

**White Out** The first 'normal' student section, since before COVID, was filled with white outfits. This was one of the themes that filled the stands. "Student sections are important at CT, they are always fun and fun to be at," Dylan Holmes (12) said. The students that attended games always showed up and showed out for themes. Photo Courtesy of T. Nantkes

## LISTEN TO OUR CHANTS

Student Sections Celebrate

Students experienced a strange year as they managed either online or hybrid. They lost out on many opportunities. One of them was getting to come together in the stands, which was very important to the community. "I love our student section, it's the best one in the state," said Grant Green (12). At the beginning of August 2021, it was not required to wear masks while attending indoor events. This led to a sense of normalcy and students were able to be closer to those who surrounded them. "When I found out that masks were not required while going to games, I was thrilled. It is really hard to connect with the people around you, even if they're attending the same exact event and are there for the same thing. It's not fun," said Jazmin Nickerson (11). By the end of the following month, masks became the standard again. That didn't dampen their spirit. The student sections were as lively as ever at sporting events. "After not having a crowd for a while, I was glad to have one again," said Braydon Dunne (10). Despite a different year, the crowd's enthusiasm stayed the same.



**T.G.I.F.** The bright lights at Legacy Stadium illuminated the excitement in the crowd. Logan Blair (10) was in the spotlight. "I think student sections are important ad they make the games really fun," Blair said. His school spirit showed as he was lifted by people standing next to him in the crowd. Photo by T. Glucker



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"I don't think I've ever gone to as many games, especially high school games, as I have so far this year."



**U.S.A.** CT students showed up to Legacy Stadium for the 'Salute to Service' game. "It definitely was an exciting game. The crowd was pretty big and there was a lot of cheering and celebrating going on," said Brianna Forte (10). Students gathered to watch their schools football and salute the military! Photo By T. Glucker

**All Out** Going all out for student section themes brought students together. "It's fun because people want to out-do everyone else and be creative, so usually everyone participates really well," said Kate Wilson (9). The themes made students look forward to the games even more. Photo Courtesy of S. Abeyta

## Making Our Own Tailgate

Cougars show off their spirit



**Cougar Pride** For the first tailgate of the year, students came together to show their spirit. "I enjoyed the tailgate because it shows how we support CT all together," Matthew Buck (12) said. Buck showed his spirit by painting an O on his chest as he did his part in the "GO COUGARS" display. Photo Courtesy of T. Natkies



**Face Paintings** CT's Red Cross Club had a booth where students could get their faces painted for the tailgate. "My favorite part of the tailgate was the food trucks and the fact that I got to do face painting and tattoos for our students," Shreya Patel (12) said. Patel was excited for the opportunity to show her cougar pride in a creative way. Photo courtesy of S. Patel

## Junior IB Induction Ceremony

**Certificates and More** Junior IB students started their year off by participating in the Junior IB Induction Ceremony. "I think it was a really good time. Everyone is super supportive and its a tight knit group," said Macy Young (11). Students also received a lanyard and certificate to show they were now apart of the IB program!

## Salute to Service Honoring all who've served

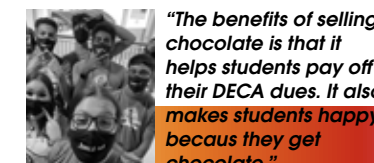


**Roaring Planes.** Black Hawks flew over Legacy Stadium before the Veterans appreciation game. "Hopefully it impacted the veterans in a positive way," said Tricia Lee (10). The planes, players, and crowd roared loudly to appreciate the veterans. Photo Courtesy of K. Jamison.

**Down and Dirty.** During the game, player 30 Gabe Johnson (12) went for the ball relentlessly for reasons that were very important to him. "The salute to service game was my most memorable game because I'm planning on joining the Marines," Johnson said. The recognition shown through the game was appreciated by students, staff and veterans. Photo Courtesy of K. Jamison

**American Veterans.** Varsity player 59 Jackson Kuhl (12) lead the team onto the field, the American flag held high over his head. The crowd at Legacy Stadium was filled with veterans. So was the field as veteran Coach Johnson stood on the sidelines. "The best way to describe it is American running through your veins," Kuhl said. Players competed for their retired troops that filled the stadium. Photo Courtesy of K. Jamison

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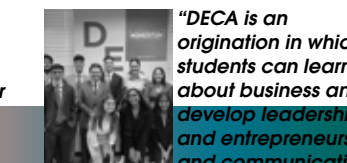
"The benefits of selling chocolate is that it helps students pay off their DECA dues. It also makes students happy because they get chocolate."

-Annalise Whitaker (12)



"DECA has allowed me to become close with a lot of people, such as my partner for competitions."

-Landon Ungerman (12)



"DECA is an origination in which students can learn about business and develop leadership and entrepreneurship and communication skills."

-Divya Ganuthula (11)

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