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CVTV'S FIRST EPISODE

Being in the new studio is such a surreal experience. There's so many new buttons and controls that we had to learn. I cannot express my gratitude towards everyone who has helped make this year of CVTV one of the best. There have been some speed bumps in the road, but I have never had such amazing people to work along side with. I cannot wait to see what is produced from CVTV as we become more familiar with our new space."

GRANT BLAYTER '22



1. CREATING A SAFE SPACE: As students walk by, William Miranda '23 helps direct people to different clubs. Miranda used the club run as an opportunity to introduce people to No Place For Hate - a club he helped run. "I think no place for hate is a great club for me. Since I come from a place of privilege, it's very important that I diversify myself and understand certain obstacles and barriers that I do not face and learn how to limit and recognize my privileges in life," Miranda said.



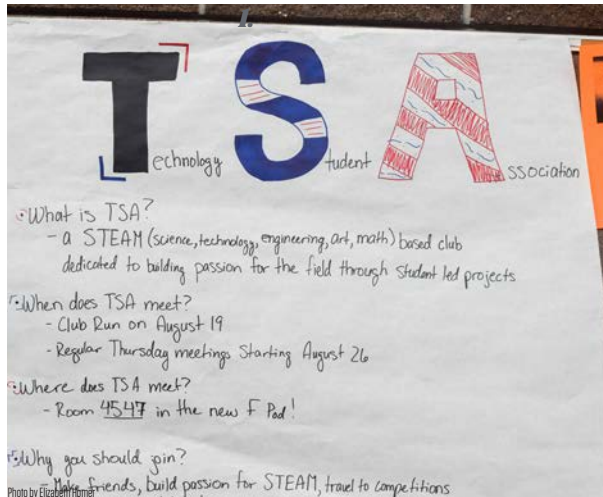
2. BIG SCREEN SMASH BROS: Joseph Hearn '23 introduces Video Game Club to a group. Hearn found the club run to be a valuable way to expose people to the different games the members played. "People, when they first came in, didn't really realize or know exactly what sort of games were being played. When they walked in they sort of went 'Oh, Smash Bros. is up on the big screen. OK,'" Hearn said. **3. CORD COLLECTOR:** In Mr. Matthew Misuraca's classroom, Keira Greven '22 learns about Book Club. Greven enjoyed being able to see what the

different clubs had to offer. "With a lot of the clubs if you join you get cords, which is pretty great for graduation," Greven said. **4. GAMING GROUP:** Crowding around a computer screen, Jasmine Garcia '22 and other members of Video Game Club watch a *Super Smash Bros.* match unfold. Club leader Joseph Hearn '23 enjoyed the way that video games were able to bring people together. "[The club's] mainly just a place for people to hang out, of course, so I just want to make sure that they're all really comfortable. I'm the club leader, so I make sure everyone's having a good time," Hearn said.

CLUBS POST SIGNS AROUND
THE BUILDING IN SEARCH OF
MEMBERS

SIGNS of the times

1. NUMBERS NEEDED: As part of an effort to get more people to join the Technology Student Association [TSA], students' signs hang around the building. Nationwide, TSA lost nearly 50% of its members, and Castle View felt the impact of those numbers dropping. "TSA was hit really, really hard by COVID-19. It's still a matter of trying to find kids who are passionate about what TSA is," Brooke Estelle '22 said. **2. SEARCHING FOR SCUBA DIVERS:** Flyers promoting SCUBA Club decorate the hallways and announcements board. Elsa Dobosz '23 founded the new club and wanted to help others know about the group. "I'm a SCUBA diver and I love it. Not many people think there are opportunities to go SCUBA diving because we're landlocked and I thought it would be kind of cool to start something so that people found out about it," Dobosz said.



3. FLYERS FIND FANS: Signs around the school announce the revival of the Anime Club. Club leader Destiny Urquiza '25 found posting flyers helpful in finding anime fans to join the group. "I think having the posters up really helped get people interested in the club. I made my own, which are up around the school. A bunch of people that I didn't know joined," Urquiza said.



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DESTINY URQUIZA '22

BACK to Broadway

THE THEATRE COMPANY'S FALL AND SPRING SHOWS SIGNALS A RETURN TO CLASSIC BROADWAY PRODUCTIONS
"I haven't seen them treat the play and the musical as a big deal since Covid started, so it was nice to experience that again. I'm so happy that we are going back to the classics and I think it's a good theme, especially for this year," Heather Diana '22 said.

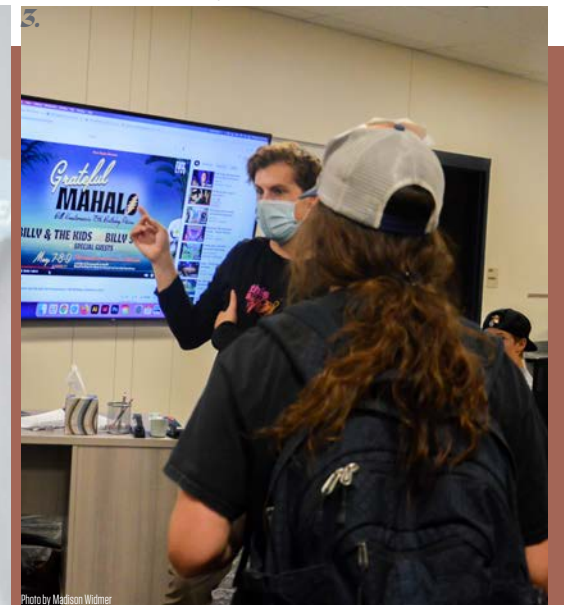


SHAYLA SAID
"I had never gone to a drive-in movie, so it seemed like a really great opportunity to kick things off at school and try something different. It was a great way to get back to doing normal stuff outside of school," Shayla Levine '22 said.



MAKAYLA SAID
"I think that the drive-in was a really good idea. It was a cool and fun concept that the school should put on again. My friends and I brought blankets, pillows and slushies. I think that all of the students that went to it really enjoyed it," Makayla Dean '23 said.

CROWD at the drive-in movie
STUDENT GOVERNMENT HOLDS DRIVE-IN SHOWING OF "GREASE" AUG. 16



CAPTIVATED by CLUBS

CLUB LEADERS TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE CLUB RUN TO GET MORE PEOPLE TO JOIN THEIR CLUBS

The club run provides an opportunity for the student body to visit the different clubs and see what each group does in the community. During CATS hour on Aug. 20, students were able to walk around the building, meet people and join new clubs.

"It definitely is important to get involved [during] your senior year. You get to meet a whole bunch of new people and it's cool to interact with the freshmen and everyone," Keira Greven '22 said.

Due to concerns related to COVID-19, several clubs were severely limited or unable to run during the prior school year. Club leaders found that the club run was a huge step towards helping to return student participation to pre-pandemic levels.

"We don't typically put up posters everywhere and the year prior the club was not officially running during [COVID-19], so we had five

members - the bare minimum - and we were actually losing them, so the club run really helped to introduce a lot of new people into the club," the president of video game club, Joseph Hearn '23 said.

William Miranda '23 used the club run as an opportunity to introduce more people to two of the clubs he was in; No Place For Hate and Spanish Honor Society.

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"Overall, I had a very fun club run. I stuck around to do intros and walk the new kids through and kind of explain what the clubs are about and just kind of being that helping figure that knows what he's doing," Miranda said.

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3. EXCEEDING EXPECTATIONS: Luke Jenson '22 awaits senior year, starting with senior sunrise. As a younger brother, Jenson had seen his siblings also attend senior sunrise. "I had a brother a couple classes before so I had heard about it and I actually enjoyed going. It was a lot more fun than I was expecting," Jenson said. **4. EARLY MORNING EXCITEMENT:** Painting her hands and chatting with her friends, Caitlyn Dalton '22, felt a sense of excitement heading into her final year of high school. Dalton had been anticipating this day and the rest of her senior year, ready for new beginnings. "I was really excited for it. We were all really joyful and celebrating the whole time," Dalton said. **5. HELLOS AND HAND PRINTS:** Student government member Clayton Mullens '22 volunteers to paint the hands of students making their marks senior year. Mullens had the opportunity to see the rest of his senior class and reflected on memories. "It was really fun to paint hands! It was nice because I got to see everyone because I had to paint their hands for the wooden boards, so I got to see people I hadn't seen in a while which was cool," Mullens said.



1. BITTERSWEET REALIZATIONS: Clayton Mullens '22 has been awaiting senior year all his life. During senior sunrise, Mullens realized how quickly graduation was approaching. "It was also just a big realization I was thinking like 'You're a senior this year. It's your last year,' and it was kind of sad. Like a happy sad," Mullens said. **2. COLLEGE ANTICIPATIONS:** Dhriti Sriram '22, thinks of her future when participating in senior sunrise. Sriram had been anticipating her new independence for years and was excited to see the light at the end of the tunnel. "When I got my senior forms for my cap and gown, I was like 'Oh! I'm graduating!' I am really excited to go college and have a break from my family," Sriram said.



MASKS VS no masks
TRENTON SAID
"I think that masks are stupid. Especially because I'm vaccinated and it was said that once you are vaccinated you shouldn't have to wear a mask anymore. So they lied about the issue of masks and the pandemic," Trenton Bratz '23 said. **STUDENTS REFLECT ON THE NEW MASK MANDATE**

AIDAN SAID
"Masks being required in schools is important. Kids who have health issues and cannot go to school in an unsafe environment where there are no masks need to go to the school just as much as the rest of us. Wearing a mask is a small thing we do to make sure everyone gets equal access to school and education within our community. Just because it may suck to wear a mask throughout the day, it's selfish to actively be against wearing one," Aidan McGinty '23 said.



outstanding OWLS STUDENT DISCUSSES PROCESS FOR VOLUNTEERING AT A RESCUE SHELTER
FIRST



FINDING THE PROGRAM: "I found out about Nature's Educators at an event I went to. I learned they took volunteers at 18, so I waited until I was 18 and applied," Aiden Myhre '22 said.

SECOND
APPLYING: "You apply online, do a phone interview, then an orientation which just went over how to take care of the animals, what diseases to look out for, weird behavior, and there was stuff on the animals themselves," Myhre said.



THIRD
TESTING: "After three months, you're able to take a test which is a 100 question test which focuses on everything about animal care and basic terminology. Then if you pass that test with an 80% or above, they put you on birds. You start with the tinier birds because of weight. It's easier to start off with tinier birds than heavier ones," Myhre said.



Q What is it like doing the morning announcements every day?
A "Most of the time it can be pretty nerve-wracking. I know I'm in theater, but it can be very scary across the whole school," Charles Hicks '22 said.

Q What do you think people like about the announcements?
A "I think everyone thinks our jokes are amazing. I think they're amazing," Hicks said.

THE EXPERIENCES OF A MORNING ANNOUNCER
P.A. pals

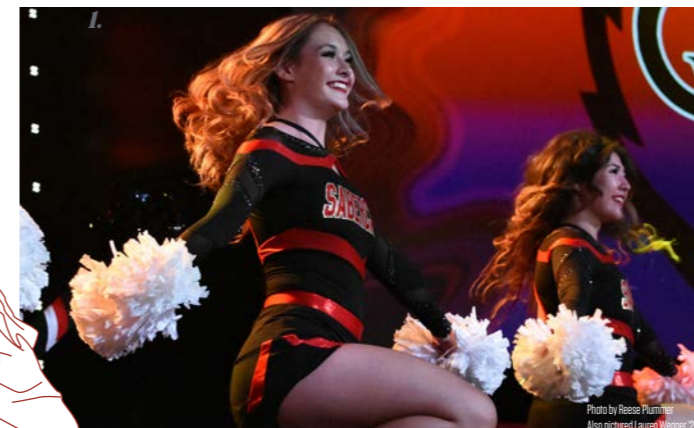
It was really surprising to me. People have talked about going back to 'normal,' but I didn't acknowledge it. Seeing the back to school assembly and kids without masks was a bit shocking because it was as if things were back to how they were before the pandemic."
ANDREA LEE '23

STUDENTS CONSIDER THEIR SENIOR YEAR AND REFLECT ON THEIR HIGH SCHOOL CAREERS

SUN'S OUT seniors

As the sun rises on Aug. 10, seniors gather on the track near the student lot to eat burritos, drink coffee, paint their hands and chat with friends before they enter the gym for the first-day assembly. "Senior sunrise was a great start to my senior year. It was bittersweet because I was taking pictures with the people I grew up with as a kid. I was just having fun with them and reminiscing about our past memories," Clayton Mullens '22 said. This was the first senior sunrise since 2019, marking the return of traditions that had been put on pause for the past year. "I was expecting not to have a lot of the things that we typically have for seniors – just because of [COVID-19] – and I was pretty

disappointed about that, but I think it was really nice that we did end up having senior sunrise," Lauren Saylor '22 said. For students like Luke Jenson '22, senior sunrise made the start of their senior year seem more concrete. "It's weird, being a senior. Even just like applying to colleges and filling out graduation forms is surreal. It's something you have been working up towards for so long and now it's finally here," Jenson said. The celebration helped students like Caitlyn Dalton '22 get excited for the year ahead. For Dalton, Senior Sunrise started the year on a good note. "I feel like all the seniors were really hyped and ready to start our final year of high school," Dalton said. "It was tons of fun. We just kind of got to hang out with the seniors and put our hand prints on the wooden boards."



1. NEW BEGINNINGS: Due to the pandemic, Courtnae Moran '22 and the rest of the senior poms athletes celebrate a new football season without the rest of their team. Moran had to experience Back the CATS in a new way. "Because of [COVID-19], only seniors were invited. This was held at the Plum Creek Church. It's mainly just a fundraiser for football and celebrating football," Moran said.

2. EXCITING INTRODUCTIONS: At Plum Creek Church, Braedyn Vildibill '22 attends Back the CATS to start his final football season. Vildibill considered the event necessary to having a solid starting point that bonds for the team. "Everyone is invited. There's tickets for families; There have been former coaches, former players and our other supporters. This event happens to really get the team together and amp up for the year and the upcoming season," Vildibill said.



SABERCAT POMS, CHEERLEADERS AND FOOTBALL CELEBRATE THE BEGINNING OF THE SEASON WITH A FOOTBALL FUNDRAISER

A WARM welcome

I felt a hesitant anticipation due to the time away from a 'normal' school, but was overall excited to continue my education."
WILLIAM MIRENDA '23

Having breakfast in advisement helps me get to know my classmates better and have more meaningful conversations instead of just talking about homework. I'm always super excited when I come into class and see everyone by the pancake griddle; it's a great way to spend time.

NATHANIEL SANTIAGO '22

DEXTEROUS *dissection*

ANATOMY STUDENTS DISSECT A FETAL PIG

BEFORE **DURING** **AFTER**

"Our teacher had a list of things you need to grab and prepare for the pig dissection. We grabbed a tray, a mat and we would also use gloves and paper towels so it'd be less messy," Anna Garver '23 said.

"We'd get out our pigs and then Mr. [Jason] Mayberry would lead us through the dissection. Masks were really helpful to block the smell and stinging in your eyes," Abigail Larkin '23 said.

"We would clean up by throwing the paper towels away. We used three bags to make sure the preservatives that were in the pigs didn't leak out," Larkin said.



1. A PRESIDENTIAL SPEECH: Lucas Cochran '22, the student body president, gives an inspiring speech to start off the school year. Cochran felt the school spirit and eagerness in the air as the year began. "People are wanting to get more involved after last year," Cochran said. **2. MOTORCYCLES ROAR:** Lee Gentry, Mrs. Debbie Gentry's husband, and Dr. Rex Corr ride into the gym on Aug. 10, the first day of school, as the school cheers. Corr was glad to be back in a normal school setting at the beginning of the school year. "We had the opportunity to re-inject some normalcy into welcoming everyone back," Corr said.



3. BACK TO NORMAL: Student body Vice President Caleb Cancino '22 instills excitement in the Sabercats for the new school year. Cancino enjoyed the sense of normalcy in the gym. "It was really nice to be back in the same room with everyone and back to almost a normal setting," Cancino said. **4. SINGING THE ANTHEM:** Emma Spears '22 has butterflies as she walks up to sing in front of the school. She was ready to get back into singing. "It was definitely nerve wracking, I felt kind of prepared. There were many mistakes due to nerves, but I learned from them,"

Spears said. **5. DANCE WITH PRIDE:** Grace Coyne '23, performs in front of the entire school with her team. Coyne was glad to be back on center stage with her team again. "I was so excited to show my school spirit and finally get to show everyone what we've been working on," Coyne said. **6. BACK TO SCHOOL CELEBRATIONS:** Celebrating the beginning of the school year is Zachary Dubey '22. He is thrilled to be back at school in person with his friends, after the hybrid schedule last year. "The start of the year was extremely fun," Dubey said.

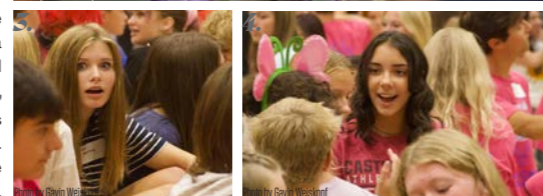
BUDDING FRESHMEN AND A SENIOR RECOUNT THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR FRESHMEN

FRESH out of MIDDLE SCHOOL

1. THINKING BACK: Lindsey Rettmer '22 helps a new freshman as a Link Crew leader, while reflecting on her own experiences. She remembered her freshman year fondly. "I remember when I was a freshman and my Link Crew leaders were really cool. It felt really neat to know upperclassmen," Rettmer said.



2. FREEDOM AT LAST: Freshman Colin Varga '25 enjoys his high school freedom. For him, the first day was fun. "It's been pretty good, some of the classes are hard. I think it's fun because we have a lot more freedom than middle school," Varga said. **3. FIRST DAY SURPRISE:** On the first day of school for freshmen, Maren Bentley '25 sits on the floor of the gym. She reflected on becoming a freshman. "You get a lot more work and homework, it's more responsibility and more freedom, so that's good," Bentley said. **4. BIG CHANGE, LITTLE DIFFERENCE:** On the gym floor Foster Walter '25 sits with friends. She compared high school to middle school. "[There's] a lot more people, some people are a lot more mature than middle schoolers and some aren't," Walter said.



JOURNALISTS CUT THE RIBBON FOR THE OPENING OF THE F-POD

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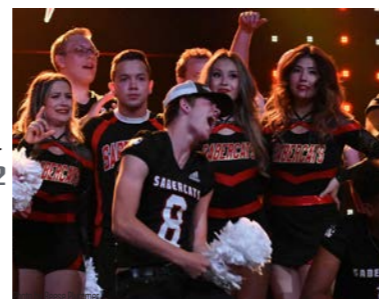
"We didn't know we were cutting the ribbon until we were up there taking pictures. It was something we didn't plan for, but it was really cool. Getting this new pod was a big step in terms of our staff and administration acknowledging journalism and how important it is in students' lives," Reese Plummer '24 said.



familiar FACES

STUDENTS REMEMBER THEIR EXPERIENCES DURING THE FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL

"I was at 'Back The Cats,' trying to get the crowd and players hyped up. We were trying to get everyone's spirits up so when we played on Friday nights we'd be together too." **PHOENIX HAMMONTREE '22**



"I saw some of my friends from freshman year. It was nice to see familiar faces during the first week of school to be able to connect with them." **HELEN NGUYEN '23**



"It was a pretty darn fun time, the most fun I've had in a while. It was the end of [COVID-19], and I got to see all of the homies again." **JACKSON MCGONNELL '22**

pedal to the METAL

STUDENTS ARE WELCOMED BACK TO SCHOOL WITH ROARING MOTORCYCLES

Exhaust fills the room as motorcycles parade into the gym, their engines almost as loud as the roaring crowd accompanying Dr. Rex Corr's entrance.

"We got to see smiles for a while. I'm excited for all of the opportunities to come together and celebrate," Corr said.

He was not the only one who noticed all the smiles in the room. Lucas Cochran '22, the student body president, felt the excitement of the crowd tightly packed in the bleachers.

"I hadn't seen so many people in the same room in a long time. It was awesome to see everyone; all the seniors, the new people. It made me happy to see everyone," Cochran said.

A hush fell over the crowd as Emma Spears '22 walked across the gym floor to begin the school year with the National Anthem.

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