

FAMILY *ties*

Students and staff navigate working in close proximity with family members.

All families are connected somehow, but the Statewright family had a different relationship than most. Whereas most people go their separate ways each day, they went to the same place five days a week. Mr. Ricky Statewright, a security specialist, and Mrs. Tammi Traylor-Statewright, a dean, didn't often see their daughter, Trinity, during school hours. Although Trinity didn't run into her parents a lot, she did believe that being at the same school helps their connection. "I would say I'm more close with my mom than I am my dad, but I feel like we all have a really good relationship with each other," said Trinity Traylor-Statewright.

Being in the same school setting wasn't new for the Statewright-Traylor couple, as they went way back. They played basketball together growing up, and were attended the same middle and high schools. Then, in the professional field, they met again at another school. "I was doing special ed, and she was at another school coaching basketball, and then we came here together," said Ricky.

The Statewrights weren't the only couple that worked together at the school. Among multiple staff at CT with similar stories, Mr. Josh May and Mrs. Christy May first met when they started teaching at the same school. "Mr. May worked here two years before I me, and then I [started] here," said Christy. The couple was married three years after meeting, and has continued to work together since. Some people claim that they cannot work with their spouse, but the Mays find it more of a blessing than anything. "We try to separate work and home. We try not to talk about work a lot, but I like it, it's never been a problem," said Christy. The Mays manage their work life and home life, together.



TEAMWORK'S THE DREAMWORK. Mr. Ricky Statewright and Mrs. Tammi Traylor-Statewright, a security specialist and a dean, had many opportunities to work together at school, as their jobs had some overlap. In addition to that, though, they had a much more fun activity in common: basketball. Having both played the sport growing up, they enjoyed coaching it as adults. "We've been doing it forever, over 15 years now," said Tammi.



INTO THE THICK OF IT. Going to school with a parent could push kids to do things they otherwise might not have considered. This was true for Trinity Statewright, whose mother, Dean Statewright, put her in track early on. "My mom just put me in it, and I've been doing it for 10 years," said Statewright.

IN IT TOGETHER. Mr. and Mrs. May, both English teachers, plan their lessons for the day. The couple drove to work with together and had many opportunities to see each other throughout the day. "Because we teach the same classes, we see each other pretty often. We have plenty of time together," said Josh. Photos by D. Doellefeld.

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Triplets, then twins: how the Keating siblings like going to school together.

To many, when someone refers to the Keatings, their first thought goes to the triplets, Katie, Molly, and Charlie. The three seniors were in nearly all the same classes, shared many of the same interests and activities, and of course, personality traits.

"People say we don't, but me and Molly have the same personality," said Katie Keating.

However, being so similar could be frustrating at times, as it could be difficult to set themselves apart from their siblings, especially when Molly and Katie were identical. "Sometimes, people will say 'you're not even being original, you're just copying your sister' even when we're literally not," said Molly. Aside from that, there was little the triplets didn't like about going to school with all their siblings. "I always see our brothers in the hallways, I say hi to their friends, it's pretty nice," said Charlie. The twins, Daniel and Patrick felt the same way. "We see each other a bunch and it's just fun to hang out together," said Patrick. When it comes to rivalries, the twins tend to get competitive. "We do have

a lot of rivalries, it can be tough sometimes," said Daniel.

There are a lot of different things the twins tend to argue about. "We are very competitive in sports and many other things in school such as grades," said Patrick.

Overall, when it comes to going to school with your family, the Keatings all agree that it is an enjoyable experience. Photos courtesy of M. Keating.

