

CHANGING CURRICULUM

DR. TEMPLETON IMPLEMENTS A NEW MATH PROGRAM AFTER 17 YEARS

Starting just two years ago as principal, Dr. Jeena Templeton has made many changes to Castle View as a whole.

Her next big change is the math curriculum: implementing a new set of courses and doing away with the outdated IMP (Integrated Math Program).

“I had individual students and families [contacting] me directly and the math curriculum was brought up a lot,” Templeton said.

Castle View is the only school in the district to use the IMP curriculum, which combines classes such as Algebra or Geometry into Math I-Math V.

“Going forward it will be easier for kids transferring schools,” Mrs. Caitlin Pfeffer said. “Our math will be more aligned to schools across the country and district.”

Castle View continuously falls behind in national SAT and AP math scores.

“Our scores and the amount of students needing remediation showed that the math program needed to be checked,” Templeton said.

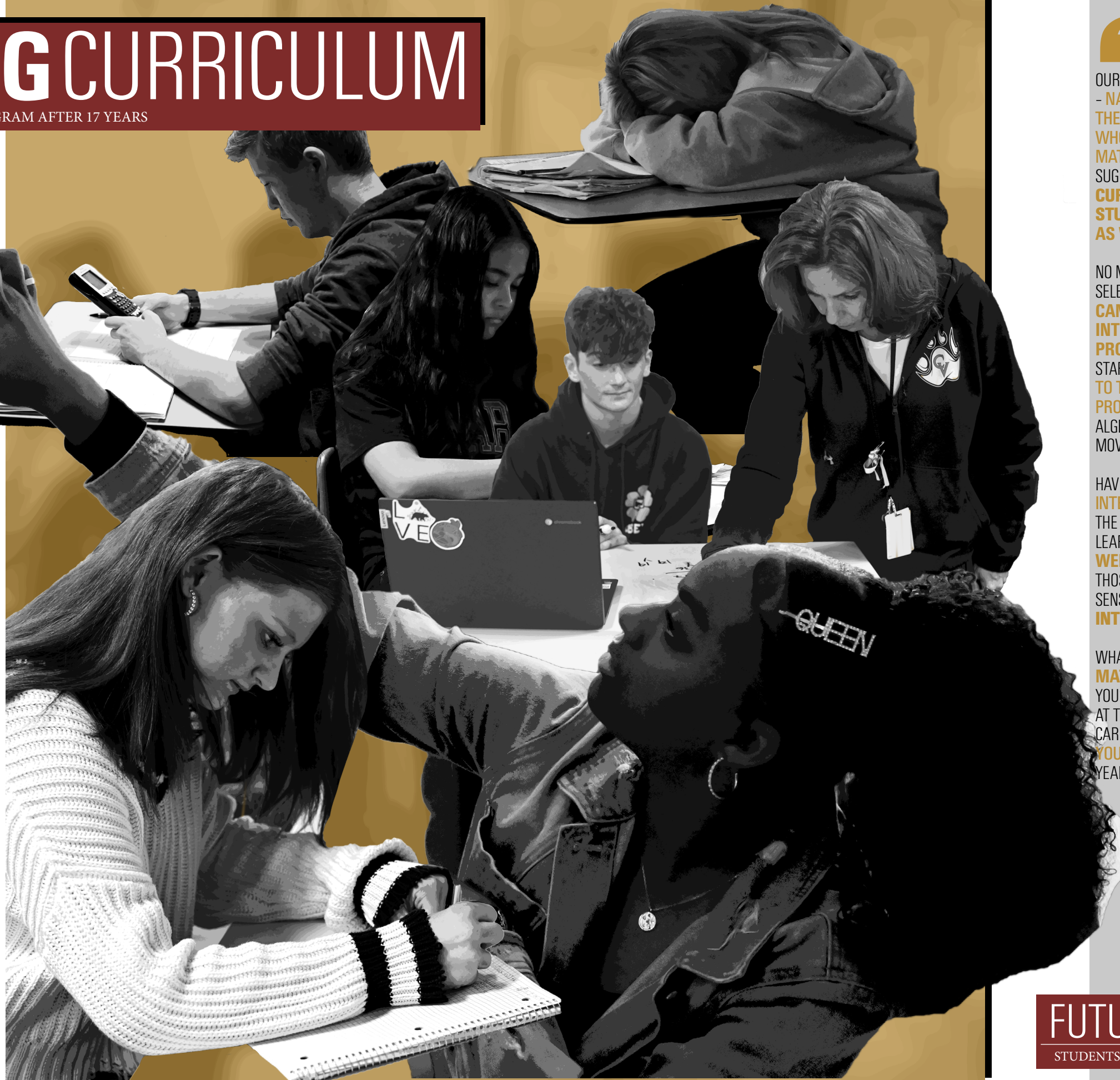
In effort to offer a smooth transition, students currently thriving in IMP classes are still able to finish out the pathway through the end of next year.

STORY BY CAMERON HOOD

14 MATH CLASSES OFFERED | **1210** NATIONAL AVERAGE SAT SCORE

1090 AVERAGE CASTLE VIEW SCORE | **850** STUDENTS TAKING MATH

STATS FROM DR. JEENA TEMPLETON



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OUR STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES - NAMELY OUR SAT RESULTS AND THE PERCENTAGE OF OUR STUDENTS WHO REQUIRE REMEDIATION IN MATH WHEN THEY HEAD TO COLLEGE - SUGGEST THAT **OUR CURRENT MATH CURRICULUM IS NOT PREPARING STUDENTS** FOR COLLEGE AND CAREER AS WELL AS THEY DESERVE.

NO MATTER WHAT RESOURCE WE SELECT, **CURRENT SABERCATS CAN CHOOSE TO STAY IN THE INTEGRATED MATH COURSE PROGRESSION** IN WHICH THEY STARTED (MATH I, II, II IV, V) OR **MOVE TO THE TRADITIONAL COURSE PROGRESSION** (ALGEBRA I, GEOMETRY, ALGEBRA II) THAT WE WILL IMPLEMENT MOVING FORWARD.

HAVE YOU **ENJOYED YOUR CURRENT INTEGRATED MATH COURSE?** HAS THE WAY YOU'VE BEEN DOING AND LEARNING MATHEMATICS **WORKED WELL FOR YOU?** IF THE ANSWER TO THOSE QUESTIONS IS YES, IT MAY MAKE SENSE FOR YOU TO **CONTINUE IN INTEGRATED MATH.**

WHAT IS THE **HIGHEST LEVEL OF MATH YOU'D LIKE TO TAKE** WHILE YOU'RE HERE AT CASTLE VIEW? LOOK AT THE TWO COURSE PROGRESSIONS CAREFULLY. **WHICH PATHWAY ALLOWS YOU TO GET TO THAT LEVEL WITH THE YEARS YOU HAVE LEFT IN HIGH SCHOOL?**

DR. TEMPLETON, 12/05/23 NEWSLETTER

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I DON'T KNOW WHAT MATH CLASS I'M TAKING YET. IT'S **CONFUSING HOW THEY ARE SWITCHING EVERYTHING OVER.**

ETHAN JOINER '27

FUTURE OF MATH

STUDENTS ADAPT TO A NEW CURRICULUM

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