

FROM THE MOUNTAIN TOP



DURING A MORNING STRETCH. Lillith Cuesta (11) and Emily Elliott (11) lead morning stretches with Chloe Alexander (12) and Calvin Bainomugisha (12). Elliott experienced her first Cecilians retreat this year. "My favorite memory was when we played a game called exploding kittens and Andrew tormented me for dying 3 times," Elliott said. *photo by deajane jackson-morgan.*

IN A INTENSE GAME. Navtej Singh (12) follows Calvin Bainomugisha (11) in a Simon Says game with Jakeem Singleton Sessions (12). "My favorite memory was definitely when we all just talked about choir and how much everyone really matters and how much everyone loves each other," Singh said. *photo by deajane jackson-morgan.*

WITH THE WHAMMER. Edgar Pinela (12) takes aim during a game with his choir peers. Pinela was a returning member of Cecilians. "Once we got situated on our bunks and all that, I think it was really easy to connect with people, really easy to talk with them," Pinela said. *photo by deajane jackson-morgan.*



cecilians mark the first weekend of the year with annual mountain retreat

"I chose to go to the retreat because I thought it would be a good way to bond with other people from the choir. it kinda gave us like a positive outlook on how the year could go."

Edgar Pinela (12)

"I learned a lot more about my peers who opened up during activities, and I felt like I made some friends and got closer with my section as we played games and had late night talks in our cabins."

Emily Elliott (11)

"The retreat was an incredible experience where I strengthened the bonds with people who were in Cecilians last year. I also wanted to bond with the newcomers to make them feel at home."

Andrew Supangan (12)



ARMS IN THE AIR, Devin Hunter (11) and Andrew Supangan (12) and Ibrahim Square (12) sit in place. Hunter learned to be more outgoing at the retreat. "I tend to talk to people a lot more," Hunter said. *photo by deajane jackson-morgan* **AT THE TABLE**, Kai Andrews (11) smiles into the distance. Andrews was hesitant to be away from wifi yet he still enjoyed the trip. "Going with people I care about, especially the choir family sounded like an unforgettable time," Andrews said. *photo by deajane jackson-morgan*

HERE AND NOW

"I think it's a good idea especially for those who forget an item."

JENNIFER RODRIGUEZ NUNO (12)

"People with uteri have been asking for free products forever, the fact that there are free pads available to anyone is really cool."

SAKINAH BEN MASAUD (11)

"It's a smart and helpful idea for those who are not prepared."

ALEXA ZAMORA (10)

free period products in girls bathrooms

AT THE "O"

ongoing construction causes mixed reactions to start the year

"It would be cool if it was also just like a lounge space. It's nice to feel like you have a safe space."

Karol Morales Ramirez (11)

"I always thought the lecture center was pretty cool, I always looked forward to if I ever took stats, that it would look like a college classroom."

Teresa Herrera Fernandez (11)



COME ON OVER

o-crew welcomes freshmen at orientation



"O-Crew really helps the freshmen get accustomed to a new school. They were respectful and easy to work with. I think I really helped them with finding where everything was."

Taliyah Claiborne (12)

"I felt like I was looking back at my younger self in every freshmen seeking out our guidance which was very humbling and rewarding."

Hannah Tadesse (12)

"It was so rewarding being able to answer questions, we have a lot of experiences and advice we'd like to share and O-Crew helps us do that."

Yohana Liben (12)

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