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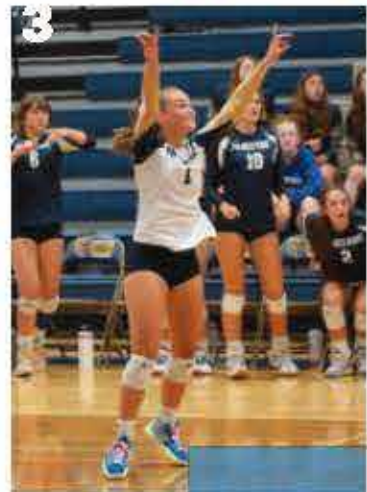
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1. Posing with a student in a gorilla costume. **Brooklyn Miller '22** gets in the spirit for the homecoming assembly. Miller loved seeing the whole school together in one place. "Being a senior at the assembly is something I've been looking forward to all of high school. The whole mood of the assembly is on us. School spirit is so critical to an amazing year. I'm hoping the class of 2023 can prove everyone wrong

and be the best senior class yet!" **Photo by Brooke Bell**
2. **Washington Jones '22** works on the fire with **Abby Jasso '22** to spread it to the rest of the matches. Jasso has enjoyed AP Environmental Science and she really has loved lab. "I learned from this lab that scientists can spread a lot easier than we think, and a lot faster than we anticipate," Jasso said. **Photo by Grace Bell**



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3. **Sarah Adams '22** celebrates her teammates' big shot. Kadin loves volleyball because it takes every player on the team well-rounded in order to win. "The environment on the court is very competitive. We all want extremely hard to be the best we can because that improves others as well." Kadin said. **Photo by Brooke Bell**

4. **Academy Woods '22** walks with the Pep Band leading the school toward our homecoming assembly. He joined Pep Band to hang out with his friends and make music. "I love creating things that sound good with other people." Woody said. **Photo by Brooke Bell**

5. Smiling with **Taylor Peterson '22**, Denise and steps along with **Philo Dredemph**. Peterson played a fun game of football with her friends at the tailgate. "I was also with two other friends and we had a really great time, and the tailgate was super entertaining." Peterson said. **Photo by Abby Bell**

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1. Revealed by the chef, **Keegan Owen, 10**, played Sebastian in this year's musical. Owen liked singing the most: "I like doing 'Under the Sea.' It defines the 'Little Mermaid' because it's just so happy," Owen said. *photo by Lily Carter*
2. Connecting wires, **Ben Ladau, 12**, works on his senior design project. Ladau created an avalanche detecting snow probe. "In my senior project we get to explore our own ideas and make them happen," Ladau said. *photo by Grace Lusk*
3. **Josh Gerlach, 12**, and **TJ Mabe, 11**, laugh together at Iron Man volleyball. Mabe liked the team component of Iron Man. "My team and I met up at the competition, and played as best as we could," Mabe said. *photo by Ruby Bates*
4. **Taylor Peterson, 10**, makes her way towards the basket. Peterson is inspired by her dad. "I love being together before the games; we all go into the locker room and sing together," Peterson said. *photo by Olivia Michan*

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 287 SOPHOMORES
 270 JUNIORS
 288 SENIORS
 112 STAFF

1. **Gabe Kuo, 11**, laughs with teammate **Ben Homan, 12**, at a cross country meet. Kuo has been running since sixth grade. "I think running really improves my mental health. It makes me feel better about myself," Kuo said. *photo by ruby hales* 2. Measuring string, **Andrew Ferguson, 12**, works hard on a physics lab. Ferguson liked the interactive and challenging aspect of physics, and the rewarding feeling of getting answers right. "In the future I plan to be an environmental engineer which requires physics to do many of the projects in the job," Ferguson said. *photo by ruby hales* 3. After helping the Bear change costume, **Lauren Coval, 12**, walks back to the student section. Coval chose to run for student body president because of the passion she has for PR. "I love PR because of the community that grows there. We are all striving for excellence and supporting each other along the way," Coval said. *photo by micahle yarbrough* 4. Rocking out on bass guitar, **Chase Olivier, 12**, plays with a band at the Music in the Park event. Olivier has been playing guitar for five years and bass for four years. "I like performing because wilding out is fun, and making good sounding things while doing it makes more people want to wild out with me," Olivier said. *photo by matthew sarantide*



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we're the football team with the
ROARING STUDENT SECTION.

*the ones staying till the very end of the game to rush
the field after* **YET ANOTHER WIN.**

POTENTIAL MVP? *that's our* **Walker Himebauch, 12,**
getting what seems like his 4000th college offer.

*we're the band kids headed to Freddy's in full concert
black after getting* **SUPERIOR RATINGS**
at regionals **AGAIN.**

*we're the ones pulling up to Speech and Debate
nationals and the judges already know they're in for
a treat. it doesn't matter that* **Diya Suri, 12,** *pulled an*

ALL-NIGHTER *to make it happen, but*

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Smiling, **Chris Hutchinson, 20**, gets his hair shaved at the State A-Wish assembly. Hutchinson chose to shave his head because he knew it was for a good cause. "I'm not sad of the day, it's just hair that will grow back in a couple months," Hutchinson said. *Photo by [unreadable]*



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we're the students who follow the sound of our **SCHOOL SONG**
as the pep band leads us to our first **ASSEMBLY.**

"PROUDLY SHOUT OUR NAME"
*that's the sound of our seniors releasing the **SPIRIT STICK***

"BEEP" *know that? It's the sound of the bell starting yet*
another speech about too many students parking in
*the top lot, we're all so good, who knows who has the **HIGHEST***
grades in the class anymore.

pull up to the dances to see our very own **Zion Moore, 12** dominate
the middle of the dance circle. she got those **MOVES** from her mama.

there goes **Riley Pettagrow, 12**, and **Seth Oatney, 12**, dressed in
GORILLA COSTUMES, ready to bring the **HYPE** at assemblies.

whether it's **HOCO WEEK** or giving it our **ALL** for our **WISH KID**,
you already know that

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STUDENT LIFE

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we're the students admiring pikes peak from the **BRIDGE** on our way to class.

we start first period off strong with a **GOOD THING** in Mr. Frost's class, that boost of positivity getting us through the day.

we're the ones grabbing **BAJA BLASTS** from the **TACO BELL** in between AP Lit and AP Bio

the ones who roll into the **AP EXAM** running on 2 hours of sleep, still getting a five.

CRASH! that's the sound of a beaker breaking in Ms. Cross' chemistry class, and the entire room erupts in applause, because even our mistakes lead to victory.

There goes **Ben Homan, 12**, who's finishing at the **TOP** of his class. it doesn't matter that he had to **CRAM** in a P.E. credit last semester to get there.

"did you hear that palmer ridge had **FIVE NATIONAL MERIT FINALISTS?**" but

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ACADEMICS

Writing down her lab's data, **Grace Waggon, 12**, learns about momentum. Waggon wants to pursue engineering as her career, and has been getting started early with AP Physics. "We had two carts on the track and we did the collisions. We have a momentum, a friction, and a four sensor on our carts, and those connect to an app, and we use the app to record the amount of force and then we use the force to find the amount of momentum," Waggon said. *photo by ricky balle*



Reading the results, **Robert Reynolds, 12**, class vice president, becomes almost bored to death as he reads the results with his eyes closed. "My favorite experience of the concert was the microphone that I hit when I played my instrument and how everybody in the room is focused on the same thing, which is great," Reynolds said, **absolutely**



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*what other high school has their knowledge level team **AIRING ON TV? THAT'S US.***

***SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT:** quite possibly the hardest topic to discuss, but our John Anderson, 11, got first. **ALL STATE.** no problem.*

*that's our Raleigh Everetts, 12, getting into **EVERY ALL-STATE ENSEMBLE** offered, and barely lifting a pluck.*

*not one, but **THREE** near **PERFECT SCORES** at regionals for band? **YEAH, WE DID THAT.***

***"THEY BEARS!"** there's our student body president, Lauren Cowal, 12, leading not only our school but holding leadership positions in almost **EVERY CLUB** she participates in.*

*our class really started out **ALL OF AIR380?** and made me a whole screaming heart? or better about reading out **THE ENTIRE MOVIE THEATER** to watch black school? but,*

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whether it's *Kylie Mayer, 11*, scoring the **WINNING** 3-pointer in a season changing game, or *Caløb Dall, 12*, throwing the furthest discus in history, we **ALWAYS** dominate in sports.

straight from scoring touchdowns, to getting the rebound, that's our Jimmer Weir, 11, leading each team to VICTORY.

WATCH OUT for *Sakari David, 10*, stepping up to the mat, about to make every opponent tap out **WITHIN SECONDS.**

the whole community shows up to the **PALMER LAKE OUTDOOR CLASSIC**

seeing *Connor Fay, 12*, prove nothing is impossible on the ice.

just look up at the wall filled with hundreds of **STATE TROPHIES** to prove that

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SPORTS

Blocking his opponent, *Austin Rees, 12*, gets ready to shoot. Rees has been playing basketball for a very long time. "My friends inspire me. They are the ones that keep me motivated to keep playing," Rees said. *photo by olive richard*



Bringing the hype with her class, **Nashyn Gerlach, 10**, sings the school fight song. Gerlach liked playing the games at assemblies this year. "Compared to past years, our class has had a lot more support and spirit at assemblies. I tell people to get loud," Gerlach said. *photo by gregg hark*



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there go our *freshman* stopping in the **MIDDLE** of the hall because they still don't know how traffic flows. **MOVE.**

how about our sophomores that always pull up to the assemblies **ONLY** wearing white.

the *junior class* with the upset of the **CENTURY**, they won the **SPIRIT STICK?**

have you seen that one senior? oh, probably not. they haven't been to school in weeks **DIAGNOSIS? SENIORITIS.**

CRASH! don't worry, it's just another new driver car crash in the student lot. no hard feelings, **WE'VE ALL BEEN THERE.**

some of us are starting new beginnings, while others are getting ready to leave them. but it does matter the grade, we're all **BROUGHT TOGETHER** at 7:40 am as **BEARS**, knowing that

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REFERENCE

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we're the students rushing so fast we **CATCH AIR** on the speed hump trying to get to class on time (as if **ANYTHING** could slow us down)

*is that a **NEW BEAR** in the front office? at this rate we'll have **TEN NEW BEARS** by the last day of school.*

we **HOPE** to be lucky enough that **Mr. Molé** makes a pit stop in our class while he's making his loop around the hall. does he know how to

PLAY GUITAR YET?

*after a **YEAR** of going up and down these flights of stairs, even the **TOUGHEST ATHLETES** have a hard time making it up the **INCLINE** for the last time.*

we may be sad the year is over, but we definitely **LEFT OUR MARK:** making records in **SPORTS AND** our **CLUBS**, excelling in our **CLASSES**, and setting ourselves up for **SUCCESS** in years to come, and **YET,**

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1. Painting her alien project, **Avery Zimmerman**, '23, reads a Cien for her alien project. Zimmerman joined ceramics her freshman year. "My favorite thing is probably the different projects we do and how you can make them your own." Zimmerman said, **please pass for**
2. Handling off the bucket, **Quinn Smith**, '22, encourages students to donate to the Minute Minutes for Make-A-Wish. Smith joined STUCCO because he wanted to make a difference for the school and the community. "Make-A-Wish has always been my favorite event of the year because it contributes to such an amazing cause," Smith said, **pass by the arena** 3. Showing a cheer, **Christopher Lloyd**, '23, smiles at the student section. Lloyd had been cheering for about three years and loved the team aspect. "My favorite memory of these would probably be when we had team bonding for the first time, that was pretty fun. We had a sneakover at one of our teammates' houses," Lloyd said, **pass by the arena** 4. Looking for whom to aim, **Talun Terfild**, '22, plays dodge ball at AirCity360 night. Terfild liked the sky coaster the most. "I thought it was a cool way to support a good cause and jump around on the trampoline with Deid," Terfild said, **pass by the arena**

