

THE MUSTANG MONTHLY

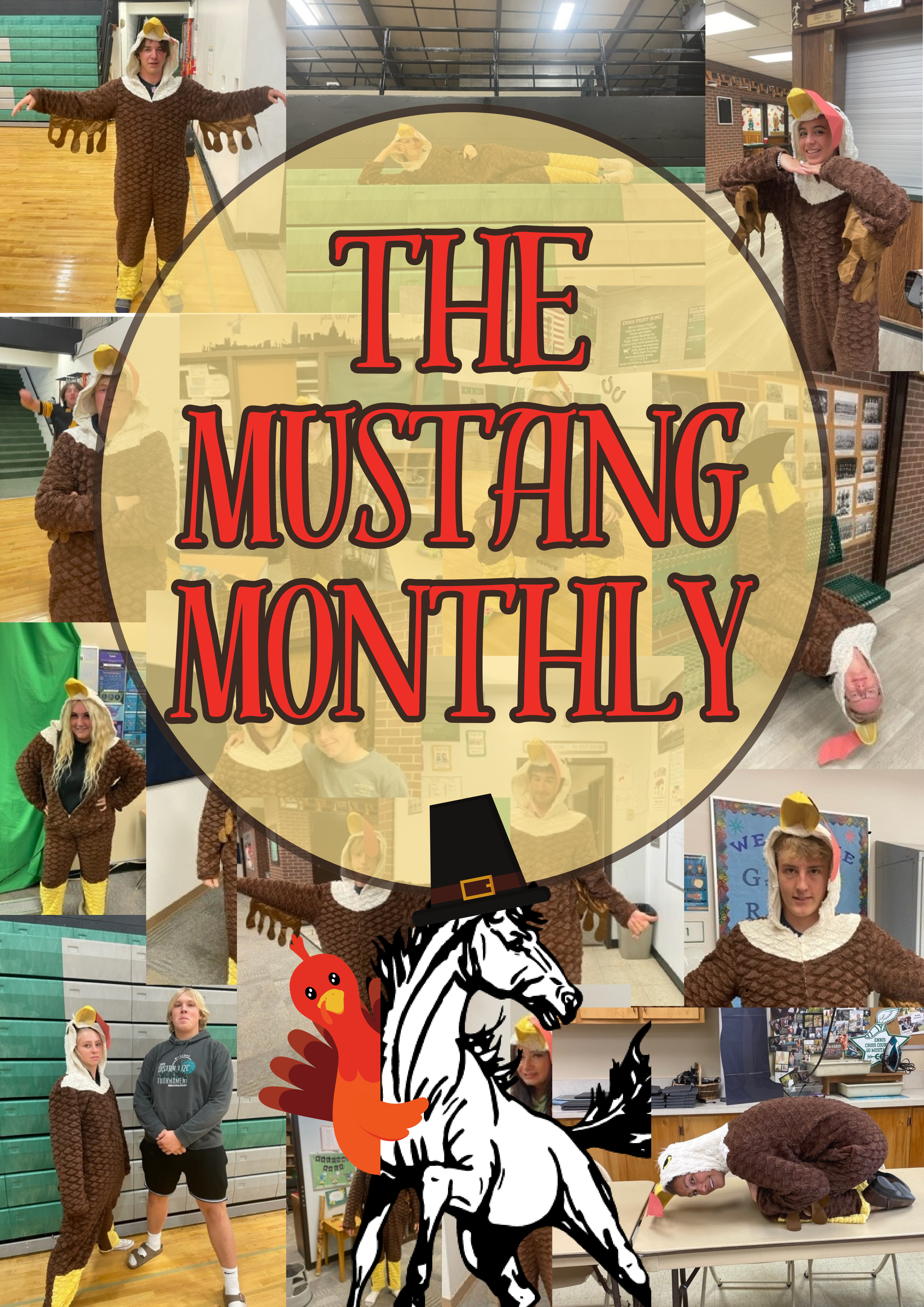
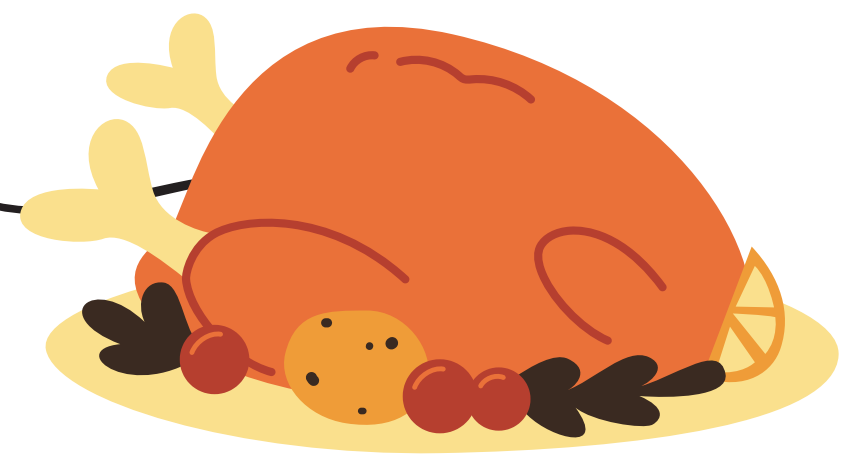
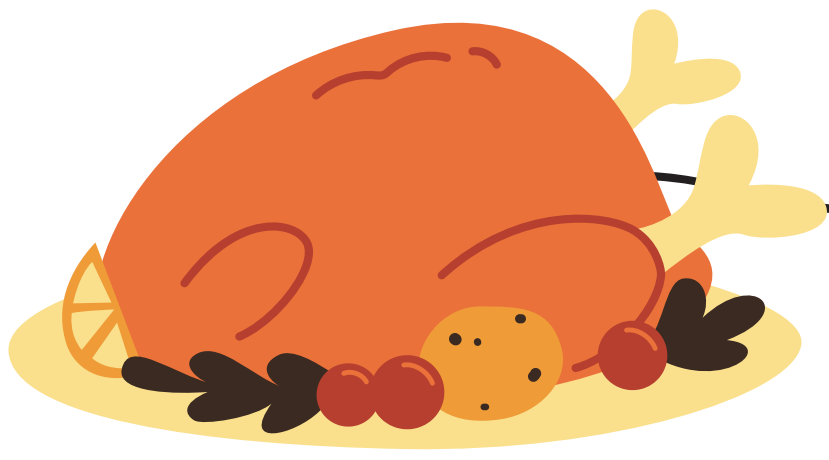


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Cross Country

Cross Country wrapped up its season in Kalispell on Saturday, October 21. We had 8 runners qualify for state. First year Head Coach Joseph Mullener was impressed by his runners and the season. He found watching the State race very enjoyable.

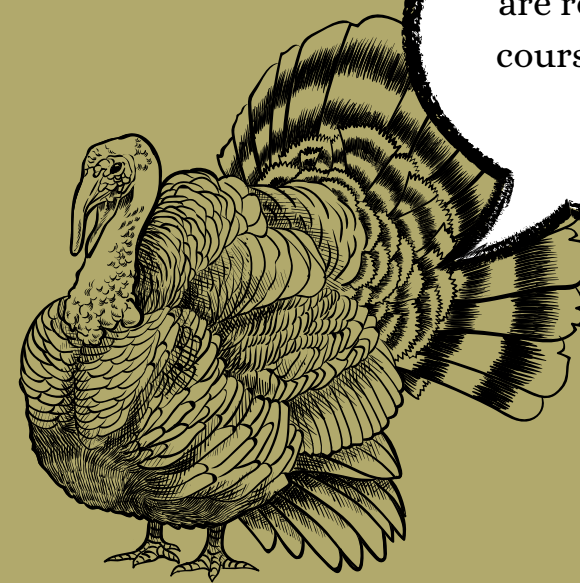
Here are our runners' times and placements:

Girls

Ella Rolfe: 22:37.23
Amber Rolfe: 22:48.02
Hannah Stecker: 22:50.77
Grace Stecker: 24:23.65

Boys

Finn Graden: 20:04.73
Peter Kelley: 20:12.87
Tyler Barsness: 21:58.26
Sam Benson: 22:43.81



These Mustang runners are really heating up the course! I hope I don't get cooked...



Mustangs Gobble Up the Competition in an Undefeated Season, Prepare to Feast All the Way to State!



News flash! It's November, and the football team has reached the end of regular season play. They remain undefeated and have their sights set on the State Championship.

Middle linebacker and running back Vance Wingard is one of six team captains along with Jeremy Mauch, Clinton Buyan, Caden Keller, Kaleb Rice, and Zach Foss (all seniors). When questioned about how the season had been going for him personally so far, Wingard said, "I think it's been great so far. I've improved on things from last year." Wingard also mentioned a highlight from the Simms game, in which he "caught a ball and scored a touchdown, and it made a top-three play of the week on the news." A personal goal he has for the season is to win the State Championship, make All-State and make the eight-man All-Star game on June 3.

Chaz Veland, another senior, plays at running back and defensive end. When asked how he thinks the season has been going for him, he said "Good. Actually, it's been great. I've been doing a lot better at defense than offense, and our team chemistry is super good." Veland's personal goal for his last season here as a Mustang is also the State Championship.

Head Coach Mike Speck shared a highlight for Veland's season, saying, "he had five carries for 58 yards and two touchdowns, and was very dominant in the run game against Choteau." And finally, if Veland was a tree, he would be "Evergreen, cause they're the coolest, and have so many needles."

Senior night took place on Friday, October 6. The Mustangs dominated the Choteau Bulldogs with a final score of 72-14. Coach Speck says, "it's always awesome to dominate a team, but every senior scored a touchdown or a two-point conversion, which makes it memorable forever."

The next game against Cascade ended with a score of 55-0 and a shutout victory for the Mustangs. Coach Speck commented on an individual highlight during this game, saying Veland averaged ten yards a carry with a total of 120 yards, and he had two touchdowns. Looking at the game as a whole, Coach Speck said, "Overall, we had a total of over 400 all-purpose yards and allowed less than 50 yards by Cascade. We kind of came out slow and then really turned it on in the second and third quarters, and played a full game across the whole team."

In the last game of the regular season, the team faced off against Manhattan Christian. The Mustangs dominated yet again with a final score of 64-28. An individual highlight of this game was Vance Wingard with five touchdowns. The team had over 400 yards in total offense, and they kept penalties to a minimum. Commenting again, Coach Speck says "Manhattan Christian is a good team, and our boys came out with a chip on their shoulder and played hard. Looking forward, we have Charlo in the first round of playoffs, and it looks like it's going to be a cold game. They're a big team, and anyone that makes it to the playoffs is a good team."

Written by Elizabeth Olson

Volleyball



The volleyball girls have had an amazing season, but now it's time to head to districts! Out of all their conference games, the team went 11 for 15, and they placed 3rd in the conference overall. Their losses were close games against Boulder and Townsend (2 losses each). Overall, they had a great season and begin district play against Whitehall on Thursday, October 26 in Manhattan. I interviewed the managers to find out what the team is doing to prepare. Good luck at Districts girls!

Written by Addisyn Rowe

Manager Spotlight

Mackenzie Boyko

Mackenzie Boyko is a junior this year. She played volleyball all through middle school and during her freshman year. She has been managing the team since she was a sophomore. She decided to be a team manager because she enjoys traveling and spending time with the girls and getting to know them more. She likes all of the girls for their positive attitudes, and thinks they are all very nice. She thinks the season is going well for the girls, and that they are doing a good job staying positive and sticking together. Boyko does the book, gets the med kit, gets boxes out, sets up the net, helps toss, and fills up water bottles. Thank you for your help!

Harper Leonard

Harper Leonard is a sophomore this year. She played volleyball all of her middle school years and freshman year. She decided to become a manager because she still wanted the social aspect without playing because she didn't enjoy playing the sport at all. She likes all the girls because of how much they have grown as a team each day. She says the season has been fun so far because she gets to skip school, and filming is really fun. During practices she helps throw free balls on the side and help coaches set things up. Thank you for your help!

Brighton Dedman

Brighton Dedman is a freshman this year. She played volleyball during her 6th and half of 7th-grade years, but she decided to be a manager instead because she still loves the sport, but didn't like playing it that much, and managing is a good way to still be a part of the team. She likes all the girls on the volleyball team because they're all nice to each other and support each other through a lot. Dedman says it's been a good season for varsity, and they work very well together. JV is trying its best, and C-squad is working very hard. Dedman helps the team by helping to get things, filling up water bottles, and libero tracking. Thank you for your help!

Speech and Drama

By Elizabeth Olson

Speech and Drama began practicing at the beginning of October, and they are looking forward to the first meet of their season, which will also be the team's first home meet in many years, on November 18. The public is encouraged to attend and support the team, and volunteers are needed to help judge (must be over 18).

Our team competes in drama events, which include acting in events like Humorous Theater, Dramatic Theater, Humorous Solo etc., or speech events including Impromptu, Memorized Public Address, Informative speaking, etc. We have an exciting season this year, with at least eight meets on the schedule. The current Mustangs team consists of several veteran State tournament contenders, including returning State Champions Izzy Haas and Levi Whitehurst.

Here is what each participant is competing in this year:

Freshmen: Sam Benson (Informative Speaking)

Sophomores: Katie Barney (Memorized Public Address), Izzy Haas (Original Oratory), Kloey Noack (Humorous Oral Interpretation), Aiden Kramer (Impromptu)

Juniors: Hayden Rosdahl (Informative Speaking), Aalyia Howard (Original Oratory)

Seniors: Elizabeth Olson and Ruby Blazer (Humorous Duo), Levi Whitehurst (Humorous Solo), Zane Morrison (Impromptu), Seeley Driskill (Humorous Oral Interpretation)





Supaman Flies into Ennis

On October 3, rapper and fancy war dancer Supaman visited Ennis High School. Growing up in Crow Agency, Montana, Christian Parrish began participating in powwows by the fourth grade. The child of alcoholic and abusive parents, Supaman spent the majority of his life in foster care before being taken in by his mother. He started writing poems in elementary school and later began rapping.

Taking the name “Supaman” on the spot while competing in a DJ competition, Parrish began rapping in an original style until a spiritual encounter encouraged him to rap about more personal and inspirational topics. He usually fuses spiritual themes while writing his music. In 2003, Supaman founded a Native American hip-hop group by the name of Rezawrecktion. Their first album, *It's Time*, won a Native American music award in 2005.

Since the award, he's released four solo albums and received praise for his song “Why?” Along with rapping, Parrish often tours schools and speaks to students about Native American culture and history. He has performed on MTV through a series featuring new artists and was featured on the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in 2013 for his music and fancy dancing. Supaman produces all of his albums himself, from writing his music to designing the album covers. He was featured with MAG7 in Taboo's video "Stand Up / Stand N Rock #NoDAPL" in 2017, which won an award for MTV Video Music Award for Best Video with a Social Message and focused on the Standing Rock Protest.

Supaman spoke to our students about Native American culture, the dangers of alcohol abuse, and he performed his fancy dancing as well as a few of his songs for our student body.



Senior Spotlight!



Levi Whitehurst can't believe it is already his senior year, and he says it has been a "surreal" experience. Whitehurst's future plans after high school are to go to college in-state for dual careers in computer engineering and music. He hopes to become an independent singer-songwriter. His favorite memories from throughout his school years include participating in Speech and Drama and having fun with his friends. He is most proud of accomplishing building a social life throughout his high school years. He says that he was a very quiet person freshman year, and now he can say otherwise. Whitehurst says the strangest thing in his fridge is Worcestershire Sauce. He believes that people both eat and drink soup because you drink the liquid and then you eat whatever type of food is in the broth. He believes soup is just a large scale tea you can eat. His favorite meme is the "nuh-uh" meme. Whatever the heck that is!



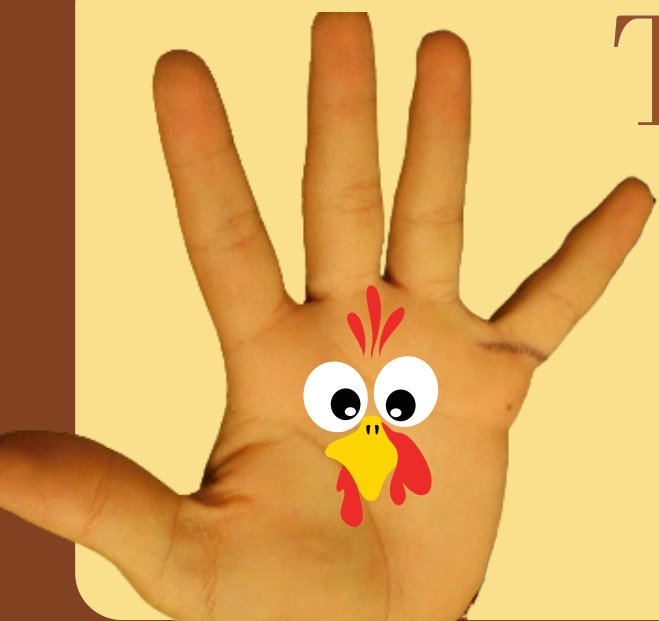
Sage Canterbury is feeling excited to be done with both the school year and all of the college applications. Her future plans are to attend an out-of-state college either on the south, east, or west coast. Her favorite memories from her school years are the summers, Speech and Drama, and traveling to visit her family. She is most proud of herself for learning how to push and challenge herself throughout high school. Canterbury's perfect day is waking up with a good coffee, along with a good brunch, going to the beach, and spending quality time with her family and friends. The weirdest food combination that she enjoys is cottage cheese with fruit. If Canterbury was a famous rapper her rapper name would be Mighty Sage S Bad Bomb (used rapper generator).

Clinton Buyan is starting to feel older and knows his future is close. His future plans after high school are to attend college and major in business. His favorite memories from his school years are playing sports. Buyan is most proud of himself for getting good grades throughout high school. He says if he were a place he would want to be a ranch. If he was a pizza topping, he would be cheese because he is a plain person. If Buyan was given 1,000,000 dollars, he would invest in land, own a business, and build a house.



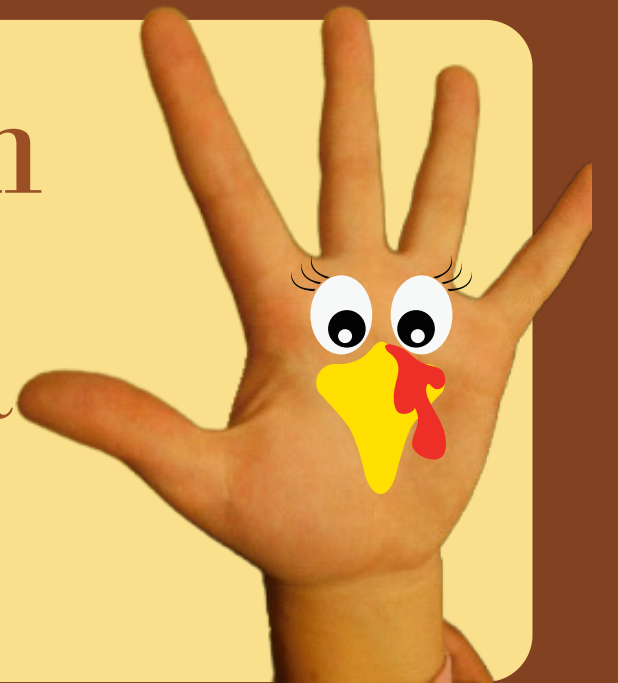


Guess That Hand Turkey



This person
enjoys
baseball

Chery Boyko



This person
can palm a
basketball

Reese Dickinson



This person
has a five-year-
old child

Ms Steffen



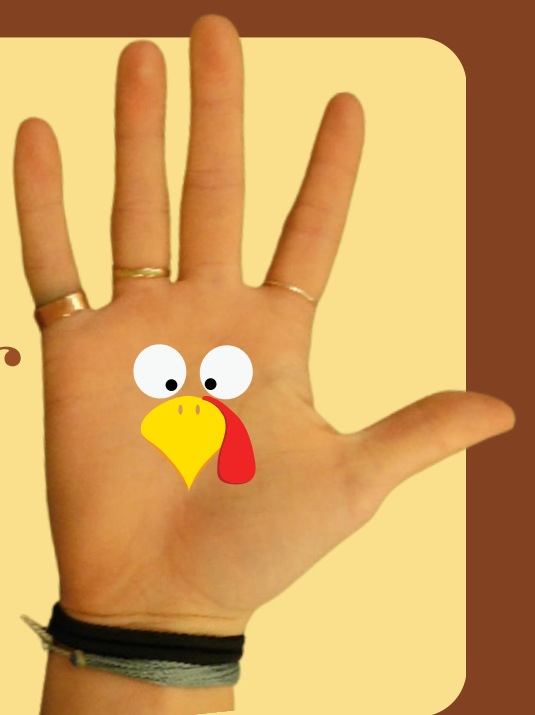
This person's
favorite candy
is Peach Rings

Addi Rowe



This person
loves the Miami
Dolphins

Mr Speck



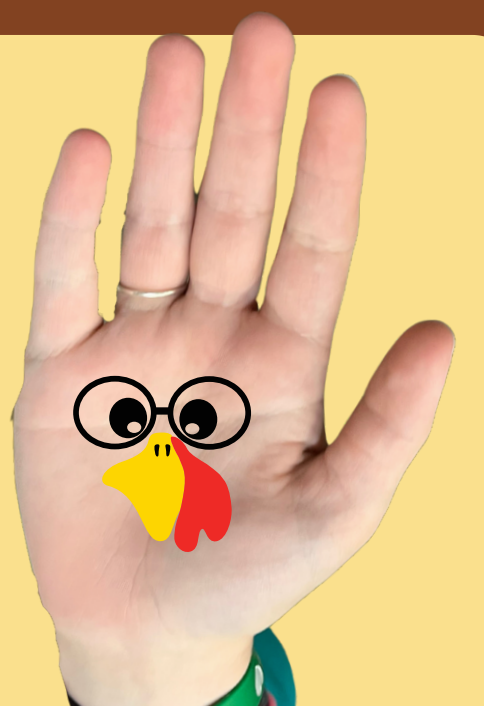
This person's
sister has four
ferrets

Katie Barney



This person
goes barefoot
for yoga

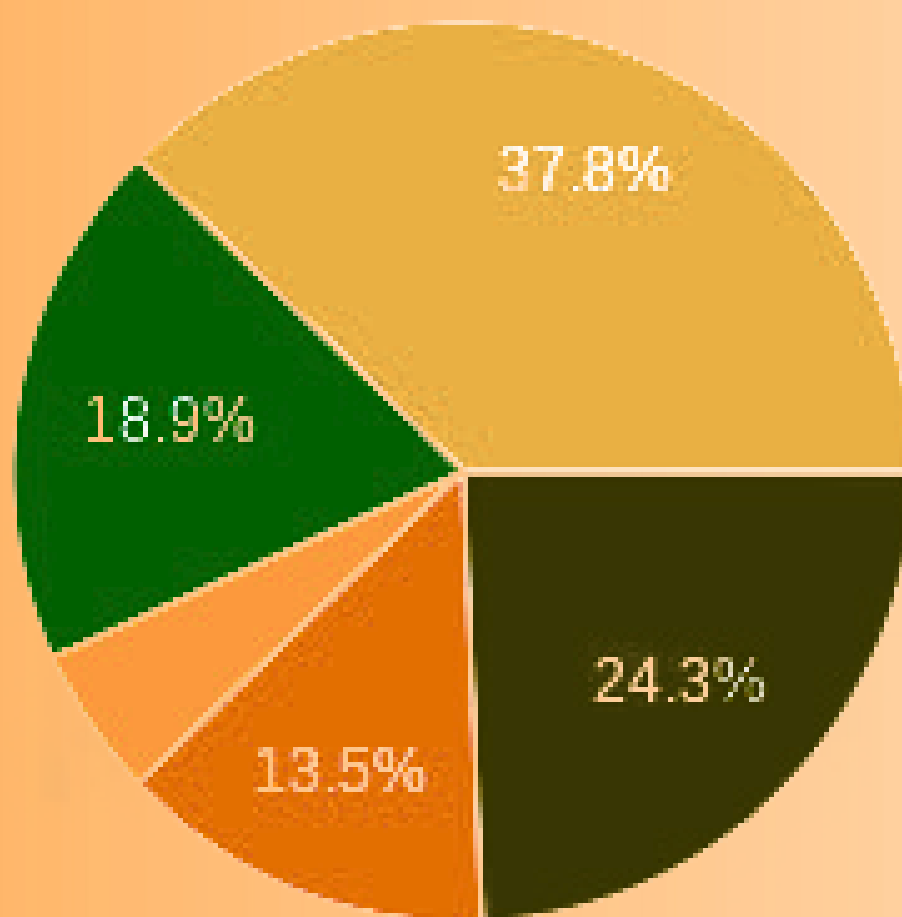
Brock Sneed



This person
loves skiing

Harper Leonard

WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE THANKSGIVING FOOD?



- Pumpkin Pie
- Turkey
- Cranberry Sauce
- Stuffing
- Mashed Potatoes

Thanksgiving is a time to celebrate with your family and to show your thankfulness. A big part of Thanksgiving is coming together and eating delicious food. We all have our favorites, whether it be pumpkin pie or turkey. We asked our student body about their favorite part of the Thanksgiving meal. The most popular choice was mashed potatoes. Sadly, at last place, we have cranberry sauce.





Say What?

We asked students about strange, interesting, or funny expressions their parents or grandparents use, and here are the results:

Sarah Fouraker: My mom says, "Get your hiney off your shoulders."

Mr. Mullener: "You're a fart in a skillet." That's what my mom says.

Jackson Buller: "Back in the old days..."

Anonymous: "I don't know how big my belt is, but it's short for how big my waist is."

Mrs. Zucker: "Measure twice, cut once."

Levi Whitehurst: "The vind is vinderling."

Ms. Beckman: "Attitude and effort are the two things you can control."

Addisyn Rowe: My mom says, "That's what's up," sometimes.

Ms. Steffen: My mom has always been fond of the expression "cute as a bug's ear."

Bridger Clark: "I brought you into this world, so I can take you out of it."

Olivia Benson: My dad says, "Jiminy Cricket!"

Zane Morrison: "Yeah-buts live in the woods."

Finn Graden: "Hi Hungry, I'm Dad."

Ruby Blazer: My dad says, "Might could."

Hannah Todd: "Let 'er rip, tater chip." That's my dad."

Written by Bailey Fouraker

Autumn Music Recommendations

Here's a playlist of cozy acoustic tunes to listen to this November. I've included some popular hits from well-known artists like Phoebe Bridgers, Matt Maeson, and Gregory Alan Isakov, as well as a few smaller indie artists who deserve the spotlight too. Listed below are some of my favorite hits from this playlist -- I hope you all enjoy!

autumn indie/folk

Last Man On Earth - **Anna Bates**

handgun - **Jake Minch**

Smoke Signals (Reprise) - **Phoebe Bridgers**

j's lullaby (darlin' i'd wait for you) - **Delaney Bailey**

Amsterdam - **Gregory Alan Isakov**

Chai Tea - **audrey**

The Moon Doesn't Mind - **Lord Huron**

yr face - **spookyghostboy**

Snowbank Blues - **Backseat Lovers**

Rose - **Briston Maroney**

Writer - **Paolo Nutini**

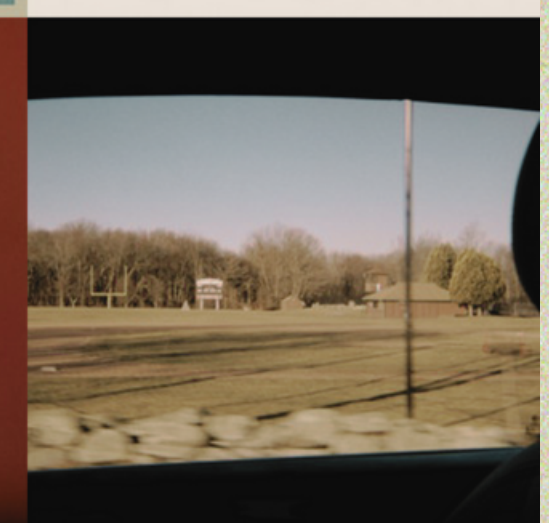
Older - **Searows**

Blink - **The Moss**

Scan on Spotify for a direct link to the full playlist!



Written by Bailey Fouraker





NaNoWriMo!

(National Novel Writing Month)

People often associate November with lots of different things. If you're a hunter, this might be your last chance to score a big trophy buck before the season ends. If you're a fellow bookworm, however, many of us take the chilly weather as an opportunity to cozy up with a good book. What if instead of reading a novel, you were the one writing it? Welcome to NaNoWriMo.

National Novel Writing Month, often shortened to NaNoWriMo, is a month-long writing challenge in which writers from all different backgrounds get together online and attempt to write 50,000 words of a manuscript. This is typically considered the threshold for novel-length works, and anything under that word count is either a short story or a novella. Writers can create an account on the NaNoWriMo website and keep track of their progress throughout the month of November, all while earning fun badges and achievements along the way. If you've ever wanted to crack down and write that story idea you've had in your head for years, but you've never had the motivation or courage to bring it to fruition, NaNoWriMo is the perfect opportunity to try your hand at being a novelist. The community is full of supportive authors and writing groups where you can find other people to talk to about the writing process itself. Even if you don't complete your novel during November, no problem! April is host to the lesser-known NaNoFinMo, or National Novel Finishing Month. This is a time for writers to finish or revise what they wrote in November, almost like a spring cleaning for all those messy rough first drafts.

Ms. Steffen's Creative Writing class partakes in NaNoWriMo each year, and while she sets a different word count goal for her students because they're still high schoolers, 30,000 words in a month is no easy feat. The novel makes up a big chunk of the students' grade, but their semester final is a presentation about the story itself, taking us through the plot and the characters.

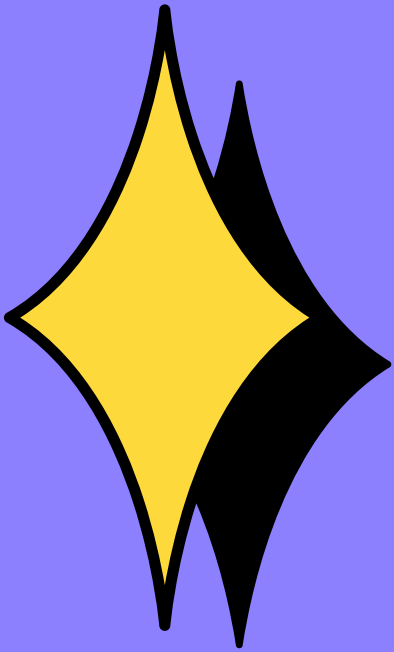
"I think it's a really unique challenge," Ms. Steffen said. She described how it's a unique opportunity for students to put a lot of time and energy into a project they might not explore too much outside of class. Senior Liz Olson reported that she thinks the project will go smoothly if she comes up with a plan and paces herself throughout the month of November. Good luck, NaNoWriMo participants! And be sure to write your faces off.

Written by Bailey Fouraker



LIZ, LAUGH, LOVE

WHAT MAKES YOU HAPPY?



Levi: Good food, good people, and my dog

Caius: my dog and my drumset

Kayzli: Sports, animals, and pizabeth

Ruby: Bees when they're really fluffy, and when I realize I'm grateful for something

Justin: Music

Creed: The obscene amount of time I spend on TikTok

Ethan: Friends and my hobbies

Ryker: Hanging out with friends and fishing

Mr. McCown: Fridays

Zach: Sports and good friends

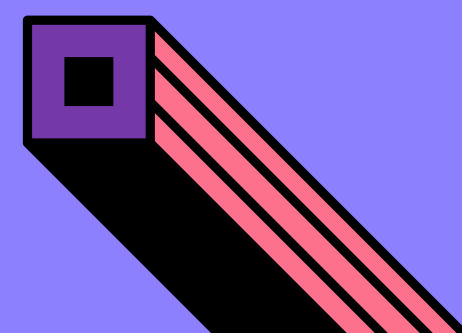
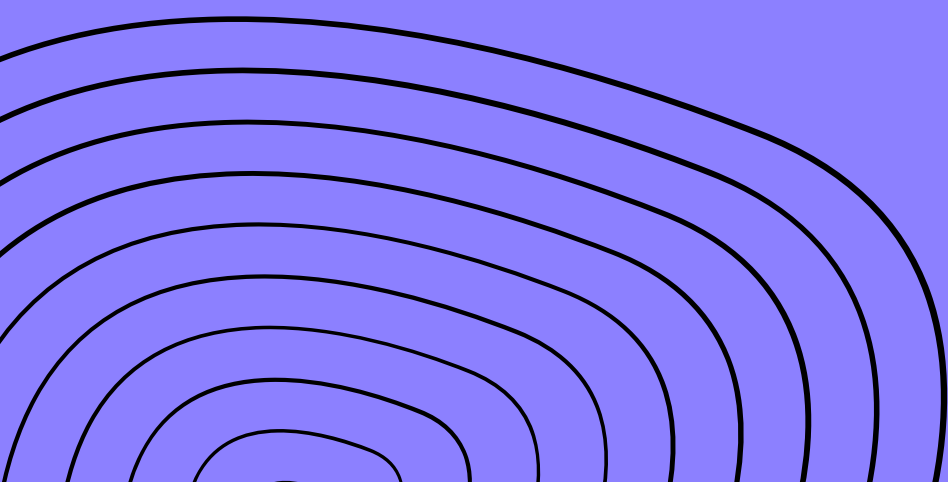
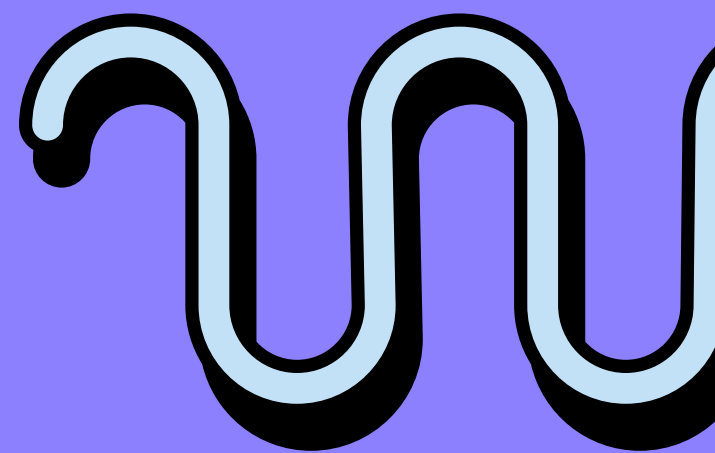
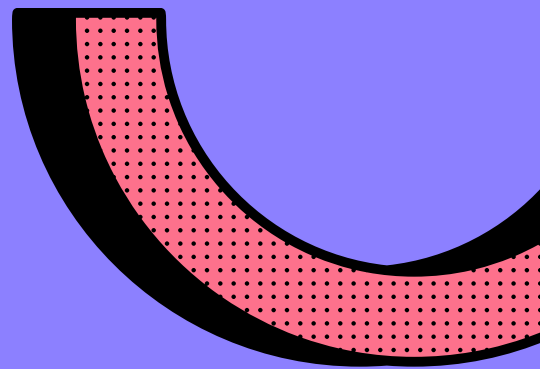
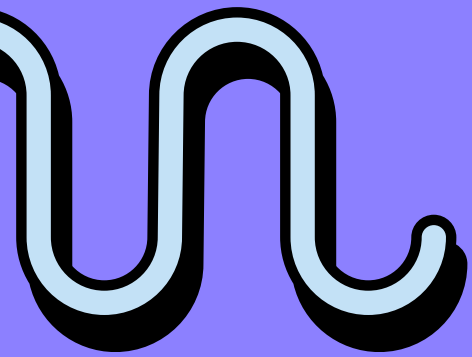
Noni: The trees changing colors

Sage: Coffee, the beach, and pumpkin everything

Ms. Steffen: Brooks

Camden: Eating; I love food

Zane: Sunshine



AI-Generated Makeovers

Artificial intelligence is a powerful and possibly terrifying new technology that's growing rapidly in the mainstream. Whether it's using apps like ChatGPT to create entire complex scripts or websites like Artbreeder to generate realistic, life-like images, it's beginning to creep into our everyday lives. Some people believe it's going to result in the fall of humanity -- but before technology turns against us and results in a robots-versus-humans World War III, let's have a laugh at these AI-generated makeovers.

We took photos of students and staff, described the details of the photos in an AI image generator, and let the generator try to replicate the original image. The results were nothing short of hilarious and horrifying.



Sarah Fouraker

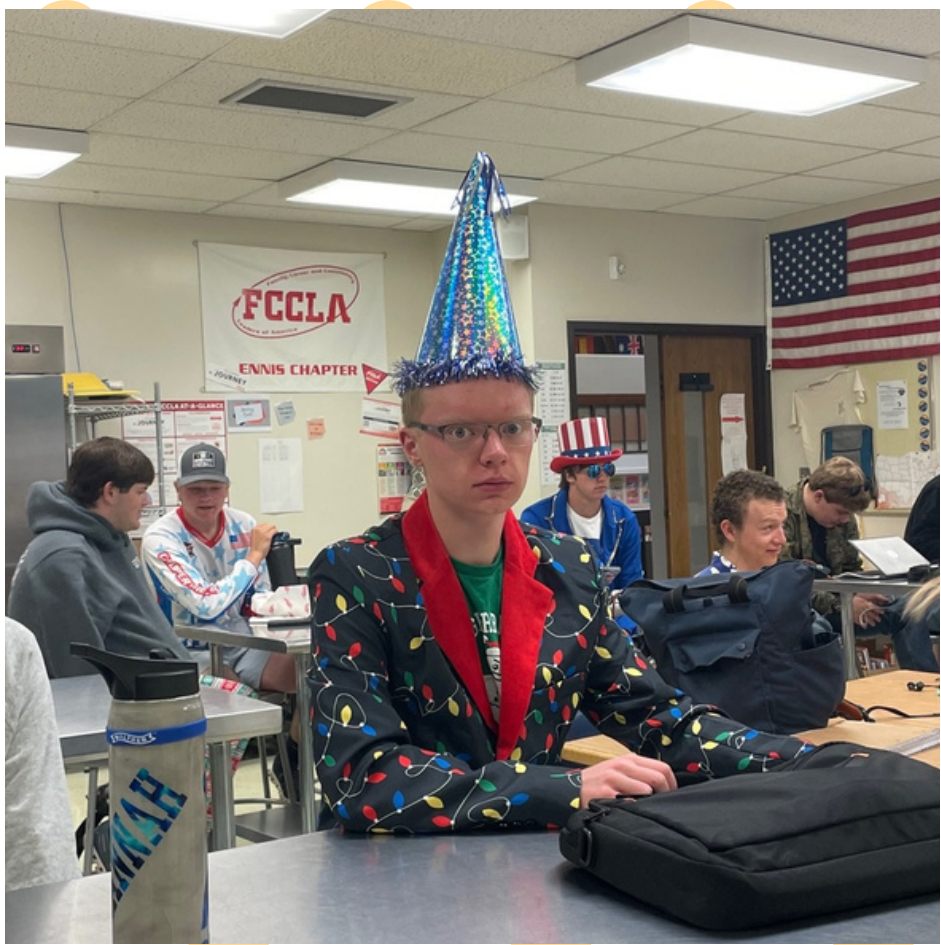
Prompt:
*"girl with curly
blonde hair
blowing in wind"*



Ms. Diehl

Prompt:
*"turkey woman
on table"*





Levi Whitehurst

Prompt:
*"angry staring
birthday boy"*



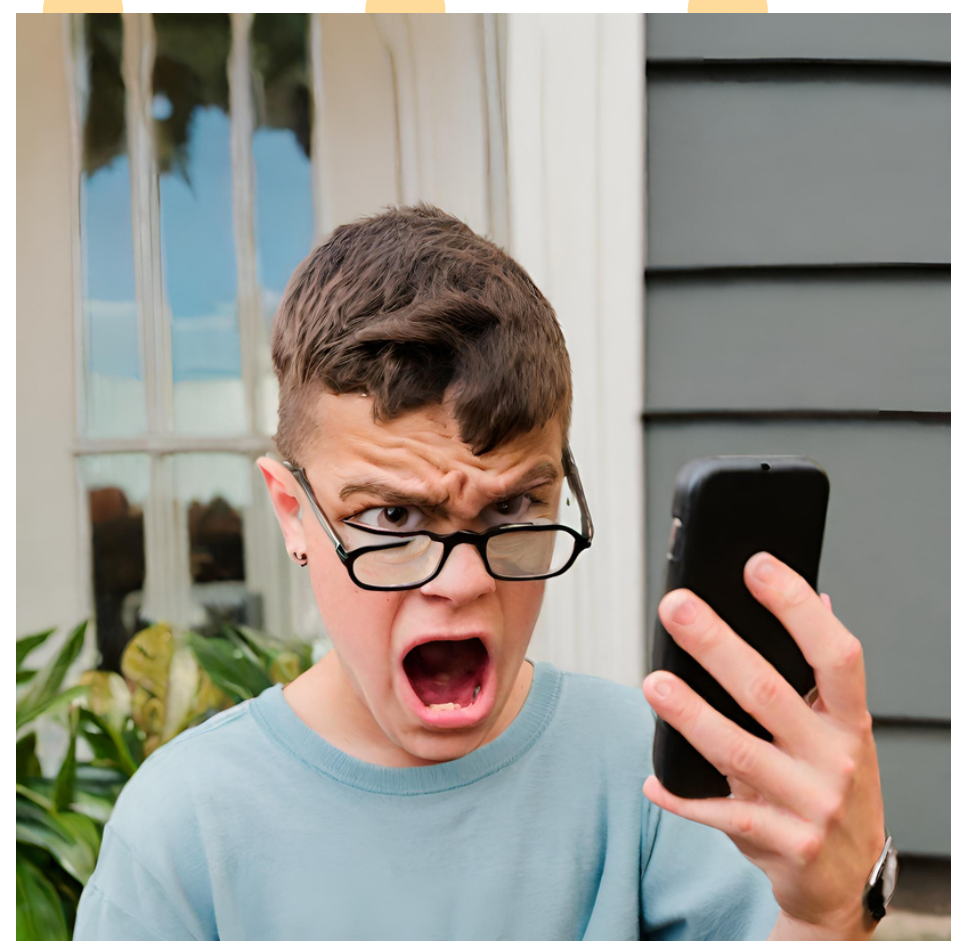
Mr. Mullener

Prompt:
*"scary young
man with large
forehead"*



Aiden Kramer

Prompt:
*"boy with glasses
angry at
cellphone"*



Written by Bailey Fouraker

Events!

November

2023



Date:

11/2/23–4 Divisional VB

11/5/23 Daylight Savings

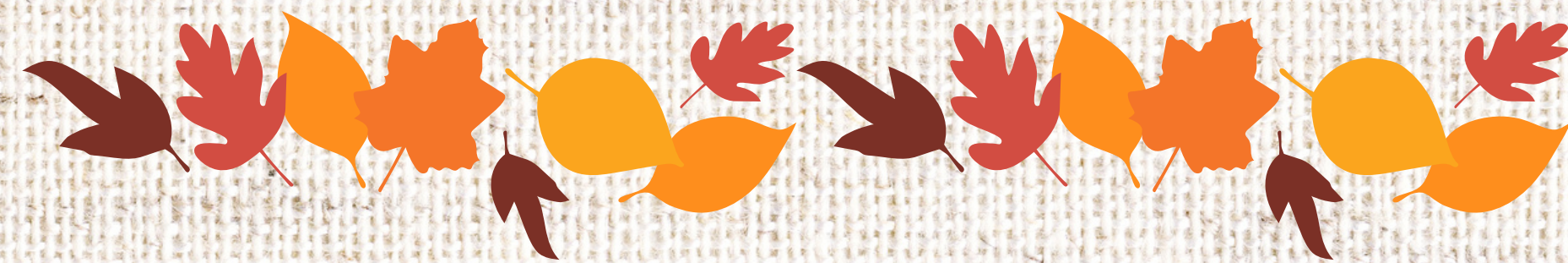
**11/8/23 P/T Conference /Release
@ Noon**

11/9/23–11 State VB

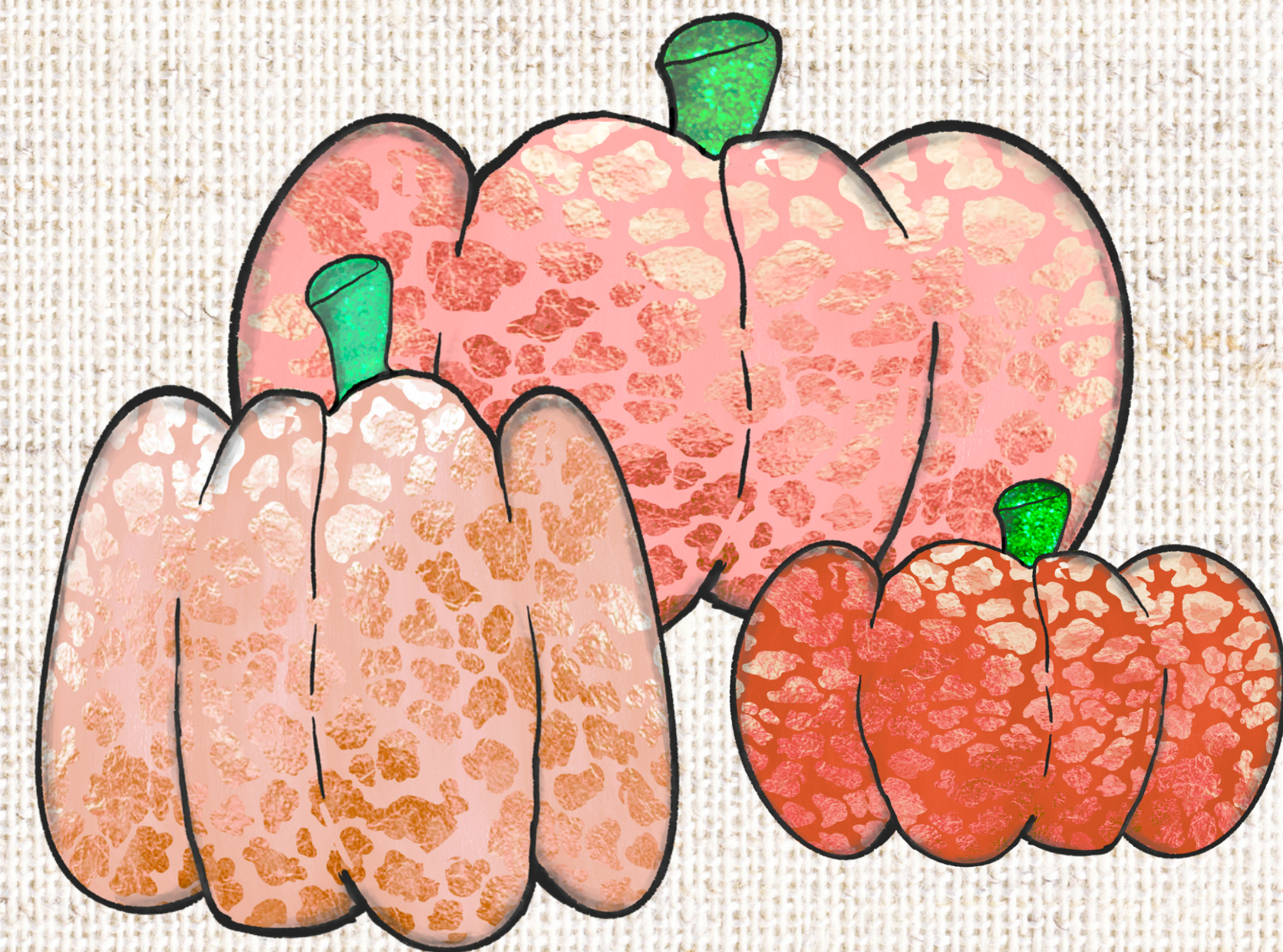
11/16/23 First HS BB Practice

11/18/23 Speech & Drama @ Ennis

11/22/23–24 Thanksgiving Break



We got a new student!



By Morgan Kloote