Look Inside:

2019 - 2020 school year switches back to block scheduling

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After all the confusion, stress, and chaos turning in next year's schedules, the school board has decided to reverse its decision to switch to seven bell days next school year. Students will have to redo their schedules for a block schedule next year.

The rumors of switching to a block schedule have been swirling for at least four years now, with a huge resistance from students and some teachers, especially the Science Department, who need blocks of at least an hour to complete labs and tests. It looked like it was going to really happen this year, with students needing to fill their schedules up to seven credits instead of the normal eight.

However, the school board has decided, after much consultation with the counselors, that the school will need another year to prepare, and will use this year's filled out schedules to practice in order to create a more efficient system they will use for 2020/2021. The block

schedule will remain due to the confusing complexity of the new schedule, to get all students in their classes correctly, as well as confusion within the classes as well. For example, some people want to take the Publications Class, but are worried about the amount of time that it would take out of their schedule for academic classes, since it is one whole credit. Some are worried that the Ambassadors Program, which allows students to shadow teachers at the middle and elementary schools, will go under, due to the lack of time the one bell grants. Many students are just worried about the amount of homework they will get.

Although, there are many people excited about the seven bell day. The English Department, for instance, loves the amount of time the new schedule will allow students to read. They are considering doubling the reading load, making students read one book during the week in class and one at home. It is easier for students to read because the class is stretched out and therefore provides more nights to read fewer pages. The Math Department also loves it, because having a year-long class makes the content easier to remember, rather than students who have Math first semester freshman year and then don't have another math class until the second semester of their sophomore year. For 2019-2020, math teachers have sworn to give students a math assignment for the semester they won't be in class, in order to make sure their skills are fine-tuned and ready for when they do enter class. Some of the harder classes might even have a similar project over the summer.

The new classes created for the 2019 school year, such as Into the Wild, AP Human Geography, Tigers Inc., etc. will remain on the electives list for next year, much to students and teachers liking. However, since the block schedule remains, the school will refrain from hiring more teachers for another year, since they are obviously not needed.

So, juniors, looks like your senior year just became a little more interesting. As for the incoming classes of the near future, you might be in for a few surprises.

PSA: your favorite teachers don't like you as much as you think they do

Studies show that teachers "couldn't care less" if you were to drop off the face of the Earth

By Sam Greenberg

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Across America, many high school students take pride in their relationships with a favorite teacher. Not only do the students like this particular teacher very much, but they think that their teacher shares those same feelings of affection. A new report by the Association of American Educators (AAE) has found that this could not be farther from the truth.

The report surveyed thousands of high school teachers and students across the country, and the results were stunning. "We asked the teachers to rate how much they liked their students on a one to ten scale, with ten being most likeable, and one being, 'you are the reason I live to forget," said Dr. John Gacy, who lead the study. "We also had the students use the same scale to rate what they believed their favorite teacher would put for themselves."

The report indicated an average difference in the two ratings to be around 9 points. This means that, most often, if a student was to put a "10" for how much their teacher liked them, the corresponding educator actually rated them a "1".

"I find this all very hard to believe," Zach Segal (12) said. "Obviously, it doesn't apply to me and Mr. Hutzel (English)... we are like two peas in a pod." Sadly, this kind of deeply flawed logic is present in the heart and mind of Segal, along with that of many other students.

"Oh, that Segal kid... we're not friends," Hutzel said. "And make sure you make everyone aware of that; we aren't friends."

"The studies truly speak for themselves," Gacy continued. "Students have absolutely no ability to gauge whether or not another human being likes them." Gacy revealed that some educators rated their students in the negatives, with values ranging from -1 to -74. The Roar cannot even begin to fathom the nature of the relationship between the student and the teacher who gave the latter rating. To think that that student actually believes their teacher likes them in return, is astonishing-and a little unsettling.

After taking in this information, many of you might get caught up in the same

sentiments as Segal. You might think that report from the AAE doesn't apply to you; that your favorite teacher actually likes you. Take this as a helpful reminder: that teacher wants no part of you, he wants to go home at 2:25; he doesn't want to hear about your problems; he doesn't care about where you went on vacation—he wants to go on his own vacation. Remember, that little fantasy of yours of one day reuniting with your teacher and going out to dinner is (and will forever remain), a fantasy.



Mr. Hutzel uses his strong muscles to clench **Zach Segal (12)** in a headlock after Segal insists that Mr. Hutzel likes him. No Zachs were harmed in the making of this picture.

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Book Review: My Lady Jane

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This month, I decided to read a book I had heard a lot of good things about from a lot of people (with the help of *Goodreads*). At first, I was worried I wouldn't be able to finish the 515 (yes, you read that right) paged book, but as it turns out, *My Lady Jane* is an uproariously funny book that's a fast and easy read.

This book was written by three different authors: Cynthia Hand, Brodi Ashton, and Jodi Meadows, making this one of the most unique books I've ever read. I've read other books with more than one author, such as short stories within a story, but nothing as well written as this book is with not one, not two, but *three* authors.

My Lady Jane is an historical fantasy book that retells the (not so historically accurate) life of Lady Jane Grey. She was the queen of England for nine days, and eventually beheaded. In this book,

however, Jane is not beheaded, and there is a lot more magic involved than in the actual events of Lady Jane's life.

In *My Lady Jane*, Edians, or people who have the ability to turn into animals are extremely controversial in the 1500s. Unfortunately for Jane, she finds herself stuck in the middle of what could potentially become an all out war, should Mary be crowned queen. Now, before continuing, it's important to know that Mary is the king's sister, and the king is dying. Therefore, King Edward has to find someone to ascend the throne once he reaches his untimely demise.

Edward decides not to choose his sister to be the next queen, but his favorite cousin, Jane. Once again, Jane drew the short straw and finds herself engaged to a man she never met because her cousin is old school, and believes that a male heir should sit on the throne.

Reluctantly, Jane and Gifford, "G" for

short, wed, and Jane discovers a huge secret that G was keeping. At the same time, Edward is tying up loose ends and preparing for the bitter end of his life. Except, everything is not what it appears in England in the 1500s. There are lies, conspiracies, murder attempts, and overthrowing the crown (ruler) of England.

Overall, I thought the book was well written, funny, and entertaining. The authors did a great job of making the story come to life, and in small ways, they managed to include the reader in the story, which I thought was a nice touch.

The best part is, My Lady Jane is only the first book in this series. Rather recently, meaning in the last six months, the second book in the series just came out: My Plain Jane, which is about Jane Eyre and ghosts.

I would definitely recommend this book for anyone looking for a lighthearted read and an opportunity to get away from the real world for a little bit.

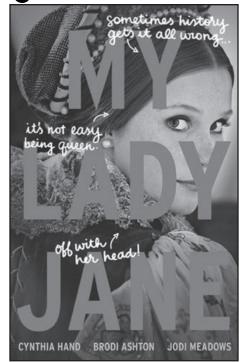


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Talkin' with Coach T

Coach Thomas (Physical Education) reminisces on his time in college and gives meaningful advice for seniors

By: Sam Greenberg

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Can you talk about your college experience/advice for seniors heading to college?

T: My undergraduate experience was awesome, but the decision on what school to attend was very difficult. I visited five schools ultimately and while I would not have to pay for those choices, that made it even harder. I ran around until 2:00 A.M. like normal freshman. My freshman roomie and teammate, who grew up 20 minutes from me, introduced me to his high school pals and there was one gal he never shut up about, as he and a few others were quite smitten with her. We have been married for 22 years and together for 25 years. My roomie was still in our wedding.

Best advice I can give heading off to college is time management. Stay a week in front of all your courses, which gives you time to go to learning labs as well, and follow my five-year rule: Don't do anything that could come back to haunt you in the next five years. College should be fun, just be smart.

[This question comes from Jay Adams (11)] "Why do you skip leg day?" *Coach T declined to comment.*

Can you talk about the Citadel? How is your son doing there?

T: I have been to West Point, the Naval Academy, Bucknell, Georgetown, Princeton, and Yale checking out some of the best schools in America. If you are looking at schools like these they will all impress you. The Citadel is so gorgeous and filled with so many traditions on campus and one or two way off campus. I had the Citadel #1 and Connor had an extra visit there and was sold. Google Citadel images and check out the inside of the battalions or go on YouTube and watch a Friday parade led by bagpipes. A Friday parade will give you goose bumps. Since he came in with 22 AP credits, his choices were endless. He is studying Government and International Relations and Political Science. His options once he



Photo courtesy of yearbook staff
Coach T flashes that signature smile
of his. Oorah!

is commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant are many, but regardless of how long he serves in the Army, he'll enter public office when or if he leaves military service.

If you were stranded on a deserted island and you could only bring three things, what would they be?

T: My pretty wife, my son, and my daughter.

What is a place you would like to travel to one day?

T: Greece. Beaches and midday naps. Can't beat it.

What is one historical figure you look up to?

T: Martin Luther King Jr. – I dig his passion, which is easy for most, but he always spoke from the heart and was a fiery dude.

*Thank you for reading this edition of "Talkin' with T." Coach T loves you and wishes you a great rest of your day. Look out for more fun commentary by the man himself in next month's issue of The Roar.





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Diving into departments: news

@UrMom's Nuisance to Society

At LHS, students have a vast variety of resources to go to when in need of information. While the internet filters may block everything except for the administration's Twitter pages, and the library is constantly shrinking to make room for new classrooms, two major students-run sources offer a wide perspective on the goings on within our walls.

The Roar, a student organized, created, and distributed paper, offers insightful and informative takes on news and events that are close to the student body's interests. The entire process, from storyboarding and painstakingly editing all the way to handing them out with a cheery smile at lunch, is run by a staff of students, for students.

While a slower process, with new issues coming out every month, the information is carefully researched in order to ensure that the students are receiving only the highest quality of content. Whether it is highlighting the achievements of fellow students or examining the hardships of community, the articles are the best of the best and rely purely on cold, hard facts.

Now if valuable, carefully curated information isn't for you, then the LHSNN is the perfect resource! With a constant flow of borderline useless information, poorly thought out skits, and unoriginal intros, the video announcements are a phenomenal alternative to what could easily be a mass

Every morning, six seniors bring the school a wide variety of nonsense, allowing teachers to waste five minutes of class every single day. While essentially useless, they can at least make an effort to bring a smile to the students' faces, assuming childish jokes and repetitive weekly segments are your area of interest. If these aren't for you, then at the very least they're original, so long as you exclude the parodies, pop culture references, and ripoffs that begin every daily addition.

In this world of fake news, it is critical that students have access to high quality, veritable content. Unfortunately for Loveland, those are few and far between, so LHS will simply have to make do with the high quality content of The Roar and the frequent content of LHSNN.



Photo courtesy of The Roa



Review. This month, I'll be looking at Harambe became a meme shortly after. the best meme to ever grace the internet Most included people saying what a hero Harambe. Unlike other memes, Harambe he was and how everyone missed him. The has stayed relevant ever since it became a format included how Harambe was a hero, meme in 2016. I don't think anyone knew and most of the humor comes from him how long it would last when it started off; obviously not being a hero. it's absolutely unprecedented. The meme is What is the most astonishing part of the where the meme started.

were worried that the boy would get hurt and decided killing Harambe was the only Welcome to the totally not fake Meme option. The event made national news and

still extremely relevant in pop culture and meme is how long it has stayed relevant. with meme pages on Instagram, Twitter, Ever since the meme became a thing back and other websites. Let's take a look at in 2016, it has stayed relevant on Instagram feeds and Twitter timelines. When looking Harambe was killed on May 28, 2016, into why it's not hard to see the reasons it's after a 3-year-old boy fell into the gorilla survived so long. People love honoring the enclosure at the Cincinnati Zoo. Zookeepers memory of Harambe and it's unlikely to

stop anytime soon. I'll be giving the meme an A+ rating, as not only to commemorate one of the best memes ever but also to keep

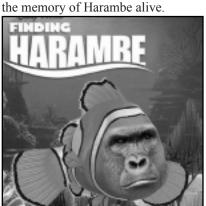
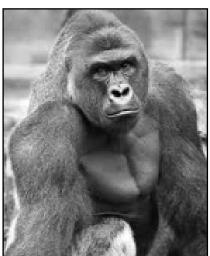


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Dear gretchen: the monthly advice column

By Staff Writer

@notcourtneykirby Mr. Hutzel's Favorite

Dear Gretchen,

There is so much still to get done and I don't know if I can get done with all of it. My biggest concern is paying for college, since prices these days are so high and financial aid is scarce. Aside from that, have a whole other list of more minor concerns. There's finding a roommate who isn't crazy, making sure I don't get overwhelmed with my classes, choosing which college to go to (especially since that choice will pretty much follow me for the next four years). How do I keep my head on in order to get through all these decisions? How do I deal with having to make a bunch of big decisions that aren't motivated by stress?

Sincerely, Stressed Sam

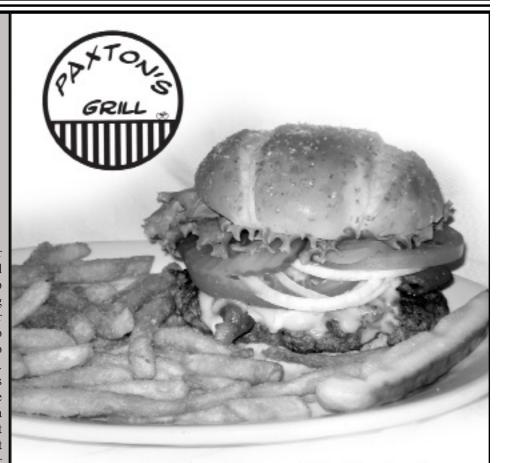
Dear Stressed Sam,

Thank you for writing to me about your concerns. My advice to you is simple and will cover all of your problems. Drop I am super stressed out about college. out! College seems to me like something that will produce nothing but stress for you and everyone else involved. With so much unnecessary stress, not going to college seems like the obvious best choice. I know you might refute that college is practically necessary today in order to have a successful career and do well in your area of choice, but if it's causing you stress just ignore it and eat a lot of junk food to forget about it. It's a guaranteed way to stop your stress! I would say good luck, but this is a full proof way to avert any bad outcomes, so you don't need it! Have a great collegefree life!

From, Gretchen

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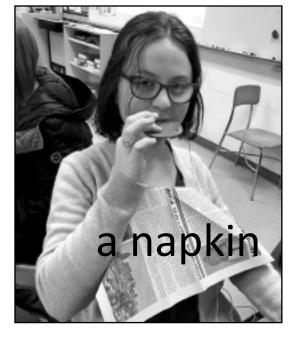
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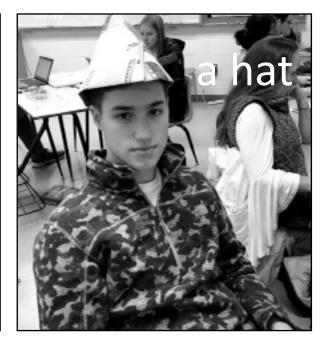
It's 11:12 on a distribution day. You have been enjoying the latest issue of The Roar, but your lunch period is over and third block beckons. In the midst of the lunch room confusion, you may even forget your copy of the paper on your table or in a hallway! Don't worry, we've all been there. While this may not seem like a large issue, it can create a major hassle for the custodial crew, and *The Roar* is so much more than a simple high school newspaper! Instead of abandoning your newspaper and creating an unnecessary mess, we encourage you to try these other, practical uses of the paper!



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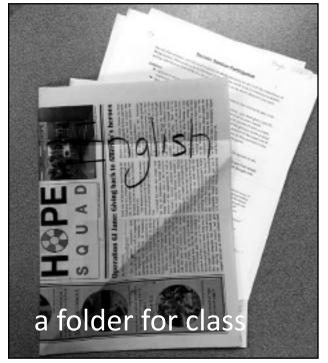
















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More easily accessible school

By Allison Kiehl

@4Eyez Super Duper Big Nerd

One mainstream complaint of the student population is that during passing periods, their classes are too far away to reach within the five minute time frame. If they must cross the school, going from the Math wing to the History hallway, it can take up the entire time given in a passing period, leaving no time for students to socialize or procrastinate their arrival to class. As this issue is so important to the student body, the Loveland City School District has decided to take up the issue and solve it once and for all. This summer, they will decrease the school size, so that students can walk more efficiently to their classes.

The construction portion of the project will take place over this coming summer. During this time, crews will shorten the length of the school by removing the art hallway and the math wing on the floor above. Space where this section of the building currently sits will be a new addition to the student parking lot, a space that the faculty feels will be more beneficial to students. As well as solving the passing period problem, it will also serve as a solution to the demand for more student parking spots.

There is one small downfall to the current renovation plan, and it is that there will have to be some classes cut in order to fit within the confines of the newly improved school building. As of the next school year, Loveland High School will no longer have a Math Department. In this particular situation, it was the best division to cut due to the fact that no other teachers will have to switch classrooms and that only a limited number of students actually enjoyed Algebra or Calculus. Obviously, there is no harm to a student's education by letting these classes go. The staff is hopeful that when students apply to different universities, they'll turn a blind eye to this small fault. As for the art classes, they are the most important and are in

need to stay in the student curriculum. These classes will be moved into rooms spread all across the school. With this new configuration, those in charge of the remodel hope that art students will get a new perspective of the school, and be able to incorporate this into their artwork.

Because of this ingenious solution, the amount of time needed to travel across the school is only three minutes, leaving ample amounts of time to socialize between blocks, the school's main concern. In addition, there will be four whole extra parking spaces available to upperclassmen to purchase. Reducing the amount of space within the building is a great plan, and benefits a large percent of the high school population: The four juniors who will claim the new parking spots.

Next year, be sure to appreciate the two minutes saved to cross the school between classes. And the newly freed space on the schedule from the lack of mathematics. Loveland High School has only worked for the best of the student population, to solve problems as urgent as these.



Photo courtesy of Loveland City School District

Loveland High School currently expands several time zones and continents, making travel difficult for students between classes. Future renovation plans have been designed to reduce the amount of time needed to travel across the school and include eliminating the current Mathematics and Art wing pictured above.



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Because of their irrelevance to student life, the Mathematics course at Loveland High School are to be eliminated along with the prospective renovations. Above is an artist's rendition of the future appearance of this part of the building. While the Art classes are also contained within this section of the school, they are to be redistributed through the building.

Parking lot filled with kindness

By Claire Wallace

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Parking lots everywhere seem to be places of severe road-rage and misplaced anger. Just because overstuffed parking lots appear intimidating, it doesn't mean that they all are bad places. One parking lot rises above all others; it is a safe haven from anger and mistrust of fellow drivers.

Loveland High School's parking lot is brimming with courteous student drivers. In years past, students were instructed to use the "zipper system" to get out of the parking lot. The zipper system is when students drivers let one car out at each row allowing all vehicles to exit the lot in an orderly and organized fashion. A drawback of the zipper system was the frequent parking spot "fights" that occurred when students were trying to decide who got to leave their parking space first. Today, this system is no longer necessary. Now, students always let cars out of their parking spaces when driving through the parking lot, and have self-implemented a similar system that works well inside the rows. "I really like this system because it runs really smoothly," said Abby Fraleigh (12). She also enjoys how well the updated system in the spaces works. "Someone is always willing to let me out of my parking space," Fraleigh added.

Parents who frequent the drop off line appreciate how students look both ways before crossing the crowded lot. One parent went so far as to say, "These students are the best; I am always able to get in and out of here super quickly and without running anyone over!" In past years there have been close calls with students being hit by drivers early in the morning or in poor weather conditions.

Speed used to be a frequent issue in the parking lot as well. Students would accelerate while driving through the busy lot requiring them to slam on their brakes to avoid ramming into students entering or exiting the building. Now students maintain a strict 10mph speed limit at all times; this is especially important in winter when it is darker outside and harder to see students. "I feel so much safer because of the speed limit. I know I'm not going to hit any students or be hit myself," said **Sophia Raby (11)**.

While all of these safety measures have certainly improved the parking lot overall, it is no secret that extreme cautiousness has also been the cause of many parking lot fender-benders. This situation typically results from a "no, you go first" mentality with multiple drivers being too nice, and trying to let everyone go. Eventually, drivers decide to move all at once, causing a chain reaction of cars rear-ending each other. According to *LHSNN*, there are, on average, five car accidents each year since the new parking lot rules have been put in place. This is down by 82% from when the original zipper system was in use.

The polite parking lot is one of the only ones in existence in the country. It benefits everyone who is part of the arrival and dismissal process at the high school. Bus drivers and transportation specialists can get where they need to safely and on time, parents can pick up students for after school appointments without too many headaches, and students can make it on time to after school activities or to get a head start on homework. Members of the Loveland community hope this new process becomes the standard of exiting crowded lots. Students are looking forward to a national shift in how parking lots are approached.



Photo by Claire Wallace

Loveland High School's parking lot is well known for its kind and considerate drivers.

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Canada announces plans for border wall

By Marisa Kelley

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As of February 28th, the Prime Minister of Canada, Justin Trudeau, announced that he plans to build a wall along the northern border of the United States of America. These plans were created in response to the "number of Americans who want to flee the country [hitting] a new high," states The Global News. With Donald Trump having the lowest approval ratings since he was elected, these people choose to cross the border—sometimes even illegally in order to request asylum and steal Canadian jobs. Many Canadians have responded negatively towards this migration, some even calling these migrants "job stealers" or "illegals" and have begun protesting in hopes that they all

In response to these allegations, the migrants have been protesting in hopes for their voices to be heard. The ones who have crossed illegally have been either deported or working on obtaining citizenship. Other legal migrants have reported that they are being victimized—being called names, experiencing discrimination, and many more hardships against these migrants solely because they're Ameri-

These complaints have warranted a surprising response-Mexican president Andrés Manuel López Obrador has told Trudeau that Mexico will pay for the Canadian border wall. Initially, Canada requested that the United States pay entirely for the wall—due to how the United States is considered to be one of the richest nations in the

Now, some may be wondering if the border with Alaska will also be receiving a wall. As interesting and costly as that would be, it was also announced that Canada will annex Alaska. All Alaskans will become Canadian citizens and the United States has offered no comment on the matter. In fact, American citizens have decided that it's completely okay for that to happen.

Will this conflict ever resolve? It's a conflict that has been unfolding during the longest, most eventful March, more eventful than the Jonas Brothers' reunion earlier this year. Many different meetings have been held but to no avail here, as Canada is extremely desperate to build this wall. The country has even requested that the United States have yet another government shutdown or declare another national emergency in order to gain the funds for this wall. Despite the suggestions, some sentimental Canadians have created multiple GoFundMes in hopes to fund it without having America lose any governmental funds.

Prior to this issue,, these Americans had attempted to migrate legally only to discover that border security has been extremely lenient on who may cross. Due to Donald Trump's suggestion that the border patrol in America should be stricter, the Canadians decided that it is time to put their foot down. Now, crossing the border legally takes hours and sometimes even days. Some have gotten desperate and tried to run past Canadian officers, who are unable to catch any who sneak past due to how unusual and unexpected it is to see so many migrants.

Americans can only hope for the best as the situation seeks out an end. Certain other leaders from the States have decided to meet with the other two countries to negotiate a deal, but it appears that Canada is hellbent on having the wall. With Canada pressing for such an expensive wall, it has become hard for Americans to migrate.



A photo of what speculators believe the border wall may look like. Canada has not officially commented on this issue, but many still worry about what the outcome will be in the end.

New upcoming dress code in place for boys

By Madeline Crowley

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Throughout the hallways of Loveland High School, there is a commonality amongst a specific group of people that is quickly being noticed by the entire school population. You have probably seen them with their pastel Vineyard Vines t-shirts, cargo shorts, and whatever ridiculous gym shoes they decide to wear that day. They are roaming the hallways, seemingly ignorant to the fact that they all look identical to one another. Meet the boys of Loveland High School.

Their unoriginal style is overtaking the school to the point where Mrs. Johnson has instituted dress code rules for these "basic" boys. Along with the new schedule change for next year, the faculty will be bringing about even more change to the high school. However, this change will bring about a lot of positive feedback. While Mrs. Johnson has not yet tweeted about the new dress code for the boys, she exclusively stated in an interview with *The Roar* that the dress code will commence with the 2019-2020 school year.

Rules include not being allowed to wear certain brands of clothing deemed "basic" by faculty who have regrettably observed the unsightly clothing throughout the years. "The boys of Loveland High School have walked the hallways with their unoriginal outfits for far too long and it is time for the school to do something about this issue," Johnson stated. "I am sure that these new imposed dress code rules will lead to positive reactions from students, especially those who will now be able to distinguish a boy from their friends instead of viewing them as clusters of "basic" boys." Although the establishment of a new dress code for half of the school's population may seem like a positive change for some, others consider it to be a restriction of student rights. Carter Schlesner (12) says, "This new dress code is a violation of my self expression. I do not consider myself to be someone who follows the crowd and I don't dress like other boys."

With the new dress code, males are expected to log the amount of times they wear a certain style of clothing such as a t-shirt with a specific logo or khaki pants. "This is in order to prevent students from repeatedly wearing the same types of outfits throughout the week," Mrs. Johnson said. Frequently worn clothing pieces include, but are not limited to, khakis, "frat boy" shorts, joggers, sweatpants, and Vineyard Vines t-shirts. Some may call the style of clothing "athleisure" which, according to *Dictionary.com*, is defined as "casual, comfortable clothing designed to be suitable for exercise and everyday wear." When a male student reaches the maximum number of times for a certain clothing item, which is three wears, they will receive

a warning. Anything that exceeds three times will result in suspension and in some tragic cases, expulsion. Hopefully with this new dress code, the male population of Loveland High School will be inclined to wear a variety of clothing instead of the typical clothes they usually gravitate towards, promoting diversity and increased self-expression throughout the school.



Women In Politics: Ilhan Omar

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This month, I'm writing a historical account of another new member of the House of Representatives, Congresswoman Ilhan Omar. Joining Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez in the group many people are referring to as the "Radical New Democrats," it's impossible to deny that she has already made a name for herself, making history as America's first Somali-American Muslim leader.

Omar was born in 1981 in Mogadishu, Somalia. She soon moved to Bayhabo, Somalia, where she lived with her parents and six siblings. Her mother died when Omar was only two years old, so she was raised by her father and grandfather. Her father worked as a teacher trainer and her grandfather was the director of Somalia's National Marine Transport.

She fled the country with her family when she was eight years old due to Somalia's civil war, according to her website, IlhanOmar.com. After escaping her birth country, she and her family lived in a refugee camp for four years before finally making their way to America in 1997, settling down in a small neighborhood in Minneapolis. She first became interested in politics when she served as an interpreter for her grandfather at the local Democratic-Famer-Labor (DFL) caucus. She says that watching her neighbors come together to participate in politics on a grassroots level made her fall in love with the democratic process. Omar became a U.S. citizen when she was 18 years old, in the year 2000.

She attended high school at Edison High School in Minneapolis. There she volunteered as a student organizer, but has often spoken out about her experience with being bullied for wearing a hijab. She's talked about classmates sticking gum on it, pushing her down the stairs, and jumping her when changing for P.E.

Omar remembers her father's reaction to these incidents, telling her that, "They are doing something to you because they feel threatened in some way by your existence." Omar attended college at North Dakota State University, graduating in 2011 with a bachelor's degree in political science and international studies.

Omar began her career working as a community nutrition educator at the University of Minnesota from the years 2006 through 2009. She then became campaign manager for Kari Dziedzic's reelection campaign for the Minnesota State Senate in 2012. From 2012 to 2013, she worked as a child nutrition outreach coordinator at the Minnesota Department of Education. In 2013, Omar managed another campaign for Andrew Johnson for the Minneapolis City Council.

In 2016, Omar ran on the DFL ticket to end up winning a seat for the Minnesota House of Representatives. She began her term there on January 3, 2017, during which she served as the Assistant Minority Leader for the DFL caucus. She authored

at least 250 bills during the 2017-2018 legislative session there.

Now, after the 2018 midterm election, Ilhad Omar is currently serving as the U.S. Representative for Minnesota's 5th district, which includes all of Minneapolis and some of its suburbs. Because of her election, the law banning head covering in the U.S. House was lifted and Omar became the first woman to ever wear a hijab on the House floor. The world will be watching as she no doubtedly continues to make history.



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Quick guide to presidential candidates for 2020

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The primary elections for the 2020 presidential elections are only about a year away, which means that democrats, republicans, and independents alike are announcing their candidacy in hopes of becoming the next president of the United States. Of course, President Donald Trump hopes to be reelected and defend his position in the upcoming election.

Here is a list of all the Americans who have already announced their presidential campaigns:

Cory Booker (D): Before he announced seeking a 2020 presidential nomination, Booker was the first African American Senator from New Jersey. Booker is known for his bipartisan cooperation and his support of liberal causes.

Pete Buttigieg (D): For the last eight years, Buttigieg has been the mayor of South Bend, Indiana and after his term ends, he intends to run for the presidential office. Buttigieg is known as an influential Democratic figure, from his job and economic expansions in his community.

Julián Castro (D): Before announcing his campaign, Castro held several political positions, including the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development in former President Obama's cabinet. During his time as Secretary, he decreased

homelessness statistics.

John Delaney (D): Not only is this candidate a politician and former member of the US House of Representatives, but he also has a history of being the CEO and creator of two different companies. Delaney officially began his campaign in late 2017.

Tulsi Gabbard (D): Gabbard is one of only two female military veterans serving in the US House of Representatives, and the only Hindu woman elected. She announced her decision to run in the 2020 election in mid-January of 2019.

Kirsten Gillibrand (D): Gillibrand has been a resident of New York all her life, and currently serves as a New York senator. According to her campaign website, her primary issues to focus on during the election season will be healthcare and the Iraq War.

Kamala Harris (D): Harris was the first female Attorney General for the state of California. Currently she is serving as a senator. She has a history of fighting for civil rights and creating reform in the criminal justice system.

Amy Klobuchar (D): As a proud Minnesota native, Klobuchar declared her intentions of running during a snowstorm. In the past, she has served as a county attorney and currently sits in a democratic seat in the US Senate.

Bernie Sanders (D): Sanders is well known from his race against Hillary Clinton in the 2016 presidential primary and his socialist agenda. Originally, he is from Vermont, and throughout his career he has represented the state in the House of Representatives and, currently, in the Sanate

Elizabeth Warren (D): Warren was raised in a lower-middle-class family home, so this particular issue is one that she is considered an expert in and fights the hardest for as a politician. Currently, Warren is serving as a senator of Massachusetts and has been since 2013.

Marianne Williamson (D): Most known as a self-help book author, Williamson is running for the presidency to be a moral leader for America, according to her campaign website. She has run for public office before in a California Congressional campaign as an independent, but ended up losing the 2013 election.

Andrew Yang (D): Yang is a career politician who is most well known for his ideas of a universal income, a \$1,000 baseline, that would benefit both workers and the economy.

Donald Trump (R): Trump is most well known for his 2016 campaign and serving as the 45th President of the United States. His key issues to focus on are immigration, international trade, and taxes.

William Weld (R): According to a *New York Times* article, Weld poses little threat to Trump winning the Republican primary election, and his campaign could be an act of protest. However, Weld does have a political background, serving as Massachusetts' governor in the 1990s.

More candidates are expected to join the race in the upcoming weeks, especially politicians from the democratic party. So, for more detailed information, each candidate has a website where stances, beliefs, and histories can be found. (Last updated Febuary 28, 2019.)

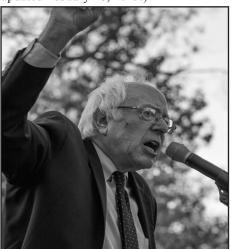


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Bernie Sanders speaking at a rally.
He supports medicare for all and other left wing ideals.

Heartbreaking Loss of Martian Rover "Oppy"

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On February 13, 2019, the Martian rover Opportunity was declared dead. After a successful 15 years exploring the surface

of the red planet, the rover exceeded its anticipated time of 90 days by a land-slide. While originally intended to stay only this brief amount of time, it was able to provide the world with exciting information about this new world for many years.

In 2004, the rover that was affectionately named "Oppy" landed on the surface of the planet Mars shortly following the previous rover Spirit. Spirit was another successful intended mission to last only 90 days unfortunately got stuck in 2009. Opportunity, on the other hand, was able

to roam the surface,

collecting data for many more years until a planet-wide dust storm encapsulated the rover. Since Opportunity was solar powered, this rendered the rover incapable of generating power and led to its unfortunate demise.

The last time the team at NASA heard from the rover was 10 June, receiving the message that essentially translated to, "My

battery is low and it's getting dark." There was some hope that as the dust cleared and the sun once again reached the surface of the planet, Oppy would be able to recharge and become active once again. Since then,

candle's burned out long before your science ever will," paying homage to the way Opportunity and Spirit taught us so much about the planet, allowing the successful continuation of the Mars missions. The

and when the night is new, I'll be looking at the moon, but I'll be seeing you." This final message was met only with the same silence that had prevailed for the past several months.

While the loss of the Opportunity is certainly heartbreaking, NASA is still working on projects designed to better understand our neighboring planet. In 2020, NASA plans to send another rover to the surface of Mars in order to continue the exploration. According to NASA, the "Mars 2020 mission addresses high-priority science goals for Mars exploration, including key questions about the potential for life on Mars" which will hopefully continue to expand our

knowledge of the red planet.



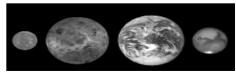
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the team had made constant efforts to regain a connection to the rover, but because of the dust covering its solar panels, Opportunity was unable to regain the power needed to operate.

There has been an outpour of heartbroken rover lovers after the news of Oppy's death broke, but none were so touching as the response from Curiosity, the current Mars rover. On its Twitter, Curiosity posted a loving poem saying to Oppy, "your

tweet goes on to say, "I owe you so much," continuing to recognize the efforts of the previous mission.

In addition to the fellow Martian explorer, many people have shown their support for the loss of the rover. The team especially has shown their devotion to the rover, as their final message to Oppy before officially ending her mission was Billie Holiday's "I'll Be Seeing You." The song includes the lines, "I'll find you in the morning sun,



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Mr. Pohana: teacher with multiple hobbies

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Commonly known around the halls as Mr. Po, Mr. Pohana is a government student teacher turned sub; an icon among students who know him. But what makes him different from any other teacher is his positive attitude and charismatic character, which in turn have made him into one of Loveland's most promising student teachers.

Q: Why did you choose Loveland to student teach? A: "It was so easy for me to pick Loveland High School to teach at, I knew PJ (Mrs. Johnson) from Turpin. I knew she created a fun atmosphere that supported students and staff."

Q: Why do you like government so much?

A: "Government is the best. I love government especially teaching it, it is guaranteed to affect you, whether you vote or not. I want to be aware of how much teenagers know about it. There is a 0% chance that government won't affect you."

Q: Which high school student news is more beneficial? *The Roar* or *LHSNN*?

A: "As a Gov teacher and supporter of the free press, I love the creativity of the student news, because it's compact and entertaining, when I am looking for more in-depth news I choose *The Roar* because it has politics, and government obviously. If I want to know a daily announcement I would choose *LHSNN*."

Q: What is your favorite thing to do that is not school related?

A: "Besides snowboarding and lacrosse, I write raps, I am not a SoundCloud rapper because I know

I'm not good. When I was in school at the lunch table we would make beats, also when I am in the car, I listen to music and I freestyle a bit. My favorite and by far the greatest rappers of all time, in this order,

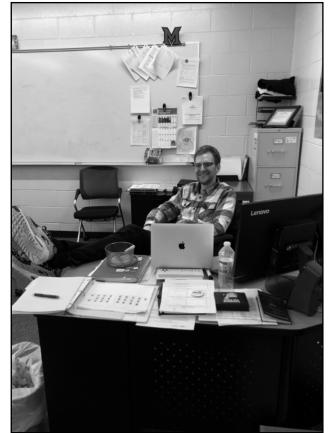


Photo by Claire Wallace

Mr. Pohana was Mr. Weather's studen teacher last semester. As of right now, he is a substitute teacher within the Loveland School District.

and not up for debate, are Tupac, Nas, Ice Cube, Jay-Z, and T.I."

Recently, Mr. Pohana has become a girls lacrosse coach for the team here at the high school.

Q: What is the hardest thing about coaching girls

Q: What is the hardest thing about coaching girls lacrosse? Is it any different from boys lacrosse?

A: "We just started. It's hard because I want to jump in and play for them. I'm very passionate and amped up at games and I channeled this energy into my coaching. I am finding a productive use of my energy because of that."

Q: Which is more important to warn students about, juuling or vaping? Why do you always tell kids not to juul and to wear their seatbelts?

A: "Both are so important, you should only wear a seatbelt when you are in a vehicle, but you shouldn't vape at any time. I always warn kids to not juul because I think the statistics on vaping are growing at an alarming rate and affecting the demographic that I teach the most. It is the most prevalent issue and I know I can get a laugh from students."

Q:Any last advice for now? A: "Pursue love above all else."

Overall, Mr. Po knows he is cool, "I know I am wise," he said. There were many more questions we wished that we could've asked Mr. Po to get to know him better, but each one led to even more questions. If you see him around the halls, out playing lacrosse, or even while hitting the slopes at Perfect North, stop and get to know him. While Mr. Pohana may seem young compared to other teachers, he has mountains of advice and life lessons he is wishing to share with students.

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Isn't it Romantic, the comedy you need to watch

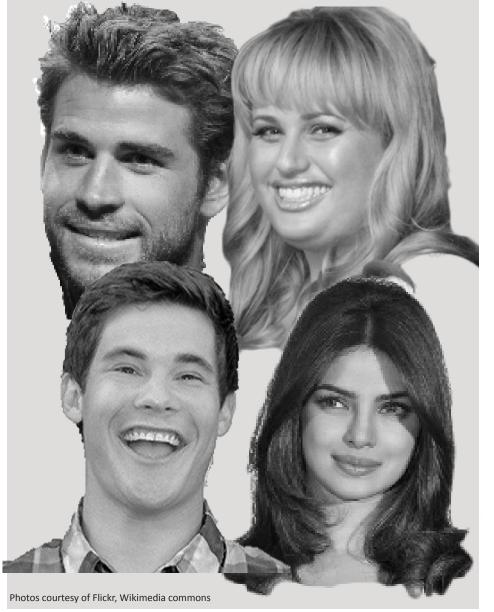
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There are the romantic comedies we all know and love: The Kissing Booth, To All The Boys I've Loved Before, and 10 Things I Hate About You, but have you ever heard of an anti romantic comedy that still displays the qualities of a romantic comedy? Isn't It Romantic proves that to be true. The movie's main character doesn't believe in the magic and love that romantic comedies usually display. If you want a laugh, want to swoon over Liam Hemsworth, or be inspired by the true message of the film which is to love yourself, then this is the movie for you.

The movie stars Rebel Wilson as Natalie who plays an architect living in New York City. She lives in a shoebox apartment with her dog. She is very anti romantic comedies and in the beginning of the film even lists off all the things she hates about romantic comedies to her assistant Whitney. What she doesn't realize that she is living her own romantic comedy as she misses signals that her co-worker and best friend, Josh, played by Adam DeVine, likes her. After an accident in the subway station, Natalie ends up with a concussion.

She wakes up and discovers she's in an alternate universe and it's her own romantic comedy. She leaves the hospital and flowers are blooming everywhere. She walks into the street and isn't looking when she gets hit by a limo. Blake, played by Liam Hemsworth ends up getting out and apologizes. He gives his number. She makes her way home and discovers



that her whole life has changed. She is the top architect at her company, her assistant has now become the boss, and lives in a penthouse apartment. She also finds out that her neighbor in her real life is now her gay best friend.

I like that the movie shows a person can end up with someone who society says that that person isn't their match. Isabella, played by Priyanka Chopra, is a swimsuit model while Josh is a nerd. I also really like the musical moments in the movie. In the beginning of the movie, Josh asks Natalie to go out to karaoke. In the alternate universe, she ends up having to do karaoke and puts on the performance of a lifetime singing Whitney Houston's "I Want To Dance With Somebody." Isabella gets jealous because she sees the chemistry of Josh and Natalie when they are singing. The movie also ends with a big musical number involving the whole cast performing a rendition of "Express Yourself" by Madonna. What I love about romantic comedies is you see the buildup of a relationship between two friends and the progression of the two realizing they have feelings for each other. At the end of the day, the movie's message is that you should love yourself first before loving someone else as Rebel Wilson's character realizes at the end of the movie. She thinks that her goal was to love Blake or Josh but the beauty in the film is that she fully can say that she loves herself.

The movie was a perfect display of comedy, romance, and musical all in one. I recommend you put *Isn't It Romantic* on your watch list because it is a must see.

No Host No Problem, Welcome to Oscars 2019

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After a long year of movie making, the 91st annual Academy Awards were held in Los Angeles, California on February 24th at the Dolby Theatre. The big winners of the night were the films *Bohemian Rhapsody* which won four awards, *Black Panther*, *Green Book*, and *Roma*, which all won three awards each. The show honored the actors, producers, directors, makeup artists, etc. that gave it their all and with hard work and dedication, it paid off.

This year, there was no host for the first time in thirty years. In December of 2018, the Academy had announced that Kevin Hart would host the show. After some of Hart's old tweets resurfaced that discredited his name and reputation, he decided to step down, leaving the Academy scrambling to find a replacement. Ultimately, they decided to not have a host. The night provided humor, honored great acting, and gave some their first golden statue, even with an absent host.

Since the Academy Awards typically open the show with the host's opening monologue, they decided to open the show with a musical performance instead, performed by the one and only Queen. The band, which is now fronted by American Idol alum Adam Lambert, performed a medley of "We Will Rock You" leading into "We Are The Champions." Adam Lambert said earlier on the red carpet that opening the Oscars, "is something he never would have dreamed was possible." They performed to honor the success of Bohemian Rhapsody as well as honor the memory of the late Freddie Mercury. Queen's songs couldn't be nominated for Best Original Song due to them being

released many years before. However, five other fantastic songs were nominated for this honor.

The nominees for this category were "All The Stars," "I'll Fight," "Shallow," "The Places Where Lost Things Go," and "When A Cowboy Trades His Spurs For Wings." Ultimately, "Shallow" from the movie A Star Is Born won. According to Billboard, "She gave an inspirational message in her speech about how it takes hard work and to never give up on your dreams."

For the rest of the awards, the big winners reported by Variety were Green Book which had won the biggest award of the night: Best Picture and Mahershala Ali won Best Supporting Actor for the film. Olivia Colman won for her role of Oueen Anne in The Favourite. This was a surprise because the favorite was Glenn Close who had been winning all award season and viewers were upset that she had been nominated six times previous to that night and had hoped she would have gotten her first win. Rami Malek won for his portrayal of Freddie Mercury in Bohemian Rhapsody. Alfonso Cuarón won Best Director for the Netflix film Roma. Spike Lee received his first win for Adapted Screenplay for BlacKkKlansman. Hannah Beachler made history as she became the first African American to win an award for Production Design which she won for her work on Black Panther.

Although there was no host, the Oscars proved to be a success regardless. The show celebrates the best of the best of the past year. To award them with an accolade that every actor, producer, director, etc. dreams of will be something they remember forever.



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Rami Malek is one of the big winners of the night having played Freddie Mercury in *Bohemian Rhapsody*. Malek was heavily praised and while also criticized for his performance of the iconic singer.

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Elton John bids farewell with final tour

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After more than half a century on the road, Elton John has announced the details for his final tour. The tour is currently running from September 2018 all the way to the end of 2020. On January 24, 2018, he first announced this final tour—more than a year later, he finally performed in Cincinnati, OH. February 27th was the night of the concert, and tickets were starting at \$200. Nevertheless, the concert was still a hit and many Cincinnatians wish he would have played here again another night.

Elton John is one of the most successful musicians of the 20th century—so successful that he has even composed for the hit Broadway show *Billy Elliot*. According to *biography.com*, "he excelled in music from a young age, and released his first self-titled American album in 1970, making him a huge international star. Some of his most famous hits include 'Crocodile Rock,' 'Philadelphia Freedom,' and 'Candle in the Wind.'" In 1994, he was

inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, and he topped the charts with almost every one of his singles.

John became famous not just for his composing and his songs—his live shows were considered a hit, too. He would wear flamboyant, brightly-colored outfits and glasses for his extravagant concerts and later told the news that he wanted to show a humorous side to musicians to his fans. He said that, if people were going to go to his concert, he wanted them to look at him—and what better way to do that than to dress extravagantly?

In 1976, John came out as bisexual, which brought forth a lot of backlash at the time. Later he came out as gay and, ever since then, his fans have learned to love him for who he is.

In 1994, Elton John and lyricist Tim Rice wrote the song "Can You Feel the Love Tonight" from the original *Lion King* soundtrack. This song brought John his first Academy Award for Best Original Song and the pair later went on to win a Tony Award for Best Original Score for the 2000 musical *Adia*.

Queen Elizabeth II made John a Commander of the Order of the British Empire in 1995 (The queen knighted him several years later, making him officially "Sir Elton John").

As much as he enjoyed the praise for all of his hard work, Elton John found himself rocked of grief with the deaths of two of his good friends—Princess Diana and Gianni Versace. Because of their deaths, John wrote the hit "Candle in the Wind" with the proceeds going to a charity in Diana's honor in 1997. The song ended up being a huge success, with it having sold more than 30 million copies that year alone.

In February of 2016, Elton John released his 33rd studio album. The album was a success and featured the Elton John Band, whom he collaborated with around a decade prior. Since then, he has announced his retirement and also released a trailer for his biopic called *Rocketman*. Elton John's many achievements have yet to be forgotten and are why it is so hard for fans to bid farewell with such a grand, final tour.

Diet Prada publishes Instagram exposes

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In the midst of Instagram feeds and celebrity influencers, an account by the name of Diet Prada is taking the high fashion world by storm. The duo behind the page, Lindsey Schuyler and Tony Liu, have made major triumphs in changing the fashion industry, calling out racist designs and celebrity influencers, and of course, exposing the infamous "incident" of Dolce and Gabbana. Diet Prada has gained fame within the high fashion community, and was even recognized by high profiled magazines and websites like *W Magazine*, *I-D*, and *The Guardian*.

Last year, Dolce and Gabbana created a racist ad which was stereotyping Chinese citizens. Diet Prada was involved in calling out and exposing Stefano Gabbana, the co-designer of the famous brand. *NPR* describes the commercial, stating, "The video features an Asian woman in a lavish Dolce and Gabbana dress attempting to eat pizza, spaghetti, and cannoli. With Chinese folk music playing in the background, a Mandarin-speaking voiceover kicks in: 'Welcome to the first episode of Eating with Chopsticks by Dolce and Gabbana' - pronounced incorrectly on

purpose in a way that mocks Chinese speech." Backlash prompted the commercial, whilst direct messages were published on Diet Prada's account, bringing to light what Stefano Gabbana thinks of this ordeal.

Alleged messages that call China "a country of (five poop emojis)" and an "ignorant dirty smelling mafia" shocked the account's 1.1 million followers. Comments under the post defended China, some offering Gabbana support, "@stefanogabbana I'm concerned about you honey, who hurt you?" while others sharply said, "Year of the pig. How fitting. #boycottdolceandgabbana"

When *W Magazine* interviewed Liu and Schuyler, they asked the duo if any other controversy can compare to the intensity of the Gabbana's, they responded with, "I think Stefano is going to be hard to beat for years to come in causing not just uproar, but fallout. His remarks literally cost him millions of dollars in a single day, with long term effects still to be determined."

Another case that Diet Prada has successfully debunked would be the sale of the infamous Prada keychains. At the start of the year, Prada issued out keychains that looked almost identical to the yesteryear caricatures that were used to dehumanize African Americans. Unlike Gabbana,

Prada issued a sincere formal apology and hired more people of color in their staff to avoid mistakes like this. Many people in Diet Prada's comment section would agree that formal apologies from brands are often meaningless without action and thus applauded Prada's quick reaction to this situation.

Meanwhile, there were other controversies surrounding this topic of racism, one of which was Gucci's ski mask creations, that was later pulled from the website as the brand was quickly called out. Outrage from consumers pointed out that the mask resembled blackface and Gucci sent out a message to apologize for their actions.

Manish Bhatnagar from *Campaign India* talks about how Diet Prada revolutionizes the current media. Bhatnagar explains that "the biggest takeaway that the entire episode gave was the power of Influencers- genuine, unpaid people with the power of voice." This is true of this account, as they have made a strong following over the course of four years-- and now they even sell out their own Diet Prada merch. Contrary to the popular show Gossip Girl, Diet Prada exposes in favor of fashion fans and consumers, to show the underlying ignorance of fashion's most elite brands and houses.

A complete timeline of everything with the Jordyn Woods scandal

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March 2018 - Tristan Thompson cheats on Khloe Kardashian for the first time

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} April 16th 2018 - True Thompson, Tristan and Khloe's daughter, is born. \end{tabular}$

September 2018 - Thompson and Khloe attend Jordyn Woods birthday party, Jordyn says Tristan and Khloe are "a cute couple"

January 2019 - Jordyn Woods and billionaire BFF Kylie Jenner (Khloe's younger half-sister) take a tropical vacation together with Kylie's daughter Stormi (whom she had with Travis Scott)

February 17th, 2019 - Woods breaks up with Devin Booker, Thompson hosted an afterparty and was spotted hanging out with Woods, the pair was "all over each other" as partygoers were told not to take pictures

February 18th, 2019 - Woods and Kylie hang out like normal, Khloe confronts Thompson about the alleged affair and he admits it's true, Khloe and Thompson officially break up

February 19th, 2019 - Thompson denies the scandal on Twitter, saying the "rumor" is "FAKE NEWS." Khloe does the opposite and confirms the scandal on Instagram, commenting speaking emojis under a video posted by an eyewitness of the affair, Khloe's friends Malika and Larsa drop hints around social media confirming the affair as well



Photo courtesy of Pinterest

February 20th, 2019 - a source (close to Thompson and Khloe) confirms their relationship is over and that Thompson did not seem like he regretted the affair, Khloe thanks her fans on social media for the support while attending a Good American (Khloe's jeans brand) event, sources say Kylie doesn't know how to act because of the sadness and anger

February 21st, 2019 - Jordyn has officially moved out of Kylie's mansion and in with her mom, sources say she is trying to reach out to apologize, says she doesn't remember "that" night

February 22nd, 2019 - Kylie slashes the price of her makeup collaboration with Woods, the entire Kardashian family unfollows Woods on social media, a source says that Woods "keeps changing her story a little bit" and "digging a deeper hole" but this betrayal is "unforgivable"

February 27th, 2019 - Woods is set to appear in an interview with Jada Pinkett Smith, but further angers Kardashian's who say she violated the NDA she had signed

March 1st, 2019 - Woods appears on said interview and states that she only kissed Tristan, and is sad that the Kardashian family is cutting her off; Khloe responds with a series of angry tweets, defending Tristan and discrediting Woods's story

March 11th, 2019 - Sources confirm Kylie is "talking" to Woods, and that the family is aware and content that the two are texting to work things out, saying "it's Kylie's choice"

Pictured left: Jordyn
Woods modeling for Khloe
Kardashian's jeans brand
"Good American," which she
has now been removed from.
Pictured below: Khloe
Kardashian with now exboyfriend Tristan Thompson,
at her baby shower for True.



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Winter Guard finishes season with stellar performance

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The Loveland Winterguard has finished its season with its 2019 competition show "It's a Bold World." The group began their competition season in February at Fairfield High School, where they placed 6th out of 10 competitive groups. At their second competition, they placed 3rd, winning a placement award for the 4th time in school history. They also competed at Mid East Performance Association Finals, where the group has placed third in both 2017 and 2018. The group hopes to continue this tradition, but this article will be sent to publication before results are available.

This year's show is largely inspired by the music and culture of Jazz. It is set to the song "Feeling Good" by Michael Buble and has a very confident and "raunchy" attitude. In addition to the traditional flags and rifles, the performers use black and white canes to give the show a more jazzy feel. They also wear red, sequin fedoras at different points throughout the show. The uniforms add to the sassy nature of the show, as the female performers wear high collared sequin tunics with mesh sleeves,

clothing with red suspenders to match their hats. The uniforms help to create the character portrayed by the performers and

and the male performers wear black a red silk with silver swirling details and a rainbow flag. For the first time in school history, the show features props, which help to boost the general effect of the



Photo courtesy of

add to the show's general effect.

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The physical design of the show also greatly enhances the mood of the performance. The tarp displays a photograph of the inside of a piano, which is another illusion to the musical/jazz scene. The two flags during the show are

show. The props are 5 circular mini stages with black stars on top of them. They are placed in the back corner of the tarp, and the performers pose dramatically on them at the beginning and end of the show, and they help to emphasize the opening rifle soloist. Overall, the show design has been applauded by judges and helps to portray the feeling depicted in the song.

There are several featured soloists throughout the show as well. The show begins with Natalie Harper (10) positioned in the back corner of the tarp surrounded by the guard. As they pose dramatically, she opens the show with a short dance solo and is joined by Savana Colgate (11) and Savannah Heemer (9). The three performers continue to dance before the rest of the guard moves to join them. As the dance feature continues soloist Kayla Gibbins (12) picks up a rifle and tosses it while standing on the prop to punctuate the beginning hit of the music. Later in the show, Allison Slaby (11) has a solo toss that she catches while going into the splits, and Sam Aldrich (12) has a dazzling high solo toss while the featured flags gesture towards her. The show ends with the performers moving back across the floor to the props as Gibbins spins a flag behind them. At the culmination of the show, Andy Meece (11) tosses Gibbins her hat and the performers pose dramatically once again.

All in all, this show leaves the performers feeling good about their accomplishments.

State diving championship

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The dive season came to a close as divers Erin Albert (12) and Riley Bullock (11) advanced to the OHSAA state dive tournament on February 21. The tournament was held at CT Branin Natatorium in Canton, OH.

Bullock advanced to the finals and placed 6th overall on the podium. Bullock has been diving for 3 years and this was Albert's 4th year diving. This is the second year that Bullock and Albert have qualified for state.

When asked to reflect on this past season, Albert said, "Diving the past four years has been the best part of high school. This sport truly gave me a second family and I'll always cherish the friendships and memories I've made both inside and outside the pool." Bullock stated, "This season went well. I know I can make improvements for next year so I'm excited to get back to work in the off season."

Both girls have made a name for themselves throughout their high school careers as the two divers have accomplished much. In addition to their advancements to the state level this year, both divers made it to state last year as well. Bullock was even in the running for the All-American title last year. It is no doubt that these girls comes to the sport.

In addition to Loveland diving, the girls also compete in club diving which has

strengthened their ability to perform for the high school team. Bullock participates on a club team and Erin was a part of a club team until her senior year.

Even though these girls are superior divers, they were not always spending their time flipping around. They have backgrounds in other sports which have helped them excel in their diving careers. Albert says, "I was a swimmer for nine years and a gymnast for most of my life and when I was 14 I decided to try something new and never expected to stick with it but ended up loving diving." Like Albert, Bullock was a gymnast for four years which has helped her improve her diving skills. Bullock also played basketball for a portion of her life and used to play softball and soccer before coming to Loveland.

Bullock plans on diving in college and taking her dive career to the next level at either Duke University, the University of Akron, North Carolina State University, or a few others. Although Albert dived throughout high school and has advanced to state twice, she will not be diving in college. She is ending her diving career on a good note with her many accomplishments that will forever stay in her memory. She will further her education at the University of Cincinnati next year to study business.

Overall, both girls have accomplished possess a slew of exceptional skills when it much during this season, the highlight, making it to the state finals. They have certainly blown this dive season out of the



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2019 NFL Draft predictions

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With the NFL combine in the rearview and pro-days being conducted around the country, it's nearly time to start thinking about the upcoming NFL draft. It's early, but that's not going to keep me from putting together a mock draft. Perhaps the most difficult aspect of creating a mock is trying to account for the inevitable trades that go down during round one. I went ahead and predicted some trades within the first round, but I made sure to mark the original pick's owner in parentheses.

However, before getting into the mock draft, I wanted to touch on some of my favorite mid to late round prospects that aren't featured in the mock.

Outshadowed at Oklahoma by Kyler Murray and Marquise Brown, Sooners running back Rodney Anderson is a name to remember. Anderson exploded onto the scene with Baker Mayfield under center in 2017, rushing for over 1100 yards and

a dozen touchdowns. His 2018 season was cut short due to a series of knee injuries, but the 5'11" 220-pound powerhouse has a huge upside as a mid to late round steal.

TJ Edwards could be the next Wisconsin product to take over a prominent role for an NFL defense. At 6'1" 242-pounds, Edwards is built for a role as a weak inside linebacker. I'm not saying it's going to happen, but he'd be a great fit as a potential Clay Matthews successor for the Packers in the middle rounds of the draft.

The last guy I'm going to preview actually might sneak into the first round. Temple linebacker/safety Rock Ya-Sin (awesome name) has the perfect build for the new-age hybrid, in-box safety at 6'2" 200-pounds. A former two-time statewinning wrestler in Georgia, he's a highoctane, super energetic player with a sick highlight reel and should be a difference maker at the next level.

Without further adieu, here's my 2019 NFL Mock Draft:

NFL Mock Draft

1 ARI: QB Kyler Murray - Oklahoma 2 SF: DE Nick Bosa - Ohio St 3 MIA (via NYJ): QB Dwayne Haskins - Ohio St 4 OAK: DT Quinnen Williams - Alabama 5 TB: OT Jawaan Taylor - Florida 6 NYG: EDGE Josh Allen - Kentucky 7 JAX: TE TJ Hockenson - Iowa 8 DET: CB Greedy Williams - LSU 9 BUF: DT Ed Oliver - Houston 10 NYJ (via MIA): OT Jonah Williams - Alabama 11 CIN: OT Cody Ford - Oklahoma 12 GB: LB Devin White - LSU 13 DEN: QB Drew Lock - Missouri 14 ATL: DE Rashaan Gary - Michigan 15 WAS: WR DK Metcalf - Ole Miss 16 CAR: DE Montez Sweat - Miss State

17 ARI (via NYG): EDGE Brian Burns - Florida St 18 MIN: LB Devin Bush - Michigan 19 TEN: DE Clelin Ferrell - Clemson 20 KC (via PIT): CB Deandre Baker - Georgia 21 SEA: S Jonathan Abram - Miss State 22 BAL: WR N'Keal Harry - Arizona St 23 HOU: OG Garrett Bradbury - NC State 24 OAK: CB Byron Murphy - Washington 25 PHI: DT Dexter Lawrence - Clemson 26 GB (via IND): TE Noah Fant - Iowa 27 OAK: TE Irv Smith Jr - Alabama 28 LAC: CB Amani Oruwariye - Penn St 29 PIT (via KC): LB Mack Wilson - Alabama 30 IND (via GB): DT Christian Wilkins - Clemson 31 LAR: S Juan Thornhill - Virginia 32 NE: DT Jeffrey Simmons - Miss State

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Could Reds make playoff push?

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The Reds' offseason began with the blockbuster trade back in December that sent Homer Bailey and a pair of prospects for Yasiel Puig, Matt Kemp, Alex Wood, Kyle Farmer, and some cash. It seems pretty lopsided in favor of the Reds, but the team will absorb around 20 million dollars worth of salary for the 2019 season, which is a significant investment for a team that has finished with a losing record five straight seasons. However, Cincinnati is banking on the culture change from new manager David Bell and hopes to put on a show for their 150th season in Major League Baseball.

It's always unwise to read too much into the results of spring training, but it appears as if there's a new energy in Goodyear, Arizona. Fresh faces on the coaching staff and on the playing field the Reds going on double-digit runs right out of the gate. It's still early, and I'm not going to read much into the results, but there definitely seems to be a better group of players out there.

The guys who came over in the trade



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with the Dodgers are certainly going to factor in, but some of the Reds' smaller pickups might prove to be just as important. In a year that's allowed a number of previously productive bigleague caliber free-agents unsigned, the Reds have taken advantage and been one of the few teams actively acquiring multiple players. The pickups of former Miami utilityman Derek Dietrich and

Detroit's previous shortstop Jose Iglesias were two low-risk, high-reward moves that are critical for a small-market team like Cincinnati. In recent years, the Reds have produced some bright spots in otherwise gloomy years with similar deals that netted players like Dan Straily (who ultimately was traded for Luis Castillo), Drew Storen, and most notably, Scooter Gennett.

It doesn't always work out perfectly, but there's a definite belief that the moves made this offseason could propel Cincy into the playoff conversation. It's going to be tough sledding this year in the NL Central. The Cubs will be the Cubs. The Brewers are coming off their best season in recent years, and the Cardinals picked up All-Star first-baseman Paul Goldschmidt. Even the Pirates, who were bad but still better than the Reds last year, didn't subtract any major players from the roster, but also didn't really make any significant upgrades. So of course, now it only seems fitting for me to conclude with an optimistic prediction for a Reds playoff push. However, as excited as I am, and Reds' country may be, I believe we're deserving of a winning season, even if the playoffs aren't part of the equation this year. There's a definite expectation for improvement, and I'm not going to argue that this current team should at least pull off an 80 win season, but a jump straight to the playoffs might be too big a leap to make. I wouldn't be disappointed if it happened, but I'll definitely be happy just to see some winning baseball in

AAF becomes newest American football organization

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AAF becomes newest American football organization The newly created Alliance of American Football kicked off its first game on Saturday, February 9 with the San Antonio Commanders defeating San Diego 15-6 marking the start to the league's inaugural season. The first two games were broadcast on CBS, but any game after can only be streamed on several websites.

The league consists of two conferences, East and West, which contain 4 teams each. In the West Conference, the teams are the Arizona Hotshots, Salt Lake Stallions, San Antonio Commanders, and San Diego Fleet. The Eastern Conference consists of the Atlanta Legends, Birmingham Iron, Memphis Express, and Orlando Apollos. After week 3, only the Orlando Apollos and the Birmingham Iron remain undefeated. After the regular season is over, the top four teams advance to the

playoffs. The first championship will be played on Saturday, April 27 in Las Vegas.

According to CBS Sports, the game is essentially the same as the NFL with a few differences here and there. An important difference between the leagues is the absence of kick-offs in the AAF. In the NFL, each team will kick the ball off at the beginning of the game, after every score, and after half-time. The AAF discarded this aspect of the game in order to speed up the game. Instead, the ball is placed on the 20. Another difference is the AAF doesn't allow a team to score an extra point after a touchdown. The AAF's overtime rules are also very different from the NFL's. In the NFL, the team that won the coin toss gets possession at the 25. If they score a touchdown on the first drive, they win. If they fail to score or score only a field goal, the other team gets a chance to win. In the AAF, each team gets the ball on the 10yard line near the endzone. The team must score a touchdown in order to score, no field goals and the game can end in a tie.

Many initially believed that the purpose of the AAF was to compete with the NFL, but the creators of the league dismiss these claims. They said that the purpose of the league is to complement, not compete. The AAF is played in the off-season of the NFL meaning that it doesn't take away from ratings and viewers. The purpose of the league is to offer another platform for players to show off their skills to NFL scouts. The league is meant to prepare former college athletes for the accelerated speed of NFL play.

The league contains many NFL notable names who were cut from their franchises. The Birmingham Iron have star running back Trent Richardson who was drafted third overall in the 2012 NFL Draft. Some other prominent college stars are former Penn State QB Christian Hackenberg, quarterback Blake Sims, and kicker Nick

Novak.

With 7 weeks left in the season, many football fans are excited to see how the league plays out the rest of the year and how it plays out in the years to come.



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Harden's consecutive streak snaps at 32

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Houston Rockets' star shooting guard, James Harden, set a historical streak of scoring 30+ points in regulation for 32 games straight. This is the second longest streak in NBA history. The longest was set at 65 by Wilt Chamberlain between November of 1961 and February of 1962. Chamberlain also set the third longest and also holds various other NBA records such as the most points scored in a game.

The monumental streak began on December 13, 2018, in a matchup against the Los Angeles Lakers. Harden dropped 50 points, had 11 assists, and got 10 rebounds. Later, that week on the 17th, Harden dropped 47 against their conference rival Utah Jazz. On Christmas Day, Harden surpassed Russell Westbrook's 2016 streak of consecutive 30+ point games by dropping 41 points against Westbrook's Thunder.

Harden kept the momentum heading into 2019 with a profound performance against the former NBA champs, the Golden State Warriors. Harden put up 44 points and hit a clutch 3 point shot with 2.7 seconds left in overtime to secure the win. Later on January 11, Harden had another triple-double when he had 43 points, 10 rebounds, and 12

assists against the Boston Celtics. He also became the first player to have a 40-point triple-double in less than 30 minutes of play. On the 14th, Harden surpassed Kobe Bryant's 30+ streak by scoring 57 points in a loss to the Orlando Magic, marking his 17th consecutive game. On the next day, Harden scored his season high of 58 points against the Brooklyn Nets but ultimately lost the game by 3 points in overtime.

On January 23, Harden set a career high of 61 points against the New York Knicks in Madison Square Garden. Harden had scored 30 points at the half and also became the first player with 3 55-point games in a month in NBA history. Throughout the latter part of January and the early part of February, Harden kept the streak strong. Harden hit his 32nd straight game on February 21 with 30 points in a stunning loss against the Lakers. This game propelled Harden into the number 2 slot of the most consecutive games with 30

or more points.

The streak was finally broken on February 25 in a 119-111 win against the Atlanta Hawks. Harden missed the previous game with a neck injury and still felt sore heading into the matchup. The Hawks double-teamed Harden throughout the game, forcing him to take tough, contested shots. At the end of the game, Harden was just shy of 30 points, putting

Ryan Faingold (12) said, "Love him or hate him, you have to admit that this streak was insane to watch. The ride was incredible and I hope to see him start another streak soon."

Harden averaged 41.1 points per game during his streak and is averaging 35 points per game for this whole season. He scored 40 or more points 18 times and 50 or more points 4 times. The former MVP set several personal records as well in this historical stretch.