

# colorful Beginnings...

Each passing year marks the ending of one chapter and the beginning of another. A new school year produces changes that shape our journey through high school. Amongst these changes is a chance to reflect on and plan for the future. What differences do you see from last year? What are your goals for this next chapter?

●●● "I would say I'm a lot happier than I was last year. This year I've enjoyed my classes a lot more and made a lot of new friends. One of my goals is to letter academically." **Kaylin Gray (9)**

●●● "I have more homework this year, partly because of AP Euro. One of my goals this year is to deepen the friendships I have." **Eric Bauman (10)**

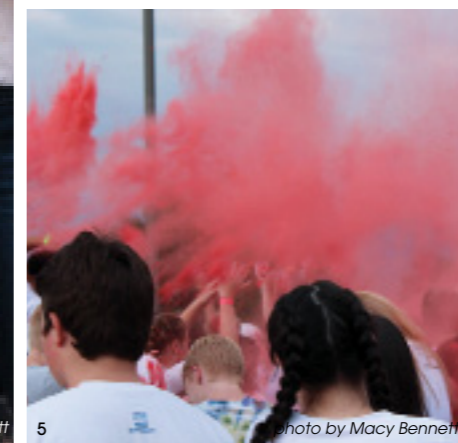
●●● "Something new for me this year was learning to make time for myself (from sports, school, etc.) I'm more self aware this year, and one of my goals is not to procrastinate as much." **Maddie Neider (11)**

●●● "Classes are harder this year, but things seem more manageable. My goal for this year is to finish strong before college next year." **Zach Rea (12)**

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4. **GIVE ME A HAND:** Covered in dust from the back-to-school dance are sophomores Kacey Cooper and Kristy Cameron. Kristy said, "I had a great time burning up the dance floor, and I knew my dance moves were as bright as my future." 5. **COLORFUL CLOUD:** After student council throws dust into the crowd at the dance, freshman Alexandra De Leon watches as the cloud of red erupts.



## To sum it up...

Five different people described the start of school in just three words.

**Freshman**  
**Cade Palmer**  
"Good, fun, stressful."

**Sophomore**  
**Anna Meyer**  
"Interesting, good, fun."

**Junior**  
**Nick Glorioso**  
"Happens so quickly."

**Senior**  
**Meredith Rees**  
"Super duper fun."

**Staff**  
**Mr. Bleys Kueck**  
"Awkward new people."



## my Friends...

What were your first impressions of your friends?



● "That they were all nerds, but I still love them."  
**Eliana Diaz (11)**

● "I thought they were all so drama-free and so nice."  
**Madeline Berg (11)**

● "I thought (Megan) was a scary cool kid... When I first met Maddie the only thought I had was why is this super popular girl talking to me?"  
**Katya Jaramillo (11)**

● "When I first met them they were quiet, but now they're crazy."  
**Megan Holmes (11)**

1. **SHUFFLE:** "The Cupid Shuffle" draws a crowd at the back-to-school dance, including seniors Nathan Bone and Elizabeth White. 2. **PEACE OUT:** Carter Byron (10), Emma Carver (11), and Brayden Zietlow (10) put their hands in the air at the color dance. 3. **WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER:** Freshman orientation offers a time for freshmen to become acquainted with high school alongside senior mentors. Tahlia Lowman (12) leads a group of freshmen in a discussion.

6. **THE START OF SOMETHING NEW:** Freshmen are about to begin their first week of high school as they file into the opening assembly of freshmen orientation. 7. **IN THE AIR:** At the back-to-school barbecue, freshmen Emily Ferguson, Gillian Russell, Mark Petersen, and Olivia Greene are in mid-jump. Talking about her friends, Emily said, "They make school easier, because I can rant to them about my day."