

EVERYTHING
about **Annamarie Covington**



"I work for the Apex in Guest Services. I am a very active community volunteer in

the Teen Advisory Board and the Apex Youth Commission," said Annamarie Covington ('20).

1. Reaching for the stars. Hannah Berland ('21) celebrates being at the choir picnic while hanging out with her friends. "The choir picnic is just a place where everybody in department can be as one," said Hannah. Photo by Kendall Custer. **2. Picture Perfect.** Rachel Lucero ('21) poses for a picture underneath a large oak tree. "I love the fact that it wasn't a mandatory thing, where it's boring and we talk about what we're all going to be doing in choir this year," said Rachel. Photo by: Kendall Custer. **3. Familiar Faces.** Senior, Lauren Haid ('19), smiles at her fellow choir members as she helps at the buffet table. "At the picnic, I got to meet a lot of the Freshman and new kids, so it was nice getting to meet and interact with people" said Lauren. Photo by Gavin Nelson. **4. Ready, Set, Serve!** Playing in the choir volleyball game, Jacob Ellis ('19) serves the ball over the net. "Definitely just having the ability to interact with every member of the choir. It's like a big family reunion in a way," said Jacob. Photo by Kendall Custer. **5. Dinner is Served.** Autumn Rudolph ('19) waits in line to get food from the buffet tables. "I really like spending time with everyone. I liked getting to know more people. And the food was great," said Autumn. Photo by Gavin Nelson. **6. Serves up!** Logan Rogers ('20) serves the ball for his team during the choir volleyball game. "The best thing would be the giant circle and us singing as an entire department, doing what we love," said Logan. Photos by Kendall Custer



Lighting the spark

The first weekend of school, our varsity softball team headed up to Evergreen High School to play in the "Evergreen Invitational". They competed in four hard games within two days, coming home undefeated with the first place win. "This was really

good for us to come out and show that even though we have a young team, we can still hold our own and bring home big wins," said **Gianna Haley ('19)**.

Our wildcats played local rival, Pomona High School, in the championship game with final score of 5-4. During that game, Sophomore **Savannah Clausen ('21)** hit an over the fence home run. "Hitting my home run felt great to get a spark going and to take the lead," said Clausen.

Story by Jaelyn Bloomfield.



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The Choir Department hosts its annual Choir Picnic

Students from the Choir Department fill the front lawn for the annual Choir Picnic. The special event occurred on August 20th outside the north hall, and has been a tradition in the choir department for the past eight years.

"The Choir Picnic is the first chance that the whole department has a chance to get together, especially for the new students, particularly the Freshman," said Mr. Chris Maunu, the head Choir director at Arvada West. "It's their first opportunity to see how big our choir department is, and it's their first chance to see the community and the family that we have here."

The choir picnic is a chance for new Freshman, returning Sophomores, and upperclassmen to meet and get to know each other. "I like the social aspect and meeting

a lot of the new Freshman that come in," said Mark Cirillo ('21), a member of Varsity Mens. "You get to meet them and figure out who's there."

Not only is the choir picnic a chance to meet new faces, but it's also a time to meet up with old friends. "Usually, it's to unite with my friends because I haven't seen them in a long time and choir is the main thing that connects us," said Serena Classen ('21), a member of Company West. "It's nice to get back into the groove of things."

The choir picnic is a tradition that some students look forward to every year. The bonding, the games like the volleyball match, and the food, will certainly be remembered and carried for many more years to come. *By Kendall Custer*



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