

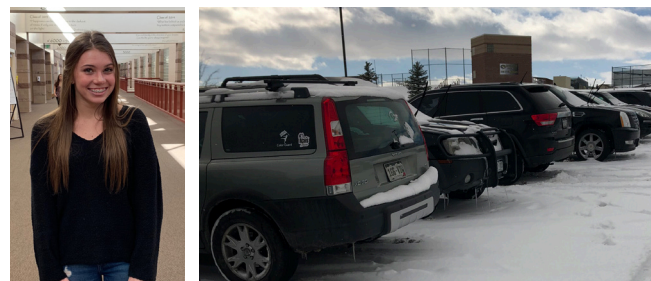
WINTER WEATHER CALLS FOR SNOW DAYS AND DELAYS
TOO COOL FOR SCHOOL



COLE
ADAMS
'19

LENDING A HELPING SCRAPE
 After an early morning snow storm, Cole Adams '19 scrapes the snow off of cars in the student parking lot, Jan. 24. Adams noticed a car next to his covered in snow, and took the time to scrape off a stranger's car after his own. "I cleaned off the car because I wanted to do something nice for them so they wouldn't have to do it when they came out because it was really cold outside," Adams said.

PHOTO: L. EVANS



DARBY
JESTER
'22

RISKY ROADS
 After a long weekend, the district closed for the first snow day of the year, Jan. 22, because of dangerous conditions. The roads were too icy for Darby Jester '22 and her sister to drive the next day, and they had to find other means of transportation. "I thought the snow day was very helpful because I didn't do my homework and it was nice to relax and sleep in," Jester said, "But, when we came back, everything we missed was all clumped into one day."

PHOTOS: M. BROWN



DIRT N' WORMS

AP Biology students Sonia Chu '19 and Khyathi Velpuri '19 analyze compost worms under a red light as part of an independent selection lab, in science teacher Matt Gracey's Biology class, to finish out their growth and development unit, Feb 4. To test how the pH of soil affected the movement of the worms, they set up small test areas within a container and waited 48 hours to see the results. "Mr. Gracey recommended that we used red light instead of normal light so that we could view the worms better without making them angry or sad," Chu said.

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WE INTERACT

STUDENTS GET THEIR HANDS DIRTY

1. I HEART ANATOMY

To learn the parts of the circulatory system, Susmitha Ponnappoli '20 dissects a pig's heart in Human Anatomy using a scalpel, Jan. 28. The class gave students a hands-on approach to learning the parts of the body by doing blood typing labs, sheep's brain dissections and minx dissections, that help Ponnappoli prepare for her future career in medicine. "My favorite part of the lab was being able to actually feel all of the chambers and blood vessels which made the unit a lot more tangible," Ponnappoli said.

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2. TINY TEMPLE

As part of a project that allows students to sculpt what they want, Adam Navo '19 creates a small temple out of clay in Sculptures 1, Jan. 29. Navo planned to make a big bird out of stone for his next project, which incorporated new mediums. "My favorite part is being able to make whatever is in my mind and make it 3D, and express yourself through art," Navo said.

PHOTO: C. SMITH

3. HALLWAY GRAM

Taking time out of lunch to study in the hallway, Ale Basile '22 catches up on her Biology homework, Jan. 24. To prepare for her more demanding classes, Basile created her own study guides and note cards. "As compared to middle school, high school homework isn't that much harder for me as long as I study," Basile said.

PHOTO: L. OLSEN



DIGITAL DUEL

E-SPORTS CLUB PRACTICES FOR UPCOMING TOURNAMENT

After school in room 4129, the E-sports Club gathered to play online games. Sponsored by Kyler Barker, the club formed two years ago by a student that reached out and acknowledged Barker's love of video games with the idea to start a club.

"In E-sports we have multiple teams that play different games (like Ivy League) and (League of Legends). We have a season coming up which is pretty much like a sports season," Barker said.

At the club meetings, gamers practiced to see who was the champion in different video games and who qualified for the state championship.

"Honestly, just showing up to play video games is the best part along with being with all of your friends and working hard," Fernando Valdez '21, club president, said.

PHOTOS: K. BOHACS



WE MARCH TOGETHER

JAGUARS REPRESENT AT DENVER'S THIRD ANNUAL WOMEN'S MARCH



Every year after President Trump's inauguration in 2017, the Women's March protest is held in the streets of Downtown Denver. Alongside 150,000 other protesters, students Jana Seal '20, Maddie Provost '20, Kinley Rex '20, Jenna Veta '20 attended to show support for women's rights, Jan. 19.

"I went because I think it's important to empower each other, especially during a time where there are a lot of allegations coming out," Seal said, "I think that coming together and making sure we are sharing compassion for people that are struggling is necessary."

At the end of the event, Seal witnessed a counter-protest group and took the time to speak with them.

"It was really beneficial for me to hear the opinion of the other side, and it was nice for everyone to have a real conversation. I hope that more people can learn to understand both sides so that we can come to an agreement," Seal said.

PHOTOS: M. PROVOST

"DOING SPORTS AND CLUBS REALLY MAKES ME FEEL LIKE I BELONG TO ROCK CANYON. SINCE I DO CHEER, I GO TO ALMOST EVERY GAME AND IT IS REALLY COOL TO SEE EVERYONE FROM THE SCHOOL COME TOGETHER TO SUPPORT THE TEAMS." | DYLAN GREER '22

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