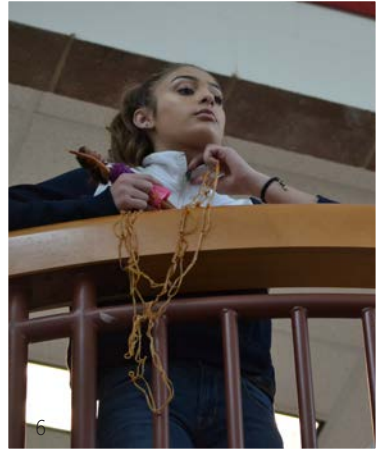


# Math and Me

**Ms. Hendricks,**  
"I teach math because I like to help my students learn how to problem solve in ways that are not just math, but in every aspect of life!"



**Cody Fark, 11**  
"I like math because it's going to help me go to college, and being able to do mental math helps as well."

**Isabella Roies, 10**  
"I like math because it comes to me naturally and helps me form building blocks for my future."



**Chandler Disch, 9**  
"I enjoy math because the teacher helps me with my math problems and teaching me life skills in the process."

## Equations For Success

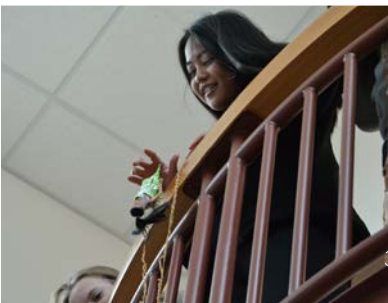
1. **Sierra Sanchez, 12**, drops a Barbie doll off of the balcony for a math experiment, calculating how long she could stay in the air.
2. **Ms. T. Gill, 10, JM. Williams, 10**, take their turn on the balcony as they experiment with Barbie Bungee Jumping.
3. **Mary Kate Placencia, 11**, prepares to take her turn dropping her Barbie from the balcony.
4. Quiet, Testing in Session. Students are taking a test in **Ms. Hendricks'** class.
5. **Madalyn Bishop, 9**, throws the trash ball into the basket in Trashsketball after answering a system of equations question correctly.
6. **Oryanna Padilla, 12**, waits for her turn to drop the doll at the top of the stairs in her math class.
7. **Mr. Malipaard, Mr. Cagaanan, Ms. Gatlin, Mrs. Rodgers, Mrs. Shirin, Ms. Weber, Mrs. Woodcock, and Mrs. Jarvis** pose for a group photo in their college gear showing off their alma maters.



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## *It All Adds Up* With Number Power

Math is essential for all students at Vista Ridge. Even so, students can't graduate without having taken Algebra 1, Algebra 2, and Geometry. College Algebra, Calculus, and Basic Statistics are only a few extra math classes students can take throughout their high school career. Students have the opportunity to take other advanced math classes to accelerate their learning and prepare for their desired field of work. These classes are necessary to finding a good job and a stable career in life. Teachers like Ms. Stilley try to make math relevant and fun. Students in her class enjoyed

Barbie Bungee Jumping as they applied mathematical concepts to real situations.

Advanced Placement is available for students who want to earn college credits while in high school. AP Calculus and AP Statistics allow students to reach a higher understanding of math and problem solving. Students in the AP math classes say they have at least three hours of studying outside of classes each week. These classes may be harder than the regular math classes, but saving money on college courses could be worth it in the long run.