

DARE TO EXPLORE

students prepare for and are introduced to the new school year

CHECKMATE!
Tyler Chu '25 plays a game of chess at the chess club's booth at the activity fair Aug. 12 in the Commons. Chess Club only had 14 members before the fair. "I have been playing chess since I was around seven years old and knew that I wanted to join the club, but the activity fair really just confirmed that I wanted to do it," Chu said. "During our bi-weekly meetings, we just play against each other and learn from the more experienced members."
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RELIANCE ON THE SCIENCE
Aspen Shih '22 participates in the annual activity fair on behalf of Science Olympiad in the Commons Aug. 12. Shih presented to students to help them decide what club they wanted to pursue in the upcoming school year. "It's a good way for underclassmen especially," Shih said. "When I was trying to figure out what to do, the activity fair gave me a lot of options and helped me connect with different upperclassmen."
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SHARE YOUR SMILE
Sophia Kramer '22 smiles while presenting about Sending Smiles Club at the activity fair Aug. 12. The club sends smiles via cards as an opportunity to show kindness and support to members of the community. "Our club basically provides support to anyone who really needs it," Kramer said. "So, we write cards to the elderly, ill children, essential workers, and even students and teachers at this school just so that we can spread love and kindness and support people."
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SUPPORT OTHERS
Khady Sow '22 and Lucas Oluoch '22 share information about POC Empowerment Club to students at the activity fair in the Commons Aug. 12. In POC Empowerment Club, students have done interactive activities based upon national celebrations, such as papel picado. "We talked about when we met and the different activities we do and the discussion topics. We told them about how we bring in speakers and how it is a really fun opportunity with low commitment," Sow said. "The activity fair brought in about 50 new students, which is amazing."
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DO IT FOR THE KIDS
President of UNICEF Club, Deeksha Elango '23, explains to students the importance of her club and why they should join Aug. 12 in the Commons area at the bottom of the main stairs. UNICEF Club is an extension of the original organization, where they did fundraisers for the nonprofit. "I originally took over as president for this club because I am passionate about protecting and advocating for children's rights which is UNICEF's focus," Elango said. "At the fair, we told students about what the organization was and everything we do. We gained around 20 members, which was great because we struggled with advertising the club during Covid-19."
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HOW TO START THE YEAR RIGHT

- 1 SURROUND YOURSELF WITH RESPECTFUL AND RESPONSIBLE PEOPLE.**
"I think that it's really important to surround yourself with people who have similar morals."
RACHEL GEIS '23
- 2 REMEMBER TO STAY ORGANIZED WITH YOUR SCHOOL WORK.**
"Definitely do your assignments ahead of time. It's not a good idea to wait on them."
DANIEL MORTON '23
- 3 BE RESPECTFUL TO YOUR TEACHERS AND GAIN A RELATIONSHIP WITH THEM.**
"I work hard and pay attention in class and I am a good student, so my teachers are all good for me."
LUKE FISHER '24
- 4 MAKE SURE TO KEEP UP WITH ALL YOUR ASSIGNMENTS SO THAT YOU DON'T STRESS**
"[This year] I procrastinated less, which was a lot more helpful and gave me a lot less anxiety, too."
KELLIE HA '22
- 5 ASKING QUESTIONS IS VERY IMPORTANT. NEVER BE AFRAID TO ASK.**
"Talk to your teachers after classes if you don't understand something."
JESSE MCCABE '23
- 6 LEARN HOW TO COMMUNICATE WITH EVERYBODY**
"I had to learn to make friends a lot faster this year."
ELLA WEST '25

BE UNIQUE

senior girls get crafty and create senior pants for spirit events all year



BEHOLD THE OLD
Shaya Lebauer '22 and Catrina Pham '22 decorate their senior pants at Emma Sheldon's '22 house so they would be ready to wear on the first day of school Aug. 11. The group got together Aug. 9 to eat food, listen to music, and decorate their pants. "I really enjoyed making the senior pants because I got to spend time with my friends. I went to Hobby Lobby and saw a bunch of fabrics and a design just popped in my head," Lebauer said.
photo by: e. sheldon



PREPARATION FOR DECORATION
Kira Zizzo '22 laughs while working on her senior pants before school starts, Aug. 7. Zizzo incorporated stories on her senior pants. "My favorite design on my pants is the jaguar on the back of my left leg. My friend that I decorated the pants with Aspen Shih, she is an incredible artist and on her pants she drew this super realistic, beautiful, gorgeous, jaguar and so I thought it would be funny if I drew the complete opposite. So I made a jaguar that was like a wonky cartoon and looked like a first grader had made it," Zizzo said.
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THE GRAND PANTS
Lily Gillespie '22 tries to decide what fabrics to use for her senior pants design Aug. 9 at a Bailey Januzzi's house. Gillespie worked with a group of friends on their pants from 12 to 9 p.m. "The pants represent me because they have my name on them and they look like something I would make. It shows my high school experience because they have my year on them so I can look back and remember. They also have the jag paw and colors, so it shows my high school," Gillespie said.
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CLAWING THE DRAWING
Corinne Stordahl '22 and Autumnn Zuckerman '22 color their senior pants to celebrate being the top grade of the school Aug. 7. Stordahl originally tried placing kiss marks on her pants with lipstick, but had to use paint instead. "I loved making the pants because I made them with my friends. We had music and snacks, so it was a really fun atmosphere. I decorated them the way I did because it showed my personality. It represents my high school experience because on one of the back pockets all my friends signed their names and it showed how many people you can meet," Stordahl said.
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