



1. Capturing the Moment: **Maya Epstein (11)**, is taking a picture for her YouTube channel!
2. **Getty dressed up!** **Lila Sacha (12)**, getting ready for the competition!
3. **Together:** **Anna Ryan (12)**, poses with her horse Elwood.
4. **Pose for the Picture:** **Lila Sacha (12)**, poses for a picture in one of her pageant dresses!



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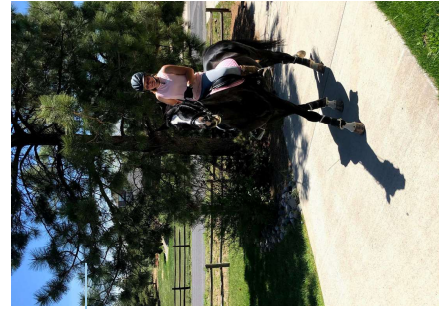
All you need is love... and a horse!

Regan Waldron (10) started horseback riding at age 9 she fell in love with the sport and the animal right away.

Regan is a competitive horseback rider and her favorite event to compete in is dressage. Regan describes dressage as "horse ballet since you have to do certain movements for you to make your horse look smooth and graceful.

Regan enjoys the small details and "perfections that are needed to get my horse to do what I want her to do," said Regan

Regan has an amazing relationship with her horse Mia, she states that some of her best memories are not necessarily the big moments but the smaller ones instead.



Hobbies

Maya Epstein (11) enjoys her spare time writing for her blog, or creating videos for her YouTube channel. When Maya was asked what had gotten her into blogging, Maya claimed that "writing has been my passion for pretty much my whole life. I feel that it is a wonderful way to connect with people and develop empathy."

Maya views writing as a fun interreceptive and therapeutic medium from theater and music, she states "it amazes me that I can pen my thoughts in my bedroom, and have those words impact people"

Maya hopes to pursue filmmaking as her future career and decided that creating a YouTube channel would help her understand the basics of filming and editing videos. In the future,

Maya hopes to make the film industry into a more diverse community with more

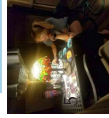
representatives and by telling inclusive stories. Maya believes that art and storytelling should be collaborative.

"Film allows me to take my ideas, mature them from the input of others and for a final product with an amazing group of people," said Epstein. Through Maya's blog and YouTube channel, she hopes to be able to impact many people starting now and continuing in the future.

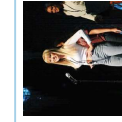
Maya explains her blog as "throwing my mind and heart out into the void and letting it all out. The impact I would like to make is to encourage other young people to use their voices"

Maya wants her platform to be safe positive environments for anyone and everyone, "words are powerful, and I hope to channel that power for good".

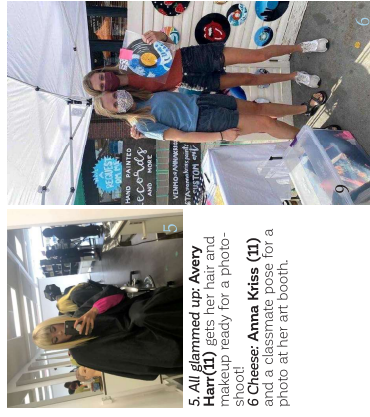
How much time do you spend on your hobbies?



"I like to paint 3 times a week for 3-4 hours at a time, I paint the most during the weekends because its when I have the most free time" **Anna Kriss (11)**



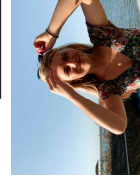
"I usually start preparing for each competition around 2-3 months in advance. When I have time I work with my coaches usually for a few hours in order to be prepared by competition season" **Lila Sacha (12)**



5. **All glammed up:** **Avery Harr(11)** gets her hair and makeup ready for a photo.

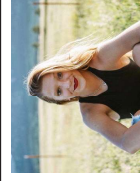
6. **Cheer:** **Anna Kriss (11)** and a classmate pose for a photo at her art booth.

Dear Future Self...



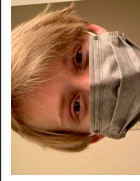
"Surround yourself with people that bring out the best in you, surrounding yourself with positive people will allow you to become a better person."

Taylor McKennon,(12)



"Stay strong and know you are enough, times may get rough but I like to think that messes make miracles, so keep on pushing and never give up!"

Aspen Gillen, (10)



"I would tell my future self to try as many new things as possible because you only live once!"

Avery Ryan, (9)