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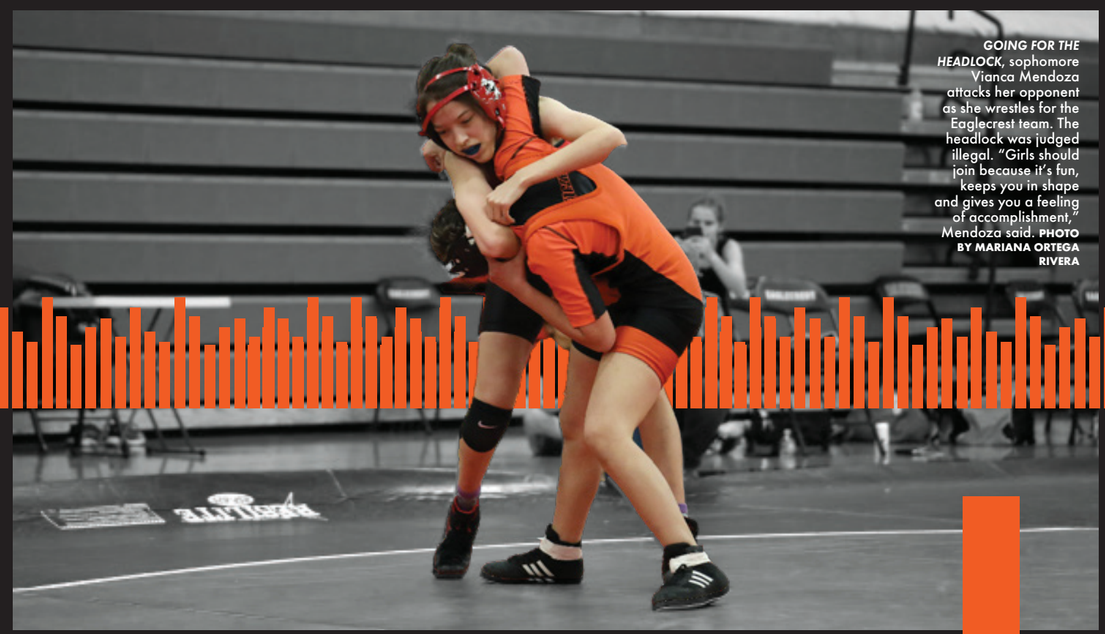

GOING FOR THE HEADLOCK, sophomore Vianca Mendoza attacks her opponent as she wrestles for the Eaglecrest team. The headlock was judged illegal. "Girls should join because it's fun, keeps you in shape and gives you a feeling of accomplishment," Mendoza said. **PHOTO BY MARIANA ORTEGA RIVERA**

TRUST US,
finishing the semester will be tough.

Some days you'll just go through the motions.
Silence your alarm. Roll out of bed.
You'll Grab your laptop, some breakfast
and hop back in bed in time for remote class.
Camera off, mic muted, questions in the chat.
Microsoft Teams. Schoology. Docs. Khan Academy.

TRUST US, you'll be back in the building soon.
YOU'LL MAKE IT through
the countless schedule changes
And you'll find the small joys
like the cheer team who returns a day early
from winter break to welcome ***Village East***
students who share the IST for a while.

Once you're back, you'll face the noise again.
Of wearing a mask while you play basketball,
of 47 teachers calling in sick after their second dose,
of figuring out FAFSA and trying to make future plans
when tomorrow doesn't seem guaranteed.

THROUGH THE *NOISE*

You'll make positive change in the community.
You'll organize a virtual Read Across America event
like NHS advisor **Ms. Paula Priest**
and senior officer **Soad Mackawi.**
You'll raise money for Kannon during Miracle Minute like
Ms. Jess Price and her ***3B Government class***.
You'll volunteer at vaccine clinics
Like ***sophomores Iris Serrano and Dylan Sanchez.***
You'll do it because you're a Trailblazer like us.

TRUST US,
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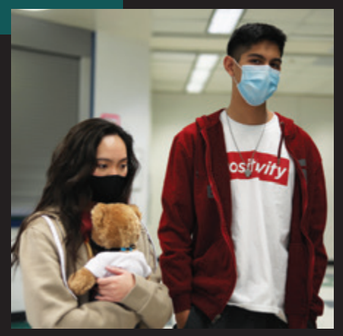

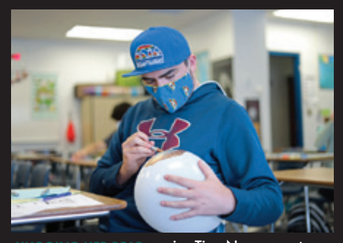

HUGGING HER BEAR, senior Tien Nguyen enters the cafeteria on pajama day. Wish Week kicked off with two extra days, starting with PJ day for each cohort. "Kannon loves his stuffed animals and wanted to be part of the PJ day. I thought it was cool so I also brought my stuffed animal," Nguyen said. **PHOTO BY MARIANA ORTEGA RIVERA** *LOOKING FOR THE PLAY,* sophomore point guard Jhayiana Harris heads down the court during a game against Cherokee Trail. It was Harris's second year playing varsity. **PHOTO BY EDGAR CAMACHO GALICIA** *MAKING EYE CONTACT,* senior Xander Beazer draws the retina on his balloon model of an eye. AP Psychology studied the anatomy of an eye. "Without the retina, the nerve impulses needed to contact the brain wouldn't be able to be sent, rendering us without eyesight," Beazer said. **PHOTO BY MARIANA ORTEGA RIVERA**

UP FOR AIR, junior Caiyan Bass races to the wall. This was the first time Bass swam this event. "Coach said if we all swam our off events, we could have a free day instead of practice, so I chose to swim the 200 IM, and I don't think I'll ever choose to swim it again," Bass said. **PHOTO BY ELLIE VICE**

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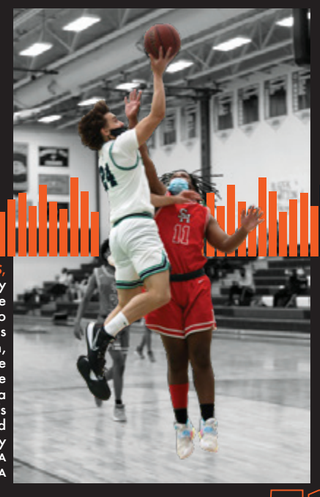

MAKING BUCKETS, junior Chris Linzy shoots hoops. Before games, Linzy prays to his grandfather. "It was a very different season, sadly we weren't able to play the whole season and make a push in the playoffs but I really enjoyed the experience," Linzy said. PHOTO BY MARIANA ORTEGA RIVERA

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