

touring colleges

"I am planning on touring Grand Canyon University because I really like the atmosphere and campus and I've heard really great things about it. I'm planning on going there for the academic aspect."

melania ewald '24

"I'm planning on attending the Air Force Academy. When I visited I really loved the campus and my parents really liked the thought of having my college mostly played for with scholarships. They also have the major that I would want to go into for academics."

peyton rethner '24

"I toured Colorado School of Mines because I was very interested in their very prestigious engineering program. I really like how you can graduate from engineering school and have a really good income. I'm interested in the biology and biotechnology part of engineering."

carson buechler '24



BEST REASON: Grace Coyne '23 really enjoys going deeper into Biology. She finds it super interesting to learn about the unknown of biology. "I love all the people in this class and I like going deeper into the world of biology," Coyne '23 said.

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building on
biology

AP BIO STUDENTS EXPLAIN BENEFITS OF THE CLASS

As one of the many AP classes offered, AP Biology is a class that can help students set up for success when wanting to pursue a job within the medical field. Grace Coyne '23 took this class to prepare herself for college.

"I plan on pursuing something in the medical field so I will be using bio. I think biology aligns with my future interest and what I know I'll be majoring in college so it was a good step ahead in learning the content that I will need later on," Coyne said.

Although the class helps prepare students for the future, the fast paced learning environment can be difficult for some, and Abigail Larkin '23 says this is the most challenging for her.

"The most challenging part about this class is probably the pace of it. It's really fast-paced, and if you're not on top of your notes and studying, you're going to fall behind," Larkin said.

AP Biology offers hands-on work, including labs, that help students learn in a visual way. It

also helps to explain different processes within the body. Ayva Critchlow '23 describes this as the reason she took the class.

"Learning about all these different processes is so cool because it's all happening inside our bodies and organisms right now. I enjoy doing the labs because it's hands-on work and I am a visual person. So hands-on work helps me to see the process work," Critchlow said.

Since the class is in AP style learning, it offers more of a challenge to students to complete and pass the tests at the end of the year. Ella Bowen '23 uses this class as a way to challenge herself.

"I take AP Bio because it's challenging and it pushes our limits and when you do something right it's more rewarding because of the difficulty," Bowen said. "The tests are the most challenging part of this class, because they are in AP format. You will understand the concepts but the way that AP words the tests makes it much more difficult."

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connects with what she wants to pursue in the future. Even though the class was rigorous and challenging, she really enjoyed it. "I'm planning on going into biochemistry in college, so this was a really good lead up for getting into those topics but the most challenging part about this class is probably the pace of it," Larkin '23 said. **STIRRING UP SCIENCE:** Ella Bowen '23 shows her interest in AP Bio and how it pushes her, but ends up being rewarding in the long run. "I take AP Bio because it's challenging and it pushes our limits, and when you do something right, it's more special because of the difficult," Bowen said. "I took the class because initially I wanted to pursue a major in bio in the future, but now that has changed. I still really enjoy biology." **MOMENTS MATTER:** Ayva Critchlow '23 shows her interest in learning what is going on in the human body during AP Biology. She was also interested in pursuing biology in the future. "Hopefully this will translate into the medical field, because I'm hoping to be a PA," Critchlow said.



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ALSO PICTURED: JACKSON LITVIN, ANNABELLE HAUGEN

deck out for DECA

MEMBERS OF DECA EXPLAIN THE PROCESS AND LAYOUT OF THE CONFERENCE



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1 "In DECA, I enjoy learning about the business world. It's so fun and exciting because it makes you feel like you're a CEO almost," Marisa Bracke '23 said.

2 "The thing about DECA that I enjoy the most is the category I'm doing because it's very male dominant so I stand out," Riley Shultz '23 said.

3 "After our presentation, we hung out around the Broadmoor," Christian Claypoole '24 said.

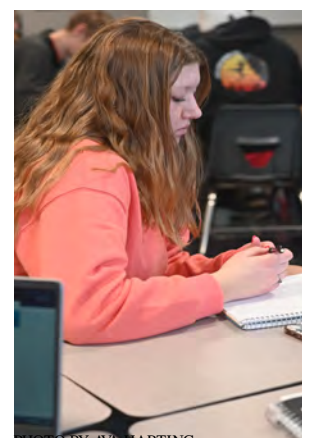


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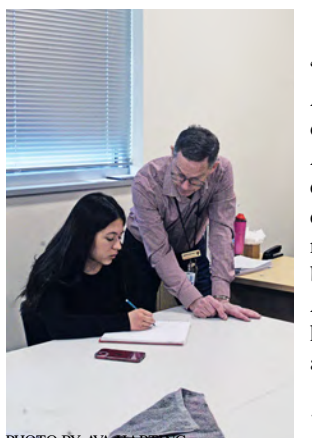


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"I chose to take AP over ACC because I want to go out of state for college and ACC only counts for in-state colleges. I like that the AP class is weighted and adds to my GPA. I think ACC could be easier just because of the AP test and the fact that you have to do well on the test and not just pass."

hailey heinlein '24

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STUDENT COMPARES MATH CLASSES

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SPEECH AD DEBATE MEMBER DESCRIBES EXPERIENCES WITH THE CLUB

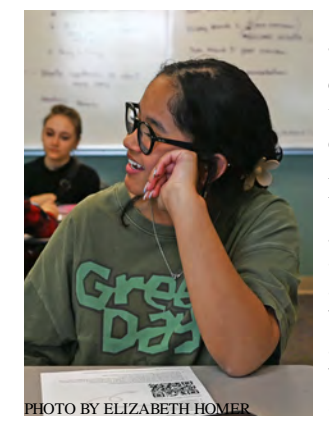


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she said
"We get a theme every month and we each get to choose a book. At the end of the month, we get together and answer questions about each of our books. We rotate and talk about our books," Milani Scott '24 said