

WE
SHOW
UP.

ANYTIME. ANYWHERE.

WE SHOW UP.

CALUMET 2023

ARAPAHOE

HIGH
SCHOOL
CENTENNIAL, CO

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013 FALL

079 WINTER

125 SPRING

161 PEOPLE

233 REFERENCE



COVER: ON A COLD THURSDAY NIGHT, ADDISON "ADDIE" CRAIG, 12, EMMA PICKETT, 12, ABIGAIL "ABBY" HARRISON, 12, REEGAN PARKER, 12, ADDISON "ADDIE" DOYLE, 12, AND ALLISON "ALLIE" JONES, 12, showed up at LPS Stadium to support the varsity football team against the Grandview Wolves on Oct. 10. The senior girls wore their Wild Warrior Women overalls along with western-themed attire. "I like going to the football games to encourage school spirit for my peers and underclassmen and to keep traditions going through each year," Parker said. Photo by S. Pallman.

ENDSHEET: BURSTING THROUGH THE BANNER, the varsity football team makes its entrance at the rivalry game against Heritage High School on Sept. 2. Though the game was delayed for several hours due to lightning and ended after midnight, the Warriors won and brought home the "Milk Jug Trophy." "It's really cool running onto the field when there are a lot of fans in the stands. I get a little nervous before the game, but once the ball is kicked off all the nerves are gone," ANDREW SMART, 10, said. Photo by Bill Youmans.

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FLEXING ON THE HERITAGE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM, CAMRYN AMEN, 12, AND ANNIE GONZALES, 09, perform their dance routine. The varsity Tom Toms team were national finalists and had the opportunity to dance at Cinderella Castle in Disney World. "I've dreamed about dancing in front of the castle since I was little, and the seniors have been talking about it since we were freshmen. Leading my team onto the floor was the best feeling, and hugging my seniors knowing we just made our dreams come true immediately had me in tears and was the perfect finish to my high school dance career," Amen said. Photo by S. Tomeo.

ARAPAHOE HIGH SCHOOL

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1830 POPULATION

495 SENIORS

465 JUNIORS

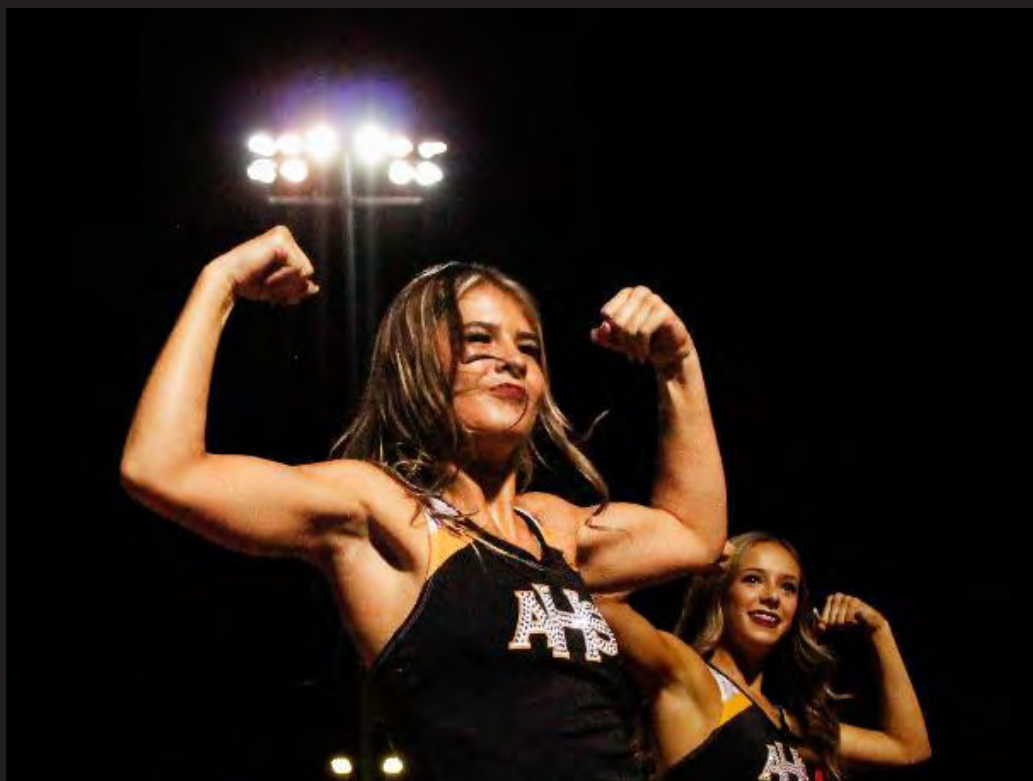
425 SOPHOMORES

433 FRESHMEN

147 STAFF

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THEME



1. CROSSING THE FINISH LINE, EMILY LAMONTAGNE, 12, places 9th at the State Championship Meet. Lamontagne signed an NCAA D1 athletic contract at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Photo by A. Evangelista. 3. WITH THE CHEERLEADING TEAM, DWAYNE COLE DOMINGO, 11, helps lead the juniors in a cheer. The varsity and junior varsity Tom Toms performed at the homecoming assembly to create school spirit. Photo by A. Evangelista.

WE'RE SOMETHING BIG

WE'RE ALWAYS LOUD AND ALWAYS PROUD.

And yes, we know it. **YOU SHOULD TOO.**

We're packing the visitor's section at LPS stadium, screaming louder than the "home" Heritage side.

Rushing the field in all-white, we take home the milk jug for the **THIRD TIME IN A ROW.**

Though it's after midnight and mid-thunderstorm, **YOU CAN'T IGNORE US.**

WE'RE HERE, AND WE'RE PROUD OF IT.

“ I SIMPLY LOVE BEING AROUND THE STUDENTS. THEIR ENERGY, THEIR EFFORT, AND THEIR ENTHUSIASM IS CONTAGIOUS. **KIRK SCHJODT, PERFORMING ARTS DEPT.** ”



2. AFTER CLASS, KIRK SCHJODT, PERFORMING ARTS DEPT., gives ANNA PEECHER, 10, a high five. Peecher was in Schjodt's Concert Choir. "Seeing students then apply themselves in class towards common goals is among the most rewarding experiences I have ever encountered." Schjodt said. Photo by Bill Youmans.

& SOMETHING BOLD.



WE'RE UNSTOPPABLE.

WE'RE

UP

TO THE

CHALLENGE.



1. DRESSED IN WESTERN WEAR, JOHN "JACK" NEALE, 12, AND DAVID ERPASSA, 12, cheer for the varsity football team. Seniors wore costumes to lead the student section at football games. Photo by S. Pallman. 2. IN CLASS, BRIAN HATAK, TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING DEPT., explains a concept to ELI GRIGER, 12. Hatak taught Applied Engineering Design. "I like watching students go through a problem solving process and actually learn and be able to adjust their learning to meet different outcomes. They either have to build it up into something bigger than they originally thought, or even scale it down a little bit. It's fun watching high school kids have to go through that logical sequence," Hatak said. Photo by Bill Youmans.



WE FACE IT,
WE OVERCOME IT, AND
WE FIND A WAY TO
MAKE IT LOOK EASY.

When 14 singers were selected for all-state choir, **THE LARGEST NUMBER IN SCHOOL HISTORY**, we weren't surprised.

We never settle, and we're never finished. It's in our name: **WE'RE WARRIORS.**

WE PUSH THE BOUNDARIES AND REDEFINE OUR LIMITS.
WHEN SOME GIVE UP,

WE SHOW UP.

WHEN WE HEAR "NO" WE SAY
"NO PROBLEM."



3. POINTING INTO THE CROWD, CHLOE FERGUSON, 12, performs "We Ready" at the first varsity football game of the fall season against Legacy High School. The varsity Tom Toms team made it to the finals in the Gameday and Hip Hop Categories at the national championship competition. "The feeling of being able to perform in front of your peers is indescribable. The energy and excitement they bring makes me absolutely love being on the field," Ferguson said. Photo by K. Tucker.



4. BELTING THE SONG "SET FIRE TO THE RAIN," SOPHIA STRAND, 12, plays electric guitar at the Homecoming Talent Show. Strand won the category "Best Singing Act." "The show felt awesome. I really loved playing my electric guitar. It feels so cool. I practiced the act a lot and I'm very glad it paid off," Strand said. Photo by A. Evangelista.

5. RUNNING ACROSS THE FIELD, OWEN GOODRICH, 11, JAXTON KNUTSEN, 11, AND ANDREW CHALMERS, 12, celebrate a goal. The varsity soccer team won this game against the Far Northeast Warriors 3-0. "My team was the reason for the personal accomplishments that I received this year. I will never forget this season and I'm glad I'm leaving high school soccer with a season and team like this," Chalmers said. Photo by A. Evangelista.



WE ACHIEVE.

IT'S WHAT WE DO.

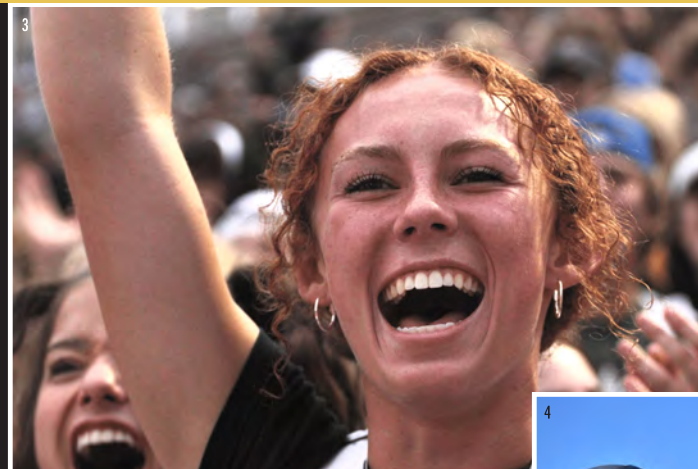
We brought 9News to the Varsity Boys Basketball Game against Heritage High School for having **THE LOUDEST RIVALRY IN THE STATE.**

And when it came down to the last possession, tied with our little sister, **WE BEAT THEM TO IT.**

OF THE LOUDEST RIVALRY IN THE STATE, WE WERE LOUDER.

THAT IS WHAT HAPPENS WHEN OUR TRIBE SHOWS UP.

1. HOLDING A "GET LOUD" SIGN, KAITLYN MEYERS, 10, cheers on the sidelines at the varsity football game against Heritage. The cheerleading team held signs and led chants to guide the student body in school spirit. Photo by A. Evangelista **2. AT THE UNIFIED KICKBALL GAME, EMMA PICKETT, 12,** cheers on **AMELIA RYSAVY, 11.** For the first time in recent history, students put on a Unified Kickball tournament through the Unified sports program. Photo by E. Reynolds



3. CHEERING LOUD, ADDISON "ADDIE" DOYLE, 12, watches the varsity football game from the student section. The game on August 25th against Legacy High School, the Varsity Football team's home opener at LPS Stadium. Photo by K. Tucker **4. CLAPPING FOR HER TEAMMATES, ASHLYN LONG, 12,** supports her team. Long became a captain after playing softball her entire life. "[I like] setting good examples for underclassmen, cheering on my teammates for success, and inspiring others to do their best." Long said. Photo by L. Grier.



For every **RISE**, every **FALL**, and every **VICTORY**, **WE'RE IN IT TOGETHER.**

For the hard days and the easy days,
For the things we enjoy, and the things we dread,
FOR OUR OURSELVES, FOR OUR COMMUNITY, FOR EACH OTHER, ANYTIME. ANYWHERE.

WE SHOW UP.



AS THE FROZEN RAIN FALLS OVER THE FIELD, CHARLES "CHARLIE" ECKHARDT, 11, prepares for his next play. This football game was played at Regis Jesuit High School. "My favorite moment from the season was the Grandview [High School] game and the locker room celebration after. I feel like it was our best win of the season and beating a really good team like that is always a blast," Eckhardt said. Photo by S. Pallman.

**WARRIORS, WARRIORS,
DON'T BE SHY.**

LET US HEAR YOUR
BATTLE CRY.

The bleachers shook at the homecoming assembly, every **WARRIOR** shouting their battle cry. Hundreds of seniors, after four years of class competitions and fight song sing-offs, leading the way.
LOUDER, STRONGER, CLOSER THAN EVER BEFORE.

THIS IS HOW **WE** SHOW UP.
**COMPLETELY INDIVIDUAL,
ENTIRELY TOGETHER,**

**WE'VE CHANGED THE GAME.
WE'VE SET THE STAGE, AND NOW...
IT'S TIME TO PUT ON A**

SHOW.

WE SHOW UP.

FALL

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WITH ELATION, SHANNON McINALLY, 12, FOSTER SCHEID, 11, SYDNEY WHITE, 12, SHELBY McINALLY, 11, JORDAN WINTERBOTTOM, 10, AVA BUDLER, 09, AND ISABELLE JOHNSTON, 09, celebrate after the "Great 8" playoff victory against Valor Christian High School. Though Valor was ranked the first seed in the state, the girls varsity basketball team upset them with a victory of 62-54. Photo by Paul DiSalvo.

WE SHOW UP.

NO GUTS,
NO GLORY.

NO LEGEND,
NO STORY.

It's nerve-wracking, to stand on the edge of the Denver Colosseum as the Valor Christian High School Girls Basketball team takes the court, to know that their girls are ranked first in the state, that any single penalty could mean an end to the season.

**BUT WHEN THE BALL GETS ROLLING,
RANKINGS MEAN NOTHING.**

WHEN SOME GIVE UP,
WE SHOW UP.

**TOGETHER,
WE CAN'T BE STOPPED.**

It's thrilling, though not surprising, when we **WIN.**

WINTER

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MARCHING IN A CIRCLE, JACKSON "JACK" BALLARD, TO AND CALEB WELDON, 12, dance with members of the Arapaho Tribe and other honored guests. Members of Student Council were invited to participate in a dance during the assembly. Photo by K. Sanchez.

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WE SHOW UP.

WE'VE BEEN CONNECTED

since we first walked into the gym at freshman orientation, gathered on the **BLACK** and **GOLD** bleachers for the first time.

THEY'RE NOT JUST SCHOOL COLORS, THEY'RE A THREAD LINKING US TOGETHER,

a promise that we're tied to one another, to the **ARAPAHO**, and to **ARAPAHOE**, because of what we've understood since the day we became **WARRIORS**.

THROUGH IT ALL,

a constant thread of black and gold:

WARRIORS ALWAYS TAKE CARE OF ONE ANOTHER.

WE.

IT'S A LOT MORE POWERFUL THAN "I"
BY MORE THAN JUST ONE LETTER.

It's how each of us defines all of us,
how the things that divide us become
the things that unite us.

WE are the thinkers and doers,
thinking and doing.

WE are Warriors, and

THIS IS WHERE YOU'LL FIND US.

Rushing the boys basketball court after
beating Heritage, cleaning up the
Cabaret at midnight, loading the band
bus at midnight after a competition.

*IT'S IN YOUR FACE, AND
BEHIND THE SCENES.*

CHEERING WITH THEIR HANDS IN THE AIR, the student section at the rivalry game against the Heritage High School Eagles participates in a student-led chant. The football game was delayed several hours due to lightning in the area. "My favorite part [of football games] is just the social aspect and being able to see all of my friends." **THOMAS SWEETMAN, 11**, said. Photo by Bill Youmans.



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PEOPLE

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WITH GRACIELA ORTEGA, 09, CASEN WHEELER, 09, watches YouTube on his phone during an off period. Wheeler used his off hours productively. "I love to play chess with friends, do homework, and get help if needed during my offs," Wheeler said. Photo by Bill Youmans.

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WE ARE NEVER ALONE.

AND THAT IS OUR STRENGTH.

Because when we're doubted, **WE'LL PLAY AS ONE.**

When we're held back, **WE'LL GO FARTHER.**

If we're not taken seriously, **WE'LL PROVE THAT WRONG.**

We won the cheerleading national championships, and **IT DIDN'T COME EASY.**

There were after-school practices long after dark and there were moments when it didn't seem worth it.

AND THEN,
THERE WAS A TROPHY.
THERE WAS CELEBRATION.
WE WERE CHAMPIONS.

OUR TRIBE
SHOWED UP.



IN ELATION, CARLEY FAGLER, 12, runs with her teammates after winning the national competition. The Varsity Cheerleading team placed second at state and first at nationals. "We were already so proud of what we put out into the floor and we knew that no placement, however high or low could really represent how far we have come," Fagler said. Photo by Craig Meyers.



HELMET RAISED IN THE AIR, JOSHUA "JOSH" ACKER, 11, watches the varsity football game from the sidelines. The varsity football team won the game against Eaglecrest 38-0 on October 26th. Photo by E. Reynolds.

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AS A SEA OF HANDS SWAYS, the crowd cheers for a victory against the Heritage Eagles at the rivalry football game. It was traditional for seniors in the student section to lead the crowd in cheers while wearing costumes. "Starting cheers on the whiteboard, dressing up, and cheering on other Warriors is always something to look forward to on Friday nights." **LAUREN SVEDE, 12**, said.
Photo by Bill Youmans.

