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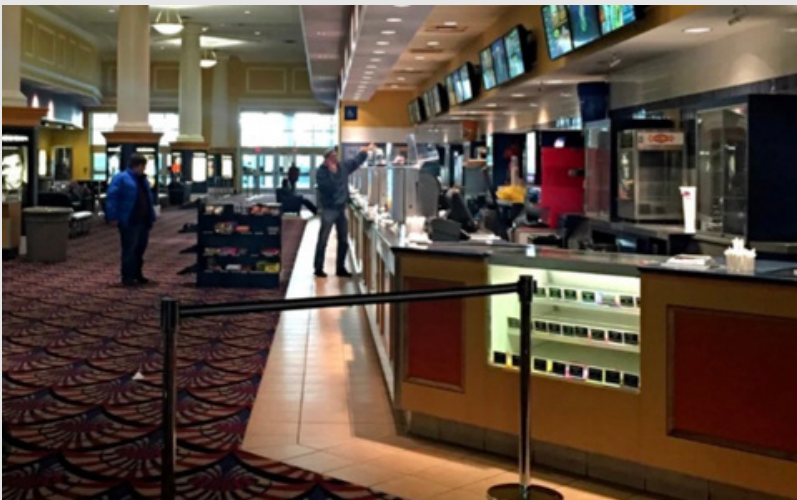
by Josi Engelmann



What to do in summer in white plains

If you are super bored and tired of just sitting at home doing nothing, I've got some ideas for you! Summer in White Plains can be a lot of fun, there is actually a lot of stuff to do in and near White Plains. You don't have to just sit in your room all day because there are some nice spots to hang out with your friends or get out of the house for a bit so you don't go crazy. Here is a list of stuff you can do:

- Go on a walk or bike ride along the Bronx River Parkway
- 16 Handles or Ice Cream Social (best way to cool off)
- Saxon Woods Pool
- Go to Kensico Dam Plaza
- The Edge at the White Plains Public Library
- Muse Paintbar
- The Westchester mall
- Farmers market
- Go to the movie theater
- Bicycle Sundays on the Bronx River Parkway
- Cranberry Lake Preserve
- Rockefeller State Park
- Backyard camping
- Outdoor movies
- Bronx Zoo
- Elementary school playgrounds.



LOCAL NEWS

8TH GRADE TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

By Leah Villeneuve-Vedete

What is your favorite book that you’ve ever read?

This is a tough one! I loved The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah. Into thin air was great. The Only Woman in the Room, was another great book. I’ve never re-read a book before because I feel like there are so many to read for the first time.

What subject was your favorite when you were a student? Why?

I loved PE I think it was because I liked being on teams, being active and getting to move. I also did a lot of sports so I liked when we did sport units in PE. I would be a gym teacher if I wasn’t a science teacher.

What advice do you have for students today?

Don’t sweat the small stuff. I recently listened to a podcast that said every day you should tell yourself as soon as you wake up, “No matter what happens today, I can handle it” It really resonated it and I encourage you to try it. It will kind of reprogram your brain to face things with less fear.

What are you most looking forward to this year at Highlands?

It sounds nerdy, but teaching new standards and making a new curriculum are really exciting, after getting over the part about it being overwhelming. Making new lessons and labs and seeing them in action are always looked forward to. Team 8C kids are great and kind this year and I love working with them.

What is some advice you have for middle school students ?

Do what makes you happy. Don’t just do something because it is “in” or because everyone else is doing it. I know it sounds cheesy but it is true. Middle school really is about figuring out what you like and don’t like.

What else would you like our readers to know about you?

Go outside more! Touch grass? Is that what you guys say? But seriously, put the screen down (you’re probably reading this on one right now) and go outside.

Where did you go to school/grow up?

I grew up in Suffolk County in Long Island and went to SUNY New Paltz for my undergrad and Stony Brook form my masters and concentrated in earth science. Every year at New Paltz, we would take classes that would bring us to the West Coast of the US. We had lessons at the bottom of the Grand Canyon, copper mines, on the side of the highway chipping minerals out of an outcrop. I took a caving course at on semester where we would explore local caves and find all sorts of spiders and crickets and cool rocks- we repelled into one. At Stonybrook, I published a few research studies that figured out that the pebbles on Long Island were deposited from the glacier during the last ice age. I also mapped out the soil profile in all of Westchester County. I really enjoyed my majors because they got me to see the science in the field and they took me outside of the classroom.

What made you want to go into Education?

I loved teaching other people when I was growing up and I also just had a wacky 8th grade teacher and I wanted to be like her when I grew up. After hiking in the Colorado Rockies and seeing Earth Science up close in my face, it became obvious that I wanted to teach Earth Science rather than life science or physical science. I like how you can see it in action rather than it being conceptual or microscopic.

How many years have you been teaching?

This is my 13th year teaching at Highlands and I taught one year at a small school right out college.

Who are your role models? Why?

Someone who really inspired me to do more was coach Sue Adams, she was a coach and PE teacher here, but sadly she has passed away. She was so good at having a life outside of her work and I do not think she knew it, but it inspired me to take breaks from work and lean into hobbies that fill me up. When I do this,I come to work more refreshed rather than being drained because I had no break. I also get inspired by people who have a strong reflective process and can grow from experiences and mistakes.

What are your hobbies/What do you do for fun on your free time?

I love cooking and eating good food. If I’m not in the kitchen, I love being outside. Anything outdoors brings me joy: taking walks, working on my flower and vegetable gardens, going on a hike, being on the water, all of it! I also love reading historical fiction and have a newfound interest in tennis.

Ms. Danz
Team 8C



ENCORE TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

By Charlotte Pizzirusso and Lizzie O.S

I interviewed Mr Hauser one of the 8th grade Technology teachers here at Highlands.

Q. Where did you grow up?

A. Peekskill, NY

Q. Where did you go to college?

A. SUNY Cartland and then SUNY Purchase

Q. What was your favorite school subject growing up?

A. Art and History

Q. What was your first job?

A. Building lawn mowers band grills at Caldor’s

Q. Why did you go into teaching?

A. To share my passion for making things.

Q. Have you noticed anything change about students or education throughout your career?

A. A lot! Today’s students really need to “buy-in” before they try something new.

Q. Who are some of your role models and why?

A. My Mom and Dad. They worked hard to raise me the right way and to provide a great life for me and my siblings.

Q. What was your favorite book you ever read and why?

A. The Deerslayer by James Fenimore Cooper. It’s an outdoor adventure that takes place in colonial NewYork.

Q. What are some of your hobbies?

A. Fly Fishing and woodworking.

Q. Is there anything about you that students might not know?

A. Nope. I am a pretty open book.

Q. What advice do you have for people reading?

A. Don’t be afraid to follow your passion and interests. They are what make you “you”!

Q. Have you ever taught anything else besides eighth grade technology?

A. Woodworking for SUNY Purchase.

Q. Why teach middle school over anything else?

A. There is an electricity in Middle school that I love.

Q. Anything else you’d like to say?

A. Be true to yourself, be kind to everyone and try to have some fun everyday.

Mr. Hauser
Technology



7TH GRADE TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

By Leah Villeneuve -Vedete

Where did you go to school/grow up?

I grew up in Carmel NY, I went to the Carmel public schools and then for college I went to Fordham University in the Bronx.

What mde you want to go into Education?

I was a sophomore in college, and I had already switched my major a couple times and when I was looking at my resume and I realized that all my jobs were working with kids in some way, so one night I talked to my old 11th grade chemistry teacher (who I am still very close with to this day) and she helped me realize I could go into education.

How many years have you been teaching?

This is my fifth-year teaching, and also my fifth-year teaching at highlands. I also did my internship at the high school and then they had an open 7th grade social studies teacher position here, so I took it.

Who are your role models? Why?

I have so many, but I would say my grandmother because she was able to build a special connection with everybody. I would also say Princess Diana because she saw importance in everyone no matter who they are or what they did.

What are your hobbies/What do you do for fun on your free time?

“In my free time I love to cook, specifically Italian food, I also just love thrifting and antiquing especially at this place in New Jersey called ‘summit antique center’ and its 3 story’s and I feel like it has a little something for everyone in there. “

What is your favorite book that you’ve ever read?

I feel like this is a tough one, but I would say Beloved by Toni Morrison.

What subject was your favorite when you were a student? Why?

Social studies! But I also loved English or any class where students can express their opinions after reading something or there could be a class debate or something similar to that.

What advice do you have for students today?

It doesn’t matter what you want to go into when you are older, you have to work hard and have a good work ethic and a good organizational system and get your work in on time.

What are you most looking forward to this year at Highlands?

I love the team tournaments! It allows for team spirt and it’s just fun and exciting, and the musical is always fun. I’m also really excited for the eighth graders moving up because I love the eighth graders I taught last year.

If you could tell your past self something, what would it be?

Get used to change it’s the only constant.

What is your favorite childhood memory?

Sunday dinners at my grandmas' house with my family

What’s your favorite part of the day?

Not because it's my favorite period, but 3rd and 4th period because I’m awake but not too tired yet.

What would make a “good day” for you?

Everyone being interested and doing their work

What else would you like our readers to know about you?

As teachers we are very lucky to spend our day with you, even though you might have bad days we are so lucky to teach you.



Ms.Cullen
Team 7A

SUMMER READING LIST!

By Charlotte Pizzirusso, Daniel Pizzirusso and Leah Villeneuve -Vedete

Fantasy:

- *The Kane Chronicles by Rick Riordan:* After a disastrous museum trip Carter and Sadie Kane discover the Egyptian gods are real and they must master ancient magic to stop the forces of chaos from taking over.
- *Magnus Chase by Rick Riordan:* After dying a heroic death Magnus Chase is sent to Valhalla, the Norse heaven where heroes wait for the cursed doomsday of Ragnarok. As villains rise Magnus and a diverse group of new friends must quest to postpone the eminent doom of the universe.
- *The Lord Of The Rings by J.R.R Tolkien:* After inheriting a dangerous magical ring Frodo Baggins must travel across Middle Earth to destroy it before the dark lord Sauron can reclaim it. But can he and his allies resist the call of power?
- *A Deadly Education by Naomi Novik:* At a magic school where most students die El Higgins is struggling with no allies or friends. As her junior year begins she must confront her ideals and how far she’s willing to go to survive.
- *Wings Of Fire by T. Tui. Sutherland:* Five dragonets are raised to stop a war between two dragon tribes. But as they discover there own truths they must decide whether to follow destiny or change it.
- *Keeper Of The Lost Cities by Shannon Messenger:* After discovering she’s an elf. Sophie Foster enters a hidden world of magic. As she begins to adjust and make friends powerful enemies target her for a secret thst could change everything.,
- *Six Of Crows by Leigh Bardugo:* Criminal mastermind Kaz Breaker assembles a team of six outcasts to perform an impossible heist. They must rely on each other to survive but no one knows who they can really trust

Dystopian:

- *City of Embers by Jean D’Prau:* When the world collapsed humanity built Ember as a refuge. But it’s now been used for longer than it was built to and the city is failing. Lina and her ex-friend Doon work together to find answers that could doom or save the city.
- *Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins:* In the future children are forced to fight to the death on live television. When Katniss Everdeen volunteers to save her sister she has to rely on her hunting skills to defeat deadly opponents and make it home to her family.
- *Uglies by Scott Westerfield:* In the future where everyone has surgery to become “pretty” at sixteen Tally Youngblood eagerly awaits her transformation. That’s until she meets a girl who questions the system and discovers what truly happens to “pretties”.
- *Scythe by Neal Shustermen:* In the future human’s have achieved immortality. Scythe’s are the only one’s who can take life, and it’s their job to keep the population under control. When Citra and Rowan are chosen as apprentices they have to compete for a position neither of them wants
- *The Maze Runner by James Dashner:* A boy named Thomas wakes up in a deadly maze with no memory. As he attempts to understand the maze and escape he discovers it’s hiding a much bigger secret.
- *Matched by Allie Condie:* In a controlled society where officials decide everything, including who you love, Cassia Reyes is matched with her best friend Xander. But after a glitch reveals another possible match, Ky Markham, she begins to question the system and must choose between following the rules or making her own path.

Romance:

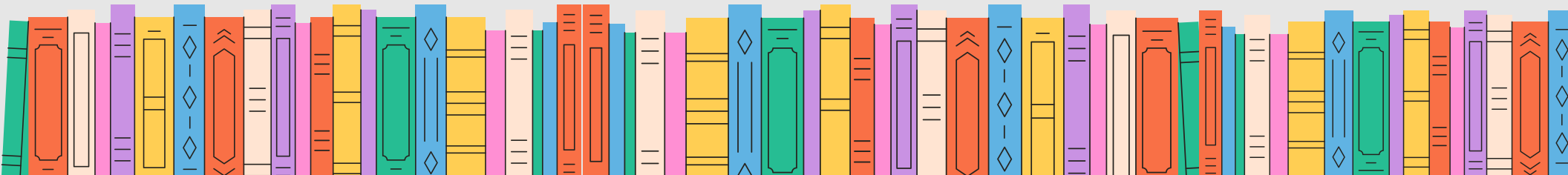
- *Forget Me Not by Ellie Tarry:* Claire Campbell, returnees to her hometown after 22 years after her sister's sudden disappearance.
- *The Sun is Also a Star by Nicola Yoon:* Natasha, a Jamaican immigrant facing deportation, and Daniel, a Korean-American aspiring poet, who fall in love in New York City over the course of one fateful day.
- *Heartstopper by Alice Osmen:* two boys, Nick Nelson, and Charlie Springs fall in love, but struggle with coming out to their school.
- *The Summer I Turned Pretty by Jenny Han:* Belly has been coming to the summer house her whole life, but her family friends Conrad and Jeremiah start to see her as more then friends.
- *To All The Boys I’ve Loved Before by Jenny Han:* Lara jean wrote 5 letters out to her five loves of her life but suddenly they go missing and get sent out to those people, she has to try to get them all back before they read them.

Non-Fiction:

- *World War II-everything for total war:* a guide to everything World War 2 including facts, technology, and even more about the second Great War
- *Raid of no return by Nathan Hale:* a book that explains the events of the Doolittle raid on Japan payback after Pearl Harbor (note this book is mainly non-fiction but sometimes there are a few not real characters such as the hang man and the provost though they just help narrate)
- *All Thirteen Christine Soontrovnat:* a book Going over the rescue of the wild boar's soccer team as they become trapped in a flooding cave
- *Major Impossible by Nathan Hale:* a book exploring the mapping of the Colorado river expedition going over the rapids and events they encounter such as waterfalls and the mysteries of it
- *Dinner Dinner Party by Nathan Hale :* a book about the Donner party

Mystery:

- *One Of Us Is Lying by e. Lockhart:* 4 high school stereotypes get put in a high school detention with a outcast named Simon, by the time detention is over Simon is pronounced dead, and the four people are the main suspects in a cold-blooded murder.
- *A Good Girls Guide To Murder Holly Jackson:* for her senior capstone project Pippa decided to figure out a murder that happened 5 years ago in her town, but she discovers much darker secrets.
- *Nancy Drew by Carolyn Keene:* a series of books of a female detective trying to solve cases from a robbery to murders.
- *A Nancy Drew Christmas by Carolyn Keene:* Nancy goes to a ski lodge but stumbles on a series of accidents, will she get to the bottom of it or will she become the next victim.
- *The Inheritance Games by Jennifer Lynn Barns:* Avery Grambs suddenly inherits a millionaire fortune and has to solve puzzles and discover secrets about the underlying cause of the inheritance
- *The Westing Game by Ellen Raskin:* 16 people have to try to win a game to inherit a millionaires fortune.



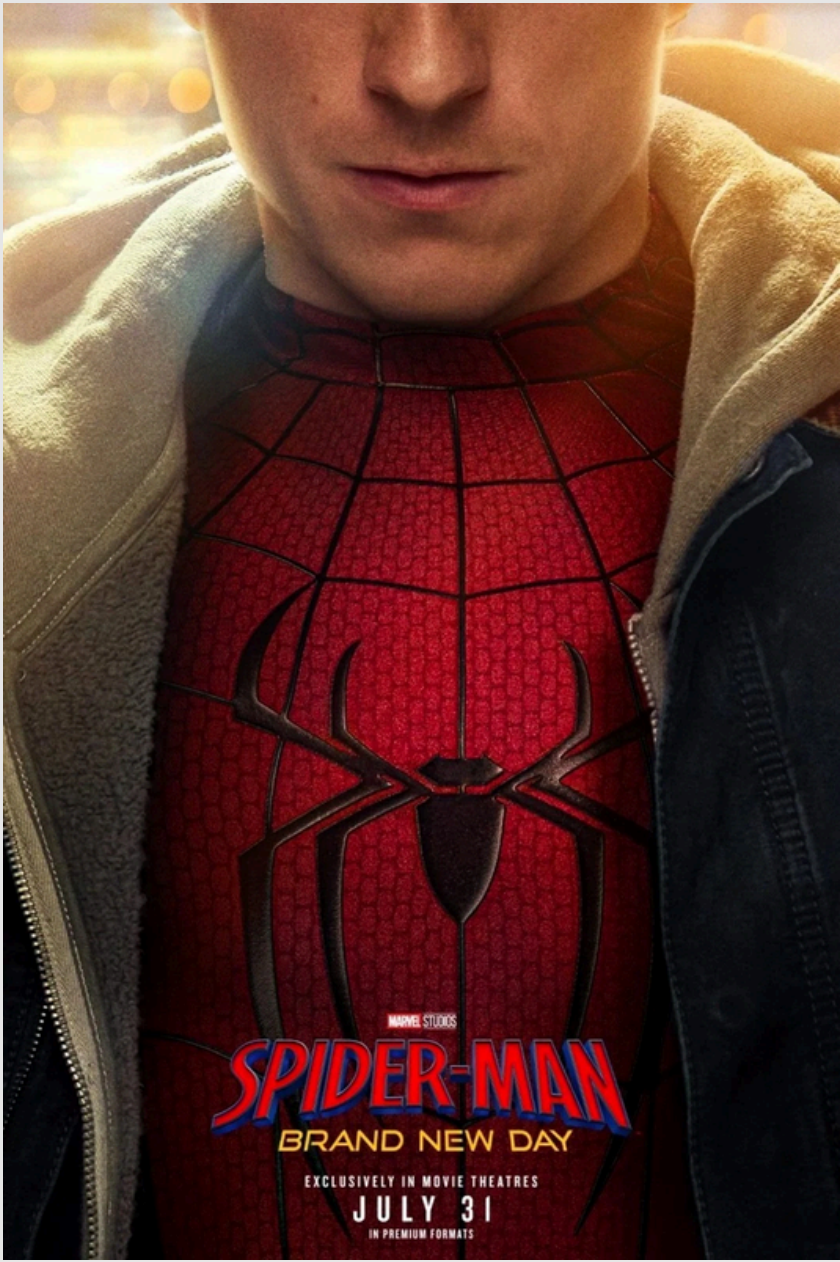
LOCAL NEWS

MOVIES HEATING UP SUMMER 2026!

By Matthew Cuenca Serrano

As school is coming to an end and summer break is sooner than you think, there is also a ton of movies to watch during summer break or even during school time.

As an 8th grader, we all read a part of the book “The Odyssey” and it was a really good book to me but in the book, it talks about only one part of Odysseus’s 10-year journey, where Odysseus, the King of Ithica, Greece, and his men find a big challenge they faced while trying to go home after the 10-year Trojan war, The Cyclops, which was only one of the big challenges him and his men faced. In the movie, it talks about Odysseus’s whole journey and what the rest of the challenges were like the Cyclops Polyphemus, Sirens, Circe, and the rest of the challenges he faced during the journey. The release date for the movie is July 17, 2026. Even if you are in 7th grade, it will still be a good movie to watch and a little headstart to what you might learn in 8th grade!



Another movie to look out for is a fan favorite: Spider-Man: Brand New Day. This is now going to be the 4th movie of Tom Holland being Spiderman. The other movies were: 1. “Spider-Man: Homecoming” 2. “Spider-Man: Far From Home” 3. “Spider-Man: No Way Home.” In the first movie, we have 15-year-old Peter Parker as he tries to balance school life and his other self as “Spiderman” which can be difficult for him. In the movie he fights “The Vulture” a villain that sells advanced weapons. This movie is a coming-of-age type-like movie in the movie he explores himself. In the second movie Peter Parker tries to enjoy a European school trip but is recruited by Nick Fury to stop the elementals destructive, dimension-hopping creatures. In the third movie Peter Parker’s identity as Spider-Man is exposed by Mysterio, his life is thrown into chaos. Desperate to restore his secret, Peter asks Doctor Strange to cast a spell making the world forget. The spell goes awry, tearing open the multiverse and summoning iconic villains from alternate realities to the MCU The situation quickly spirals out of control, resulting in the tragic death of Aunt May at the hands of the Green Goblin.

Devastated and seeking revenge, Peter is guided by two alternate-universe versions of himself, played by Tobey Maguire and Andrew Garfield, who were also pulled into his world.

There are many other movies coming out during the summer, but these are some movies I recommend watching during the summer. Have a wonderful summer break!

May: National Military Appreciation Month

By Mina Auletta

How many people do you know who have served in our military? May is a month where we honor all of the brave and selfless people who have served in the armed forces. This includes the 2.2 million people currently in the Army, Navy, Air force, Marines, Coast Guard, Space Force, and more. Just because they serve in the military does not mean that these people are not just like us. They abandoned their lives to serve for us. National Military Appreciation month was officially declared in 1999 to honor the people who serve the U.S.

In your Social Studies class, you probably have been learning about World War II. A lot of your ancestors may have fought in the war, for America or a different country. Based on the Department of Veteran Affairs, less than 50,000 WW2 veterans in the US are still alive today. We want them to feel seen, before there aren't any left. There were roughly 15-25 million military deaths during the span of World War II. We can only hope that our friends and family, or even yourself, will not have to fight in another world war.

There are many things that you can do this month, and anytime to honor our military:

- Thank military personnel and veterans for their service.
- Host a luncheon, picnic, or another event to recognize their service.
- Ask someone who you know has served in the military about their experiences.
- Support veteran causes such as Disabled American Veterans (DAV)



June Pride Month

By Lizzie O. S

June Awareness Month

June is known for being awareness month for many things. But June is mostly known for being Pride Month. Pride month is when we celebrate the LGBTQIA+ community. It first was created after the 1969 Stonewall Uprising. Ever since that event, people have marched yearly to protest for fair LGBTQIA+ rights, but June didn't become officially Pride Month until 1999. What was The Stonewall Uprising? How did June become Pride Month? What was the aftermath of Stonewall Uprising? In this article these questions will be answered!

The Start

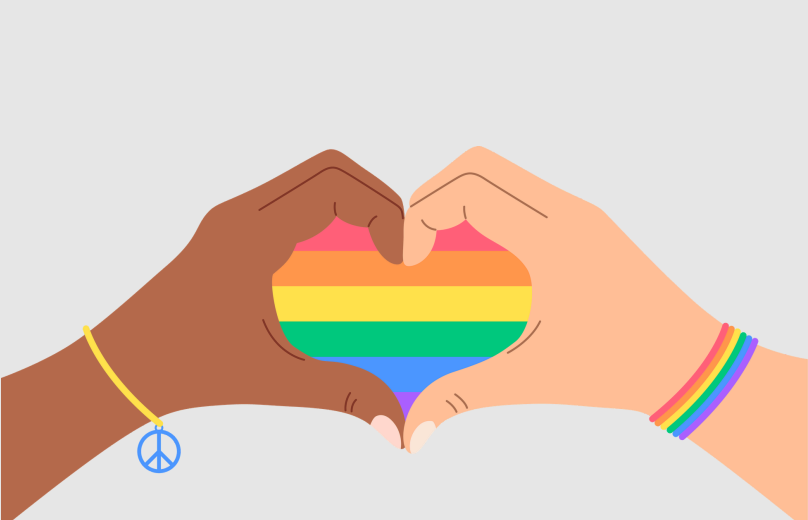
Pride Month wouldn't have existed if it weren't for The Stonewall Uprising. But what is The Stonewall Uprising? It started in the 1960s, when New York passed the New York State Liquor Authority (SLA) which made it illegal for all bars to serve homosexuals, or anyone who is part of the LGBTQIA+ community. If a bar was caught, then the bar could lose its license. In addition, the police would pretend to be LGBTQIA+ to find hidden bars. Not to mention that they would often raid places that seemed suspicious. On June 28 1969, the police raided another bar, Stonewall where it was a popular hidden gay bar. Unlike so many others though, most in Stonewall fought back after a lesbian was manhandled by police. For 6 days, many protested in Christopher Park.

Aftermath

Thanks to the Stonewall Uprising, it inspired many. Instead of normal brawling with police officers, they started working politically to give the LGBTQIA+ more rights. This helped spark many more protests, even to the point that thousands of people came to protest in front of the office of the Village Voice, demanding their human rights. The Stonewall Uprising helped create the Gay Liberation Front, being the 1st to use the word 'Gay' in its name. Years later in 1999: President Bill Clinton issued the first proclamation declaring June as "Gay and Lesbian Pride Month. In 2009-2016, president Barack Obama altered the proclamation to include all of the LGBTQIA+.

Celebration

Now it's celebrated by large-scale parades, political advocacy and community-building events. Some famous parades are the New York City Pride, which millions come to see, drag shows and brunches and sometimes people decide to host their own celebration within their community! After the pandemic, you can find many digital panels and even trivia on Pride Month. Others donate to LGBTQIA+ non-profit organization. There is no official way to celebrate it though, everyone does it in their own way. Simply supporting LGBTQIA+ is a great way to celebrate Pride Month!





Book Review:
Uglies by Scott Westerfeld

By Mina Auletta

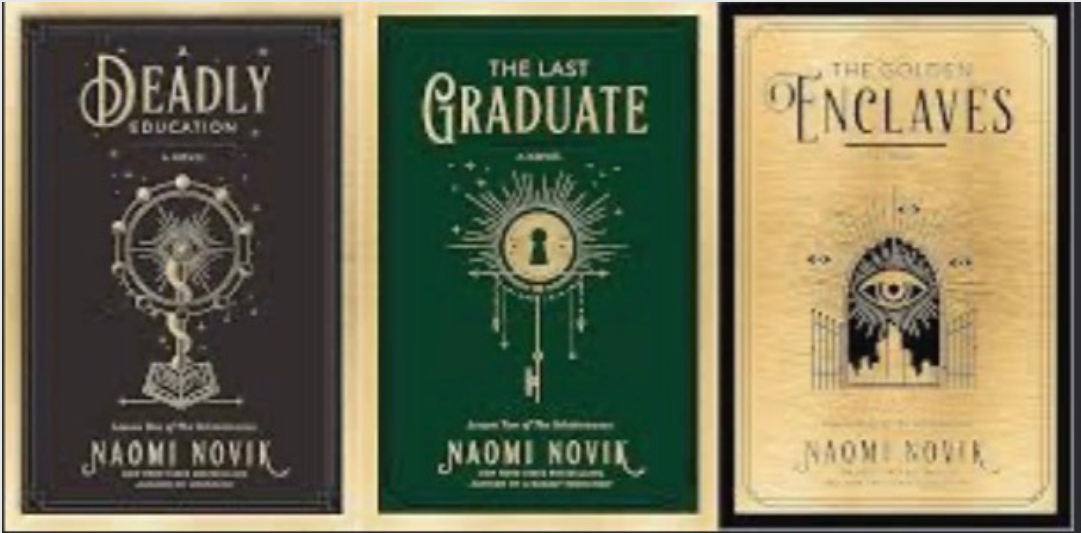
I read a ton of books in the summer. One book I personally liked was Uglies by Scott Westerfeld. There are three other books in the series: Pretties, Specials, and Extras. To understand the names of them, you really need to read the book. Uglies is set in a dystopian world, where people are divided into an ugly class and a pretty class. When the uglies turn fifteen, they go through a special operation to make them pretty. We follow Tally, the main character, as she discovers that there is a world away from her city, where people don’t go through the operation. She starts to question the pretty system because of a message she gets from one of her past friends. I recommend this book because it keeps you hooked with all of the plot twists, and is not too long or too short. Also, you can read the whole series, so it keeps you entertained for a while. The story is pretty complicated, so I would give it a 4.5 out of five.



Quarterly Book Review 4:
A Deadly Education by Naomi Novik

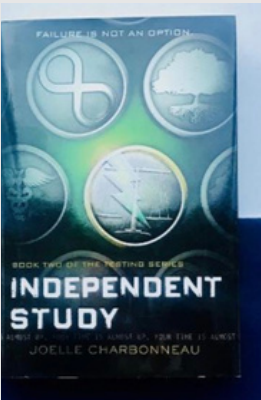
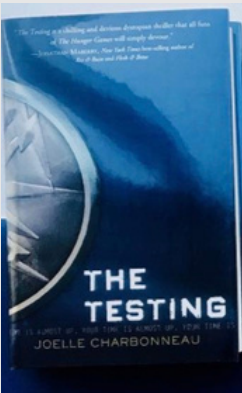
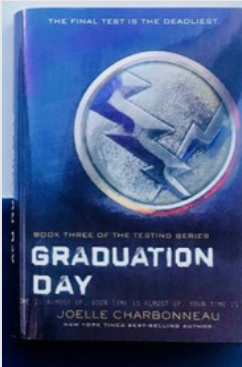
By Charlotte Pizzrusso

I thought I’d read every single kind of fantasy book out there. I could even predict the plot of most of them since I’d read so many. That was until I was recommended this book. It’s nothing like anything I’ve ever read before and Novik is a literary genius. The story follows Galadriel or El Higgins as she begins her junior year at the Scholomance, a school and safe haven for wizard children. Basically, instead of a 90% chance of being eaten by monsters or maleficaria as they call them it’s a 60% chance. El is among the so called losers at the school who don’t have friends or alliances. Even better when she was a very little kid her grandmother had a prophecy that she’d destroy the world which El is trying to avoid. The book is very dark academia and El reminds me a lot of Katniss Everdeen from The Hunger Games series. The side characters are amazing and we have a girl trio which is absolutely my favorite part of the story. It is actually the first book in a trilogy with the second book entitled The Last Graduate, and the third book titled The Golden Enclaves. But this book could also be read as a stand-alone if you aren’t ready for the commitment. I won’t spoil anything more but I absolutely loved this story which I definitely didn’t expect. Try it out and get ready for very unique, very crazy ride.



Book review: *The Testing* by Joelle Charbonneau
By Josie Robins

The Testing is a YA dystopian book trilogies about a futuristic world where wars and natural disasters tore up the world. There are now a bunch of colonies surrounding a big city called Tosu City. Every year a group of kids is chosen to go to the city to take a series of tests to get into the university, where they will become doctors, teachers, scientists and leaders. But, as the main character Cia quickly realizes, the testing is more than just written tests, and the punishment for failing is more that just going home. I really liked this series. It was very interesting and entertaining. I liked the plot twists and how resourceful the main character was. It was interesting to se how Cia worked though problems and assessed risks. It’s a little bit dark, but very compelling and keeps you wanting to know more. The second book added on nicely to the first, and showed the effects of the testing on Cia. I give it a 9.5 out of 10.



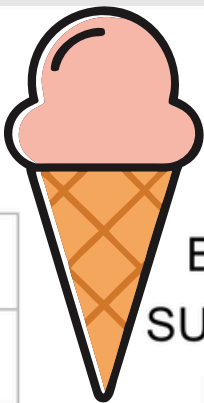
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Summertime! Word Search:

By Josie Robins

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Music Review: AJR

By Kyle Conley

AJR is a pop music band, which focuses on themes, such as mental health struggles, insecurity, anxiety, nostalgia, and fear of growing up. Popular songs include “Burn the House Down”, “Bang!”, and “Way Less Sad.” “Way Less Sad” involves feeling sad, still being sad when something good happens and struggling through mental health issues. “Burn the house down” is about young people realizing their power to be able to change political and social change in the world. “Bang!” is about the awkward and stressful change from being a teenager to being an adult. These themes in AJR’s songs are related to most people, as transitioning to being an adult from a kid (learning to do taxes which is not taught in school normally, and lots of other things like jobs, food, healthcare, etc.) can pile onto daily life stress.



LIFE & LEISURE



TV Series Review: Lord of the Flies

By Lukas Villar

When I read the book recently it was a pretty good storyline that a bunch of boys trapped on an island. Every movie has the same ending with the man coming up and talking to the chief.

Now I am here watching the tv show that came recently to Netflix that I was excited to watch and was on my upcoming for a while. Was this show violent? Kind of, I am mostly going to talk about the mood, actors and appearance of the show. First of I want to say the show had a “Whats Going to happen next?” Type of vibe which scared me alot but some parts were really long and that kind of bored me out of the show but ofcourse me being me, I still watching it anyway. It was disturbing but fun to watch even though it was me, all alone in the dark watching this. The actors did such a good job playing the roles for most of the characters including the style including the music.I would suggest this movie if you like first of all survival movies and horror, it’s a great watch if you’re bored!

Da Squad! Mini Comic “Loot, Loot and Ramen” By Lukas Villar

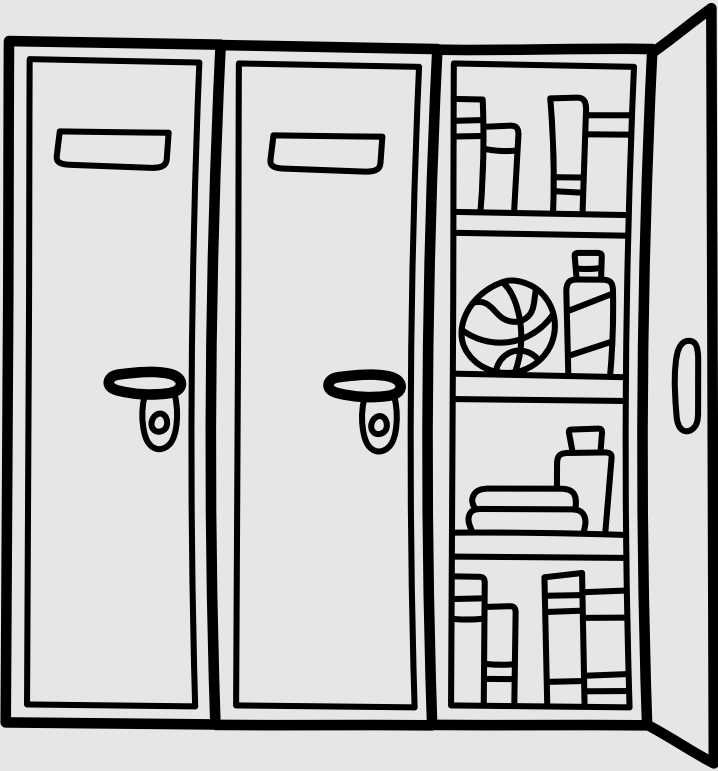


LIFE & LEISURE

AN 8TH GRADERS GUIDE ON HOW TO SURVIVE FINALS

by Daniel Pizzirusso

- Make a study plan to review at least an hour a week
- Prioritize the areas you struggle in over your good areas
- Quizlet is a great study tool with the flashcards it helps greatly for many
- If you want to get a friend to study with it could motivate you better
- Revisit your old homework and tests they can help you review the units
- Normally a teacher gives you a study guide do it even if its not mandatory
- Put your phone away for when your studying at home avoid distractions
- Get a good night's sleep before your test it will help



When you clean out your locker

by Daniel Pizzirusso



MEET YOUR 2026-2027 EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

By Josie Robins

Hello! My name is Josephine or Josie. I am going to be Editor for *The Courier* next year!

Some things about me are that I love animals, drawing, and reading. My favorite color is green and my favorite animal is an elephant shrew.

I'm excited to be your new editor!



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