

FROM ANOTHER POINT OF VIEW

The cars rumble, doors slam and in the midst of morning mayhem, security guard Mr. Carlos Bazan directs traffic out of the parking lot. "I enjoy greeting the kids and meeting the parents as they walk by," Mr. Bazan said. He's always outside to acknowledge kids when they cross the street like Mrs. Lee-Ann Hayen welcomes students at the door most mornings. After her sixth year at our school, Mrs. Hayen resigned as principal Dec. 21. "The biggest reasons is my ten and eight year old kids. I have spent so much of my time here for the last six years I feel like I have not been the best mom," Ms. Hayen said. A few things she has implemented are Yondr pouches, one-to-one Chromebooks and the Design Thinking philosophy

building wide. "I think Yondr pouches are a very good system. It helps us have better communication with each other, it helps with academics, and it is a great addition to the school," Caleb Mamula (8) said. Students have transferred from phones to chromebooks. "I like being paperless, it's easier for me to prepare for classes. I also like that students have access to everything they need in one place," Lancelot social studies teacher, Mrs. Meagan Wilcox said. In addition to Mrs. Hayen's most recent changes, one of her initial additions has been Design Thinking. Design Thinking encourage unique voices and challenges our community to listen to other points of view. We all have a voice. We can share different points of view.

LOCK IT OR LOSE IT There's a change in the atmosphere, and it's all thanks to the addition of Yondr pouches. These grey and green neoprene pouches lock phones inside and can only be unlocked by teachers. Jensen Cronican (7) jokes around with her friend, Jordan Sanderson (7), during lunch, their phones no where in sight. "We were laughing because its just what I do with my friends. Its nice to have a

lunch without phones because it's not distracting us and there's more time to socialize," Cronican said. "I like that it forces kids to focus on things that matter during the day rather than their phone, like relationship with others. Kids are talking to each other more than having their face buried in their phone," Galahad Social Studies teacher, Mr. Brent Neuenschwander said. Photo by Reese Plummer



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