

TOGETHER AT LAST: During Senior Sunrise, Mariana Boekes '23 poses with Tyler Sousa '23 and Mackenzie Rogers '23. Boekes, Sousa and Rogers reunited at the annual Senior Sunrise after the end of the summer. "It was a relieving feeling being able to reconnect with the people that I love, knowing that we all have each other's back starting our senior year," Boekes said. **PERMANENT PRINT:** As the sun rises, Julia Cederholm '23 puts her handprint on a board. The boards hung in the commons for the duration of the year. "I think Senior Sunrise was a really fun time to connect as a class," Cederholm said. **EARLY MORNINGS:** Ella Stacey '23 paints her hand red and gold before transferring it to the board. One of the Senior Sunrise traditions was to put a handprint on a board that hung in the commons. "It was fun because it was the start of the last chapter of high school," Stacey said.



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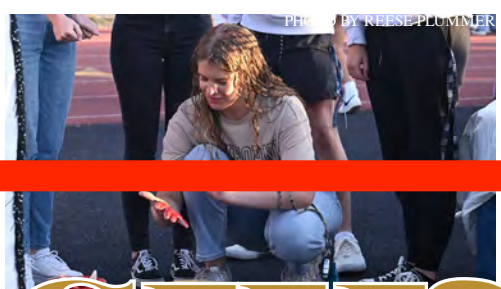


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sunlit seniors

THE CLASS OF 2023 WATCHES THE SUNRISE TO START THEIR FINAL YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL

The class of 2023 celebrates a longstanding tradition of watching the sunrise during the first week of school. Generally, Senior Sunrise takes place on the first day of school, but this year it took place on the first Friday of the year.

"I think moving it to the end of the week was really the only way to do it. It felt more respectful that way and I know much of the senior class didn't even attend on the first day, so it was nice to have everyone together at the end of the week," Ella Bowen '23 said.

Student Government catered Chick-fil-A and Press Waffle Co. for breakfast and a local coffee company, Coffee Sarap. Students were able to enjoy something from each of these places for free as they started their morning.

"I definitely loved catching up with everyone.

It was nice to be surrounded by everyone in my class. My favorite part though was how extraordinarily beautiful the sunrise was that morning," Amey Da Cruz '23 said. "It gave me such a sense of peace and helped me realize that this is going to be a good year, despite everything that has happened."

One of the traditions that seniors took part in was putting a handprint on the boards that hang in the commons.

"Honestly, my favorite part was doing the handprints. I'm not sure why but I always loved looking at them as an underclassman so getting to make them and do it with my friends was really cool. It started to make being a senior feel real," Bowen said.

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1 "At that point [do-it chant], Senior Sunrise was complete and we had done everything and did it well," Marisa Bracke '23 said.



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new year in gear

STUDENTS RALLY TO CELEBRATE THE START TO THE NEW YEAR

3 "It is very nerve-racking. I am starting to get used to performing in front of everyone," Nicole Weyand '24 said.

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"What I remember about performing was the energy from the student body," Avery Phillips '25 said.

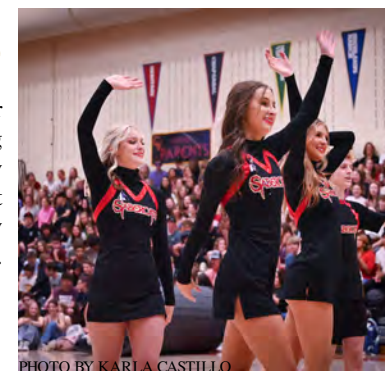


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LINK CREW HELPS THE INCOMING FRESHMEN ON THEIR FIRST DAY



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1 get to make a really good impression for the freshmen that I show around and get to be someone that they can look up to and trust," Breitin Curl '23 said.

2 The training takes a while, it is the same training every year, which is redundant, you only can get a limited amount of community service, which is not enough to compensate for how much time you put in," Curl said.

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT LEADERS PLAN ACTIVITIES FOR THE FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL

POWERFUL LEADERS: Student body president Aidan McGinty '23 and Samuel Martin '24 bond with their fellow Student Government members to begin the year with friendship. McGinty joined Student Government his junior year and became a leader his senior year. "Being a leader is even more fun because we have more power and say in some of the things we do, and we can really make things happen which is exciting for us," McGinty said.



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HELPFUL HANDS: Quinlen Dow '26, learns the ropes of Student Government for her first year of high school. Dow joined Student Government to be a part of a leadership community. "I thought the environment of the classroom was very inviting and kind. When you're learning the ropes, everyone will help you and answer your questions," Dow said.