

You're settling in now, you really are. The AP classes don't seem as hard as they did in October, or maybe you're just better at starting things at 11:45. You still don't get enough sleep, but at least you've learned that hitting the alarm just 20 minutes before school starts isn't quite impossible. And you still haven't learned the bell schedule, and you probably never will, but you've realized what time Conway's class starts so that you don't have to come up with an elaborate story on why you're late. It's a gradual change, really, when you look back at photos from September and realize that it's been four months of this. Four months of basco stick lunches and posts on [@ArapBadParking](#) can really change a person—you've found your place.

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AFTER SCHOOL IN CLARITY COMMONS, snow falls for the first time in weeks. The 2021-2022 winter season was an unusually dry one, featuring record low snowfall rates. Photo by A. Evangelista.