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**OUR SUN  
MUST SET**

Seniors gather at football field on Aug. 10 for Senior Sunrise event before school

**EVENT:** Senior Sunrise occurred on Aug. 10 on the football field around 5 a.m. Seniors like Alina Hernandez '24, Skylar Ratliff '24 and Diana Torres '24 brought blankets and sat on the field as the sun came up at 6 a.m.

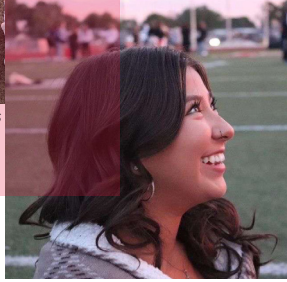
in the future and achieve amazing things in life. Going into senior year was kind of scary, realizing we are starting to grow up and figuring out what we want to do with our lives."

**PREPARATIONS:** "We all got up really early and got donuts before heading to the field," Torres said. "We sat there with the sunset. It was crazy to think that the year was beginning and that we only had months before we would be graduating together. My friends and I had laid in the middle of the field and just sat there with each other. After, we went to Dutch Bros before we knew we would have to come back to start our last first day of high school."

**EXPERIENCE:** "It was nice to experience one last Sunrise with the people around me and my friends who I am so excited to be spending my last year with. I hope we all go our ways



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**WE MAKE  
THIS LOOK EASY  
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(we really do)**

Student Government creates events with goal of boosting school spirit

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**WHILE STUDENTS PARTICIPATED IN AN HOMECOMING EVENT OR PEP ASSEMBLY,** the work that goes behind the scenes from Student Government was something not always seen.

as a class. With having over 40 members, there were different tasks delegated for all the different groups.

the future. Each committee has their own role to complete for everything to work together smoothly."

"We divided our group into different categories that they would focus on. They are community service, leadership, media, spirit moral and outreach. Each one of them have a different job that they are supposed to do," Brynn Davis '26 said. "For example, community service will try to look for things in the community that need help. Leadership is to help inspire the younger community to get into a role of leadership when they move to high school or maybe even in

When it comes to pep assemblies, students get excused from first hour to take the morning to set up all of the materials for the different games played.

"It's really fun to be able to celebrate our school the way we do and provide the events we can to add to the spirit of our school," Jolly Moses '25 said. "People compliment and say that it's so cool what we do. Being in Student Government, I have learned so many things about leadership."

"It's a lot more than what people realize because there is a lot of planning that goes into the events. Then there is getting all of the materials for those events," Kori Zirker '25 said. "There is a lot that can go wrong so there is a lot of planning, solving and having to delegate and work as a team."

The government group met each day during fifth period

**1. PICTURE PERFECT.** Madison Henninger '25 uses her camera to take photos of students participating in Homecoming Class Games on Sept. 7 on the football field. "I love getting to setup the events, but I really enjoy taking photos of everything to document the things we do," Henninger said. "As the historian, I control most of the student government media and take pictures for the media. I make the portfolio and that's how we get awards for student government." **2. GIVE ME YOUR NAME.** Abigail Brandsma '25 directs students to fill out forms before seeing a nurse to donate blood in the library at their blood drive in February. **3. EYES ON THE FLAG.** Student Body Co-President Nathan Fernstedt '24 puts his hand on his heart while the Pledge of Allegiance is read at Homecoming Class Games. "I have never gotten to be part of the events because I have always helped put them on," Fernstedt said. photos by r.doherty



**1. TOO MUCH FUN.** Taylor Hoisington '24 laughs as she puts a paper plate of whipped cream on Luke Harrison's, social studies teacher, head while Meghan Scruggs '24 ples Bryce Miniger, social studies teacher. The two teachers were answering trivia questions about each other while facing another teacher team. "Both teachers lost the game we were playing, so it was funny to get to pie them. We do a lot of fun things as Student Government representatives," Scruggs said. photo by n.duran **2. THAT'S A POINT.** During the Homecoming Peach Fuzz Tournament, Meghan Scruggs '24 awards a point to the seniors while serving as referee. photo by n.duran **3. I WANT CANDY.** While standing on the junior Homecoming Float, Jolly Moses '25 passes out candy to the elementary students lined up on Southern Street. photo by l.carmichael **4. HERE ARE THE RULES.** With Sophia Petrocco '27 in an inflatable blocker, Student Government sponsor Chemaine Huss explains the rules to the halftime basketball game students could play during the Unified basketball game on Feb. 5. photo by n.duran

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**WE KNOW  
OUR FAITH**

FCA meets weekly during lunches



photos by r.doherty

**WHO:** The Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) members met once a week during lunches in sponsor Patrick Sandoval's room.

**THE CLUB:** "I have been a member of FCA because I love being around everyone and getting to talk about our faith," Katie Zimmerman '24 said. "Most people bring their lunches and then discuss whatever we want to discuss."

**THE MEMBERS:** "A lot of us

just grew up in churches, and we were raised by going to church every Sunday. I like that about our members," Maddison Buck '27 said.

**HOW FCA HAS SUPPORTED ME:** "I had a few family members die. By just believing in God, even though I had never really attended church, I blamed him for their deaths. After going through all of the grief, and learning my relationship with God. My faith became stronger," Adelaide Grein '27 said.



Ryan Maez '24 volunteers with Special Olympics for community service

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OUR HOURS**

**WHO:** Ryan Maez '24

**SERVICE:** Volunteer with the Special Olympics by participating in Unified athletics and attending events.

**THE EXPERIENCE:** "It doesn't feel like you're volunteering because you just get to enjoy the time with the kids. It's the funnest community service you can do by building a connection with people. My brother has been apart of the

Special Olympics, so it was something that made sense to volunteer with."

**ONE MOMENT:** "I got to take the athletes out and ski. All of them have different disabilities and you have to adapt to every single one of them. Though it can be difficult at times, they all just had great smiles on their faces. It really makes you feel good to help and have some really great experiences."

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BECAUSE...**

"WHEN I HAVE TIME, I GO TO THE HOMELESS SHELTER AND GIVE OUT FOOD. I ALSO MAKE AND HAND

OUT BLANKETS AND PICK UP TRASH AROUND THE AREA, TOO." **EZRA WEST '25**

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BEHIND THE SCENES** 047  
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