

calm BEFORE THE STORM

STUDENT COUNCIL PREPARES FOR WISH WEEK WITH BLOOD, SWEAT, AND SHMEARS

Many students experience the start of Wish Week as the Rascal Flatts song, "My Wish", plays while walking into the opening assembly. However, for Student Council, Wish Week preparation begins weeks in advance and continues until the morning of the assembly. From meeting Fabian for the first time, to spending over five hours decorating the school, to hosting a breakfast to welcome the wish family, Stuco experiences Wish Week for far more than just seven days. Just an hour before the opening assembly Feb. 21, Hailey Pepler '21 builds Legos with Fabian during Stuco's welcoming breakfast, which consisted of Einstein Bros bagels, yogurt, and water. The night before, Emma Goble '20 helps hang silver stars and letters, Feb. 20, in the 9000s pod while Jojo Pearson '21 staples the superhero spirit day banner in the upper hall. "Wish Week is my favorite time of the year because the whole school comes together, and we get to celebrate this one kid, celebrate their wish, and be able to grant it," Emma Goble '20 said. "Decorating is a long night, but seeing the end result and how it makes other people light up is amazing." Photos: E. Shea, B. Wheeler, and N. Bogani



MAKE A change

THE TRADITION OF WISH WEEK OPENS WITH THE MIRACLE MINUTE, DARE TO SHARE, AND WALK FOR WISHES

"WE WANT FABIAN AND HIS FAMILY TO FEEL WELCOMED AND LOVED HERE BECAUSE THAT'S THE ENTIRE POINT OF WISH WEEK; TO SUPPORT THEM AS MUCH AS WE POSSIBLY CAN," COLE DREYFUSS '22 SAID.

62,404
DOLLARS RAISED TOTAL

8 TOTAL WISHES GRANTED

12,404
DOLLARS RAISED DURING THE MIRACLE MINUTE

632,520
TOTAL DOLLARS RAISED TOWARDS MAKE-A-WISH FOUNDATION IN ROCK CANYON'S HISTORY

dare TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

FRIENDS AND FAMILY GET INVOLVED THROUGH DARE TO SHARE



Kate Jussila '20 and her sister, Paige Jussila '22, along with their friends, Jackson Bartos '20 and Logan McDonald '20, participate in Dare to Share by shaving their heads together Feb. 27. "Watching Kate and Paige shave their heads was super cool because you could tell it meant a lot to both of them especially because they could do it together," Bartos said. It started out as a joke between the sisters, until the day came, and they actually did it. "My favorite part about shaving my head was doing it with my sister," Kate Jussila said. "I have always wanted to shave my head and the fact my little sister wanted to do it made me want to support her." Photos: I. Holzman



"IT WAS ONE OF THE COOLEST EXPERIENCES EVER, AND THE AMOUNT OF POSITIVITY WE GOT WAS INSANE, VERY UPLIFTING, AND FILLED ME AND MY SISTER WITH A LOT OF JOY," PAIGE JUSSILA '20 SAID.



1. chang-ing lives
Lily Gillespie '22 and other members of Student Council get ready to drop their change in the miracle minute buckets, Feb. 21. After previous years of injuries and chaos alongside excitement, Principal Abner encouraged the students to take their time to the gym floor. "My favorite part of Wish Week is the opening assembly when everyone finds out who the wish kid is," Gillespie said. "At Rock Canyon, we keep our wish kid very secret, and it's always a really fun reveal." Photo: A. Brauchler

2. walking for one
Kira Hartz '20 initiates the Walk for Wishes while making her way through the purple streamers, Feb. 22. The walk was 1.7 miles around the Rock Canyon and Rocky Heights' campuses. "It was beautiful out with the blue skies, and it kept reminding me that this was my last Wish Week ever," Hartz said. Photo: H. Olsen

3. rollin' in the dough
After the miracle minute, Leyton Garrison '20 and Fabian begin counting cash, Feb. 21. In just 60 seconds, the school raised over \$12,000. "Working with the wish kid all week is great because you really get to know the kid and the family on a personal level. This year, it was great to get the opportunity to plan all of the events and to see them all come together during the week." Garrison said. Photo: B. Wheeler

4. smile and shave
Feb. 27, Robbie Reinhart '21 shaves his head to participate in Dare to Share for five dollars outside the drama hall. "I wanted to shave my head this year because it was an opportunity to really show Fabian and his family the commitment towards wish week that people have in a way that isn't really shown through a simple donation," Reinhart said. Photo: M. Provost

5. wish upon a star
Madeline Ramsey '21 and Isabella Daboub '20 work together to paint a star on Reagan Oates '21 cheek, Feb. 22. They helped run the face painting station during the annual Walk for Wishes. "I saw what the Student Council did for Wish Week, and I love the creative minds behind it," Daboub said. "Just being able to be a part of those four years we spend here at Rock Canyon is incredible." Photo: L. Wardbrown