 tweets in 24 hours after it was 1st used by a woman in France trying to locate family and friends.

DEBATES DRAW RECORD VIEWERSHIP

Early Republican and Democratic presidential debates drew record-setting television ratings, surpassing the NBA Finals, the MLB World Series™ and most NFL games. Candidates Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton were cited as the primary drivers of viewership. The Republicans averaged an audience of 24 million viewers, while the Democratic matchup brought in over 15 million.



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OVER THE MOON

A rare supermoon total lunar eclipse, not seen since 1982, was viewed by much of the world in September. The so-called super "Blood Moon" appears larger due to its proximity to Earth and takes on a reddish hue as it passes behind the Earth into its shadow. Hashtags #BloodMoon and #SuperBloodMoon trended worldwide as stargazers documented the rare sighting on Facebook®, Instagram and Twitter. Next supermoon glimpse: 2033.

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NEWSWORTHY

CHIPOTLE HIT WITH E. COLI OUTBREAK

An E. coli outbreak sickened more than 50 people at Chipotle Mexican Grill restaurants in 9 states. While the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has not identified the source, Chipotle is changing the way it cooks and prepares food to increase the safety of its customers. Despite those efforts, Chipotle is currently under a federal criminal investigation for foodborne illness related to an outbreak at its Simi Valley, Calif. restaurant.



CHINA ENDS ONE-CHILD POLICY

China has announced an end to its decades-long one-child policy. Over concerns that an aging population could impact the country's economic ascent, all married couples will now be able to have 2 children. The one-child policy was introduced nationally in 1979 to slow the population growth rate and limit demands for water and other resources.



CECIL THE LION

Walter Palmer, a big game hunter, took down a 13-year-old lion named Cecil while in Zimbabwe for a guided hunt. The lion lived in Hwange National Park and was part of Oxford University's Wildlife Conservation Unit study. News of Palmer's action sparked criticism among activist groups and the general public, though Zimbabwe did not charge Palmer.

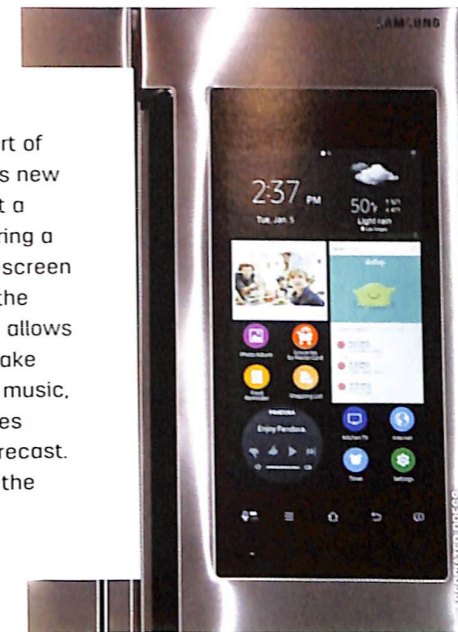


PERSON OF THE YEAR

German Chancellor Angela Merkel was named *TIME* magazine's 2015 Person of the Year, citing her handling of the European economic crisis over Greek debt and managing the European refugee influx. Merkel is only the 4th woman since 1927 to be named an individual winner outright. The others: American socialite Wallis Simpson (1936), Queen Elizabeth II (1952) and Corazon Aquino (1986), the 11th president of the Philippines.

FRIDGE OF THE FUTURE

If the kitchen is the heart of a home, then Samsung's new smart fridge will make it a family's hub, too. Featuring a 21.5-inch vertical touch screen embedded in the door, the Family Hub Refrigerator allows users to leave notes, make shopping lists, listen to music, watch TV, order groceries and get the weather forecast. Looks like the fridge of the future is here—today.



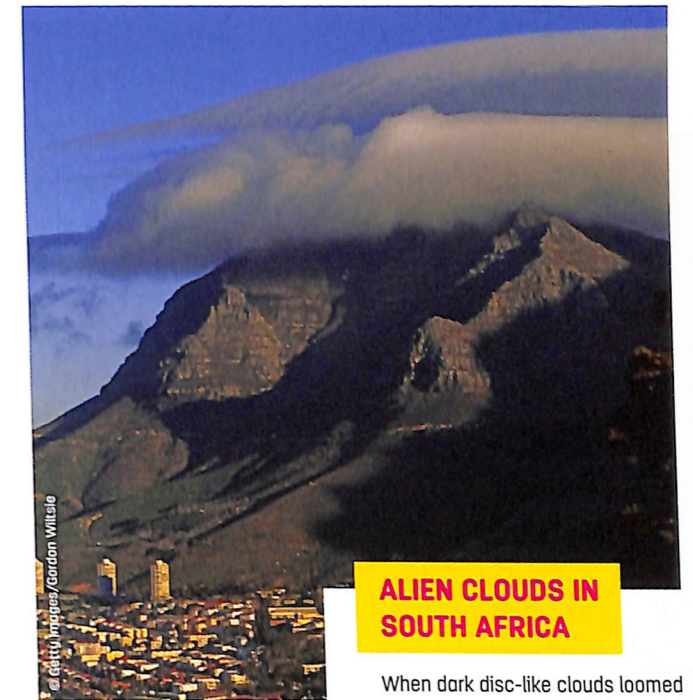
#BLACKLIVESMATTER

The social movement, Black Lives Matter, has focused international attention on racial inequality and criminal justice within the African American community. Supported by boycotts, protests and social media posts, activists are challenging the political system, pressing for change to address questions of race and justice.



ALIEN CLOUDS IN SOUTH AFRICA

When dark disc-like clouds loomed over the Table Mountain in Cape Town, looking like something out of a science fiction movie, it quickly went viral on social media. There was no real cause for concern, though. "Lenticular clouds," named for the lens-like shapes they create, have sometimes been confused for UFOs. They typically form when high, humid winds blow over mountainous terrain, and are different from other clouds because they do not move.



HOVERBOARDS ARE HOT

The hoverboard was 2015's "in-demand" item. The mini-Segway® or self-balancing boards feature everything from built-in GPS to speakers for connection to a mobile phone. Despite their popularity, hoverboards experienced problems later in the year. They aren't permitted everywhere and some models caused explosions and house fires while being used.



DISCOVERIES

COMING TO A CONE NEAR YOU

Sticky fingers, be gone! Scientists at the University of Edinburgh discovered a naturally occurring protein that binds air, fat and water together, which can be used to create ultra smooth ice cream that resists melting. Don't rush to your favorite grocery store yet. Researchers say it will be another 3-5 years before it's available.



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ENVIRONMENTAL EVENTS

Norway announced that it will permanently ban cars from Oslo, its capital city, by 2019. The traffic ban was part of a larger plan to reduce the emission of greenhouse gases by 50%. Over the next 3 years, the government plans to build 37 miles of new bike lanes and invest heavily in existing bus and tram networks.

A team of U.S. and Mexican scientists released 30 gallons of non-toxic fluorescent pink dye into the ocean off California and Mexico to learn how pollution moves and dilutes along the coasts. The study builds on the success of previous beach pollution studies and results will help develop models for predicting when it is or is not safe to go in the ocean.

Millions of tons of plastic are dumped into U.S. landfills each year, with little of it recyclable. Researchers at Stanford University discovered that mealworms could be a natural solution to the global plastic pollution problem. Fed a daily diet of Styrofoam™, the tiny worms broke down what was once believed to be a non-biodegradable product. Scientists hope this information will lead to a marine equivalent that can defend the Earth's oceans by digesting plastic.



SUNSCREEN INGREDIENT TOXIC TO CORAL

Oxybenzone, a UV-filtering chemical used in sunscreen, has been found to have toxic effects on young coral and may be contributing to the destruction of coral reefs. The highest concentrations of the toxin have been found in Hawaii and the Caribbean. Since sunscreen protects against skin cancer, researchers advised using brands with titanium oxide or zinc oxide, which don't harm reefs.



HEAD TILTS MELT HEARTS

When Fido tilts his head while you're talking, it's because he really understands. Right? According to a survey by *Psychology Today*, it might have more to do with vision. Dogs scan faces to read emotions. Tilting their heads when being talked to may be a way of compensating for their muzzles, which obscures part of their vision. So a head tilt is one way to see you better... and get treats for being adorable.

FDA BANS ARTIFICIAL TRANS FATS

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration, as part of its commitment to heart health of Americans, announced that the food industry has until June 2018 to eliminate artificial trans fats from processed food. Keep in mind, this will not eliminate trans fats totally from one's diet as naturally occurring trans fats are found in some food, such as meat and dairy products, as well as natural oils.



WATER ON MARS

NASA scientists have found evidence of liquid water on Mars, leading them to suspect that it is possible to have a habitable environment on the Red Planet. Discovery of water on Mars may make the planet more practical for human exploration and activity.



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Google Science Fair

\$25 TEST WINS \$50,000

Olivia Hallisey, a 17-year-old high school student from Conn., won the 2015 Google Science Fair grand prize and a \$50,000 scholarship with her creation of a low-cost, rapid detection test for the Ebola virus. Currently, a detection kit costs approximately \$1,000 and takes nearly 12 hours from screening to diagnosis, while Hallisey's costs \$25, and takes 30-minutes, working even when patients lack symptoms.

TECHNOLOGY

IT'S FACEBOOK OFFICIAL

Facebook® confirmed it's rolling out a new set of 6 emojis, called "Reactions," that allow users to express a broader range of emotions than a simple "Like" – such as love, wow, anger or sadness. While Facebook picked the 6 reactions by consulting with sociologists, a dislike button is not among the options as the site worried it would be used in negative ways.



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ORANGE YOU GLAD THIS FIGHTS POLLUTION?

Mercury contamination plagues many areas of the world, affecting food, soil and water supplies. Researchers at Flinders University in South Australia developed a new, inexpensive, non-toxic material from industrial waste and orange peels that reacts together to form a soft red rubber to absorb mercury, making it easy to clean up contaminated water. It addresses a healthier environment while also using waste to destroy waste.

"TIE" YOUR SNEAKERS WITH ONE HAND

The newest sneaker in Nike's® lineup was developed after high school student Matthew Walzer wrote to the company asking for more accessible footwear for people with disabilities. Nike designers and Walzer collaborated for 3 years on prototypes. The result was the Flyease 8, a LeBron James-branded basketball shoe with a 1-handed fastening mechanism inspired by doors with hinges, and how they open and close.



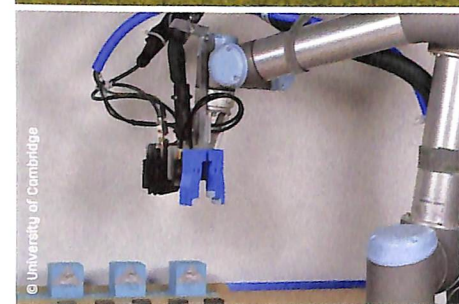
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ARTIFICIALLY INTELLIGENT

The University of New South Wales in Australia defended its RoboCup World Championship title by defeating the Germans 3-1. With 300 teams from 47 countries, the finals involved waist-high robots on a 30-foot-long soccer field. The competition encourages development of robotics technology.



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Researchers at the University of Cambridge in the United Kingdom developed a "mother" robot that creates generations of smaller "baby" robots, evaluating and selecting the best to "survive." It is the first time natural selection has been successfully built into a machine, marking an important step forward in artificial intelligence.



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NEW BILLBOARD CAN READ YOUR EMOTIONS

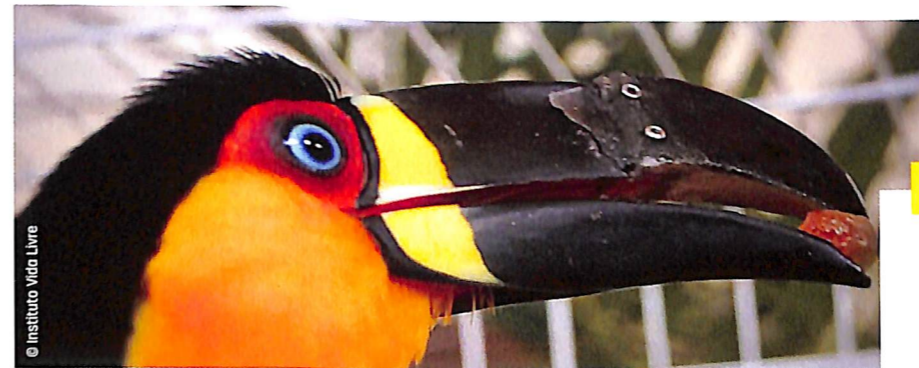
Advertising company M&C Saatchi tested billboards in London that used hidden Microsoft® Kinect™ cameras to read a viewer's facial expression—happy, sad or neutral. Featuring a fictitious coffee brand, the billboard adapted its advertisement by cycling through different images, designs, fonts and colors, ultimately crafting messages that resonated with each viewer.

SUPER DRONE

British YouTube user Gasturbine101 demonstrated his DIY flying machine—a chair anchored to a frame powered by 54 miniature drones. At a cost of \$9,200, the "Super Drone" hovered above the ground for about 10 minutes.



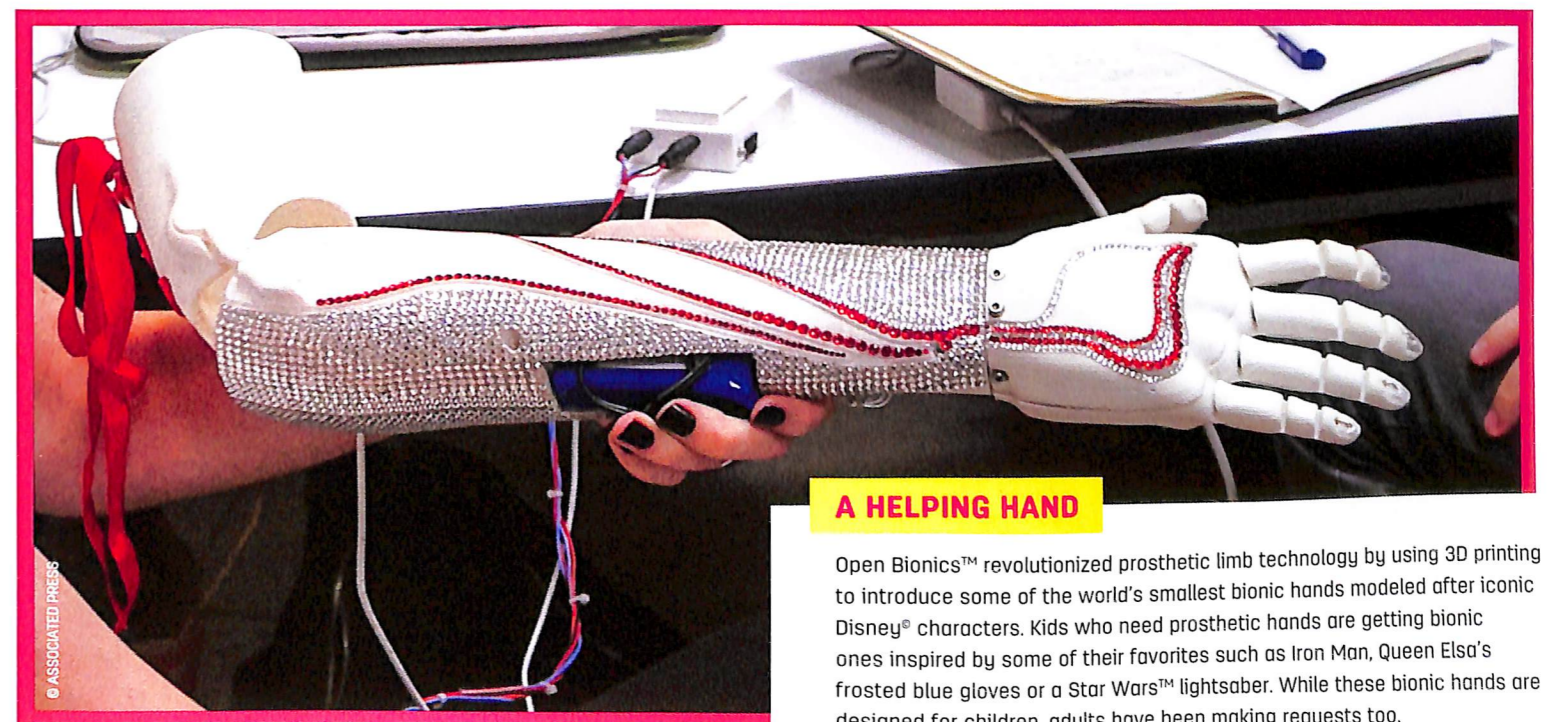
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BRAND NEW BEAK

Tieta the toucan was missing nearly half of her beak, which made it difficult for her to eat. A Brazilian research team spent nearly 3 months designing a new beak, which was then created on a 3D printer. At 1.5 inches long and weighing less than 1 ounce, it took her just 3 days to learn how to use it.



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A HELPING HAND

Open Bionics™ revolutionized prosthetic limb technology by using 3D printing to introduce some of the world's smallest bionic hands modeled after iconic Disney® characters. Kids who need prosthetic hands are getting bionic ones inspired by some of their favorites such as Iron Man, Queen Elsa's frosted blue gloves or a Star Wars™ lightsaber. While these bionic hands are designed for children, adults have been making requests too.

SPORTS

WORLD CUP WINNERS

The U.S. national soccer team avenged their 2011 loss to Japan by winning the 2015 FIFA Women's World Cup™ soccer final over Japan, 5-2. Records were broken, as the team became the 1st to win the tournament 3 times. Captain Carli Lloyd scored the fastest 2 goals in FIFA® history and was the 1st player in a Women's World Cup to get a hat trick (3 goals).



BIG HITTERS

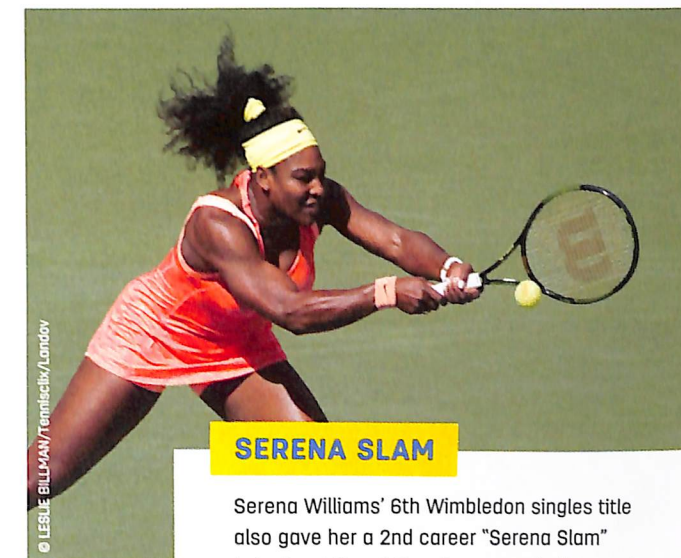
If you like offense and home runs, this was the game to watch. In the 2015 Little League World Series®, Japan's Tokyo Little League defeated Lewisberry, Penn., 18-11. It was the highest-scoring title matchup in Little League World Series history with a combined 30 hits and 7 home runs. The victory gave Japan 11 titles overall.

After tying the game in the 9th inning, the Kansas City Royals™ defeated the New York Mets™ in the 13th inning of Game 5 to become the 2015 World Series™ Champions (7-2). Though the Royals have played in 4 World Series, this was their 1st championship in 30 years and the 2nd in team history. Catcher Salvador Perez was named MVP for his excellent defense behind the plate.



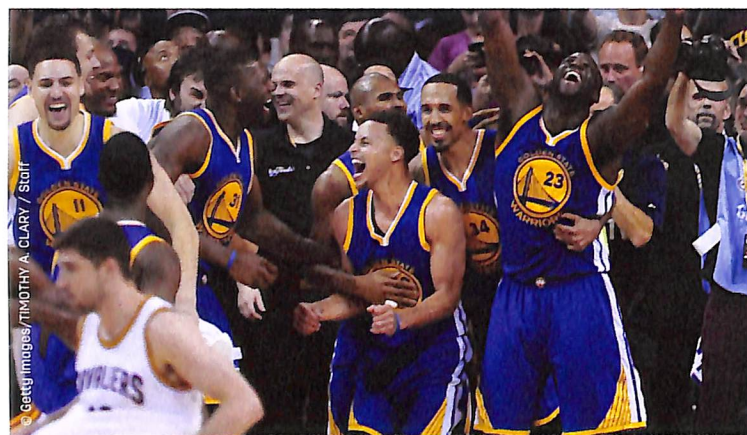
#IT'SALLABOUTTHECUP

For the 3rd time in 6 years, the Chicago Blackhawks™ won the Stanley Cup® with a 2-0 victory over the Tampa Bay Lightning™, making it their 1st on home ice since 1938. Defenseman Duncan Keith was unanimously voted playoff MVP.



SERENA SLAM

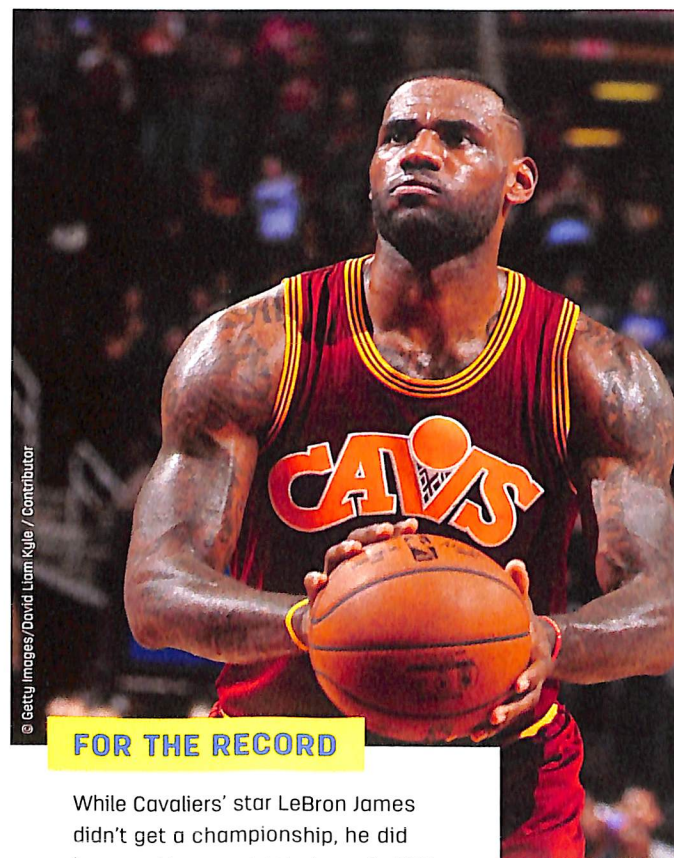
Serena Williams' 6th Wimbledon singles title also gave her a 2nd career "Serena Slam" (winning 4 Grand Slam tournaments in a row). Williams went 53-3 during 2015 and was chosen as *Sports Illustrated's* Sportsperson of the Year. She was the first individual female athlete honored by the magazine in over 30 years.



HOOP DREAMS

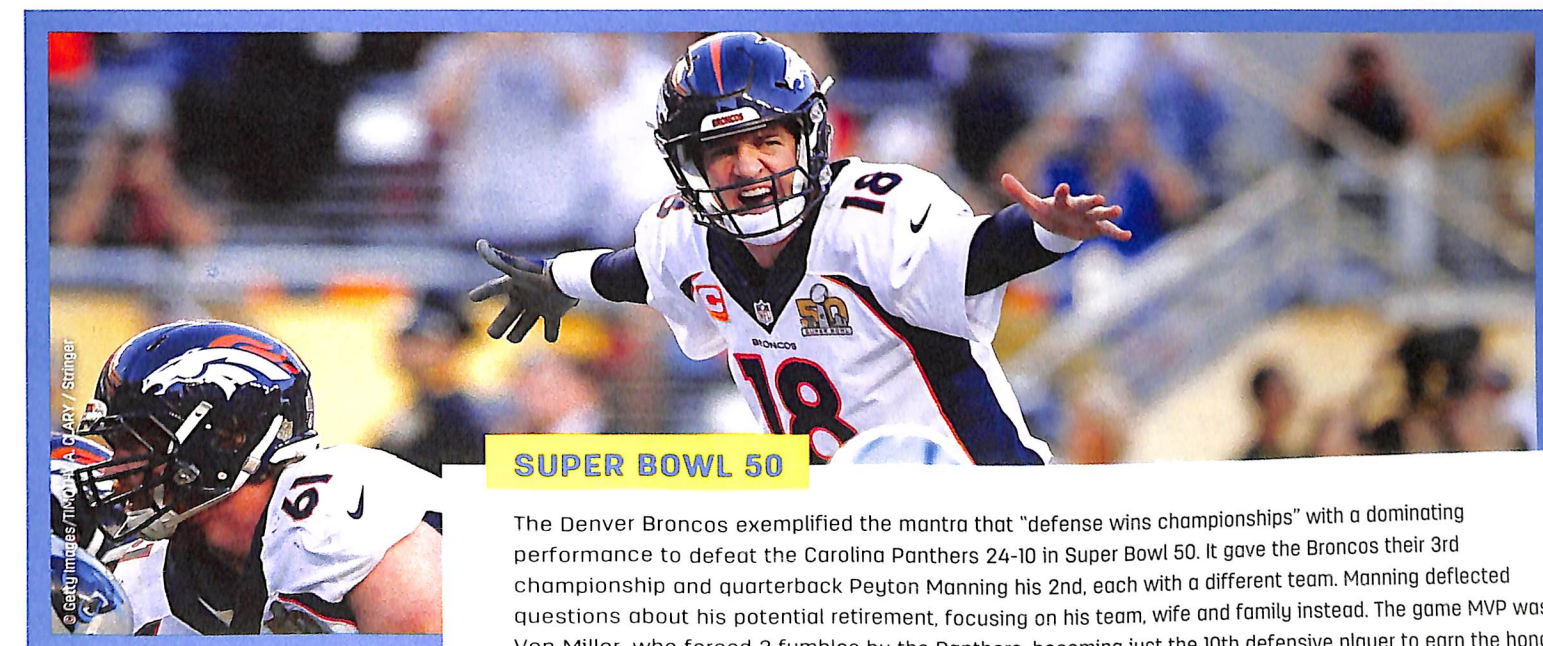
The Golden State Warriors defeated an injury-riddled Cleveland Cavaliers team, 105-97, in Game 6 of the 2015 NBA Finals to win their 1st championship since 1975. Forward Andre Iguodala was named MVP, becoming the 1st player to receive the honor without starting a game all season.

For the 3rd time in 5 years, the Minnesota Lynx clinched the WNBA Championship by defeating the Indiana Fever, 69-52 in Game 5 in front of their hometown crowd. MVP Sylvia Fowles, had 20 points and 11 rebounds.



FOR THE RECORD

While Cavaliers' star LeBron James didn't get a championship, he did become the youngest player in NBA history to score 25,000 points and the 20th player overall to achieve this milestone.



SUPER BOWL 50

The Denver Broncos exemplified the mantra that "defense wins championships" with a dominating performance to defeat the Carolina Panthers 24-10 in Super Bowl 50. It gave the Broncos their 3rd championship and quarterback Peyton Manning his 2nd, each with a different team. Manning deflected questions about his potential retirement, focusing on his team, wife and family instead. The game MVP was Von Miller, who forced 2 fumbles by the Panthers, becoming just the 10th defensive player to earn the honor.

TOP CHARTS

HELLO, RECORD BREAKER

After 3 years of musical silence, British singer Adele broke records with her 3rd studio album, *25*, selling more than 3 million copies in the 1st week. The album includes the hit single, "Hello," which made history for the most U.S. downloads in a week: 1.1 million. Hello, indeed.



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STAR WARS: THE FORCE AWAKENS BLASTS BOX OFFICE RECORDS

Strong reviews and loyal fan support helped *Star Wars™: The Force Awakens* shatter box office records. Its opening weekend earnings of \$248 million domestically beat the previous mark set by *Jurassic World™*. The film also hit the \$1 billion mark faster than any other movie in history, doing so in just 12 days. Looks like the Force is strong with this one.



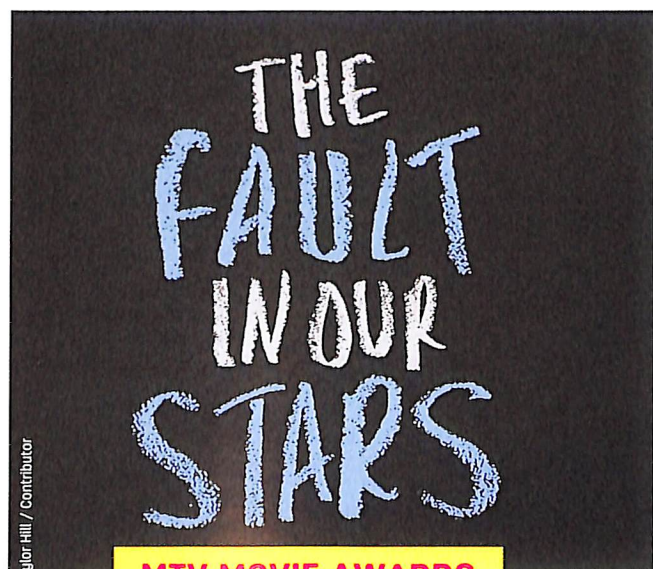
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TOP OF THE POPS

According to *Forbes* magazine, music's top lady in 2015 was pop songstress Katy Perry. The 31-year-old singer earned \$135 million, while Taylor Swift came in 2nd place with \$80 million. Perry's success was largely due to her *Prismatic World Tour*, grossing more than \$2 million per city over the course of 126 shows.

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MTV MOVIE AWARDS

The Fault in Our Stars was the big winner at the 2015 MTV Movie Awards, hosted by Amy Schumer. The film captured Movie of the Year, Best Female Performance for Shailene Woodley and Best Kiss for Woodley and her co-star, Ansel Elgort.



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SWIFT SWEEPS THE VMAS

Taylor Swift extended her Video Music Awards winning streak by taking top honors with Best Female Video and Best Pop Video for "Blank Space" along with the coveted Video of the Year award for "Bad Blood" (featuring Kendrick Lamar).



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FROM ONE DIRECTION TO MANY DIRECTIONS

In March 2015, Zayn Malik announced he was leaving the popular British boy band, One Direction. Five months later, the remaining band members announced that 1D was "taking a break" after the November release of their 5th album, *Made in the A.M.* All this from a group who took home 8 Teen Choice Awards in August.



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CHRIS STAPLETON TAKES CENTER STAGE

Newcomer Chris Stapleton stole the show at the 49th Country Music Association Awards. Though he didn't have a top 40 single on the country charts, he did bring home 3 awards as Male Vocalist of the Year, New Artist of the Year and Album of the Year for *Traveller*. Less surprising were Luke Bryan's 2nd straight win as Entertainer of the Year and Miranda Lambert as Female Vocalist of the Year — her 6th consecutive win.



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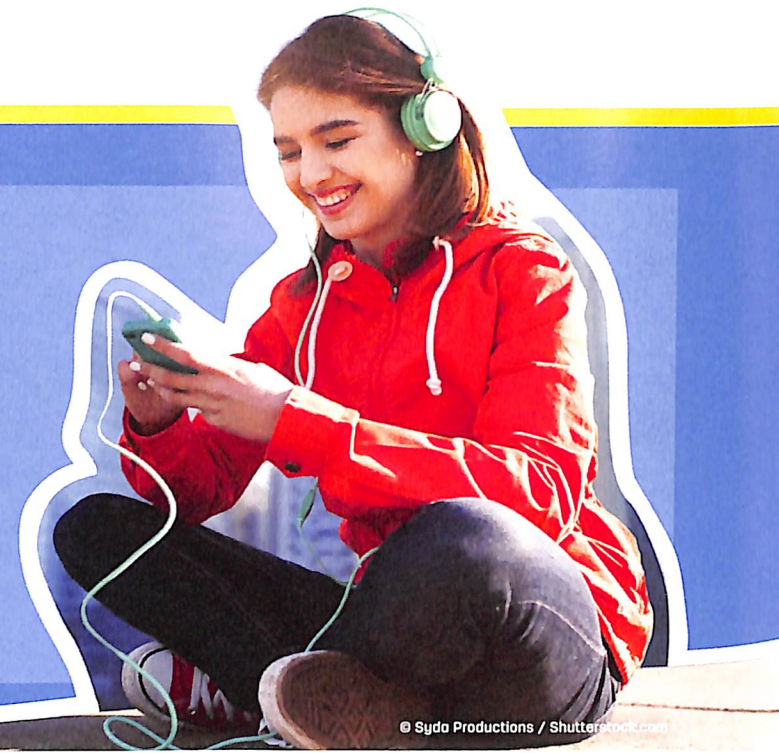
CAN YOU SPELL CO-CHAMPIONS?

Gokul Venkatachalam, 14, and Vanya Shivashankar, 13, were the last 2 standing at the 2015 Scripps National Spelling Bee, besting 283 other contestants. Shivashankar's winning word was *scherschmitte*, meaning the art of paper-cutting designs. Venkatachalam's was *nunatak*, a hill or mountain completely surrounded by a glacial ice. This is the 2nd year in a row with co-champions.

ON TREND

ON CLOUD NINE

Teenagers spend nearly 9 hours a day using media for enjoyment, according to a report by Common Sense Media. Two-thirds of teens said they listen to music every day and 58% said the same about watching television. The study showed some difference between genders, with boys playing video games more than girls; though girls spent more time on social media or reading.



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TRUE COLORS

Crayola® Color Escapes, a line of art kits for grown-ups, was launched by Crayola for the first time in its 112-year history. With 4 designs to choose from, kits include coloring pages of intricate black-and-white illustrations, colored pencils and fine-line markers. Whether you stay inside the lines is up to you.

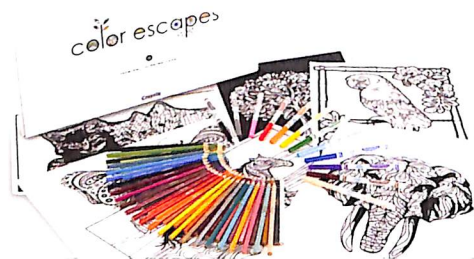


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PUT IN A GOOD WORD

With over 1,700 new entries in the 2015 edition of Merriam-Webster's® dictionary, some of the words represent today's trendiest terms, like "photobomb," "meme," "jeggings" and "emoji." While you've likely used them for a while, the path to becoming a dictionary entry can be described in one word: usage. Editors study language usage and monitor how words are used and how often.

C-3PO GUIDES YOUR RIDE

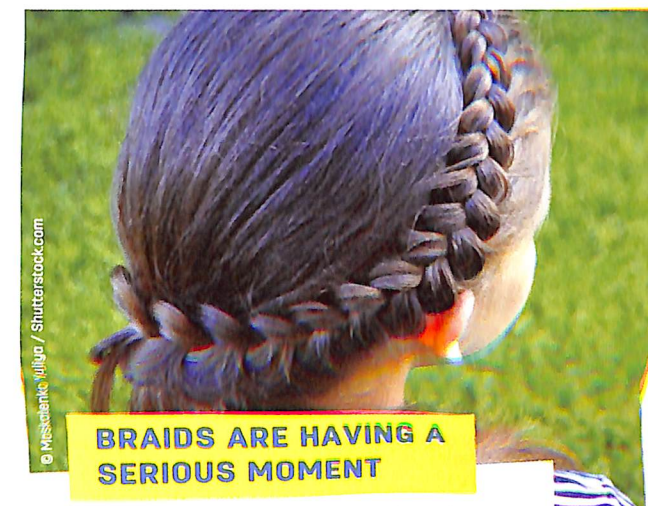
If it seems like *Star Wars™: The Force Awakens* is everywhere, you may be right— including your car. Waze announced that Anthony Daniels, the real voice of droid C-3PO™, has been added to its navigation app, allowing drivers to experience a bit of "the Force" while winding through traffic. Unlike traditional navigation systems, finding the speediest route isn't C-3PO's only quest—he'll also be looking for R2-D2™ and BB-8™ along the way in one of the app's social features.



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TO DYE FOR

Seeing lots of baby pink, blue and purple hair colors lately? That's because "unicorn hair" is making its way across the country in the dyed locks of teens and celebrities. These playful pops of color are a fun way to change your hairstyle.



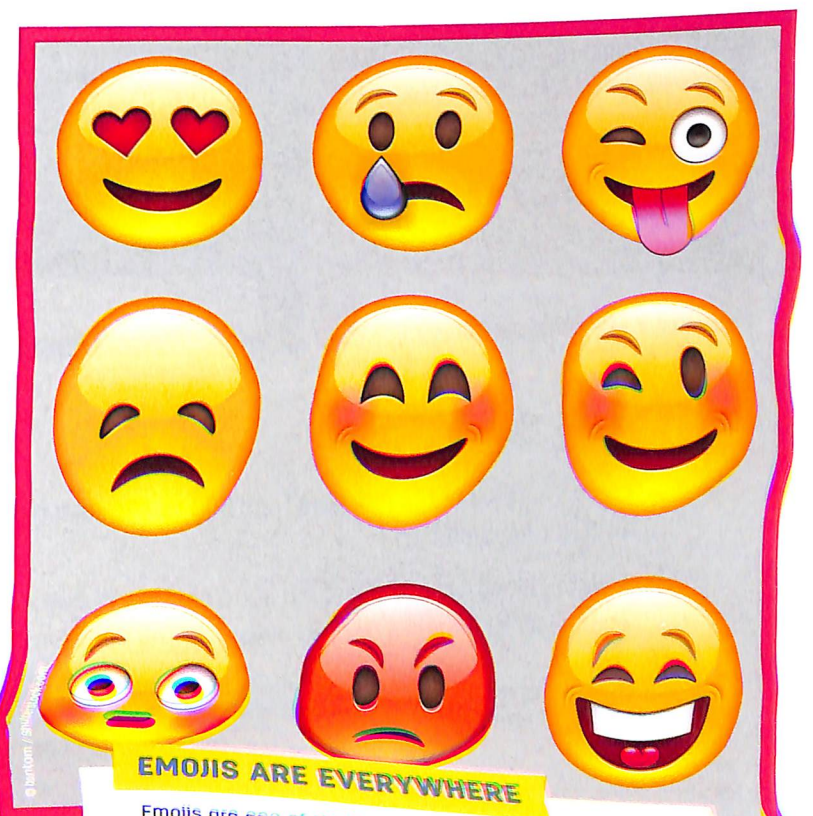
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BRAIDS ARE HAVING A SERIOUS MOMENT

Google released its first-ever Beauty Trends Report with braids topping the most frequently searched items. Pretty plaits or creative fishtails, inspired by your favorite A-list celebrity, are a low maintenance way to look like a star.



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EMOJIS ARE EVERYWHERE

Emojis are one of the fastest growing forms of communication in history. Invented in the late 1990s by an employee of Japan's predominant mobile phone service, emoji is the Japanese term for "picture characters." The characters provide users with hundreds of universally recognized signs, symbols and gestures. Popularity was highlighted last year when July 17 was designated as World Emoji Day.



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HOW PINTERESTING!

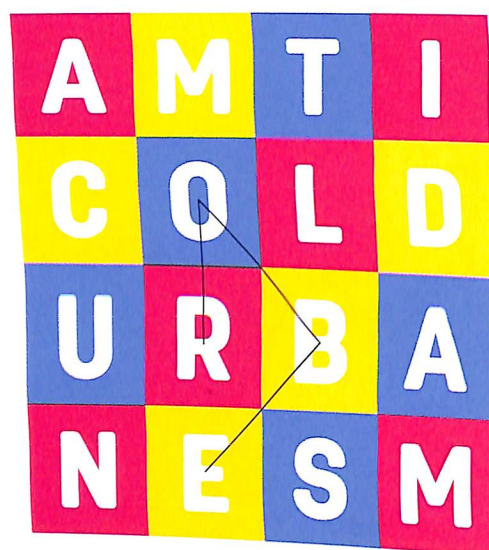
Have you ever created Pinterest boards as inspiration for the school year "must-haves?" In September 2015, the social media site reported a 297% increase in back-to-school pins, nearly 6 million for school supplies alone. Who knew? The Top 10:

1. Pouches
2. Combat boots
3. Creative lunches
4. Artful notebooks
5. Heritage backpacks
6. Backpack fresheners
7. DIY stickers
8. Homework stations
9. Tees with humor
10. Nice notes

WORD FIND

Find as many words as you can in the grid. The letter cubes must be connected and no letter cube may be used more than once within a single word. Words must be 3 letters or longer.

SCORE



Robe = 1 point

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3 letters = 1 point 4 letters = 1 point 5 letters = 2 points 6 letters = 3 points 7 Letters = 5 points 8+ Letters = 8 points

1 Who AM I?

- Age 26
- Singer/songwriter
- Won 3 2015 VMA awards

2 Who AM I?

- Has released 5 albums
- Working on a solo album
- Recently left a band

3 Who AM I?

- Age 27
- Most music downloads in a week in the U.S.
- Ended a 3 year musical silence

BRAIN GAMES

- If you wrote all of the numbers from 300 to 400 on a piece of paper, how many times would you have written the number 3?
- A water lily growing in a circular pond doubles in size every day. It takes 30 days to cover the whole pond. How long does it take to cover half the pond?
- You must cut a birthday cake into exactly 8 pieces, but you're only allowed to make 3 straight cuts, and you can't move the pieces of the cake as you cut. How can you do it?

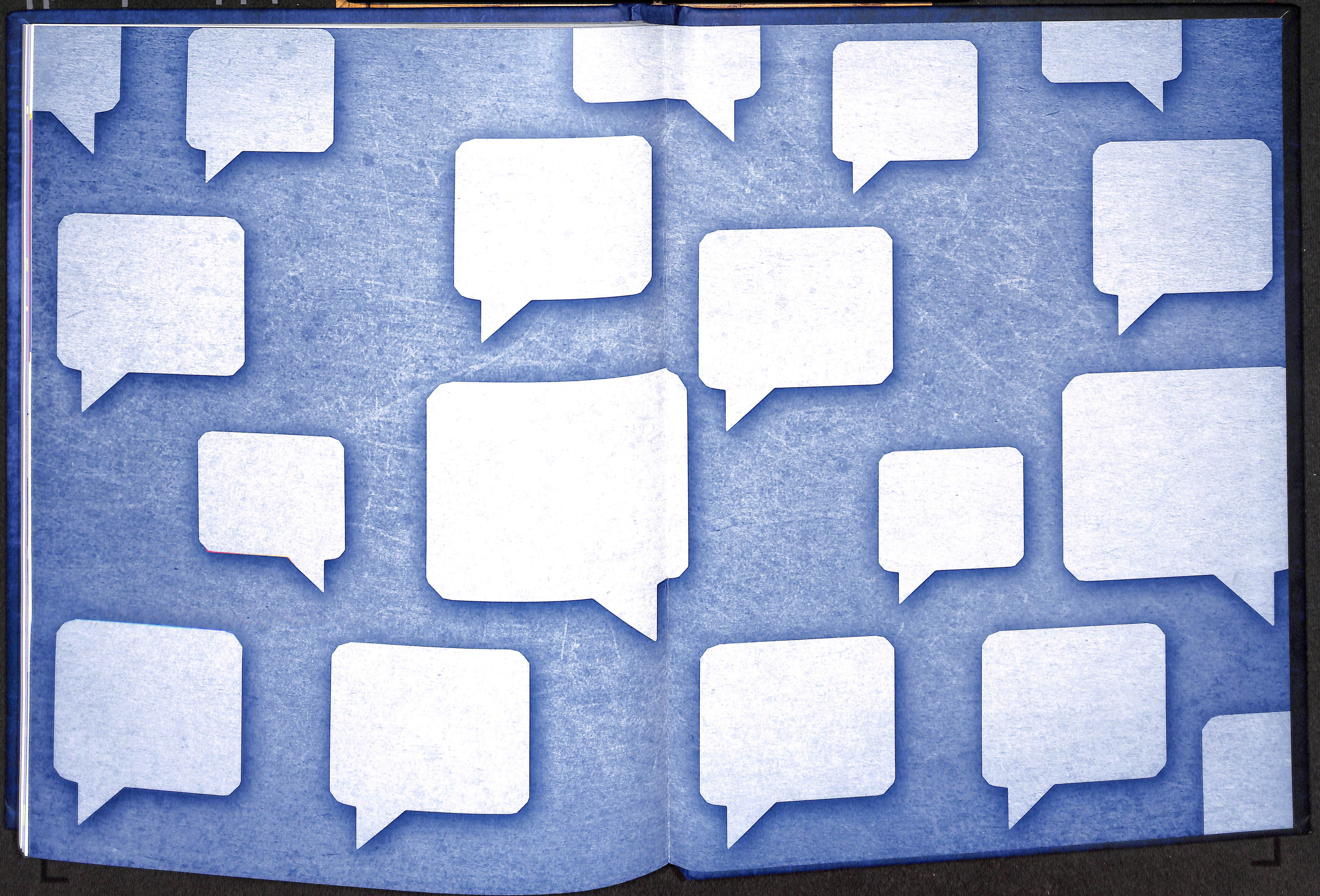
ANSWERS

WHO AM I? 1) Taylor Swift 2) Zayn Malik 3) Adele

BRAIN GAME 1) 120: 100 threes in the hundreds place + 10 threes in the tens place + 10 threes in the ones place 2) 29 days will create 4 pieces on the top tier and 4 pieces on the bottom tier.

3) Use the first 2 cuts to make an X through the top of the cake. Make the third cut horizontal (from the side of the cake). This

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What are you doing?

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Best Friends Forever

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Where you at?

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Text back later

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Stop texting and drive

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Bye for now

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I love you

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Mind your own business

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Right now