



2021

WEGO

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FORWARD



When we look back on the 2020-21 school year, many will recall the historical changes to the world due to the pandemic. I will remember the creativity, resilience and sense of community our school showed in the face of unprecedented change. I will recall the spirit our students and teachers displayed when their worlds changed again and again and how everyone continued to fulfill their duties, meet their obligations and challenge themselves to Learn, Lead and Live. And while the events of the past year will be with us for a long time, I will never forget the happiness and joy I saw on the faces of our students and teachers when in April we were reunited as a school community under one roof. Even though we'd been separated for over a year we never stopped being WeGo together.

- Dr. Dwyer

A Message from the Principal



Remote or In Person

West Chicago Community High School



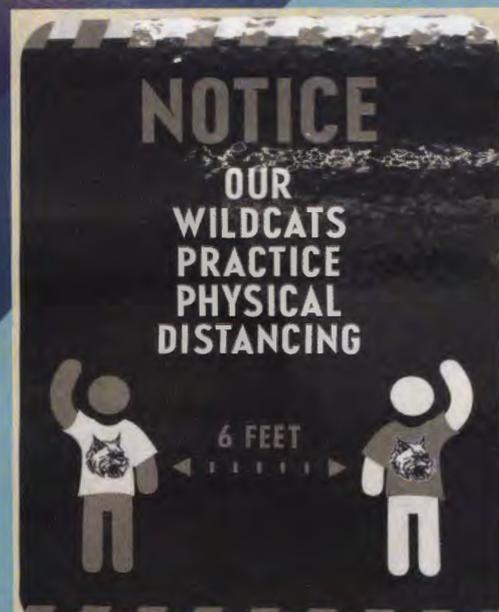
4th Quarter Begins April 6, 2021
9:40 AM - 3:00 PM

Welcome back

Wildcats!

More info at
d94.org/all-back

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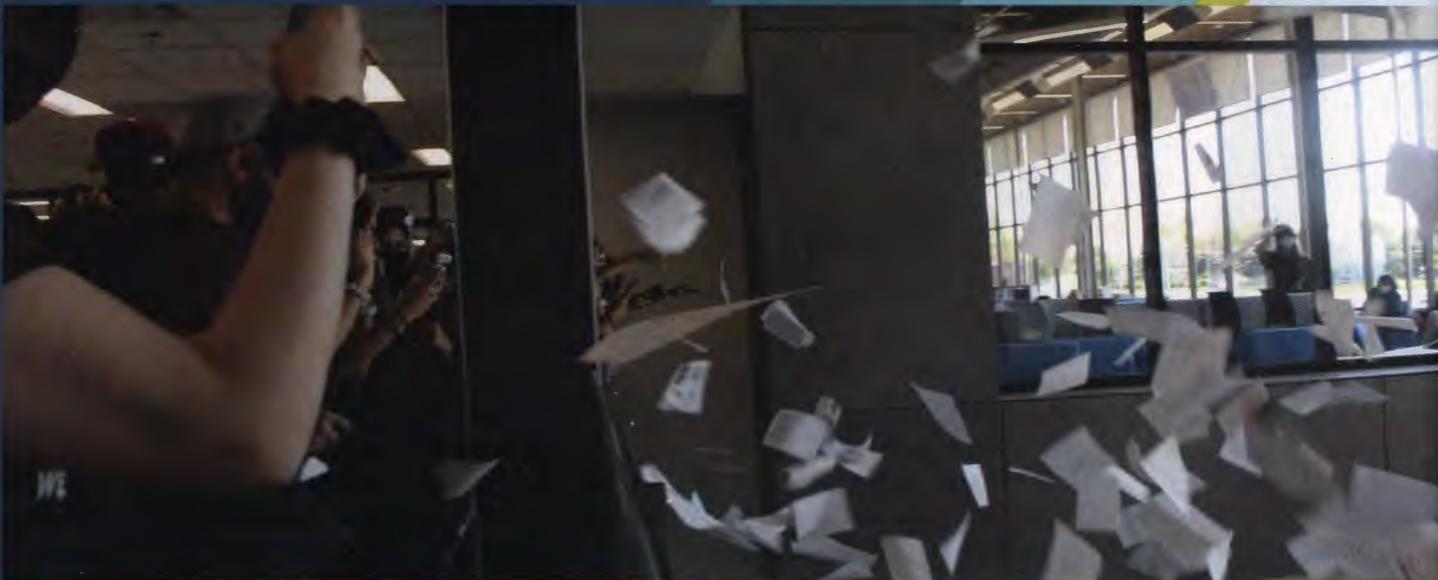
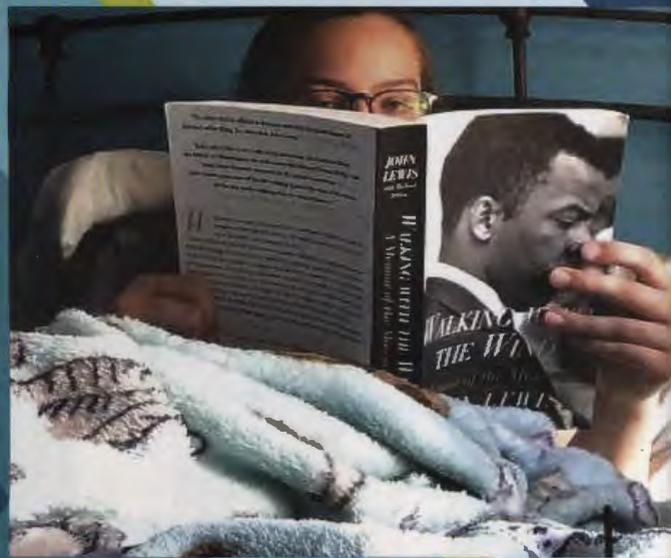
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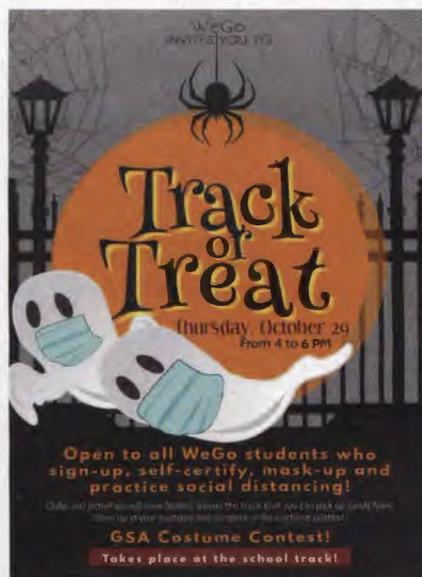
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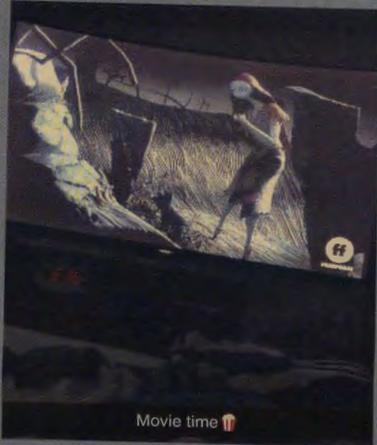




Student Council invited clubs to participate in a creative outdoor event to allow students to safely socialize and collect some treats.

BOREDOM BUSTERS

Watching
movies



Playing an
instrument



Spending
time outside



Baking

Drawing



Reading a book



Being with family



Playing with pets



Celebrating birthdays



Hanging with friends

BACK TO SCHOOL





Hybrid Learning

Students were finally allowed to come back to school in a hybrid model at the beginning of second semester. We had one third of our students at a time on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday with Monday and Friday remaining as remote learning days. While many students chose to remain fully remote due to health and family concerns, it was great to have some life in the building and students were welcomed with some fanfare.

WEGO Tees

Transition Program Starts Their Own Business

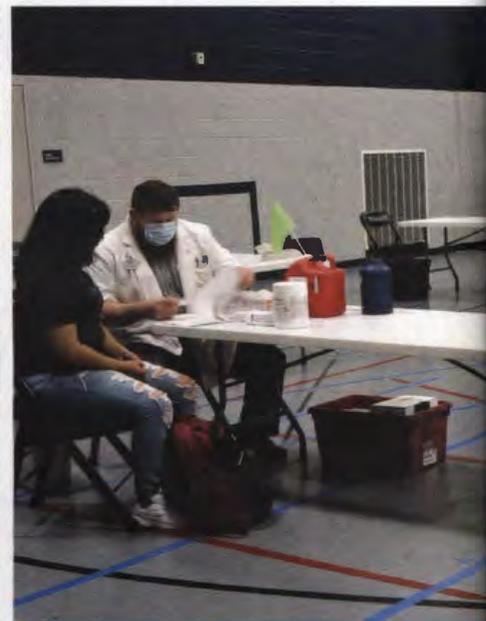
In order to provide its students with real world work experience, the transition program started a custom t-shirt company this year. Students handle most aspects of the business, ranging from taking the order to setting up the t-shirt press to actually producing the final product. Students even produced their own commercial and had a viewing party to kick off their business. The staff who participated in the project have been nominated for the Illinois State Board of Education's 2022 Those Who Excel award. The business is funded through a grant provided by the Illinois Department of Rehabilitation Services.





VACCINATION Clinics

As different groups were eligible for vaccinations, administration put together vaccination clinics for the WEGO community, staff and students. At our very first clinic in February, approximately 2500 community members and staff from WCCHS as well as districts 25, 33 and 34 were vaccinated against COVID-19. This was followed by a clinic in March for students 16 and over and another in May when the eligibility age dropped to 12 and older. Staff members and student ambassadors put in many hours to help the clinics run effectively. We even got press coverage in the Tribune and on ABC 7 news.



April 29, 2021

COVID-19 Vaccinations

For all West Chicago
Community High School
students age 16+

Details at
www.d94.org/studentvaccine

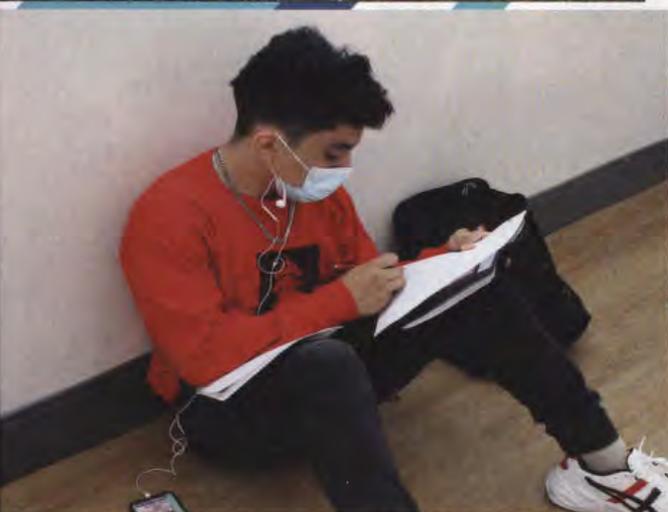
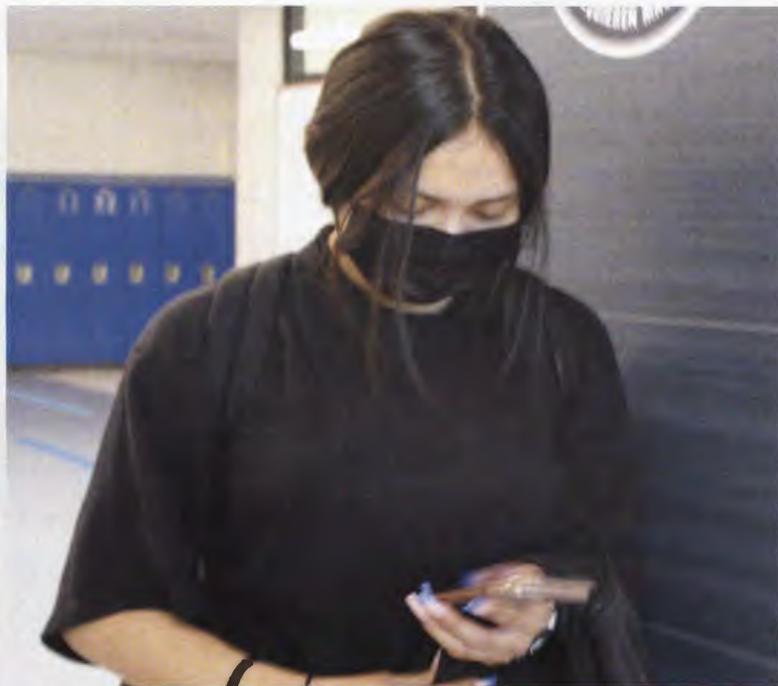
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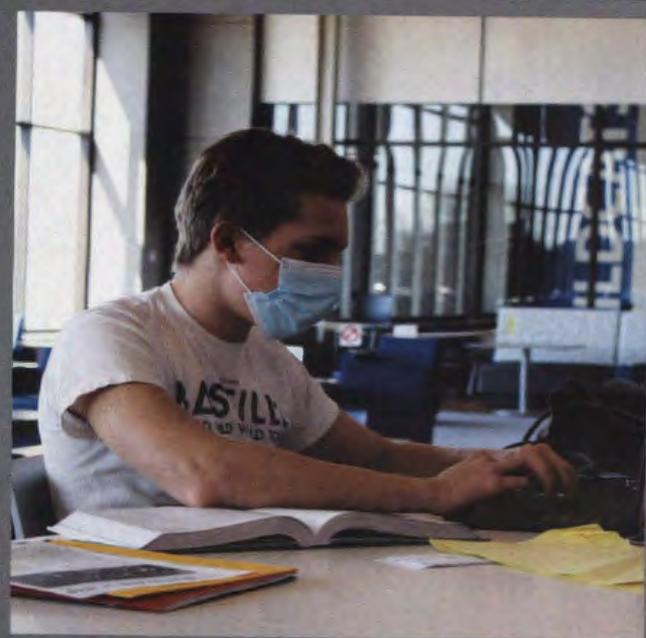
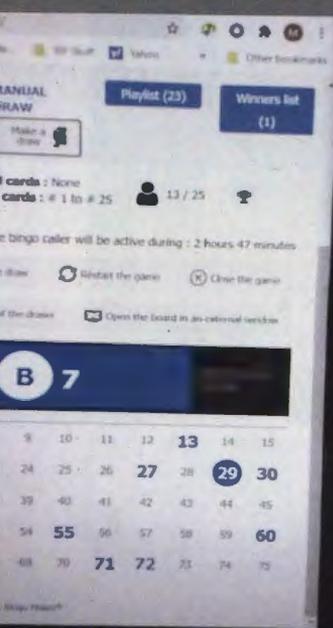
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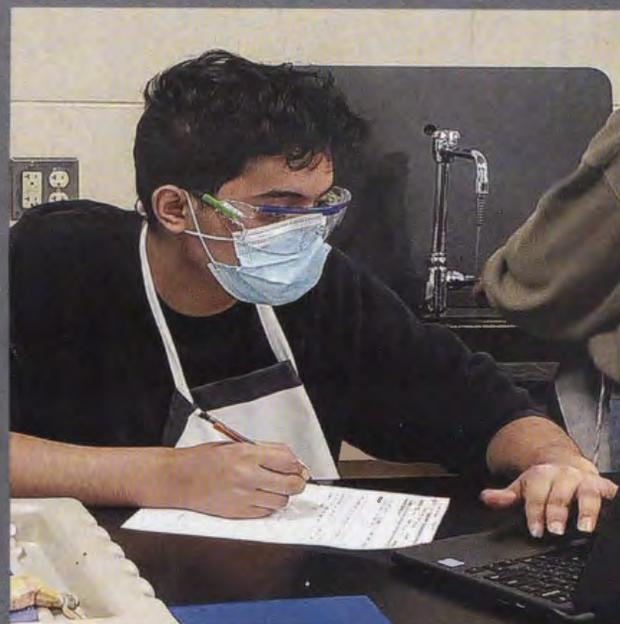








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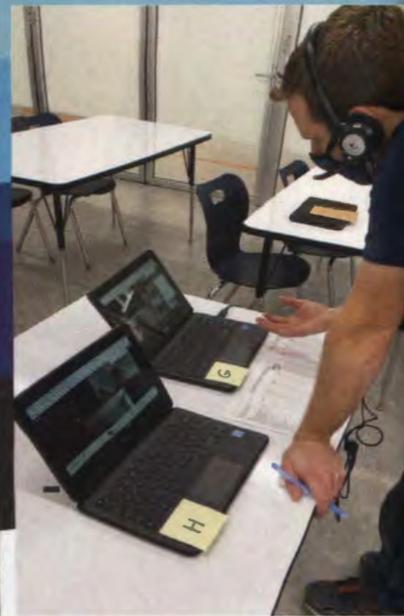
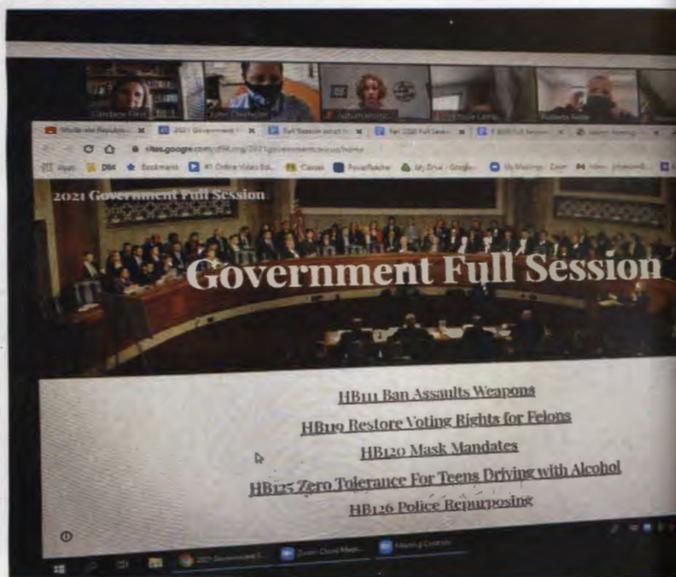
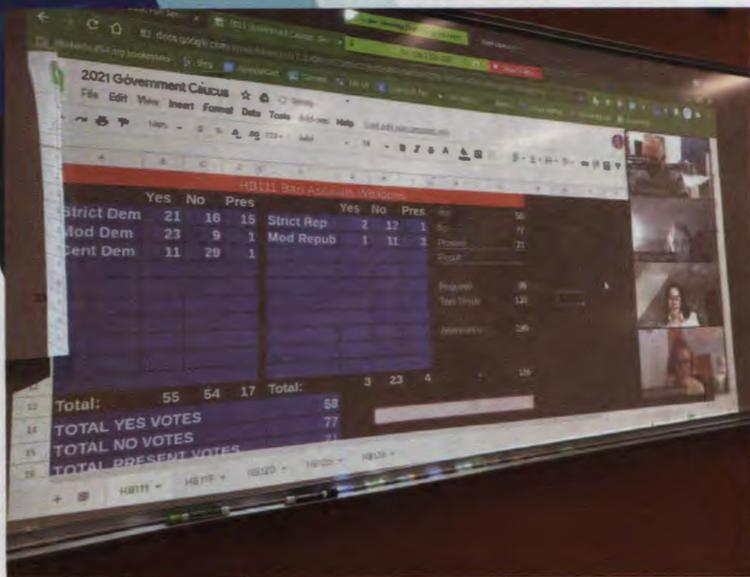


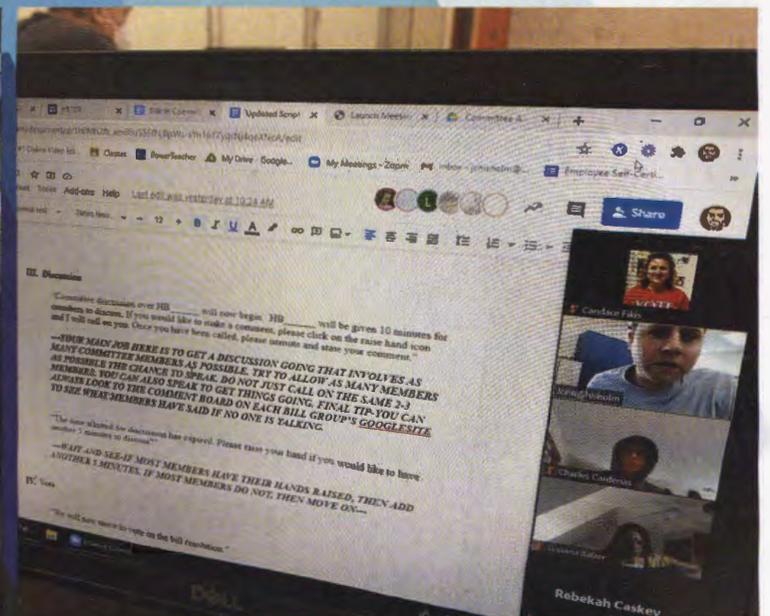
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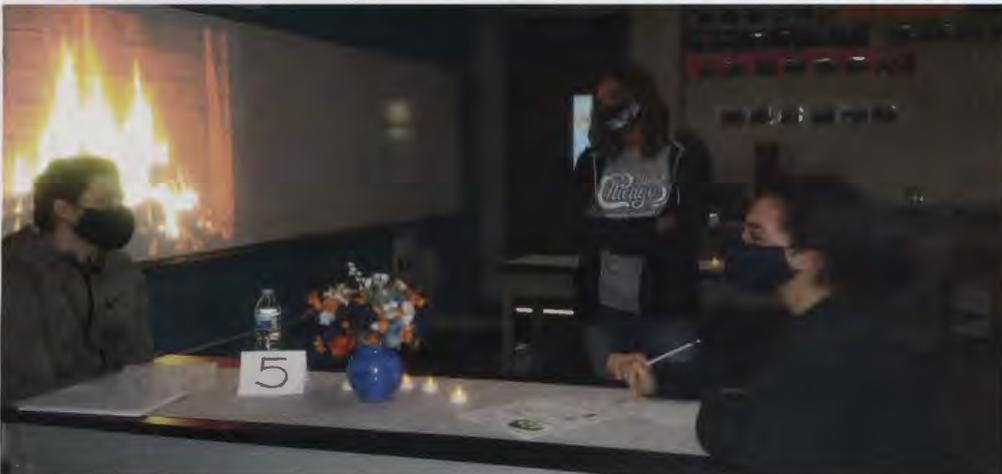
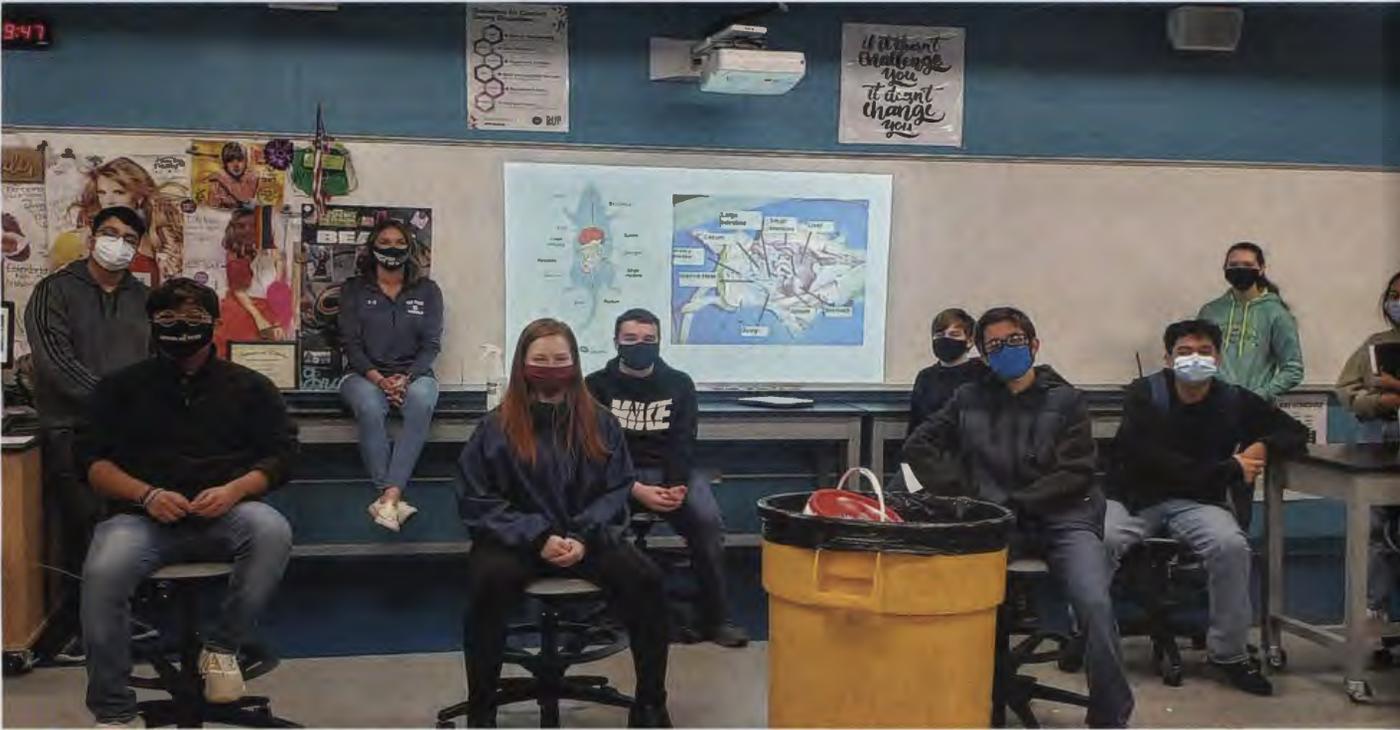
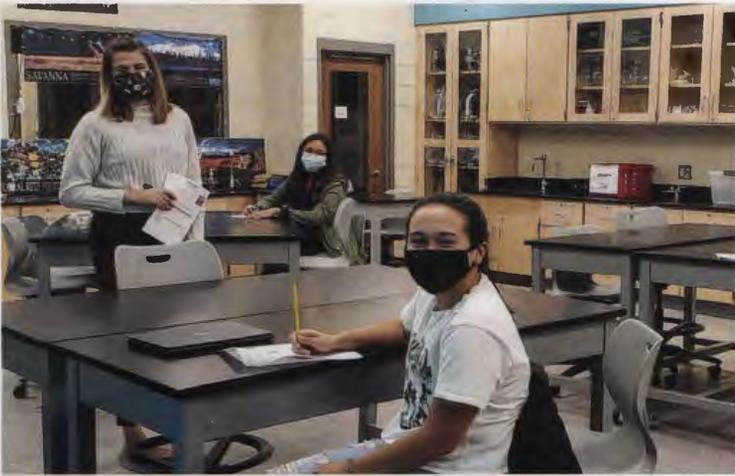
MOCK LEGISLATURE

Each year our seniors participate in a simulation of our state legislature organized by our very dedicated team of government teachers. This year, they got a big assist from our technology integration specialist, Mr. Clarke. The simulation was run completely online from command central, Mrs. Fikis' room.

As part of this exercise, our seniors discern where they are on the political spectrum, research and write bills, respectfully debate ideas, form caucuses and vote on their bills as a full class.



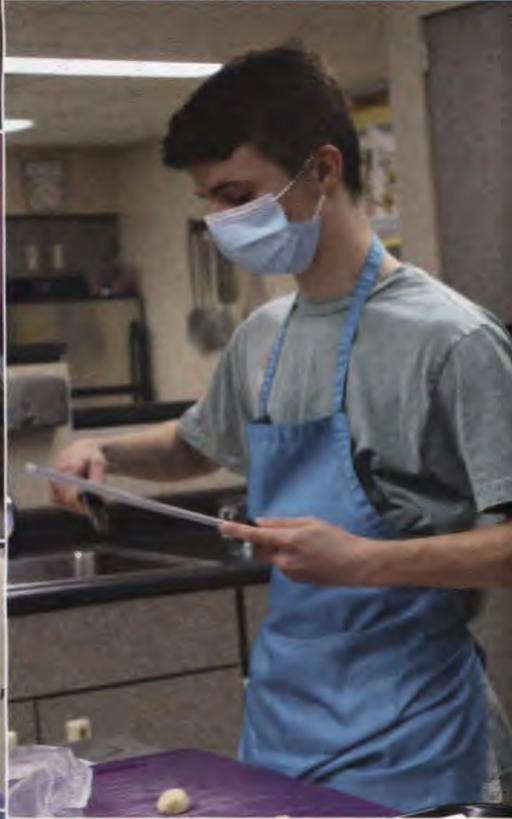


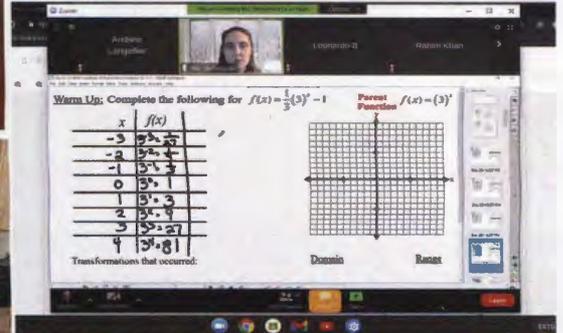


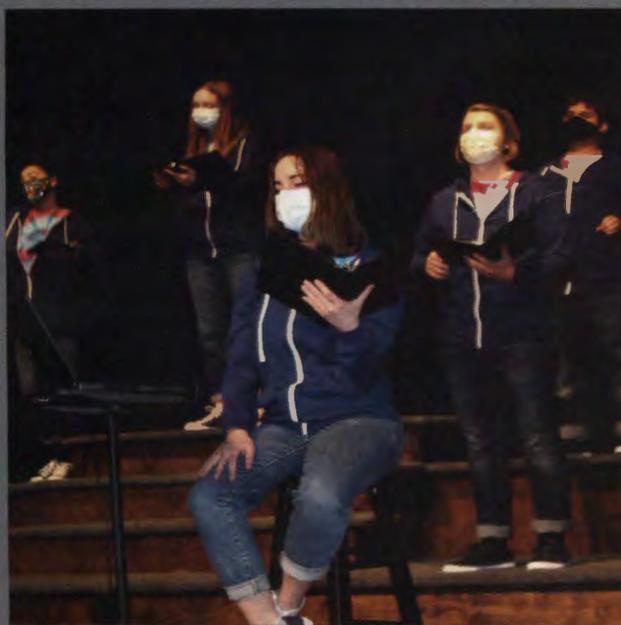
Enhanced REMOTE

While most students were out of the building, some teachers were able to invite students in for special activities like an outdoor field trip or science lab.









November 2020

Students with Purpose

West Chicago Community High School



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16
Hours



84
Service Activities



ACTIVITIES AND CLUBS

Anime
Art Club
Book Club
BPA
Chess
Choral Group
Club Green
Compass
Creative Writing
Dance Production
Drama
FCCLA
Color Guard
GSA
Drama
InterAct Club
International Club







November 2020





Student Service
Volunteer
on campus and in our community

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West Chicago Community
School





Jazz Band
LifeSmarts
Marching Band
Math Team
Music Honor Society
National Honor Society
OLA'AS
Orchestra
Pep Club
Scholastic Bowl
Student Council
Tech Crew
Thespians
WeGo Buddies
WeGo Global
Wildcat Chronicle
Yearbook







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ATHLETICS

FALL

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY





BOYS CROSS COUNTRY





GIRLS TENNIS





BOYS GOLF





GIRLS GOLF





GIRLS SWIMMING







ATHLETICS



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WINTER

GIRLS BASKETBALL





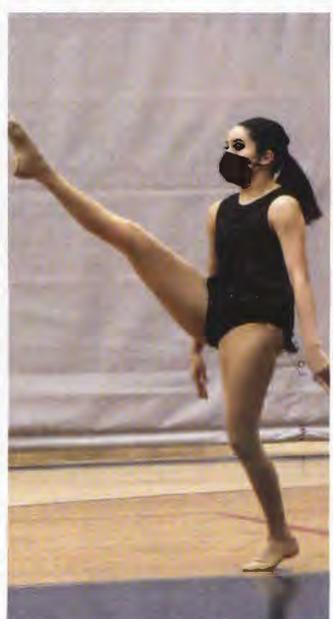
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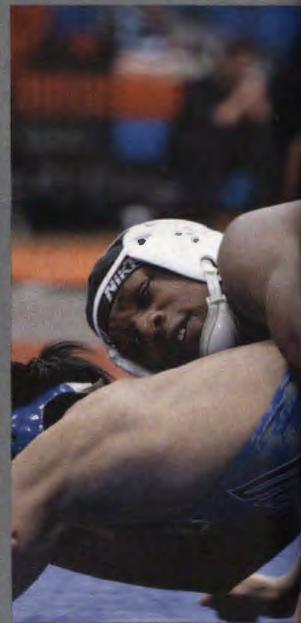




Dance Team







ATHLETICS



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SPRING

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL







GIRLS TRACK & FIELD



BOYS SOCCER





BOYS FOOTBALL







BOYS TRACK & FIELD



GIRLS SOCCER





BOYS BASEBALL





GIRLS SOFTBALL





BOYS TENNIS



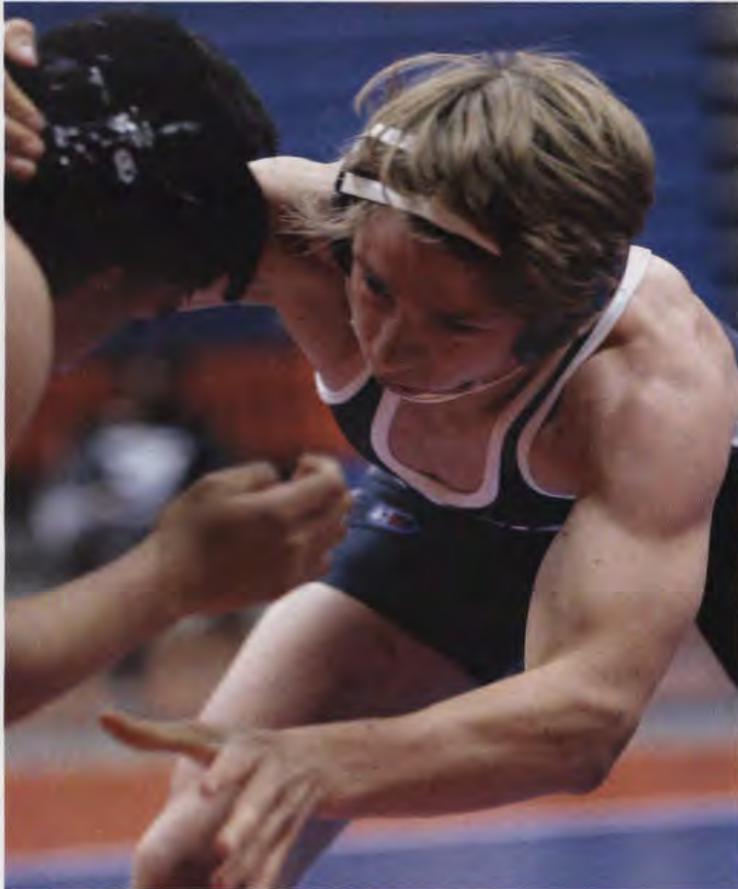


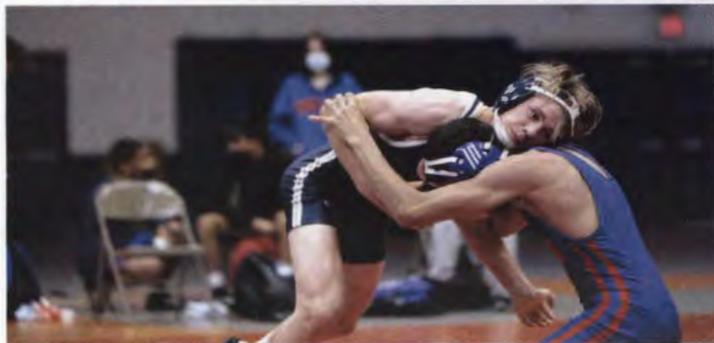
BOYS VOLLEYBALL





WEGO WRESTLING





BOYS SWIMMING





WEGO CHEER





Boys Cross Country

Row 1 - Brandon Wallace, Tyden Garn, Jorge Munoz, Diego Macias, Connor Lambert, Eric Garcia-Aguado. Row 2 - Victor Correa, Corey Losacco, Finleigh Culloton, Diego Avalos, Micah McLean, Connor Zentner, Dylan Borja. Row 3 - Trent Noland, Josiah McLean, Ryan Nguyen, Jared Diaz, Charles May, James Losacco, Noah Herbst. Row 4 - James Bloss, Daivik Singh, Luis Andrade, Efren (Diego) Mackintos, Garrett Bennema, Landon Wright, Vincent Cleo, Rydel Salazar. Row 5 - Joe Williamson, Coen Garling, Teddy Koskmas, Cameron Petrie, Chris Hernandez, Silas Schroeder, Caleb Shade. Row 6 - Assistant Coach Kellen Klapatch, Head Coach Dave Sayner, Assistant Coach Yassine Youkoub.



Girls Cross Country

Row 1 - Vanessa Duran, Valeria Medina, Jennifer Espinal. Row 2 - Yvette Arias, Aliyah Ballines, Kathy Martinez, Anaitzel Huerta. Row 3 - Brenda Sanchez, Diana Mackintos, Jennifer Romero, Lillian Buzani, Jessica Cruz Bonilla. Row 4 - Coach Cassandra Anderson, Leah Nika, Wilma Sanchez, Joselyn Figueroa, Andrea Sarmiento, Coach Andrea Contreras.



Boys Varsity Golf

Row 1 - John Brown, Gavin Hamilton. Row 2 - Sean Slattery, Justin Baranowski, David Bartler, Charlie Gove. Row 3 - Coach Tim Dovichi, Jake Holloway, Danny Bowen, Jaden Aldaco, Coach Rich Kost.



Boys Junior Varsity Golf

Row 1 - Nick Aiuppa, John Brown, John Bartlett, Jack Walsh. Row 2 - Coach Tim Dovichi, Charlie Give, Michael Birdsell, Jake Holloway, Coach Rich Kost.





Girls Varsity Swim

Row 1 - Maddie Salzman, Meggie Fors, Gabby Fernandez. Row 2 - Kelly Shortall, Elle Gerster, Sarah Michael, Cate Keigel. Row 3 - Reiss Christensen, Jess Ellibee, Aspen Baker, Megan Pierce, Gracie Dunnett. Row 4 - Chloe Johnson, Cami Mayo, Alaina Gilsinn, Emily Eul, Channing Osborne. Row 5 - Cora Garling, Klara Becker, Scout Gallagher, Joselyn Munoz, Kayleigh Kuschewski, Ashley Segoe, Coach Nick Parry.



Girls Junior Varsity Swim

Row 1 - Sam Varelli, Sophie Bremner, Alexa Bartoszek, Row 2 - Reese Lydon, Nicole Miller, Patricia Gonzalezmon, Edin Sagarin. Row 3 - Hollyn Ambre, Terra Pierce, Hiley Kuhn, Zaida Morales, Adriana Costa, Evelyn Griffith. Row 4 - Regan Fanning, Kennedy Meitzler, Alli Faulkner, Jessie Sadowsky, Sena Conklin, Amelia Howell. Row 5 - Bridget Kosky, Emily Heath, Andi Bullman. Not pictured Coach Lisa Licari.



Girls Varsity Tennis

Row 1 - Julia Nosky, Eiliana Reyes, Anais Hernandez, Dayanna Mendoza, Emily Bove. Row 2 - Anelise Velasco, Monica Huizar, Jane Osielski, Erin Upham. Row 3 - Gabriel Lamperis, Christiana Kapetaneas, Ema Tomasevic, Acilia Viscogliosi, Coach Fred Toms.



Girls Junior Varsity Tennis

Row 1 - Angie Jacobo, Maizy Jury, Judith Benitez, Maria Silva Rodriguez. Row 2 - Shantal Correa, Montserrat Tapia, Arely Jacobo, Darlyn, Espinal Garcia, Ayelin Vellikara. Row 3 - Coach Drew Dresden, Paloma Aguado, Mariana Lopez, Audri Garn, Dana Tomasevic, Swapna George.



Girls Golf

Kendall Farm, Lyndi Bressner. Not pictured Coach Jeff Theobald.



Girls Junior Varsity Volleyball

Row 1 - Ella Hardy, Alyssa Elizondo, Jilianne Joi Baptista. Row 2 - Gianna DeConcilis, Aidan Gerster, Marla Chavez, Regan Miessler. Row 3 - Ashley Malay, Sophia Johnson, Johanna Edler, Natalie Larson, Coach Kelsey Jacob.



Girls Sophomore Volleyball

Row 1 - Ivy Lundblad, Leilani Cantu, Janelle Perez, Jasmine Aguado, Coach Tracy Eier, Row 2 - Ariana Hernandez, Rory Rudden, Jamie Sticha, Valerie Harris, Mia Valliquette, Sydney Bennema



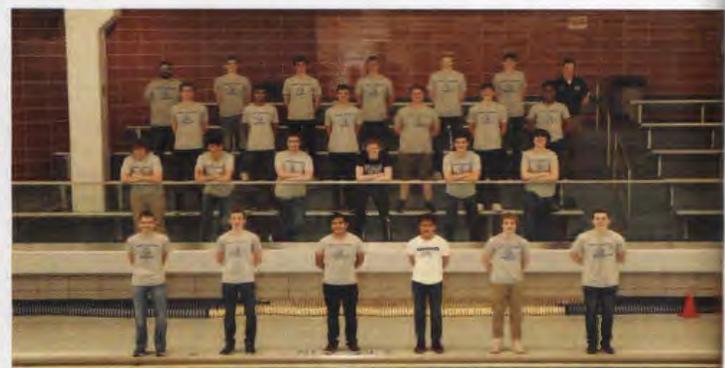
Girls Freshmen Volleyball

Row 1 - Ariana Hernandez, Anahituel Huerta, Ivy Lundblad, Rory Rudden, Jasmine Aguado. Row 2 - Sydney Bennema, Valerie Harris, Leah Stetsik, Janelle Perez. Row 3. Coach Adrian Porcayo, Gabbi Christman, Anna Pinkevich, Kylie Doyle, Coach Tracy Eier.



Girls Varsity Volleyball

Row 1 - Elle Gerster, Ava Lowell, Gia Rotger, Katie McGlynn. Row 2 - Alexa Elizondo, Trinity Nelson, Kaila Palczinski, Brianna Pechman, Kayla Sennesse. Row 3 - Coach Pam Pater, Brianna Gromos, Sarah Gramit, Coach Regina Paulli.



Boys Swimming

Row 1 - Dylan Clark, Alek Simeunovic, Gio Sebastian, Connor Nguyen, Ryan Fors, Teegan Cook, Row 2 - Mason Smith, Indro Cavanna, Drew Mayo, Devin Larimer, Brandon Cowhey, Mark Stavenger, Row 3 - Gavin McCullough, Jai Vivekanandan, John Masen, Alex Beaulieu, Brady Johnson, Robert Washington Jr., Row 4 - Coach Josh May, Luke Wiesner, Alex McCullough, Will Herwig, Logan Townsend, Eric Warta, Coach Troy Murray, Not Pictured - Alexander Anderson, Sam Blazier, Tyler Gross, Wyatt Gross, Cade Hawkins, Zach Klutts, Griffin Laurin, Nick Migo, Cooper Pensinger, and Jackson Schorr.



Girls Varsity Basketball

Row 1 - Emily Toran, Emily Nosky, Row 2 - Shailee Patel, Adeline Draper, Elizabeth Wingstedt, Row 3 - Assistant Coach Mike Phillips, Morgan Neeseimer, Anelise Velasco, Head Coach Mark Fitzgerald.



Girls Junior Varsity Basketball

Row 1 - Crystal Hernandez Lopez, Kayliana Koeune, Reagan Boorsma, Row 2 - Miranda Enochs, Sydney Bennema, Elizabeth Wingstedt, Sayla Hernandez, Row 3 - Coach Maggie Labuhn, Kailey Sabala, Coach Jackie Cardona.



Varsity Dance

Row 1 - Sophia McComb, Antonia Loiacono, Courtney Roxas, Annette Barron, Annie Gillespie, Row 2 - Jozy Morales, Sarah Plumlee, Alyssa Danner, Emma Hart, Row 3 - Emily Heath, Karissa Zafiriou, Jack O'Donoghue, Bridget Weber, Jocelyn Munoz



Boys Tennis

Row 1 - Gabe Lamperis, Kyle Zanoria, Rahim Kahn, Row 2 - Seth Beard, Max Harris, Chris Yera, Coen Garling, Row 3 - Dayanna Mendoza (Manager), Jane Osielski (Manager), Nicolas Vazquez, Coach Noah Baker, Coach Fred Toms



Varsity Softball

Row 1 - Alexa Elizondo, Katie McGlynn, Bridget Jakabcsin, Alyssa Elizondo, Carly Clemens, Row 2 - Nina Komaniecki, Ellie Wingstedt, Erin Upham, Cora Garling, Row 3 - Coach Kelly Thornton, Brianna Pechman, Joy Ludwig, Scout Gallagher, Coach Sean Gimpert, Not Pictured: Maggie Hancock



Junior Varsity Softball

Row 1 - Sydney Bennema, Payton Arredondo, Maizy Jury, Kayliana Koeune, Row 2, LaToya Wright, Paloma Aguado, Aaliyah Williams-Perez, Alyssa Schliephake, Sophia Brown, Row 3 - Coach Brittney Abdishi, Miranda Enochs, Kailey Sabala, Coach Joe McCollum



Varsity Baseball

Row 1 - Charlie Jury, Bobby Nickrand, Danny Canda, Jordan Garcia, Alex Oda, Justin Baranowski, Row 2 - Kyle Upham, Danny Blickhan, Payton Campbell, Ian Zentner, Brandon Natzke, Row 3 - Coach Vince Walker, Cassie Villa, Calum Draper, Ryan Schmidt, Joe Williamson, Coach Thomas Nall



Frosh/Soph Baseball

Row 1 - Rafa Mota, Carlos Allen, Drew Zeman, Eric DeGuzman, Tyler Levine, Brandon Heath, Row 2 - Nathan Mruk, Joey Engstrom, Zach Wiegeler, Justin Zbinovec, Jack Walsh, Dominic Cicero, Travis Frake, Row 3 - Alex Carr, Dylan Garcia, Ryan Blackburn, Soham Shah, Mark Wimbish, Gannon Hosticka, Row 4 - Coach Charles Vokes, Jake Holloway, Ivan Guerrero, Kyler Campbell, Zach Taylor, Tyler Heath, Coach Tim Dovichi



Girls Varsity Soccer

Row 1 - Vanessa Romero Reyes, Jenny Espinal, Row 2 - Natalie Fernandez, Ariana Hernandez, Melissa Pani, Row 3 - Joana Velazquez, Lizbeth Orozco, Irene Dino, Isabella Lopez, Row 4 - Luciana Balzer, Daisy Garcia, Darianna G. Avila, Andrea Arias-Lopez, Heidi Perekas, Row 5 - Emily Ayala, Jenna Zeitoun, Ruby Lebo, Coach Cesar Gomez, Row 6 - Dulce Reyes, Izzy McNally, Mark Martinez, Coach Jose Villa, Coach Dorian Carrasco



Girls Junior Varsity Soccer

Row 1 - Denise Sanchez, Anaitzel Heurta, Nicole Dominguez, Susana Ramirez, Vanessa Duran, Montserrat Tapia, Row 2 - Alessia Miulli, Leslie Garnica, Vanessa Miguel-Garcia, Laura Granados, Emily Toran, Giselle Cortez, Tania Cristobal, Row 3 - Ingrid Solis, Jessica Cruz, Bonilla Carmen Ruiz, Leyla Garcia, Emma Hart, Natalie Ramos, Melissa Ramirez, Jayden Huesca, Row 4 - Coach Nora Wessels, Solenyntzi Proa, Sydney Ostapa, Cindy Jimenez, Analise Velasco, Nicole Murphy, Coach Roberto Hurtado



Girls Track

Front Row - Kalia De Paz, Vanessa Munoz, 2nd Row - Aliyah Ballines, Emily Nosky, Meadow Zomparelli, 3rd Row - Itzel Martinez, Diana Mackintos, Jenny Romero, Yvette Arias, 4th Row - Lily Buzani, Kali Waller, Ashley Baldner, Jocelyn Figueroa, Katherine Rubio, 5th Row - Adeline Draper, Leah Nika, Anna Lesny, Sofia Schumann, 6th Row - Coach Tyler Belding, Coach Ian Smith, Coach Mike Mittman, Coach Andrea Contreras, Coach Kyle Lobdell



TEAM NAME HERE

Row 1 - Miguel Albor, Gio Zavalza, Diego Macias, David Moreno, Fernan Reyes, Jared Diaz, Row 2 - Noah Herbst, Josiah McLean, Chuck May, Peter Alongi, Corey Losacco, Josiah Weems, Row 3 - Aidan Beruman, Vincent Cielo, Landon Wright, Rydel Salazar, Alejandro Ortega, Jaden Bates, Row 4 - Charles Cardenas, Ulises Torres, Chris Hernandez, Caleb Shade, Mason Wright, James Bloss, Sammy Inrocci, Row 5 - Coach Kyle Lobdell, Coach Ian Smith, Mason Williams, Coach Mike Mittman, Coach Kellen Klapatch, Coach Tyler Belding



Varsity Badminton

Row 1 - Claudia Mora, Mariela Guzman, Row 2 - Lyndi Bressner, Dana Amer, Jaylee Siu, Row 3 - LaToya Wright, Monica Huizar, Anel Hernandez, Lianna Mateski, Row 4 - Rebecca Lighthiser, Andrea Gutierrez, Coach Ted Monken, Not Pictured: Natalie Wilderman



JV I Badminton

Row 1 - Maritsa Romero, Audrey Dolor, Row 2 - Analucia Lopez, Juanita Coronel, Brianna Roskily, Row 3 - Aliya Tabrezi, Alondra Briseno, Lizbeth Orozco, Tahira Tabrezi, Row 4 - Fatima Nieves-Ayala, Isabella Wiehle, Coach Emily Brown, Not Pictured: Jilianne Joi Baptista



JV II Badminton

Row 1 - Nirali Kadakia, Yohana Mora, Row 2 - Angie Jacobo, Thania Villagran, Noemi Amaro, Row 3 - Jennifer Vargas, Nathalia Hernandez, Allesandra Angeles, Ayelin Vellikara, Row 4 - Coach Katelyn Beamish, Xitlaly Espinal, Coach Zach Hill, Not Pictured: Natie Ramos



Varsity Cheer

Row 1 - Andrea Ballines, Emily Garcia, April Cuatle, Mayela Hernandez, Sophia Spinelli, Row 2 - Shaylee Castillo, Sabina Dzioch, Lucia Rodriguez, Emily Bramos, Row 3 - Coach Allie Torres, Sydney Ostapa, Hannah Radousky, Anna Lesny, Coach Beth Trimble



Boys Varsity Volleyball

Row 1 - Brendan Sulit, Dylan Borja, Leonardo Padilla, Gavin Hamilton, Row 2 - Brandon Gutierrez, Anthony Cabrera, Ethan Martins, Charles Baumgartner, Esteban Ramirez, Row 3 - Tyler Nelson, Ramiro Garcia, Aidan Murrin, George Garcia, Row 4 - Coach Kelsey Jacob, Brendan Prebis, Matthew Stavenger, Danny Eaton, Coach Regina Pauli, Not Pictured: Javier Garcia, Bo Parker



Boys Freshmen Volleyball

Row 1 - Eric Garcia, Jorge Munoz, Brian Garcia, Row 2 - Affan Aleem, Krystian Roldan, Charles Pechman, Benjamin Bomer, Row 3 - Jonathan Soto, Charles Gove, Samuel Rutledge, Zayd Haroon, Coach Adrian Porcayo



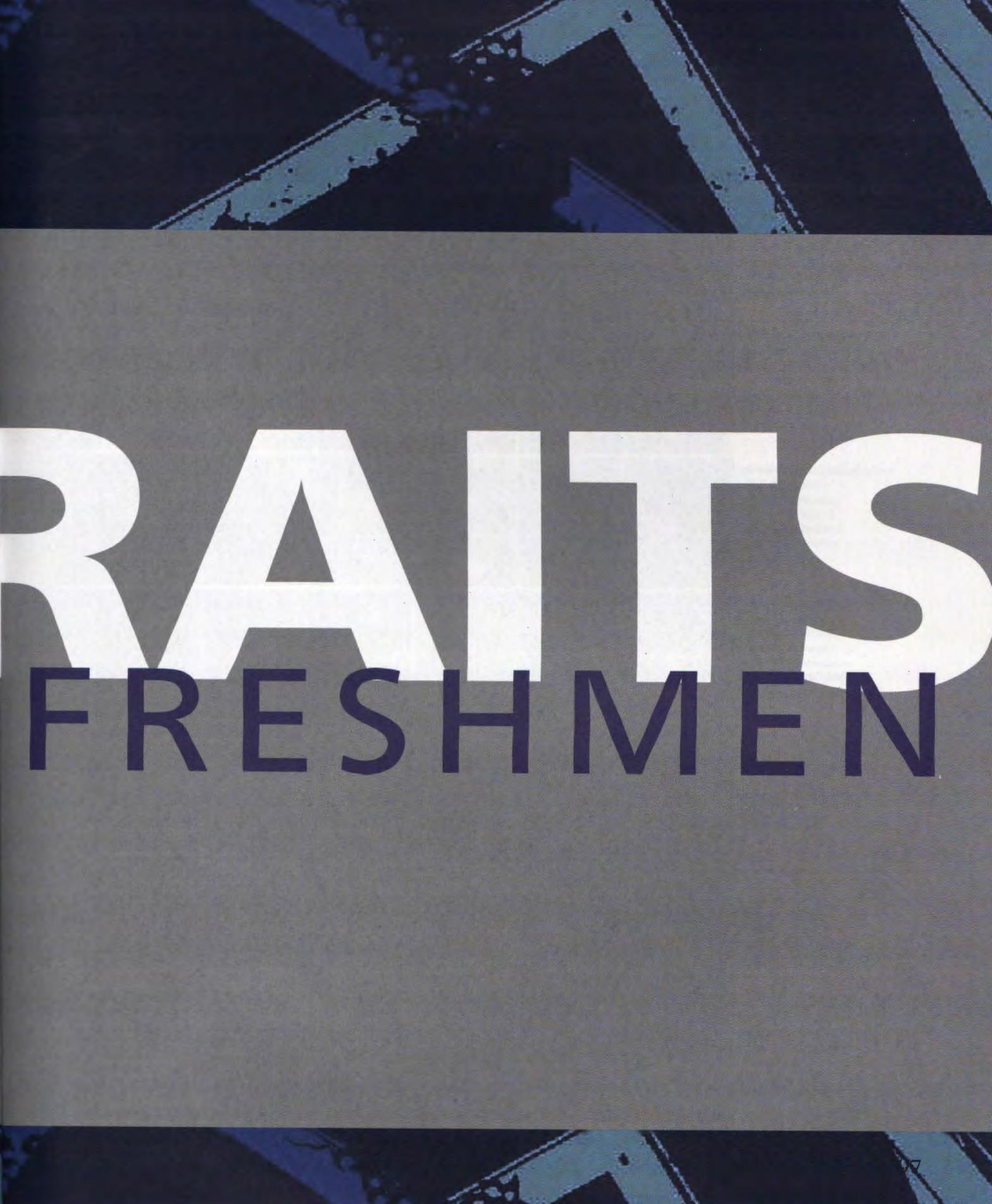
Junior Varsity Dance

Row 1 - Andrea Hernandez, Row 2 - Zaidia Morales, Alexa Correa, Row 3 - Cristina Espino, Emily Heath, Alexa Morales





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RAITS

FRESHMEN

Jasmine Aguado
Liliana Aguilar
Nicolas Aiuppa
Sebastian Alarcon
Mauricio Albor
Affan Aleem
Aldo Alfaro



Rowaid Alhammo
Muaz Ali
Rey Alvarado
Jaime Alvarez Garduno
Luis Andrade
Sebastian Anguiano-Robles
Alyssa Apostoli



Diana Araque Moreno
Xitclahli Arellano
Payton Arredondo
Kelly Avila-Gomez
Jasmin Barrera
Madelyn Barrera
Yadira Barrera Arenas



Leonardo Barrientos
Yudit Barrios
Danielle Bartha
John Bartlett
Betsy Bautista
Maria Bekiaris
Judith Benitez



Sydney Bennema
Kevin Bernacki
Michael Birdsell
Ryan Blackburn
Estefania Bonilla
Madison Bormann
Fernando Botello Barrera



Nathaniel Bove
Alexander Bradley
Ana Bravo
Bianey Bravo
Savanna Bressner
Taisia Breus
Edwin Briseno



Dakota Brown
Sophia Brown
Jack Bunjes
Esayn Caballero
Amy Cadena
Frankie Calabrese
Johnathan Calvillo Morales



Fernando Calvillo-Morales
Lizbeth Camacho
Kyler Campbell
Monserrat Carmona
Itzel Carrasco
Raymundo Carvajal-Romero
Dayana Castró





James Castro
Luis Castro
Ariadna Castro-Tenorio
Fatima Cervantes
Susana Chavez
Gabrielle Christman
Dominic Cicero



Carly Clemens
Daniel Colin
Elias Correa
Giulia Covelto
Jose Cruz-Antonio
Jessica Cruz-Bonilla
Cecilia Cuautle



Jaime Cuautli
Mathew Dewees
Ariana Diaz
James Dore
Kylie Doyle
Alejandra Duran
Melanie Duran



Alessandra Duran-Corona
Sabina Dzioch
Matthew Eaton
Josef Engstrom
Miranda Enochs
Maria Escalante
Deisy Espinal



Jenny Espinal
Xitlaly Espinal
An-Abel Espino
Joshua Fernandez
Natalie Fernandez
Carlos Ferrer-Avila
Joselyn Figueroa



Carolyn Fleming
Travis Frake
Keeghan Gallagher
Jorge Garay Alcantar
Andy Garcia
Brian Garcia
Ebert Garcia



Hugo Garcia
Ivon Garcia
Jocelyn Garcia
Tanya Garcia
Yuritz Garcia
Eric Garcia Aguado
Samantha Garcia Ariza



Zitlaly Garcia-Medina
Cora Garling
Tyden Garn
Aidan Gerster
Dhanveer Gill
Julia Girchak
Gabriella Gloss

Itzel Gomez
Samantha Gomez
Juan Jesus Gonzalez
Leslie Gonzalez
Bryan Gonzalez-Valdez
Rudra Gor
Joshua Graze



Briana Guerrero
Valeria Guerrero
Mary Guevara
Misael Gutierrez
Zayd Haroon
Valerie Harris
Clara Hasselgren



Brandon Heath
Brandon Heath
Tyler Heath
Tyler Heimbecker
Ariana Hernandez
Cristian Hernandez
Eric Hernandez



Fernando Hernandez
Johnny Hernandez
Jorge Hernandez
Jose Hernandez
Joselyn Hernandez
Oscar Hernandez
Moncerrath Herrera



Rafael Herrera Moto
Anthony Hinojosa
Yanelly Hipolito
Elizabeth Horan
Humira Hotaky
Anaitzel Huerta
Kevin Huerta Espino



Lizbeth Huerta Padilla
Dinah Humphrey
Abigail Hunt
Jose Hurtado
Angie Jacobo
Arely Jacobo
Joseph Jaloway



Cristian Jimenez
Brady Johnson
Graham Johnson
Reily Juarez
Maizy Jury
Nirali Kadakia
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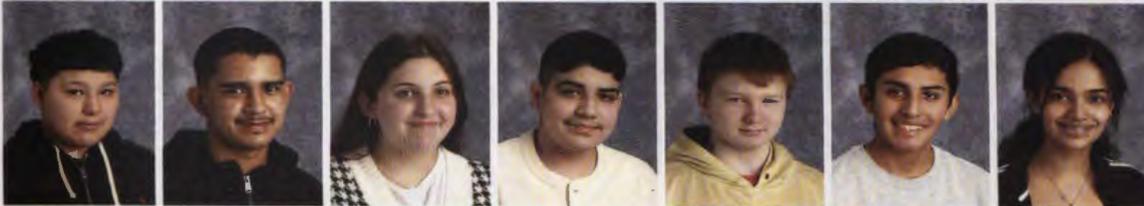
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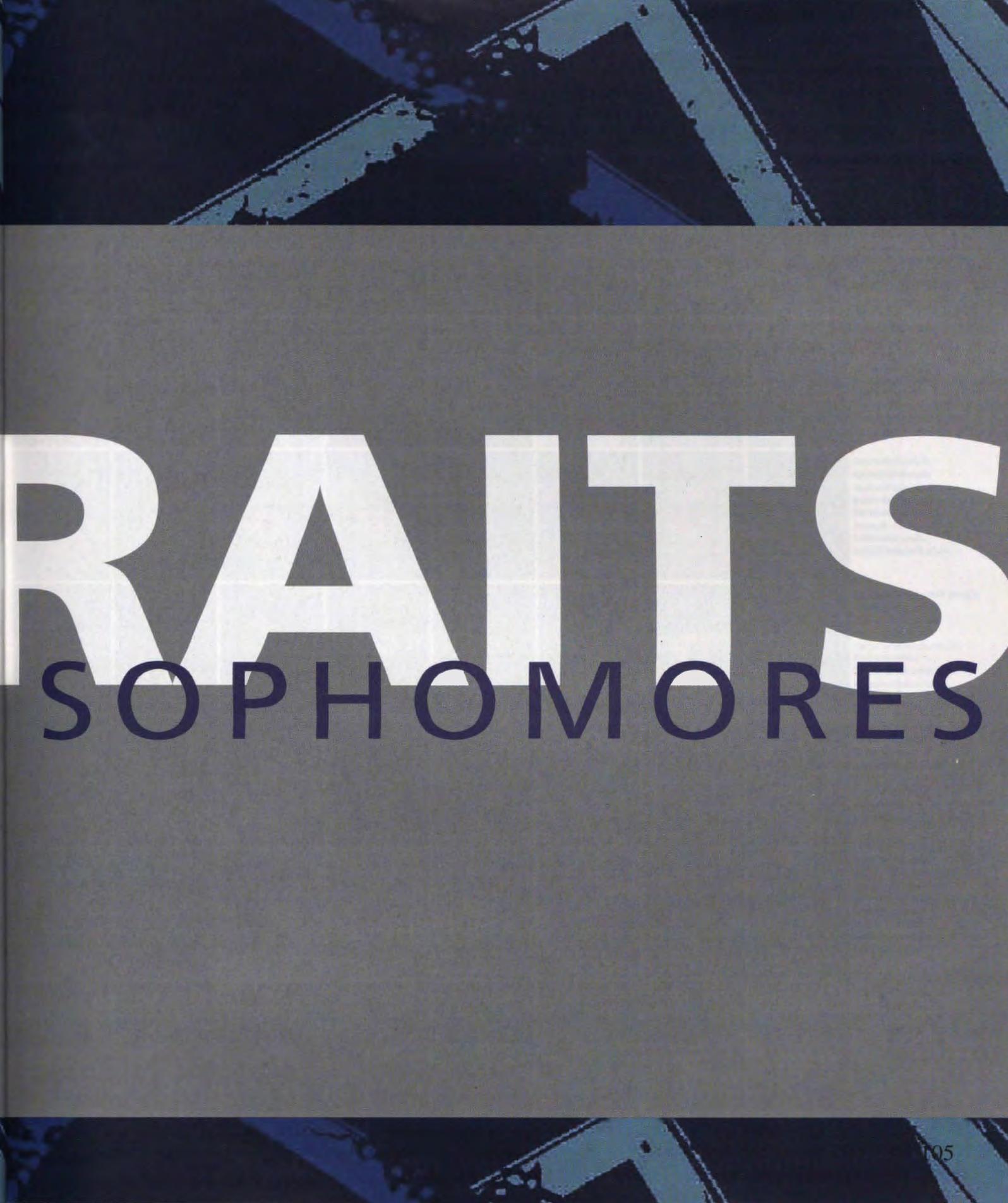
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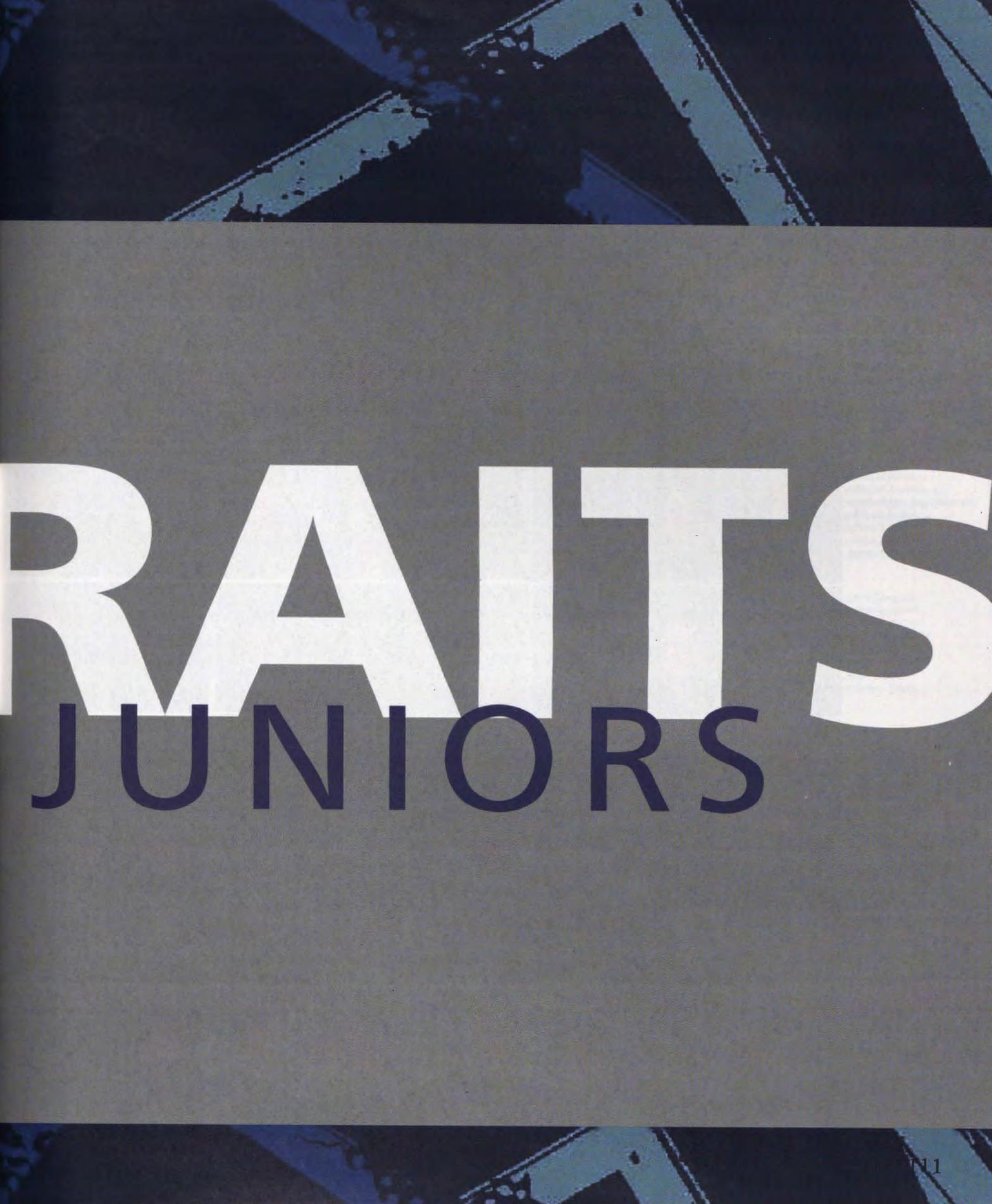
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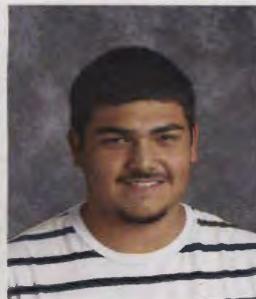
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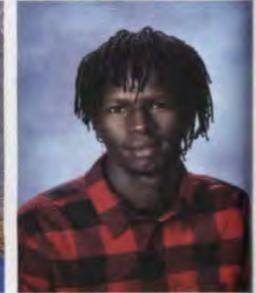
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WEGO GRADUATION

2021

I want all my classmates to think about our first day in high school. All of us in the bishop gym trying to figure out our counselors and the different colors they had assigned. There were many new faces, either from Leman, Benjamin or Winfield, and I don't know about you, but the upperclassmen made my anxiety 10x worse. I remember trying to find my friends in the sea of bodies. We had our first pep rally and saw cheerleaders, pom boys, dance team and other various clubs. We played icebreaker games to get to know our new classmates and ate pizza from Pizza Now. Then, it was off to find our classrooms and new teachers. I was so scared. I thought I would get lost and wouldn't remember my teachers, and I was terrified, thinking, "I won't meet anyone new." Boy, was I wrong! And after that day, the last four years of our childhood began.

Part of me didn't want to include Covid-19 in my speech because we are so much more than "the kids who graduated high school in a global pandemic." And that is true. We are a unique, diverse and talented group of people who don't need something to define us. But the truth is, the pandemic showed us the people we want to be, and with whom it was, we wanted to surround ourselves. So yeah, it is a big part of our high school careers. It definitely won't define our abilities, but this hardship could be used as a great conversation starter in the future. March 13th, 2020 the Last Day of Normalcy. I remember everything getting canceled the day before. The drama competition shows, Latin Fever, spring sports and all academic or athletic travel were canceled along with so many of the annual traditions that students across the country have grown to look forward to and love (no matter how much we might pretend like we don't care). Even though we all understood the reasoning, it didn't necessarily fill the void that the

absence left. Parents were told to start working from home; teachers starting online schooling. It was different for all of us. We all thought it was going to be a two-week spring break and we would be back by April. We were very wrong. Quarantine was a struggle for me, and I know it was for everyone else. We were used to waking up at 6 and seeing everyone at school and after school activities and jobs and just being "normal." That was all taken away in the blink of an eye. Students, teachers and parents realized they had taken life before the pandemic for granted as our social interactions and gatherings, seeing the extended family, being able to teach in person, and so much more had been stripped away. As we slowly rejoin the world, one important thing I learned this last year is not to take ANYTHING for granted. Hug your friends and family when it's safe again. Hang out with people whenever you have the chance. Teach in person and not on-line. Do your after school activities with everything you have, because you never know when it will be taken away again. And most importantly, don't forget to tell all the important people in your life that you love them.

I want to thank all the parents, guardians, grandparents, aunts, uncles who helped us through high school. This is so cliché, but we wouldn't be

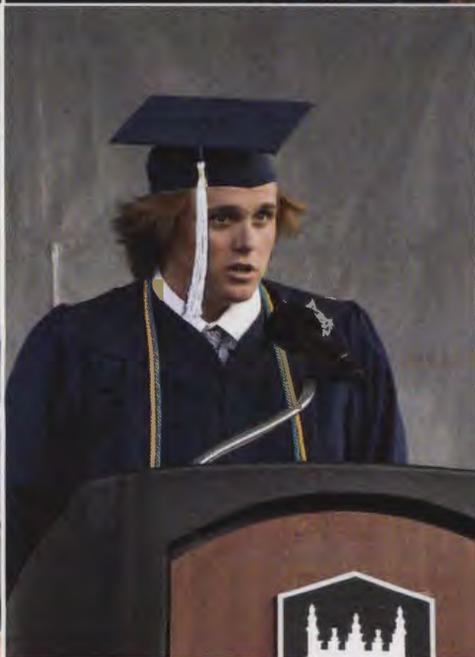
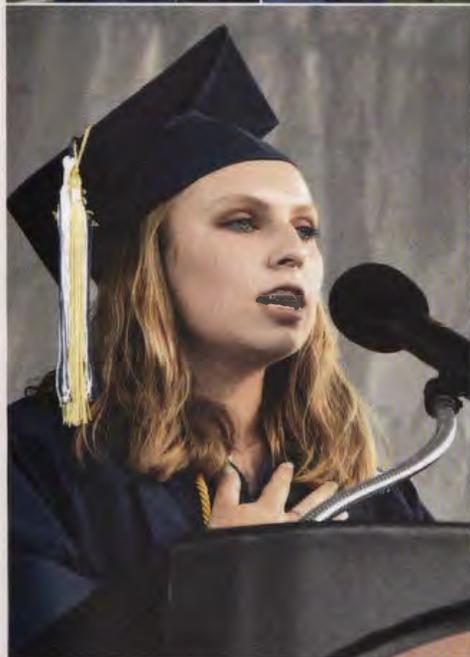
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SEASONS IN LIMBO



MANY SPORTS STOPPED MARCH 12 and by early July, it looked like there would be no college football when the Ivy League ruled out playing all fall sports. Other conferences soon followed suit. But then, more and more schools reversed course, beginning limited seasons and playing to empty or limited-capacity stadiums. Seasons continued to be plagued by players testing positive, forcing games to be rescheduled or canceled.

IN AN EFFORT TO RESUME the NBA season, the league invited the top 22 teams at the time of suspended play on March 11 to the ESPN Sports Complex at Walt Disney World in Orlando. The league created a protective bubble, severely limiting the players' exposure to anything or anyone outside the bubble. Teams arrived July 7 with play resuming July 30. Eight regular games determined which 16 teams progressed to post-season playoffs. In the end, the Los Angeles Lakers triumphed over the Miami Heat in the best of seven series, winning it all on Oct. 11. LeBron James won his fourth MVP, the only player to win MVP honors with three different teams.



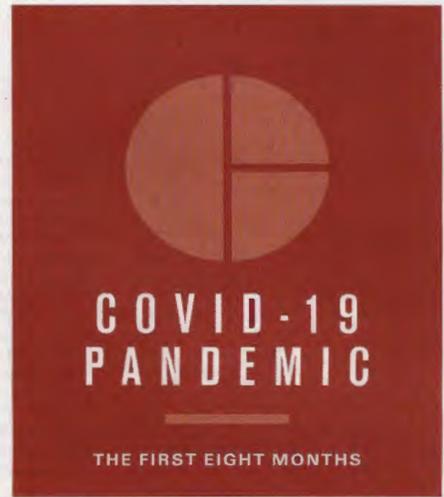
ALTHOUGH THE FIRST U.S. CASE of COVID-19 was diagnosed in January, the country didn't begin shutting down until March when the World Health Organization declared the virus a pandemic. Sports halted, schools and all nonessential businesses closed as states began crafting plans for stay-at-home orders to curb the spread. **ESPECIALLY SUSCEPTIBLE TO CORONAVIRUS**, the elderly and those with health issues stayed isolated for months. Friends and relatives were forced to visit them from outside their windows. COVID patients in hospitals died alone, unable to have contact with their loved ones. **STATES SET UP TESTING CENTERS** where people waited for hours as lines of cars stretched for miles. The respiratory disease spread through droplets in the air with symptoms including fever, cough and sore throat. After taking the nasal swab test, people sometimes waited for weeks for results and labs were overwhelmed.



SUMMER HEATS UP

EXPERTS WARNED about crowds during summer holidays, but high temperatures drove people to beaches. After the Fourth of July, cases spiked and the U.S. death toll hit 50,000. Though the U.S. had only four percent of the world population, it had more than 20 percent of COVID cases, prompting Europe to ban travelers from the U.S. beginning in July. Some states imposed their own travel restrictions, requiring quarantines.





MEDICAL PERSONNEL became heroes, working long hours as their hospitals exceeded capacity. Large cities like New York resorted to temporary field hospitals to handle the overload. Though the numbers subsided in the summer, by the end of October, 230,000 had died in the U.S. At least 31 states set their one-day infection records in October, reporting a new case every 1.3 seconds during the last week of the month. **THROUGHOUT MAY** and early June, most states began a gradual, phased reopening after cases peaked in April. First came more essential services, then salons reopened. Restaurants reopened with limited capacity, and bars and gyms followed later. Most cities and states stressed social distancing, wearing masks and washing hands as preventatives, but local requirements varied widely.



RACE FOR A VACCINE

DUBBED OPERATION WARP SPEED, the race for a vaccine involved nearly 30 companies. By late summer, several potential vaccines had entered preliminary trials, but three major companies stopped their trials in early October due to adverse reactions in volunteers. Within the month, all were back on track. Although President Trump had talked of having a vaccine by November, medical experts predicted it would be at least early 2021 before one passed all the FDA trials, and it would take months before it became widely available to the general population.

NOT SO NORMAL



MOST SCHOOL YEARS ended in March 2020, and controversy swirled about whether schools should reopen in the fall. Plans varied from state to state, ranging from in-person instruction to virtual learning to a blend of both. Teachers tailored methods to accommodate, presenting to empty classrooms in many cases. Students who attended in person wore masks in socially distanced classrooms and endured quarantines as classmates tested positive for the virus.

DECEMBER

OCTOBER

- **Oct. 2:** President Trump, the first lady and the couple's son Barron all tested positive for COVID-19. The president was hospitalized for three days, while others quarantined at home in the White House.
- **Oct. 8:** A COVID-19 outbreak at the White House infected at least 34 people. County-wide, 39 states saw an increase in new infections.
- **Oct. 19:** Global cases reached 40 million.
- **Oct. 23:** After halting trials on Oct. 12 because of adverse reactions, Johnson & Johnson resumed research and testing. AstraZeneca, which halted trials of its vaccine in early September also later resumed trials.



- **Dec. 8:** The first vaccine was administered in the UK. President-elect Biden promised 100 million shots in his first 100 days in office.
 - **Dec. 11:** The Food and Drug Administration gave emergency approval for the Pfizer vaccine, and the first vaccine administered state-side happened three days later. A second dose was required three weeks later. The first vaccines went to healthcare and front-line workers and people older than 75.
- » **ANOTHER GRIM MILESTONE**
- The U.S. death toll reached 300,000.
 - **Dec. 18:** Moderna received EUA with the first shot given Dec. 21, followed by a second dose after four weeks.
 - **Dec. 29:** The first case of the UK variant was diagnosed in Colorado. Globally, there was one death every 7.4 seconds.



FEB. 1-15

- **Feb. 1:** Supply issues and crashing software hampered the vaccine rollout. States opened mass vaccination sites to deal with high demand.
- » **DOWNWARD TREND**
- **Feb. 4:** New cases fell below one million in a seven-day period for the first time since Nov. 13.
 - **Feb. 9:** Florida tallied 200 diagnosed cases of variants.
 - **Feb. 12:** After peaking at 23,541 per day on Jan. 14, U.S. deaths continued to decline.
 - **Feb. 15:** The CDC determined schools could reopen safely if they follow recommended safety measures.



NOVEMBER

- **Nov. 4:** U.S. set a record of 100,000 new cases in single day.
 - **Nov. 9:** Pfizer published the results of their vaccine trials, followed by Moderna just one week later.
- » **OMINOUS STATISTICS**
- **Nov. 11:** For the first time, all 50 states reported an increase in cases.
 - **Nov. 19:** New Orleans canceled 2021 Mardi Gras parades and residents immediately came up with a plan to create "house floats" instead.
 - **Nov. 20:** As Pfizer applied for Emergency Use Authorization (EUA), the CDC warned against holiday travel and multi-generational get-togethers.



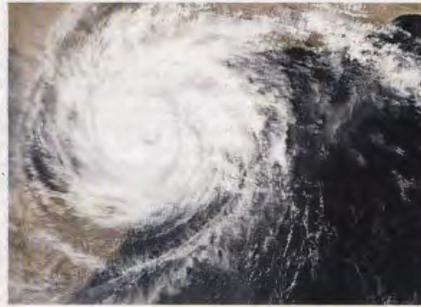
JANUARY

- **Jan. 4:** The UK variant was diagnosed in three more states.
- **Jan. 13:** People older than 65 first became vaccine-eligible, but supply could not keep up with demand.
- **Jan. 20:** U.S. deaths surpassed 400,000. Attendance at the presidential inauguration was reduced dramatically as members of Congress — who normally got a total of 200,000 tickets — received two each, allowing them a single guest.
- **Jan. 27:** Travel restrictions requiring a negative COVID test for passengers flying into the U.S. began.
- **Jan. 29:** A South African variant was documented in South Carolina.



FEB. 16-MARCH

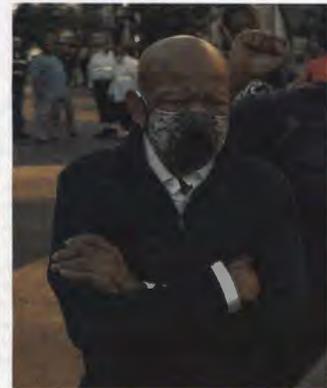
- **Feb. 16:** Variant cases surged, with 1,173 cases of the UK strain in the U.S.
- **Feb. 18:** Due to COVID, life expectancy in the U.S. reached its lowest in 15 years, according to the CDC.
- **Feb. 22:** U.S. death toll passed 500,000. Political officials marked the grim milestone with a solemn White House ceremony.
- **Feb. 27:** Johnson & Johnson received EUA and began shipping vaccinations.
- **Mar. 2:** Despite advice against it from health officials, the governors of Texas and Mississippi announced plans to drop mask mandates and reopen their states at 100 percent beginning on March 10.



ENTERTAINING RELEASES

INTRODUCING A DIFFERENT VIBE, Taylor Swift dropped a surprise record "Folklore" in July, her eighth studio album. Driven by piano and guitar, the songs are more mellow than her previous work. Selling two million copies in the first week, it set a Guinness World Record for the biggest opening day for an album by a female artist on Spotify. **QUEEN BEY MADE NEWS** with the release of "Black is King" on July 31. Beyoncé's musical film and visual album got its inspiration from "The Lion King: The Gift," an album she recorded after voicing Nala in Disney's remake. "Black is King" focuses on a young African king who is cast out as a baby and returns to reclaim his throne as an adult.

THE DEATH OF GEORGE FLOYD, a 46-year-old Black man in Minneapolis, set off a summer of unrest and clashes between protesters and police. After a convenience store employee called 911 to say Floyd passed a counterfeit \$20 bill, police detained him with an officer kneeling on his neck for more than eight minutes as Floyd repeatedly said he couldn't breathe. Floyd died as a result. **"SAY THEIR NAMES"** became a rallying cry as protesters took to the streets beginning in late May. A series of Black deaths at the hands of police sparked demonstrations across the nation. **A BROADER MOVEMENT**, Black Lives Matter, and an examination of systematic racism in America emerged from the death of George Floyd. Demonstrators toppled statues of Confederate figures, NASCAR banned any display of the Confederate flag and Asheville (NC) City Council voted in support of community reparations for Black Asheville. Brands like Aunt Jemima and Uncle Ben's and sports teams such as the Washington Redskins took steps to change their names. **IN THE MIDST OF THE BLM MOVEMENT**, Georgia Representative John Lewis died of pancreatic cancer in mid-July. Lewis, the son of sharecroppers, was the last surviving speaker from the 1963 March on Washington where Martin Luther King, Jr. delivered his famous "I Have a Dream" speech. Before his funeral and burial in Atlanta, he was honored in Selma, Alabama, where he grew up.



NATURE ON A RAMPAGE

ALTHOUGH THE ATLANTIC HURRICANE SEASON didn't start until June 1, two named tropical storms developed in May, brushing the Carolina coasts. The first hurricane of the season, Hanna, hit Padre Island, Texas, July 25, followed by Isaias which hugged the coasts of Florida and Georgia before making landfall in North Carolina. **EXTREME HEAT ALONG THE WEST COAST** created a ripe environment for wildfires that spanned from Washington through California and into Arizona. Fires started in Washington in April, continuing through the summer. In Oregon, fires caused Portland to have the worst air quality on earth. California had its largest wildfire season in history, burning more than four million acres and destroying more than 9,000 structures.



THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE participated in a march across the Brooklyn Bridge, closing it down, on July 25. The march condemned the use of federal troops to curb protesters in Portland, Oregon. Demonstrations, mostly peaceful, in support of Black Lives Matter and justice for George Floyd and others continued throughout the summer in cities across the country.



ANYONE HUNGRY?

MOST SUMMER SPORTS were effectively ended by COVID-19. The French Open and Kentucky Derby both moved to September and baseball season was shortened. But Nathan's Famous hot dog eating contest, a Fourth of July tradition, endured. Joey Chestnut won for the 13th time, downing 75 hot dogs in 10 minutes. Miki Sudo captured the women's prize, eating 48.5.



ONE BIG BUG

WILDFIRES, RECORD HEAT, TORNADOES — then came the murder hornets, making their first appearance in the Pacific Northwest in the spring and spotted elsewhere through the summer. The Asian giant hornet, which can grow to two inches, kills up to 50 people in Japan each year and poses a threat to honeybees. Researchers hoped to eradicate them before they become established.

3 ... 2 ... 1 ... BLASTOFF



SPACEX, A PRIVATE SPACE COMPANY founded by Elon Musk, launched two NASA astronauts into space on its Falcon 9 rocket on May 30. This marked the first time NASA launched its own astronauts in nearly a decade. Since 2011, US astronauts had been sent into space on Russian rockets. While Falcon 9 returned to earth, Crew Dragon carried Bob Behnken and Doug Hurly to the International Space Station where they were scheduled to spend several months.



GOODBYE, NOTORIOUS RBG

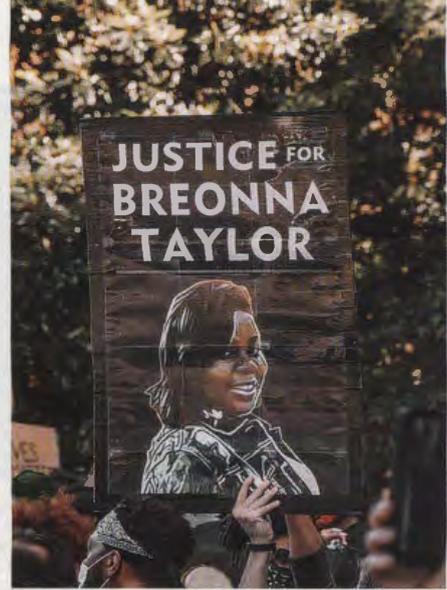
SUPREME COURT JUSTICE Ruth Bader Ginsburg died on Sept. 18 at the age of 87. Despite battling multiple forms of cancer for a number of years, she continued to work on the Court until the time of her death. Ginsburg served 27 years on the nation's highest court. Her law career started in the 1970s when she led the fight in the courts for gender equality. In 1993, Bill Clinton nominated her as the second woman on the Supreme Court where she continued to champion women's rights. During her years on the court, she became a role model for women of all ages. She was the subject of a documentary, a biopic and an operetta, earning the moniker "Notorious RBG." After lying in repose outside the Supreme Court, she became the first woman to lie in state at the United States Capitol.

FANS REACTED WITH SHOCK at the news that Chadwick Boseman, the star of "Black Panther," had died at the age of 43 on Aug. 29. Boseman had been diagnosed with colon cancer four years earlier. He had not publicly revealed the diagnosis, undergoing surgeries and chemotherapy while continuing to act. A Howard University graduate from South Carolina, he had played small roles on television until his portrayal of Jackie Robinson opposite Harrison Ford in the movie "42" made him a star. In addition to Black Panther and Robinson, he also starred as James Brown and Thurgood Marshall. **BTS'S SINGLE "DYNAMITE"** became the first video watched more than 100 million times in 24 hours on YouTube. The seven-member boy band from South Korea debuted in 2013 as a hip-hop group, but it wasn't until 2017 that they led the K-pop movement into the U.S., breaking numerous sales records.





CARS RACED in front of empty stands at the Indy 500 on Aug. 23. COVID-19 forced the delay from May 24 and caused race organizers to prohibit fans. Takumo Sato took the checkered flag for the second time, with the last five laps run under a caution due to a crash. **THE EMMY AWARDS**, hosted by Jimmy Kimmel, took place virtually on Sept. 20. Kimmel hosted from the Staples Center in Los Angeles with winners giving speeches from their homes. "Schitt's Creek" became the first comedy or drama series to win all four main acting categories in a single year. The show, created by and starring Eugene Levy and his son Dan, also became the first series to win all seven major awards in a single year, sweeping the awards with nine total. **LADY GAGA TOOK HOME** Artist of the Year honors at the MTV Video Music Awards on Aug. 20. She also won the first-ever Tricon Award which honors a highly accomplished artist across three disciplines. Keke Palmer hosted the show featuring mostly pre-recorded performances. Other winners included The Weeknd for Video of the Year and BTS for Best Group. The show was dedicated to Chadwick Boseman who had died two days before.



UNREST IN LOUISVILLE

TENSIONS CONTINUED to run high in Louisville, Kentucky, when a grand jury convened in the death of Breonna Taylor indicted only one police officer for wanton endangerment for firing into a neighbor's apartment. No one was charged in Taylor's death. Taylor, a 26-year-old Black EMT, was shot and killed in her apartment when police served a search warrant in March. A judge granted the warrant based on the belief that a former boyfriend had received packages of drugs at Taylor's address. Taylor and her current boyfriend were asleep when police broke down their door. Although the officers involved say they announced, some witnesses and Taylor's boyfriend deny that. The boyfriend, not knowing who was breaking in, fired one shot. Police returned fire, hitting Taylor multiple times. Controversy continued over a possible cover-up and whether the grand jury had been given all the evidence by the district attorney.



NATURE NOTES

WRANGLERS REMOVED 5,000 pythons from the Florida Everglades. Volusia County, on Florida's Atlantic Coast, saw its fourth shark attack of the year. West Virginia battled zombie cicadas under the influence of a psychedelic fungus that caused them to infect other insects. On a lighter note: Mei Xiang, a 22-year-old giant panda at the National Zoo in Washington D.C. gave birth to a cub on Aug. 21.



WILD, WILD WEATHER

A STATE OF EMERGENCY was declared in California when wildfires caused by lightning, record heat and winds burned across the state. More than 40 significant wildfires began there in August and September. On Aug. 4, Hurricane Isaias made landfall in North Carolina and, before month's end, Hurricane Laura hit Louisiana as a Category 4 with winds so strong they reversed the flow of the Mississippi River. Even the Midwest was not spared the wrath of Mother Nature as a derecho with 125-mph winds flattened fields, uprooted trees and spawned 21 tornados along a 700-mile stretch as it moved through seven states and into southern Ontario.



TAKING THE TITLE

THE LOS ANGELES DODGERS won their first World Series in 32 years on Oct. 20, beating the Tampa Bay Rays 8-3 in Game 6. The 60-game regular season was the shortest in history due to the pandemic, but it led to the longest post-season on record with 16 teams competing. LA shortstop Corey Seager was named World Series MVP. Game 6 set a record for the most strikeouts, and the Dodgers used seven pitchers — the most ever used by a winning team in a nine-inning clincher.

MOTHER NATURE PERSISTS

NATURAL DISASTERS CONTINUED to make news through the fall. California was plagued by wildfires since early spring. The Glass Fire burned through Napa and Sonoma counties, destroying 67,484 acres, including a number of vineyards, and forcing the evacuation of at least 68,000 residents before the blaze was fully contained on Oct. 20. The coast of Louisiana took yet another hit as Hurricane Zeta made landfall as a Category 2 late in October. The 2020 hurricane season saw a record-breaking 30 named storms, including six major hurricanes. An average season had 12 named storms and three major hurricanes. Twelve of the storms in 2020 made landfall in the continental United States. The season marked only the second time in history that the Greek alphabet had to be used to name storms.



IN THE MUSIC WORLD, singer/songwriter Eric Church was named Artist of the Year at the Country Music Awards, and the American Music Awards bestowed the same honor on Taylor Swift. When the Grammy nominations were announced, Beyoncé set a record with nine, while Swift, Roddy Ricch and Dua Lipa garnered six nominations each. **"JEOPARDY!"** HOST ALEX TREBEK, who announced his diagnosis of stage 4 pancreatic cancer in March 2019, died Nov. 8 at the age of 80. He taped his final appearance as host on Oct. 29. Trebek hosted the TV show for 37 seasons. Ken Jennings, the highest money winner in game show history, served as the first of several interim hosts while the network sought a new permanent host. October also marked the deaths of rocker Eddie Van Halen and Scottish actor Sean Connery, the original James Bond.



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DELAYED RESULTS

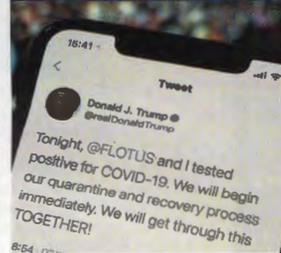
THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION took place on Nov. 3, and voters turned out in record numbers. The results were close enough that several states could not be called. On Nov. 7, Joe Biden reached the required number of 270 electoral votes and became the president-elect. He and vice president-elect Kamala Harris addressed the nation that night.



NO FANS LOOKED ON as Dustin Johnson won the Masters golf tournament with the lowest score in the history of the tournament. Pandemic concerns created a one-of-a-kind Masters: No spectators, no ropes and only one guest for each player. Johnson finished 20-under at 268 with only four bogeys in 72 holes, another record. Tiger Woods, the defending champion, helped him put on his green jacket.

THE ROCK AND ROLL HALL OF FAME welcomed a new group of inductees on Nov. 7. Honorees included The Doobie Brothers (pictured), Depeche Mode, Whitney Houston, Nine Inch Nails, The Notorious B.I.G. and T. Rex. The ceremony was broadcast on HBO after the live ceremony, scheduled for May 2, was cancelled due to the pandemic.

COVID HITS THE WHITE HOUSE



PRESIDENT TRUMP sent a tweet on Oct. 2 announcing he had tested positive for COVID-19. He was hospitalized later that day at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center following a dip in his oxygen levels. He returned to the White House three days later after receiving an experimental drug cocktail. The First Lady and son, Barron, also tested positive and quarantined at the White House.

NEW JUSTICE



WITH THE DEATH of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg in September, President Trump nominated Amy Coney Barrett to fill the vacancy. Democrats argued that the position should not be filled before the presidential election, but on Oct. 26, Barrett was confirmed with a 52-48 vote in the Republican-led Senate. The vote marked the first in modern times with no support from the minority party. Barrett, who once clerked for Justice Antonin Scalia, was a professor at the University of Notre Dame Law School for 15 years before her appointment to the 7th US Circuit Court of Appeals in 2017.



AN ACTIVE WINTER

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ATHLETIC ACCOLADES

DEVONTA SMITH, an Alabama Crimson Tide wide receiver won the 2021 Heisman Trophy.

A senior, Smith was the first wide receiver to win the trophy since 1991. He was also named

The Associated Press Player of the Year — the first wideout to win that honor. He scored three touchdowns in Alabama's win over Ohio State for the National Championship in the 52-24 game on Jan. 11. **BARCELONA SOCCER PLAYER** Lionel Messi scored goal number

644 on Dec. 22, breaking Pele's long-held record for the most goals scored for a single club. The Argentinian, a six-time winner of the Ballon d'Or award, was also the highest scorer in the history of La Liga with 451 goals.



AS THE INAUGURATION CEREMONY ends on Jan. 20, newly installed President Joe Biden and his wife, Jill, leave the Capitol Building. Record voter turnout and close counts in a number of battleground states delayed the election results. Biden and the vice president, Kamala Harris, were declared the winners on Nov. 7, four days after election day. **LADY GAGA CHATS** with Vice President Harris and her husband, Douglas Emhoff, after singing the National Anthem at the inauguration. The election marked a number of firsts, including the first woman, the first African American and the first Indian to hold the office of Vice President. **WITH THE COVID PANDEMIC** raging, the large crowds that normally witnessed the inauguration were limited.

To represent those who could not attend, the Presidential Inauguration Committee installed more than 191,500 state and territory flags on the National Mall. **BERNIE SANDERS**, the Independent senator from Vermont, created quite a stir — and countless memes — with his inaugural mittens. Made from recycled wool and lined with fleece made from recycled plastic, they were given to Sanders by a Vermont elementary teacher. The memes, placed on sweatshirts, t-shirts and stickers, helped raise more than \$1.8 million for charitable organizations in Vermont. **PRESENTING HER POEM**, "The Hill We Climb," Amanda Gorman became the youngest inaugural poet in U.S. history. A poet and activist, she was named the first National Youth Poet Laureate. Her inaugural poem generated international acclaim, boosting two of her books to best-seller status.



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UNCONVENTIONAL HOLIDAYS



2020 HOLIDAY DINNERS looked different for many families. While some were able to hold multigenerational gatherings, many postponed or sought other ways to celebrate together, avoiding travel and larger groups. AAA estimated that approximately 34 million fewer Americans traveled for December holidays, representing a decrease of nearly 30 percent from 2019. **TIMES SQUARE'S ICONIC BALL DROP** took place with a group of about 40 frontline pandemic workers dubbed "Heroes of 2020" by event organizers replacing the usual throngs of revelers. The "New Year's Rockin' Eve" special still aired, complete with the countdown, confetti and live performances by Andra Day, Jennifer Lopez, Pitbull, Gloria Gaynor and others.



THE LOSS OF LEGENDS

WE LOST A NUMBER of sports and entertainment legends in January. Larry King, a television and radio host, died at 87. With awards that included a Peabody, an Emmy and 10 Cable ACE Awards, he hosted more than 50,000 interviews. "Hammerin' Hank" Aaron played 23 MLB seasons. Dubbed the Home Run King, he was inducted into baseball's Hall of Fame in 1982. Cicely Tyson, a model and actress, won a Tony in 2013 and two Emmys for her role in "The Autobiography of Miss Jane Pittman." She was 96. Cloris Leachman won eight Daytime Emmys during a career that spanned seven decades. She appeared on "Dancing With the Stars" at the age of 82.

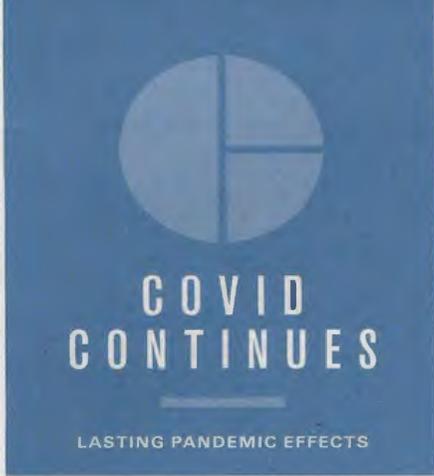


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GAMESTOP MANIA

AT THE BEGINNING of January, GameStop shares were selling for \$20. Two weeks later the price was \$483. The increase was fueled by largely rookie traders encouraging one another on Reddit to buy shares. Although the GameStop bubble passed quickly, activity from young traders seemed more lengthy, with 3.7 million downloads of Robinhood, a commission-free trading and investing app, in January.

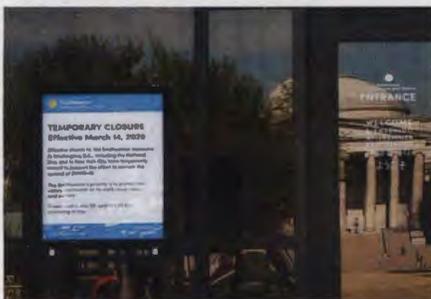


MARKING MILESTONES

IN LATE SEPTEMBER, the COVID-19 Memorial Project installed 20,000 small flags on the National Mall to commemorate those who had died from the pandemic. At that point, predictions of 240,000 future deaths seemed impossible. But on Feb. 22, the U.S. surpassed 500,000 deaths. President Biden and wife Jill, along with other officials, marked the grim milestone with a candle-lighting ceremony and a moment of silence. Biden also ordered flags at federal buildings flown at half-staff for five days.



A BLOW TO TOURISM



COVID-19 IMPACTED tourism in multiple ways. Broadway went dark in March 2020. In September, the closures were extended until 2021, then later pushed to May 30. The eight Smithsonian museums in Washington, D.C. also closed in March. The museums reopened in July and closed again just before Thanksgiving.

Both Disney World in Florida and Disneyland in California shut down in March. Disney laid off 28,000 workers in September and another 32,000 in November. Although Disney World reopened to limited numbers in July, Disneyland remained closed a year later.

TO KEEP UP WITH the demand for vaccines, states created super sites, opening sports arenas and convention centers to handle the load. Communities created drive-thru vaccination sites like this one in Arizona. By early March, more than 16 percent of the U.S. population had received one dose and more than 8 percent had been fully vaccinated. Demand for the vaccine continued to outnumber available doses, creating frustration for those trying to schedule appointments.



AS EARLY AS APRIL 2020, the CDC recommended face masks to curb the spread of COVID-19. Each state issued its own requirements, and as many as 35 states mandated masks at some point. After peaking in January 2021, the pandemic began to ebb with the introduction of vaccines. Masks were still required in 30 states at the end of February. **THE FDA GRANTED** emergency use authorization (EUA) for the Pfizer vaccine on Dec. 11. Just three days later, the first U.S. vaccine was administered. One week later, Moderna received EUA, and their first vaccine given Dec. 22. Both early vaccines required two doses several weeks apart for highest efficacy. Health care and frontline workers, and people older than 75 received vaccine priority. A third vaccine, by Johnson & Johnson, which required only one dose and less extreme storage temperatures, was approved Feb. 27.





HOLIDAYS AT A DISTANCE

EXPERTS WARNED against gatherings during the holidays to avoid a spike in COVID cases. Shopping mall Santas greeted children from behind face shields and plexiglass. Families shared holiday meals via Zoom. Despite the warnings and precautions, January became the deadliest month in the U.S. for the pandemic. Total deaths surpassed soldier fatalities in WWII. In addition, variants of the virus were identified in three states on Jan. 4. By the one-year anniversary of the first U.S. case on Jan. 20, more 400,000 Americans had died from the virus.



BRINGING A LITTLE LEVITY to the time of COVID, the citizens of New Orleans created "Yardi Gras" as a way to maintain the spirit of Mardi Gras. Parades and more were cancelled, so many families decorated their homes, some with the help of professional float artists who were temporarily out of work because of the pandemic. According to the mayor — because it's a religious holiday — "Mardi Gras was not cancelled, just different."

FLAT FANS

FROM ATHLETES TO SPECTATORS, the pandemic continued to affect sports. Some high schools moved their football seasons to spring. Major sporting events like college bowl games and Super Bowl LV were played with limited fans. The World Series, held at the 40,300-seat capacity Globe Life Park, allowed only 10,550 fans and filled many of the lower empty seats with cardboard cutouts.



IN SCHOOL

OR OUT?

IN JANUARY 2021, the CDC said it was safe for schools to open but controversy continued. Educational plans varied from school to school, district to district and state to state. Plans ranged from in-person instruction — with masks, social distancing and barriers — to remote learning from home, or a hybrid combination of both. Some schools offered both in-person and virtual options and let students and parents decide, while others offered alternate-day plans. Experts, teachers and parents agreed in-person instruction benefited students the most. By late winter, there were discussions about offering summer classes in some areas.



A FINAL NOTE

It is a large task to try to incorporate everyone into one massive book under the best of circumstances, and this year was a bigger challenge than most. We tried our best to feature as many students, sports, activities, staff and clubs as possible. We hope that we have highlighted the diverse interests of our incredible student body and staff.

We used a variety of sources and submission methods as we attempted to capture the school year to the best of our abilities. Some of what we tried did not work due to low response rates. We are sorry if you took the time to fill something out that we did not use.

We also acknowledge that it is impossible to make an error-free book. We apologize in advance for any mistakes made. Please know that they were unintentional. If you are really good at catching editorial errors, perhaps you would like to join us next year. We could use the help.

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We hope you like what we have been able to put together.

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