

"I went to Back to School Night because my Cheer Team was performing, and to greet the people who were coming. My favorite part of Back to School Night would probably be the drum line because I just like to listen to them play their music when they perform."

Phoebe Machakos, 11



**1. Cheering On** Kylie James, 11, joins other members of the Cheer Team in welcoming new students to the school. "It's a fun experience to get kids excited about coming to Legend," James said. *photo by alexis bodiker*

**2. Get Hyped** Caleb Sanders, 12, takes the microphone to greet everyone to Back to School Night. "Me and Catherine were just really trying to get kids hyped and there was one point where I just started jumping around screaming. But we ended up riding the Titan, and it was just a great time," Sanders said. *photo by alexis bodiker*



**3. Warm Welcome** Chandler Hickman and Tyler Weed, 12, play with the orchestra as parents enter. Orchestra played music to help set the mood. *photo by alexis bodiker*

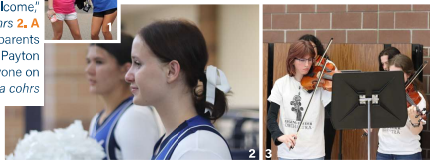
**5. Opening Act** Caleb Sanders, 12, and Catherine Loudon, 12, guide parents and students to *Ride the Titan* during the presentation. "The environment at Back to School Night is very open-minded. Everyone is just there to help those around them to learn more about Legend," Loudon said. *photo by alexis bodiker*



## Back to school night the start of a new year

**1. In Action** Smiling as students first walk in, Addie Hofer, 11, and Ryan Saloom, 11, assist parents and students. "I love being able to help make the students feel welcome," Hofer said. *photo by layla cohns*

**2. A Welcoming Smile** As the parents walk through the building, Payton Mayer, 11, welcomes everyone on August 25. *photo by layla cohns*



**3. Ready Position** As parents walk through the commons, Jessica Oldham, 10, plays her violin to welcome students and parents to Back to School Night on August 25. "When our conductor would like to bring us down and we'd stop playing the song and we'd have people around us just listening and smiling and swaying to the music," Oldham said. *photo by layla cohns*

# Need a hand

Students lead back to school night

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Stepping in, senior Sahn Kim helped run the Orchestra booth at Back to School Night, as well as the student government booth, helping people who had questions about each program, and if they were interested in applying when the time was right. "It was awesome being involved at Back to School Night as I got to see athletics and activities gather together to create opportunities for

all students," Kim said.

For Sahn, Back to School Night was memorable because it allowed him the opportunity to connect with other people. The night is always an important way to set the stage for the school year to follow.

"It was the first time we have ever done this and it was a great opportunity to play music for everyone. It was really memorable for me," Kim said.

## Deep dive into students' lives

How did you spend your summer break?



**Kellen Houlberg, 10**  
"Over summer break, I went on some vacations with my family and my sister from college," *photo by layla cohns*



**Chandler Hickman, 12**  
"Over summer break, I spent most of my time with my friends and with my family," *photo by alexis bodiker*



**Danson Kern, 12**  
"Over summer break, I just spent time with my family, and I had a great time," *photo by layla cohns*

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"I am in Shine, DECA, StuGov, a few honor societies, and play the piano."

*Isabel Barrus, 12*

"I am most proud of my ability to make friends, and my athletics with cross country and lacrosse."

*Isabel Lamberson, 9*

"I am a runner, brother, son, friend, lifeguard and lover of adventure and living life to the fullest."

*Andrew Baer, 11*