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A Look Back at the Events of 2018 & 2019

August 2018

30 First day of school!

September 2018

11 First College Fair of the year.

24 Picture day!

October 2018

1 Annual CHS Club Fair takes place in the East Gym

9 Girl's volleyball coach Sue Bavone reaches 500 career wins

15 First Cheshire Chat of the 2018-2019 school year

19 German classes throw an Oktoberfest celebration

31 Students participate in the Halloween parade.

November 2018

7 NHS inducts senior members

15-17 Fall play *Suite Surrender*

30 One Acts performance featuring all grades

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January 2019

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16 Winter Festival

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February 2019

5 Cocoa and Cram

17-21 Midterm Exams



24 Curriculum Night

Mia Juodatis scores her 1,000th point in basketball



Start of the Second Semester

March 2019

3 New England Patriots Win their 6th Super Bowl

5 Winter Blood Drive

20 Senator Richard Blumenthal visits for a student forum

April 2019

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16 Cheshire Education Foundation hosts its second Trivia Challenge

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31 Senior Picnic

June 2019

1 Snow White Production from Aries Ensemble

3 B1 Day

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13 Graduation!

CHS Stars at the Sondheim Awards

By Grace Azaula 2020

“And the Tony award goes too...” This is a phrase heard that every aspiring actor or actress dreams of hearing. One that, hopefully, is followed by their own names. And while we don’t currently have any students here at CHS being nominated for a tony, there were two students nominated for a Sondheim award. This year, the second annual Sondheim awards show as hosted at the palace theater. It is here that 18 of Connecticut’s wonderful high school theater programs are recognized, nominating individuals and entire programs for awards ranging from best musical to best actor to best costumes.

This year Cheshire High School’s

drama department was fortunate enough to have two students nominated for an award: Paige Remillard for best supporting actress and Elizabeth Feest for best actress. These incredibly talented ladies have worked so hard, and have definitely earned the nomination. But, for Elizabeth Feest, the hard work wasn’t over once she was nominated. In fact, it was just beginning.

The Sondheim awards provides a unique opportunity for the 12 performers nominated for best actress or actor. Four days prior to the awards show these talented nominees partake in a exhausting, yet rewarding intensive, where they sing, dance, act, and prepare for their performance on the night of the show. While this can be extremely tough, it is also the

experience of a lifetime. “This experience was so rewarding, both in terms of growing in my theater craft and broadening my social horizo. It opened my eyes to a whole community and industry that I had not experienced before and really helped me shape my future plans. Plus, all my peers were so welcoming and kind! It’s definitely an experience I’ll always value!” says Elizabeth about the four day intensive.

Finally, after this long nomination process the awards ceremony took place on June 3rd. Paige and Elizabeth sat in the audience with their loving cast, crew, and directors, anxiously awaiting their category. When it came time for the supporting actress nomination, it was to everybody’s delight that Paige Remillard won her cate-

gory! When asked about what this win felt like, Paige responded saying “Two years ago I never would have imagined that this would be possible. It was such a surreal, special moment and I felt so full of love with everybody there. It was just one of the happiest moments of my life”.

Unfortunately, Elizabeth did not win her category, but she gave an incredible performance during the show, reprising her role as Donna from *Mamma Mia!* Needless to say, both of these girls did an incredible job this season. Their work ethic is admirable, and it is certain that CHS drama will miss their talent and positivity in all of the shows to come.



Spirit Week

By Aida Adiguzel 2021

From May 28 to May 31, 2019, Cheshire High School ad it’s first ever spirit week. There were specific themes each day of the week. For example, Wednesday the theme of the day was to wear pink; an ode to the movie “Mean Girls” where the iconic line “On Wednesdays, we wear pink” was first said.

For Tuesday, the prompt of the day was “Tropical Tuesday”. Many people wore Hawaiian shirts with shorts and a flower necklace. Everyone looked like they were going on vacation! Said Micayla Nann, 2021, “I wore a Hawaiian shirt and

I did that because we wanted to symbolize unity at CHS. To really show support for our community.”

On Wednesday, as mentioned before, the theme was to wear pink. Multiple people dressed up in all pink, and one of the most iconic outfits in spirit week was worn on this day. One person had worn all pink with pink fuzzies on for socks, pink pigtails and pink fairy wings on the back. Thursday was meme day for the school; multiple people dressed up as vines or other jokes that they have seen on the internet. Some people dressed up as iconic videos like the “Flex Tape” commercial.

Friday was “Freedom Friday”,

and students at CHS wore red, white and blue. Said Jasleen Kaur, 2021, “I wore blue denim shorts and I also wore a red crop top with my white converse. I dressed up for Freedom Friday because I wanted to be included in the group of people dressing up. I also wanted to show my support for my school and country.”. The students at CHS also had the option to wear one of the new Brave T-Shirts with the American flag on the back.

Spirit week was an excellent opportunity for students to show their pride for their school and community here at CHS.

We Need to Talk About the Bathrooms

By Abby Dziura 2020

We need to talk about the bathrooms.

A controversial subject at Cheshire High School this year, the bathrooms have been a point of contention and discussion. Many factors are at play: the physical condition of the facilities are deteriorating, the student vandalism is increasing, and vaping is becoming a bigger issue. Because of all this, everything is snowballing into a bigger problem--one that points out the hypocrisy of students, faculty, parents, and administration.

This year, the school administration has taken multiple measures to address common complaints about the bathrooms, the most pressing being the issue of vaping during and in between classes. Most people have seen it happen: a gaggle of students standing away from the door, pressed up against the walls and passing around a Juul or similar vaping devices. The lingering smell of what is best compared to scented bubbles stays for hours afterward. To combat this, the administration has hired new hall monitors, installed Fly Sense Vape Detectors, put in place sign-ins during and around lunch times, asked teachers to give up their prep periods to sit outside each facility, and even locked certain bathrooms at certain parts of the day. Some of the strategies have helped the problem, yes, but it still remains an issue. Students easily adapt and overcome. After all, how long did it take for people to figure out ways around the school wifi blocks on certain websites?

Then you have to add in the aging infrastructure of the building. Cheshire High School was built in 1951. 1951--that’s almost seventy years ago. The last major renovation--the addition of the math wing and front classrooms--was almost twenty years ago, in 2000, and the last renovation before that was in 1971. It’s no secret that CHS is old, and it has the facilities to go along with it. It’s not uncommon to see toilet stalls with a

hastily taped up “Out of Order” signs, the toilet covered in a clear plastic garbage bag. In previous years, there have been times where there was only one stall in operation in any given bathroom, simply because all of the other ones were in disrepair. In 2015, the architectural group Perkins Eastman completed a review on the physical needs and conditions of Cheshire High School (spoiler alert: not everything was positive, to say the least). Unfortunately, the public assessment only provided commentary on whether or not the bathrooms met handicap and height requirements. State requirements focus on things like how much water the toilets use. As far as my research goes, the bathrooms we have are up to code. They aren’t violating any laws. But people still have to hold the door closed for their friends when the locks on stalls don’t work. People still have to wait when there’s only one stall open in the vicinity of their classroom.

Then you have to add in the constant vandalism. Many are familiar with the stories of people who “punch” the soap dispensers, stories of people flushing things down the toilet that aren’t meant to be flushed, stories of the “gum people” on stall walls, stories of the inappropriate words scrawled across stall doors in blue marker. Students treat the bathrooms like they’re in preschool, not high school--a generous comparison, since most preschoolers don’t destroy property so recklessly.

So there’s vaping, there’s broken stalls, and there’s a lack of soap dispensers. What next? Who do we blame? Whose fault is this?

The answer is pretty simple.

You. Me. Us. The students, the administration, the town, everyone. It’s everyone’s fault.

The bathrooms have been a big blame game throughout the year. *Oh, they’d be better if people stopped vaping. Oh, I wish we could get a new building. Oh, if only someone else restocked the*

supplies often enough, there wouldn’t be an issue.

Everyone points fingers, because no one wants to accept fault. The reality is that we all play a part in the snowball. Yes, you’re part of the problem when you let the trashcan overflow and throw a damp and crumpled paper towel on top of the mess. Yes, you’re part of the problem when you smear your blue bubblegum on the walls. Yes, you’re part of the problem when you vote down town measures that fund our schools and our facilities. Yes, you’re part of the problem when you say that we don’t need new school buildings. Yes, you’re part of the problem.

The hypocrisy of the students, parents, and faculty who do nothing but wash their hands clean of the blame and then ask what’s going wrong are part of the problem. If we want to fix the bathrooms, we need to step up and take action.

Well, I’m a student, you’ll say, who doesn’t get a say in vape detectors and town budgets. That’s true. But you can still pick up the trash on the floor. You can ask people to not vape in the school bathrooms, or, if you’re uncomfortable with confrontation, you can anonymously report them. You can tell your parents that you want them to support measures and proposals that support the school’s budget.

Doing nothing results in exactly that: nothing. If we continue to let all of these issues go unresolved, we’ll end up with bathrooms that actually aren’t up to code. Take a stand. Say something. Speak up. While it seems hopeless sometimes, some action is better than a lack of action, because a lack of action implies complacency.

It’s not always about the bathrooms. The bathrooms are a part of a larger issue at hand, and so are you. Schools in our town and schools across the country and schools across the world are horribly underfunded. Do students tend to be biased in these matters? Yes, of course. That doesn’t mean our opinions

are invalid. If we continue to let Norton Elementary School have their art and music classes in a “temporary” trailer for years on end, if we continue to let other elementary school students sit in cramped classrooms with leaks in the ceiling, if we continue to let high school students sit in a building filled with asbestos, we’re going to have problems. If we don’t pay teachers proper salaries and give them proper benefits, we’re going to have problems. If we don’t give funding for the arts and sports and clubs, we’re going to have problems.

Remember: inaction is complacency. Complacency means no change. No change results in a detriment to what education actually is supposed to be. We can fix this. We can stop the snowball, but it’ll take a little elbow grease. It’ll take an economy on the rise, full support of increased budgets, and lobbying of education-friendly policies.

It won’t be easy, but we need to stop talking about the bathrooms.

We need to do something about the bathrooms.



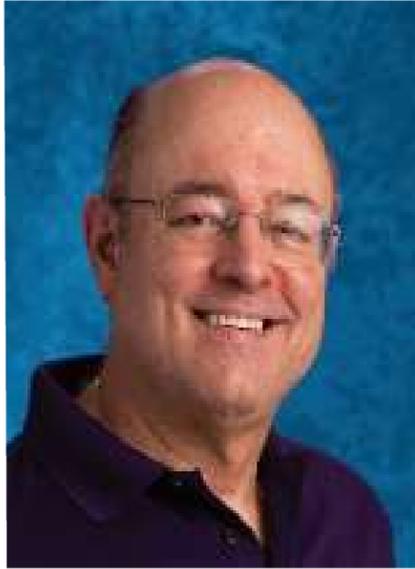
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Saying Goodbye to Our School Teachers

Celebrating Over Four Decades with Dr. Trifone at CHS

By Abby Dziura 2020

Dr. Jim Trifone is retiring after a long and illustrious career at Cheshire High School. At CHS, he has taught classes like biology and AP Biology, and is well-known throughout the science department and throughout the school. Affectionately referred to as Dr. T to the many freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors who take his classes, Dr. Trifone is a supportive teacher who always takes time to joke and tell stories in addition to teaching his students about the mitochondria. After decades at the high school, Dr. T will be sorely missed in retirement, but we wish him the best!



Ms. Rooney Leaves an impact on the students

By Eleanor Boyd 2022

When you walk into the Guidance Department, the first thing you see is the smiling face of Ms. Kathy Rooney, an administrative assistant in the Guidance department. For as long as many students can remember, she has been a staple in the school community and always warm, welcoming, and helpful. She is retiring this year after a very long time being a part of our community, and she will be missed dearly by all the staff and students who knew her. Congratulations Ms. Rooney on retiring! Thank you for all of your hard work and kindness towards everyone you see. You have made a huge impact on everyone you met and left a great legacy on this school. We will all miss you and wish you the best of luck in your retirement!



Ms. G bids farewell

By Samantha Bosque

Ms. Gagliardi, more commonly known to the students as Ms. G, is one of the student's most treasured hall monitors. Without question, the students of CHS greatly appreciated and enjoyed Ms.G's presence throughout the entire school. Between her kind heart, helpful hands, and overall outgoingness to the entire student body, she was truly an amazing monitor of the halls to have in our school. Although we will miss her, we wish her the best on the retirement she has greatly earned.



Pete moves on from CHS

By Sanvi Bhardwaj 2020

Mr. Peter Cameron is known across the school for being a friendly face in the hallway, and now we must say goodbye. Known fondly as "Sneaky Pete," the retired police officer is saying goodbye to Cheshire High School. He's had a huge impact on the student body, and is an iconic figure who will forever remain in the hearts of the students who knew him. Good luck to Mr. Cameron, and we will miss you!



Remembering Megumi Yamamoto

By Natalie Vetto 2019

Megumi Yamamoto was beloved by all of her students and fellow faculty. She was always so positive and supportive to anyone who needed it. She would always be in her chair, in the corner of her room with a big smile on her face. Her room was always cluttered with the work of previous students, books, or quotes. Her desk was covered in papers, origami, and pictures of her family and Apolo Ohno. What seemed like a mess to anyone else was organized to her in a "creative clutter". Every student that entered room 53 was surrounded by bright colors and her even brighter personality. She always knew the perfect book for any who

asked. It didn't matter the genre, topic, author, she just always knew. She was loved and adored by everyone that met her. Her unique style made her stand out in any crowd, especially when her flowy pants would always make it look like she was gliding down the halls. Although the incoming freshman will not have the opportunity to meet her personally, her legacy will live on within the walls of this school forever. At the end of every year, on the last day of school, I used to give her a really big hug before walking out for the summer. I consider this to be my hug to her. Mrs. Yamamoto will forever be in the hearts and minds of the faculty and students, but especially me.



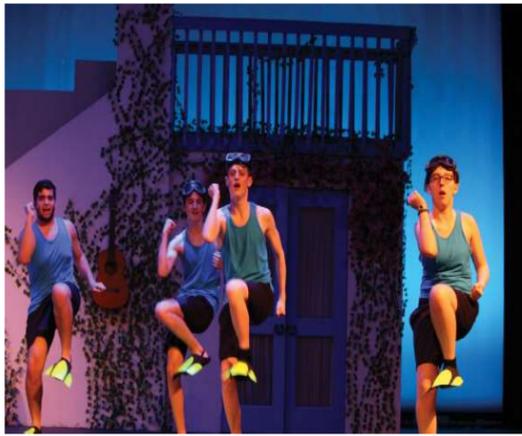
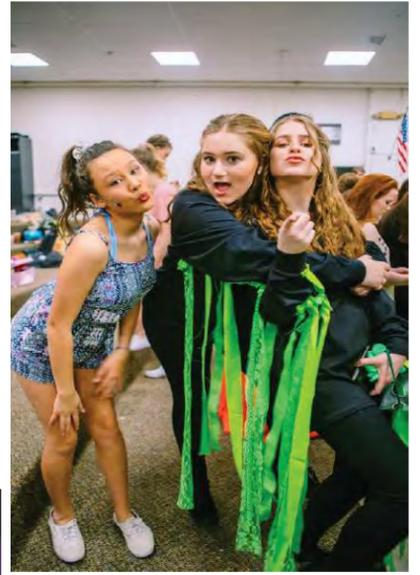
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CHS Drama 2019

This year's CHS Drama shows included *Suite Surrender*, *Mamma Mia*, *Snow White*, and *One Acts*.

Photos courtesy of Mirin Scascellati, Taryn Chorney, Abby Dziura, and Erin Wu (@ewuphotos)



MEET THE STAFF



Ann Wellspeak, Club Advisor



Abby Dziura, Editor-in-Chief, 2020

Favorite Classes: English (of course!), Spanish, and Marketing

Favorite Book: *The Princess Bride* by William Goldman

Favorite Movie: Also *The Princess Bride!*

Favorite Food: Green apples!

Best Thing at CHS: The people... and Cheshire Chats, obviously

Why Everyone Should Read the Rampage: I think that it's really important to stay informed about things happening in the school. The newspaper also provides a great archive for things that have happened in previous years--the print editions in particular. Print newspapers still have purpose! It's great to get to look at something and say, "I did that!" or "I had a part in that!" or "This is about me!" On that note, come join us next year! We are always looking for new contributors and would love to hear your voices, ideas, and opinions. Stay tuned for some exciting new things!



Natalie Vetto, Photography and Web Editor, 2019

Extracurricular Activities: Drama Club, Young Dems, Winterfest, Rampage, Taekwondo, and Dance

Favorite Ice Cream Flavor: Cookies and Cream

Favorite Animal: Skunks and Turtles

College/Major: Southern Connecticut State University as a Communication Disorders major.

One reason everyone at CHS should read the Rampage: Everyone should read the Rampage is because it is always showcasing the fun activities around the school. It's a good way to stay involved around the school. Also who knows, maybe you could be showcased next.



Mike Lewis, Sports Editor, 2019

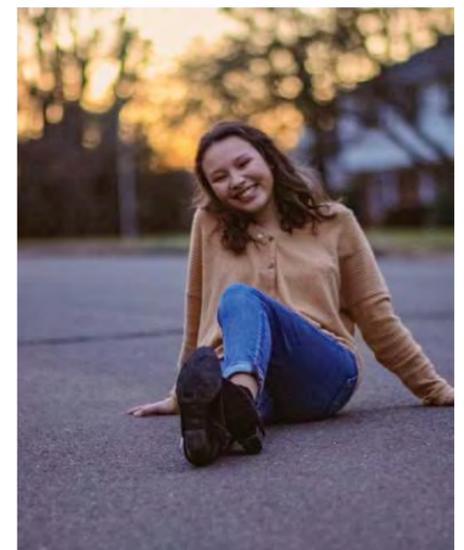
Favorite ice cream flavor: Vanilla

Favorite sports teams: All the Boston teams (Patriots, Celtics, Red Sox, Bruins)

Future Career Plans: Sports journalist/broadcaster

Favorite subject: English (duh) or Math

One reason why everyone should read the Rampage: The Rampage is showcasing future writers talking about things YOU the students care about. Whether the article is about a school or world-wide event, it's a great place to become informed.



Grace Azaula, Arts and Review Editor, 2020

Extracurriculars: Unified theater, Drama Club, NEHS, NHS, Peer Advocates, Young Feminists, Peer Tutoring, and (of course) the Rampage!

Favorite subject: English, French, and CHROMATIX!

Favorite food: Potatoes

If I were a color I would be: Periwinkle

Favorite book: *The Alchemist*

Why everyone should read the rampage: It is full of new stories covering relevant and interesting content from our very own CHS! It's informative, it's exciting, it's ramalicious!



The Rampage in progress!



Sanvi Bhardwaj, Student Life Editor, 2020

Favorite TV Show: Brooklyn Nine-Nine

Favorite Book: Too many to count

Favorite Pizza Place in Cheshire: Mr. B's (duh!)

What irks you: half full potato chip bags

Why Everyone Should Read the Rampage: The Rampage shows the events that happen at school from a student's perspective, which makes the content super relatable. Also, it's really well done and shows the diversity of clubs, events, people, and everything else here at CHS.



Callie Fritz, Health Editor, 2020

Birthday: January 7th, 2002

Extracurriculars: JSA, Young Democrats, NEHS, and the Rampage

Pet Peeves: Unnecessary confrontations, loud eating sounds

Favorite Type of Candy: White Reese's, Berry Sour Patch Kids

When I grow up I want to be a: High School English Teacher

Why did you decide to be an editor: to get involved in an aspect of Cheshire High that I love and wanted to make even better

Why Everyone Should Read the Rampage: To stay informed on all the exciting things going on at Cheshire High School!



Aida Adiguzel, College and Career Editor, 2021

Thank you to all our writers and contributors this year!



Find the following words in the puzzle. Words are hidden ↑ ↓ → ← and ↘.

CAP CEREMONY COLLEGE CORDS FRESHMAN FRIENDS FUTURE

FUTURE GOWN GRADES GRADUATION HIGHSCHOOL HONOR JUNIOR

MAJOR MINOR PARTY SENIOR SOPHOMORE SUCCESS

RIDDLES AND JOKES

Q: What letters contain nothing?

A: M-T!

Q: What becomes smaller when you turn it upside-down?

A: The number nine!



PROM 2019



Where Will They Go?

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Quinnipiac University

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Bentley University

John Wertz
Central Connecticut State
University

Jennifer Whitright
Sacred Heart University

Julia Wieloch
University of Rhode Island

Emily Williams
Bryant University

Mackenzie Wolff
University of Connecticut

Erin Wu
University of Connecticut

Jacob Yale
Gap Year

Talia Yavorek
Colgate University

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Durham

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Two Can Keep a Secret by Karen M. McManus with Mrs. Balisciano, Mrs. Courto, Ms. Bavone & Mrs. Kahoe

On the Come Up by Angie Thomas with Mrs. Wellspeak & Coach Lee

Like Water for Chocolate by Laura Esquivel with Mrs. Wildermann

The Hate You Give by Angie Thomas with Mr. Tartarelli

The Woman in Cabin 10 by Ruth Ware with Mrs. T. Disorbo & Mrs. Williams

Sadie by Courtney Summers with Ms. Gribben, Ms. Manning, Ms. Trifone & Mrs. Albino

The Only Woman in the Room by Marie Benedict with Ms. Hoag

The Rise and Fall of the Dinosaurs: A New History of a Lost World by Stephen Brusatte with Mr. Chlodnicki

Puddin' (Dumplin' #2) by Julie Murphy with Mrs. Catucci, Mrs. Piazza & Ms. Marshall

Unshakeable: Your Financial Freedom Playbook by Anthony Robbins with Mrs. Paier

Bear Town by Fredrik Backman with Mr. Trifone, Mr. Vicario & Mrs. Darcy

Five Feet Apart by Rachael Lippincott, Mikki Daughtry, and Tobias Iaconis with Mrs. Redford

Matilda, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, The BFG, James and the Giant Peach, and the Witches by Roald Dahl (choose three) with Mrs. Bevins, Mrs. Taillon, Mr. Manning & Mrs. Howden

Far From the Tree by Robin Benway with Mrs. Flood, Mrs. Rooney and Mrs. Lo-iselle

The Great Alone by Kristin Hannah with Dr. Reed, Mrs. Bottaro & Mrs. Canning

Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens with Mrs. Lebrun, Mrs. Close, Mrs. Sciascia & Mrs. Pelletier

The Poet X by Elizabeth Acevedo with Ms. Esposito

Tess of the Road by Rachel Hartman with Mrs. Yager & Ms. Barker

All the Bright Places by Jennifer Niven with Mrs. Carbone & Mrs. Kochiss

Becoming by Michelle Obama with Mrs. Pelz, Mrs. Sasso, Ms. Dennis & Ms. Vermeulen

Bottomfeeder: How to Eat Ethically in a World of Vanishing Seafood by Taras Grescoe with Mr. Lewoc

Tell Me Three Things by Julie Buxbaum with Mrs. Figueiredo, Mrs. Maisto & Mrs. Rogozinski

Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen with Ms. Demeo

Killing Pablo: The Hunt for the World's Greatest Outlaw by Mark Bowden with Ms. Girard & Mr. Carpino

The Law by Frederic Bastiat with Mrs. Missal

Acceleration by Graham McNamee with Mrs. Christensen

David and Goliath: Underdogs, Misfits, and the Art of Battling Giants by Malcolm Gladwell with Mr. Wildermann & Mr. DeFalco

Tell the Wolves I'm Home by Carol Rifka Brunt with Ms. Chorney

A Girl Like That by Tanaz Bhathena with Mrs. Kores & Mrs. McDonald

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Valedictorian- Yasin Tarabar



By Sanvi Bhardwaj 2020

Valedictorian Yasin Tarabar almost seems like a Cheshire High Legend. Maintaining an almost perfect GPA while handling a full schedule of AP classes and a massive list of extracurriculars is a feat a select few can pull off, with Yasin being one of them. He's taken 12 AP classes, and has mainly been involved with the Young Democrats and Math League. He also played tennis and ran cross country for his entire high school career, and was on the swim and dive team for the first time this year. Yasin will be attending Yale University in the fall, most likely as a math major.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years?
Not sure. I'd just like to be happy.

Which teacher has inspired you the most?
Dr. Bertenshaw and the Wildermanns.

What's one thing people might not know about you?
I hold the record for the latest submitted assignment in a Mr. Wildermann class.

What's a day in the life of Yasin like?

Same as yours.

As valedictorian, to many it seems like you can't make a mistake. Your GPA and your impressive list of awards and extracurriculars back that up. What's one time where you felt like you failed, and how did you get through it?
I have a 79 in bio.

What's your favorite pizza place in Cheshire?
Mr. B's.

Is water wet?
Yes.

What's your most embarrassing high school memory?

We missed a states math league trophy because I don't know how to write my name.

What is your favorite Disney movie?
Aladdin.



Yasin and his friends celebrating their college decisions on May 1st

Salutatorian- Ankit Sahasrabudhe



By Sanvi Bhardwaj 2018

Ankit Sahasrabudhe has had an incredibly successful high school career. This year's salutatorian, he has excelled in all of his classes and has the grades to prove it. He balances a rigorous course load with a wide variety of extracurriculars. He's been involved with Young Democrats, JSA, CHS Boys Swim and Dive Team, Science Bowl, SNHS, NHS, Math League, and Model UN. Outside of school, he was an intern at the Yale School of Management, co-chair of the Connecticut High School Democrats, and served on the National Committee of the High School Democrats of America. Ankit will be attending Stanford University and hasn't decided on a major yet, but is leaning towards engineering, economics, or math.

If you had to pick a crayon color to describe your personality, what would you pick and why?

Red, because red is bold but also works in all types of occasions.

What would you do if you knew you couldn't fail?

I would go become a rapper.

What advice do you have for underclassmen?

Do stuff that interests you, not the stuff that you're "supposed" to do.

Is water wet?

Yes, because water makes things wet and water is made up of water.

If you had to pick an Avenger that best describes your personality, who would you pick and why?

Iron Man, because I like being nerdy and I also like having fun.

What's your most embarrassing high school memory?

The time I started a speech by saying "hello" way too loudly. I've never managed to live it down and even have a nickname stemming from it.

How do you want to be remembered at CHS?

I want to be remembered as someone who was trustworthy, reliable, had a good sense of humor, and above all was a good friend. I want to speak Italian and go to Italy.

What was the last thing you ate?

Halo Clementine.

Favorite sports movie? Favorite movie?

I don't really watch a lot of movies, so I'm not sure

How would you spend one million dollars?

First, I would donate some, or most of it. Then probably pay for college and travel somewhere cool.

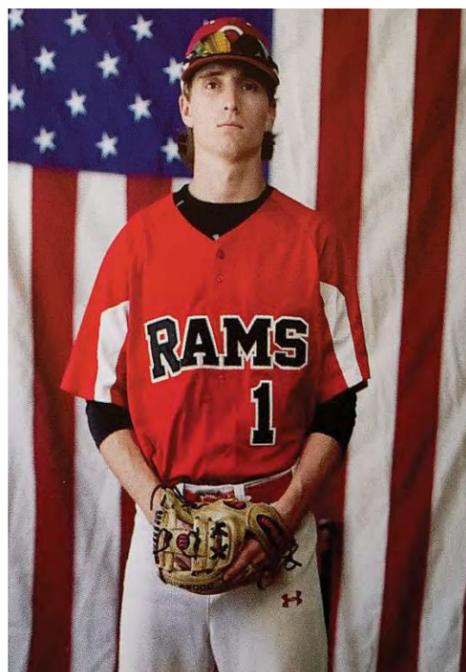
Why are you so smart?

Putting all my effort in my work has been what made me successful. I kind of always do my homework, even when most people do not.

PE/Health- Ryan Cyr



Visual Art- Paul Villecco



Business- Megan Curello



Male Instrumental- Isaac Crawford



By Abby Dziura 2020

Isaac Crawford is well-known in the CHS music program—he plays instruments, participates in various ensembles, is the section leader for high brass in the Ram Marching Band, sings in chorale, and writes music in Music Theory. He takes multiple AP classes and is known for being kind, smart, and outgoing. Isaac is planning on attending Quinnipiac University this fall.

What is your favorite piece that you've ever played at CHS?

Ooh, that's tough. I'll go with two outstanding pieces: for classical, Holst's First Suite in Eb, and for jazz, Slipstream by Andrew Neu. Both are beautiful and complex in their own completely separate ways and evoke the human emotion to a considerable degree.

What is your favorite instrument that you don't play?

I suppose I'll be basic and say Cello. It does a marvelous job of mimicking the human voice and is very flexible in its technique.

What is your favorite way to procrastinate?

While not the most frequent method, I usually reap the most joy out of procrastination via either musical composition, fiddling with the piano, looking at maps, creating a story, or playing Fire Emblem. I'm also a fan of puzzle games like Sudoku and Minesweeper.

What are you most looking forward to in college?

I am greatly both anticipating and fearful for my development as a scholar, and hopeful that I will be able to better my work habits so as to make me an effective and responsible student. It will take some effort, but I know I have the ability to accomplish more than I am doing right now.

In your opinion, what movie has the best music?

I'm torn between Guardians of the Galaxy (both of them) and The Lord of the Rings/The Hobbit, a division which I feel characterizes me very well. I do owe some credit to the works of John Williams and whoever is behind the rest of Marvel, though.

Male Vocal Artist- Aidan Bogan



By Abby Dziura 2020

Aidan Bogan has participated in various clubs and activities throughout his years at Cheshire High School. He has been a member of Ramblers, an all-male singing choir, since freshman year, and he is also a member of GSA and Young Feminists. Aidan will be joining the UConn Huskies this fall.

What is your favorite song that you've performed at CHS?

My favorite song was a song I performed in Vocal Jazz my junior year called "Fields of Gold" by Sting

What is one song you wish you performed?

One song in jazz that we sang many times but never performed was a song called "Well Alright, Okay, You Win" by Count Basie and Joe Williams

What is your favorite song to sing/play when you're happy?

Since I play piano, one of my favorite

songs to play and sing is "Hallelujah" by Leonard Cohen because it is such a staple in piano music and everybody always sings along.

What's your favorite genre of music?

My favorite genre of music is classic rock. Anything from the 70s, 80s, and 90s.

What's your favorite chorale memory?

Some of my favorite memories from Vocal Jazz are when we are learning a song and finally nail it for the first time, when we find our sound together and have great jazzy chords ringing in the chorus room.

What will you miss about CHS?

I will miss all of the friends that I made throughout my years of CHS and the sense of community that CHS has.

Are there any teachers that have really inspired you?

There are many teachers that stand out among the rest simply because of their genuineness about teaching and their kindness towards the students, because kindness is what I strive for. Some teachers that come to mind are Mrs. Malvezzi, Mrs. Redford, Mr. Vicario, Ms. Griffiths, Mr. Eaton, Mrs. Carbone, Mrs. Bevins, Mrs. Albino, and Ms. Barker.

If you found a ten dollar bill on the ground, what would you go buy?

If I found a ten dollar bill on the ground, I would donate it, because it belongs to someone who needs it more than me.

Female Instrumental- Sara Drozdowski

By Abby Dziura 2020

Sara Drozdowski is an avid participant in band and the music ensembles here at Cheshire High School. She has also participated in various and exclusive ensembles (often requiring auditions) outside the school, including New England Music Festival, Connecticut Music Educators' Association Southern Region Festival, John Philip Sousa National High School Honors Band, and the American School Band Directors' Association CT Chapter. In the fall, Sara plans on attending James Madison University,

What is your favorite piece that you've done for a music class at CHS?

My favorite piece would have to be Gustav Holst's First Suite in E-Flat for Military Band. The CHS Wind Ensemble played this in the spring of my junior year, and it will forever be one of my favorite pieces.

How has music impacted you here at CHS?

I could go on about how music has impacted me at CHS. I would not be the person I am today without it. Coming into high school, I was a nervous wreck and almost quit band entirely to avoid the requirement of doing marching band my freshman year. I'm so glad I didn't, because I met my second family and grew so much as a person in these four short years by becoming a musician. In



college, I plan to pursue music as my major, mainly because I was so inspired by the impact it can have on someone. The music department here at CHS provided me with so many outstanding opportunities that have shaped not only my high school career, but who I am today and who I want to be in the future.

What is one place you want to travel to someday?

I really want to travel to Germany and Poland someday. Those countries hold so much history, and as both a music geek and a history nerd, I get excited at historical sites, especially those that have to do with music.

Female Vocal Artist- Paige Remillard

By Grace Azaula 2020

Paige Remillard has been an avid participant in Cheshire High School's vocal department. She has been a part of the select ensemble Chromatix for three years and was elected as the department's president this year. In addition to being a wonderful vocalist, Paige Remillard has gotten involved at Cheshire High through leadership opportunities, theater, field hockey, and student government, among others. This fall she will be attending Penn State and is planning to double major in business and psychology.

What is your favorite memory from CHS chorus?

Wow, this is a hard question because there are so many! I would have to say that my favorite one is when we performed for New York Voices. It was an amazing experience!

What is your favorite piece you've sung at CHS?

I think that my favorite song I have sung here at CHS in Vocal Jazz has been "Autumn Leaves" and my favorite solo has been "I Know Where I've Been" from Hairspray.

Who is your biggest inspiration?

My older brother Bret. He has developmental disabilities and a seizure disorder and he inspires me to live life to the fullest and how to always have a positive outlook on life.



What is your favorite item of clothing?

My blue pants! Haha just about anything blue— but I have this one pair that are light blue and have little white flower designs and they remind me of Mamma Mia! (pants in picture above)

What will you miss the most about Cheshire High?

CHS Musical Theater, my Latin class, and my best friends

What final advice would you like to give to underclassmen?

Honestly, my biggest piece of advice, is to truly "take it all in". High School goes by in the blink of an eye, and if you take the time to be present to what is around you, you will realize that it can be an incredible and beautiful experience.

Male Theater- Chris Baker



By Grace Azaula 2020

Chris Baker has been a huge asset to Cheshire High School's drama department, participating in both the fall and spring productions for the past four years. Most recently he has played Sam in Mamma Mia and did an incredible job at that. This fall Chris will be joining the class of 2023 at Quinnipiac University.

What is your favorite theater memory?
Definitely freshman year ensemble with dance Track 3, we knew we were bad and we loved it. Lots of great people and great laughs.

What was your favorite CHS production you've been a part of?
My favorite production would most likely be Singin' In The Rain, but it's really hard to pick just one.

What will you miss the most about Cheshire High?
It may sound like a corny cop-out, but I think I will miss most the people that I met here

What are you most looking forward to in college?

I am most looking forward to involving myself in more athletics than I did in the beginning of my high school career, as well as the independence and not having to wake up as early.

What is your favorite icecream color?
Good question, it would have to be plaid (Cookies and cream)

What's your favorite inside joke?
I have too many inside jokes to count, I honestly can't tell what is an inside joke anymore, but if I had to pick one, it would probably be all the inside jokes we have in Vocal Jazz.

What final advice would you like to give to underclassmen?

For theatre underclassmen, don't be afraid to just be yourself. It's super corny again, but it's also really true. Also make sure to reflect on what you have, because it can be easy to miss. Don't forget that this is high school, and at the end of the day the show is going to come together one way or another, so don't stress about it and just try to have the most fun you can. In general, I would say to just make sure to do your homework, don't be too lazy, and involve yourself as much as you can.



Female Theater- Maple Carocci



By Grace Azaula 2020

Senior Maple Carocci has been a model member of the CHS theatre department for the past four years. She has participated in One Acts, the Spring Musical, and the Fall play in which she has been both onstage and offstage. Maple will be attending Purchase college in the fall and cannot wait to start this next chapter of her life.

What is your favorite theater memory?
My favorite memory would be from this year's production of Mamma Mia, being backstage and dancing along with my friends to all the songs and having a great time

What was your favorite CHS production you've been a part of?
Suite Surrender, it was my last senior play and I loved being a part of it

What is your favorite plant?
Sunflowers for sure

If you could have any superpower what would it be?

Flying, It is very common and unoriginal but I'd love to be able to fly

What will you miss the most about Cheshire High?

The sense of community that I got to be a part of for my four years, especially everyone who I've met through theatre and my classes

What final advice would you like to give to underclassmen?

Get more involved with your community! You'll end up meeting so many people who you can rely on



Technology Education- James Innicki

By Aida Adiguzel 2021

James Innicki has shown his dedication to technology education in his time here at CHS. He's taken multiple technology education classes and has excelled in them. A member of the hockey and golf teams, as well as Best Buddies, James has been involved in multiple extracurriculars at school. After graduation, James will be going to a Local 90 Electrical Union apprenticeship program instead of a traditional college or university.

What was your favorite Career/Tech Ed. class that you have taken at CHS?
Structures and design

If you could live anywhere in the world where would you live?
Aruba

What is your dream job?
A NHL hockey player

What emotion would describe you the best?
Dedicated

What color do you wear most often?
Blue

If you could fix anything about the world, what would you fix?
World Hunger

What is the first thing that you notice about a person?
Their smile

What Hogwarts house describes you the best?
Gryffindor



PE/Health-Ellie Murphy

By Grace Azaula

2020

Ellie Murphy has always been very involved with CHS Physical Education and Athletics. A four-year swimmer and member of the Peer Health Advocates, Ellie has gone above and beyond when it comes to representing this department at Cheshire High School. Next year, she will begin her time at Siena College.

What is your favorite PE memory?

My favorite PE memory is climbing the rope course and getting to the top halfway through the top wire I got scared due to the heights and was screaming for Mrs.Mik.

What is one health/PE class you would recommend to underclassmen?

Peer Health. Peer Health has changed my life as a person for the better, I have become close with some of the best

people in my life.

Are there any teachers at CHS who have inspired you?

I have three teachers that have inspired me. Coach Lee, he has pushed me to be the best person I could be, he has left and impact on my life. Next would be Mrs.Battaro, she has been my teacher since freshman year she understands me not only as a student but as a teacher, I couldn't have gotten through high school without her. And last would be Senora Lopes, she is one of the most understanding teachers I have ever met, she wants the best for all of her students and wants to see you succeed.

Whats is your favorite healthy meal/snack?

Chia pudding!

What is one place you want to travel to and why?

Greece, because it's so pretty and because they filmed Mamma Mia there.

What is one random thing you'll miss about CHS?

Family. CHS is one big family and its never easy to say goodbye to family. What is your favorite gym class game/sport?
Kickball

What is the first thing you would do with a million dollars?

Give back to those who helped me become the person I am today.



A Note From the Editor

By Abby Dziura

2020

Wow, where has the time gone? Just yesterday I was getting ready for the first day of my junior year. I had no clue what was in store. Since September, I've helped to put together (now two!) print editions of the paper, visited a handful of colleges, taken 3 AP exams, performed in two shows, learned a pirate shanty, and gotten my driver's license. That's a lot for nine months!

To the underclassmen: everyone always says junior year is your hardest year. In a way, they're right (sorry sophomores!). Junior year challenged me academically and socially to step out of my comfort zone and take on a lot of responsibility. But at the same time, each year has presented its own challenges. Honestly, this just makes me really excited for next year. I can't wait to see what comes with my senior year (and I can't wait to hang out on the senior walk). For everyone already worrying about the 2019-2020 school year at Cheshire High School, just remember that each grade you pass through will be different. Plus, no two high school experiences are ever the same. So, enjoy summer, get your AP work done early, and take in the nice weather.



To the graduating seniors: Class of 2019, I can't believe our time together is coming to an end! Every year, June becomes more and more bitter-sweet as the people I've known for years begin to leave. I am so proud of each and every one of you--no matter what you're doing or where you're going--and I can't wait to see what you do next. You guys have been a talented and smart class from the start with worlds of potential. Just remember that even if it doesn't feel like it, you have a whole school of people behind you. We're here for you and the challenges you'll face in the future.

To my fellow juniors: woohoo! We're almost seniors. Like I said, I'm excited for the senior walk. Let's make next year fun and memorable. I can't wait!

In Rampage news: stay tuned! We have some exciting things coming your way next year. Don't forget to remind all of your friends to pick up this June print edition!

To close off the year, I'm including a picture of one of my favorite memories from 2019: the time my friend Haleigh painted me for her class. Thanks, Haleigh!

French- Robert Takizawa

By Sanvi Bhardwaj

2020

Robert Takizawa has taken French since 7th grade, and has been dedicated to the class ever since. He's taken AP French, the most rigorous French class available, along with a challenging schedule full of AP classes. His dedication to all of his classes, especially French, makes him the perfect choice for the French spotlight. Robby will be attending Yale University this fall as a mathematics and economics major.

Why did you decide to take French as a foreign language?

I decided to take French because of the history and culture surrounding the language.

Have you ever been to France? What was your favorite part of your trip?

I haven't been to France.

What teacher has had the most impact on your life?

Mrs. Wildermann.

What is your favorite topping to put on a crepe? Savory or sweet?

Definitely sweet, specifically strawberries and whipped cream.

Would you rather be able to breathe underwater or be able to survive in space?

Survive in space, I think it'd be cool to just go out and explore the universe.

What is your favorite food?

Steak.

What is your favorite Disney song?

Feed the Birds from Mary Poppins.

What is something in the future that you are most excited about?

I am probably most excited to see where end up and I what I end up doing, especially since I currently am very unsure of what I want to do.

If you could be anywhere in the world right now, where would you go?

I would definitely go to Hawaii, one of the most relaxing and interesting places I've ever been.



German- Tiffany Hua



By Sanvi Bhardwaj

2020

Tiffany Hua has had a dedication to German ever since 7th grade. Since then, she's taken a rigorous course load and the most challenging German classes offered at CHS, including AP German. It is no surprise that her hard work has led to her being nominated for the German spotlight. She will be going to Cornell University's First-Year Spring Admit (FYSA) program, and will be majoring in hospitality management at the Cornell Hotel School. Prior to going to Cornell in the Spring of 2020, she will be attending the University of Connecticut as a real estate major for the Fall of 2019.

Why did you decide to take German as a foreign language?

To be honest, I decided to take German because my mom wanted me to take it. She heard that German in the Cheshire Public School system was fun compared to the other language classes. She also wanted me to take it because Germany is evolving

and their technology is advancing rapidly.

What German delicacy is your favorite and why?

My favorite German delicacy is the German schnitzel, which is basically breaded fried pork. First off, anything fried is usually good and I'm a big fan of pork, so the schnitzel is my favorite delicacy.

What's your favorite movie of all time?

So far, my favorite movie of all time has to be Crazy Rich Asians. Not only does it show Asian representation, but I thought the plot was really cheesy and the cast was on point, as well as the background music and songs. This movie was also really funny and romantic at the same time, which are my favorite genres.

If you could be any animal, what animal would you be?

If I could be any animal, I would want to be a bird. I'm not sure what kind of bird, but as a bird, I would fly around the world and travel a lot. I tend to not want to stay in one specific place for too long.

If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go?

I really want to visit Thailand because the greenish-blueish color of the water looks so relaxing. I really want to sail and swim in the water, as well as visit the intricate-looking temples.

What is your favorite food?

My favorite food is noodles. I love all forms of noodles. I love Chinese beef soup noodles, lo mein, pan-fried noodles, pho, ramen, etc.

Latin- Stephanie Smith



By Abby Dziura

2020

Why did you choose Latin as your high school foreign language?

I knew how much it would help me with vocabulary, both in languages and science. Also, we had so much fun in middle school that I couldn't give up on Magistra, and I haven't regretted it for a second.

Do you think Marcus Junius Brutus was justified in killing Julius Caesar?

I think Brutus and the rest of the group were definitely justified in wanting Julius off the throne, but they didn't have to Swiss cheese him in order to make it happen.

How would you describe your favorite color without saying it?

The color of the sound rain makes when it hits pavement in the summer.

Would you have wanted to live at the height of the Roman Empire?

Not particularly - as stated by the genius Dr. Mary Beard, the life of an average Roman was a lot less glamorous than we see it. I'd like to live it for a day, but not my whole life.

What is your favorite flower?

Lavender. It's only vaguely a flower, but I love the scent and vibrancy they have.

What are you most excited for in college?

I'm most excited to not be in class at the crack of dawn every morning, and to get to know more people from all over. 🌍

Spanish- Kaitlyn Loura

By Natalie Vetto

2019

Kaitlyn Loura has taken Spanish since 7th grade, and has fully dedicated herself to the language ever since. She has taken the most rigorous Spanish classes offered, including AP Spanish. She has shown her excellence through all of her classes, but she truly shines in Spanish, which is why she was chosen for the senior spotlight this year. Kaitlyn will be attending Villanova University in the fall.



What made you choose Spanish as your language to study?

I chose to study Spanish because it has such a prevalence around this country and the world, so I feel like it is important to be able to communicate with such a large amount of people. There's also so much to the Spanish culture that I wanted to learn about like the art, music, and literature.

What is your favorite word in Spanish?

Esperanza (hope)

If you could have any superpower what would it be?

Teleportation

What's your favorite Disney movie?

Moana

What is your favorite sports team?

Real Madrid

What advice do you have for the incoming freshman and underclassman?

My advice for them is to get involved in as many extracurricular activities as possible and go to as many school events as possible because it's important to connect with your classmates and get involved around the school. Your time at the high school goes by faster than you think, so cherish every moment you get to spend there.

What are you most excited about for college?

I'm most excited about meeting new people from all across the country with different backgrounds and joining new clubs and activities.

Italian- Matthew Mayano

By Natalie Vetto

2019

What made you choose Italian as your language to study?

My family comes from Italian roots and I heard from upperclassmen that the Italian teacher was the best.

What is your favorite word in Italian?

Calcio which means soccer

What is your favorite sports team?

New England Patriots

What is your favorite thing to do in your free time?

Hang out with friends, play basketball and soccer

What is your favorite food?

My Mother's Pasta and Meatballs

What is your favorite Disney movie?

I don't really watch Disney Movies, but either Incredibles or Toy Story movies when I was a kid.

What advice do you have for the incoming freshman and underclassman?

Work hard all throughout High School especially your first year when you are trying to adapt to a new school. Try not to get influenced into making bad decisions and focus on a goal and try to work hard to try to accomplish it.

Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

Either owning my own business or working for a well-known company in the field of marketing or finance.

What are you most excited about for college?

Meet new people, have a good time but also focus on school first. 🌍



Female Social Studies- Alyssa Misiewicz



By Abby Dziura 2020

Alyssa has been an exemplary social studies student these past four years. Her love of Social Studies encouraged Alyssa to partake in two of her favorite extracurriculars, Young Democrats and JSA. This fall Alyssa will be heading off to DC where she will be attending George Washington University.

What was your favorite time period to study?

I loved learning about the 1960s. It's a decade loaded with activism; the women's rights movement, Stone Wall, Vietnam War protests and, of course, the civil rights movement. Leaders, like Martin Luther King Jr. and Gloria Steinem, continue to inspire me on my political path.

What is your funniest memory from a history class?

I honestly can't pick a single funniest memory. My gov class was easily the funniest. Campaign days, fish bowls, and our last few days in class after the exam were the most entertaining.

Coollest fact would have to be a psych term: mere exposure effect. It's proven that the more time you spend around someone or something, the more you like that person or thing.

Any advice for upperclassman?

Underclassmen: get involved. Join a club or two that you're passionate about. I'll always recommend Young Dems and JSA. Try out for the musical or join the

track team - I loved both. Take the classes that you want to, not just the ones your friends are taking. The classes where I knew no one going in is where I've made some of my closest friends. Advanced Art, AP Euro... some of the best teachers and best classmates. Don't stress about college, but at the same time, make sure you're preparing for it. Your freshman-junior year grades matter, but so does what you do outside of school. Think about possible career paths that you're interested in and take classes or do activities that match up with them. Take AP and ECE classes and get that college credit - it does help. Take gov, take calc, take bio, and take econ - those will meet general education requirements (pre-major) at college if you have the AP score or signed up for ECE. Finally, say yes. High school is the perfect time to travel, to go on field trips and travel with clubs. If you have the opportunity to do something new and exciting, do it! Some of my favorite trips were through school: Galapagos islands, JSA Winter Congress-D.C., Young Dems summit in Boston, etc.

Cats or Dogs?

Dogs. Without a doubt.

What are you most excited for in the future?

Short term: going to school in D.C. in the fall I'll be attending GWU and I'm beyond thrilled to be going there. Long term: traveling the world. I have a long list of places I want to go to and I'm determined to hit a few within the next few years.

Male Social Studies- Suchir Sivakumar



By Abby Dziura 2020

Suchir Sivakumar has taken numerous social studies classes at CHS, including US History and AP Psychology. He is an active member of clubs like BRAVE, which helps to honor veterans, the Science National Honors Society, and the robotics club. This fall, Suchir is going to UConn.

If you could choose to live in any era in history, what would it be?

End of the 20th century (1970s-1990s), as this is when computer development started to ramp up. In 1969 arpanet was founded which would create many protocols that would be used in our modern world.

What is your favorite social studies class you've taken at CHS?

U.S. History with Mr. Galvin. Great class, had many memorable moments. Also love the cheese party :)

What was the most stressful class you've taken at CHS?

The most stressful class I have taken in CHS was my spanish classes. Learning a second language is fun but also can be challenging to an extent as it requires a very strong grasp on English grammar.

What is one thing you wish you did at CHS?

I wish I participated in the pie eating contest last year in B1 day.

What's the best ice cream flavor?

Seasalt Caramel. Or anything at the UCONN dairy bar.

What is one thing you would tell your past self, given the chance?

I would tell my freshman self to stop using the roller backpack. To much traffic in the hallway never fits in the locker.

What is your favorite place to shop?

Brookstone, great electronics store.



B1 Day 2019



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Female Science- Jenny Wang

By Sanvi Bhardwaj 2020

Jenny Wang is well-known at CHS for being smart, funny, and all-around a likeable person. Her dedication to school, especially science, is evident in her course load and grades. Jenny has taken AP Chemistry, AP Physics I, and AP Biology, among many others. Not only did she maintain fantastic grades, but she also was involved in many extracurriculars, including Junior State of America (JSA), Volleyball, Tennis, Treasurer for the Class of 2019, Link Crew, and National Honor Society. Jenny will be attending Wellesley College next fall, possibly as an economics or computer science major with a public health focus.

What teachers have been the most impactful on you at CHS? Why?

Dr. Bertenshaw and Mrs. Wildermann have contributed enormously to my experiences at CHS. I was blessed to

have a teacher as intuitive and knowledgeable about chemistry as Dr. B. She was capable of answering the most esoteric of questions and rarely accepted an adequate response. It taught me to think more abstractly and work to understand the subject. She's also the person I go to talk about almost anything.

Mrs. Wildermann is quite literally the sweetest woman I've ever met. I'm so thankful to have had the chance to take AP Lang with her before she switched over to culinary. She not only makes whoever she's talking to feel special as she interacts with them, but she captures her audience so well that class always went by in a blur. For the first time in all of my K-12 education, English felt fun.

What are you most looking forward to at college?

I'm excited to gain independence and experience life in a whole new setting.



What's something you absolutely cannot stand?

Hypocrisy (although I can't say I'm not a hypocrite).

What's the weirdest thing that's happened to you at CHS?

I watched a bunch of kids carrying a bathroom stall that they unscrewed from the boy's bathroom across from the library for absolutely no reason.

What's your favorite smoothie flavor?

Tropical? I've never had a mind-blowing or a bad smoothie

If you met middle school you now, what would you tell her?

Keep working hard. Don't be afraid to put yourself out there. Don't fear failure. Stop wearing a t-shirt and shorts to school every day. 🐼

Female English- Aimee Shepard



By Abby Dziura 2020

Aimee Shepard was chosen for the English spotlight for her strong passion in both reading and writing. She was an officer for the National English Honor Society. In the fall, she will be attending Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute to study engineering.

What is your favorite book?

The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton. I read it in 6th grade and it was one of the first books that I was obsessed with, in fact it was my senior quote.

What is the best book to movie adaptation?

By far the best book to movie adaptation was Harry Potter. They did a great job of capturing the magic of the book on the big screen.

Are there any teachers that have really inspired you?

One teacher that has inspired me is Dr. Bertenshaw because she is an amazing teacher that taught me not just about Chemistry but also about myself. She helped me discover my passion for science which helped me choose my future career.

What is one thing that you will always remember about CHS?

One thing that I will always remember about CHS is the friends and memories that I have made during my time here.

How often do you reread books entirely?

I don't reread books often however, there are a few that I often find myself going back to for example, the Handmaid's Tale and The Giver.

What's your favorite reading/writing spot?

My favorite reading spot is in my bed.

What is one food you hate and why?

One food that I hate is tomatoes both by themselves or in dishes.

What is one thing that you've done in your time in the English Department that you are proud of?

I am the most proud of is how much I have improved over the course of my four years at CHS. I am also proud that I am an officer in the National English Honor Society. With my fellow officers we have been able to spread the message of NEHS and our love of literature. 🐼

Male English- Richmond Le

By Sanvi Bhardwaj 2020

Richmond is known for his creative projects, amazing video editing skills, and bright personality. For many, it is not surprising that he earned the English spotlight. A talented writer, Richmond has taken some of the most rigorous English courses CHS has to offer, including AP English Language and Composition and British Literature ECE. He's heavily involved in the school, and does Cross Country, Swimming and Diving, Outdoor Track, CHS Choirs, Vocal Jazz Ensemble, NHS, Student Senate, Student Government, and Drama Club. He also plays piano and guitar, and also does filmmaking, hiking, lifeguard, and cooking. He's won a chopped competition, and is a proud Swiftie. Richmond will be attending the University of Connecticut as a Healthcare Management major.

What song do you have stuck in your head right now?

The Twentieth Century Fox Intro.

What's a day in the life of Richmond like?

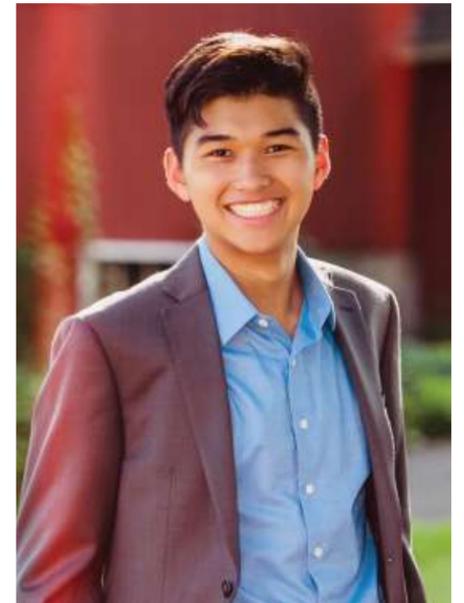
I get ready for school, drive in, cross the street because I park in the junior lot, go to classes, smile at people, laugh a lot, and I make a lot of lists so I know what to get done for the day. Sometimes I go to practice after school, and then I go home, pet my dogs, prep for the next day, do homework, eat, and sleep? Sometimes?

If you could only eat one thing for the rest of your life, what would it be?

Costco has really good chocolate covered mangoes, because it has fiber and chocolate, which is all you really need. If I happen to run out, then sushi.

Who's your role model?

Mr. Wildermann. He's always encouraged me to be unique with my work and take risks with my writing. He hasn't stopped supporting me since the very first day that I met him. He's given me a lot of opportunities to be creative, not only as



a writer but as a director in my projects. He treasures the little details in life (two rubber bands). He's always well dressed and always offering to help. I loved how vocal he was about the Wife of Bath's Tale in The Canterbury Tales.

If you could pick one memory from your time here at CHS, what would it be and why's it important to you?

Making the B1 day video. It was such a fun time for me and my friends to celebrate the last few months of school before we all go our separate ways. Designing a treasure hunt around town was one of the most creative challenges I've ever done, but it was fun to create something that symbolized positivity and making friendship for the whole school to enjoy.

How do you want to be remembered at CHS?

I was a new student freshman year, and I want to tell anyone who was on a different path before coming here that the thing that helped me in my high school experience was being active and trying new things. The two most helpful traits to have with you going through high school and life is to be kind and enthusiastic, so I hope I'm remembered for that. 🐼

Male Science- Ayan Bhattacharjee

By Abby Dziura

2020

Ayan Bhattacharjee has had an incredible High School career. Not only was he an exemplary student in the classroom, but he got involved within the Cheshire High community. He was an avid participant in CHS Young Democrats, Model UN, Math League, and the Science Bowl Team. This fall he will be joining the class of 2023 at University of Pennsylvania most likely as a chemistry major.

What was your favorite science class at CHS?

My favorite science class was AP Chemistry with Dr. Bertenshaw. I enjoyed the open discussions we had about concepts that explain the world around us. I also enjoyed lab work.

What will you miss about high school?

Most of all I miss the great friends I made and the awesome teachers I had.

What is your favorite way to study?

My favorite way to study is lying in bed, with music playing.

What advice do you have for underclassmen?

I would say if you get frustrated trying to learn something, don't give up on it, because you'll feel great once you get it.

If you were to write a book about your life, what would the title be?

The title would be Over thinking.

What is your ideal breakfast and why?

A glass of milk because it's quick.



Male Business- Joshua Fisher-Parsley

By Abby Dziura

2020

Josh Fisher-Parsley is well-known throughout the business department for his dedicated involvement in business classes and clubs, including DECA. He plans on being an accountant and will attend Quinnipiac University in the fall.

What is your favorite business class you've taken at CHS?

My favorite business class is by far Mrs. Taillon's advanced accounting class because not only is Mrs. Taillon a great teacher but accounting just makes sense to me and I really enjoy doing it.

What is your favorite memory from CHS?

One of my favorite memories was B1 day last year because I had such a great time with my friends and also, it was so eye opening to hear the stories from classmates and the issues that other kids are going through.

Who is one teacher that always makes you laugh?

Mrs. Taillon and Ms. Roussell are two teachers who never fail to put a smile on my face

What is one life tip you've learned from the business classes?

Debits on the left and credits on the right



What is your best excuse for being late?

I was in guidance

In an alternate universe, what would you be doing right now?

Exactly the same thing

Do you have any parting words?

Honestly, as excited as I am to go to college, it breaks my heart leaving the family I have made at this school and I will forever be grateful for all the lessons I've learned and all the memories that will last a lifetime.



Female Visual Artist- Rachel Mola

By Samantha Bosque

2020

For this year's selections, Miss Rachel Mola was chosen for the top female student of the art department. In the fall, she will be attending MassArt in order to start her career in the art field. She has been working with drawing, painting, and even digital art for years, even before taking many of the possible art classes offered here at CHS. Unfortunately for her class, there were not enough students for an AP art class to run for her senior year. Although it was a disappointment to be unable to take the class she had been preparing for three years, she made the best of it by taking the senior experience class and meeting with Mr. Earley and Mr. Costardo in order to work further in her art career. Throughout all her years in high school, she has been dedicated to the arts as she kept an art class in her schedule at all times, on top of joining the art club in working on the mural and centering her senior experience project around her art future. Below are her thoughts on being an artist, her craft, and her experience at CHS:

How long have you been drawing for? What got you into art?

I've been drawing for pretty much my entire life, even if it started out using the twist-up crayon pencils at my grandma's house and doodling some random ass creatures on construction paper. For me, I started taking it more seriously in 7th grade when I realized that I could use art as an outlet for emotions.

If you could go back to freshman year, what would you change about yourself?

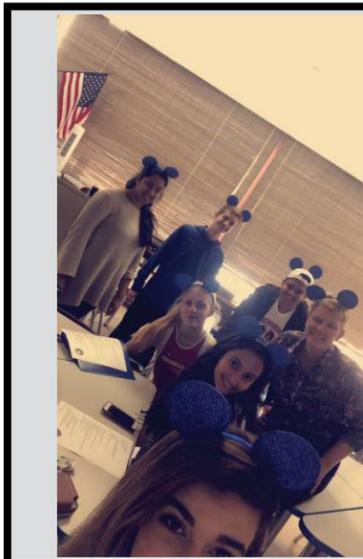
I would tell my freshman self to not hesitate to change my appearance to suit who I was on the inside. I was so riddled with anxiety that people wouldn't accept me if I showed off the things I enjoy at that time. I didn't have a group of real friends, nor did I have that for the majority of my high school career, but if I had thrown away all the fears of being rejected by people, maybe I would've been able to find my friends faster. But there's also a



part of me that wouldn't change anything. As of this year, I'm a firm believer in fate. If I had been in a state of mind to get a car and my license earlier to where I'd be able to have senior privilege, I would never have had the study hall where I would meet my group of friends. If I had gotten better grades in middle school, I wouldn't have been in chemistry my junior year to meet another one of my best friends. This is gonna sound dumb, but I think that everything is going to happen for a reason, and sometimes it just has to play out in order for it to work out eventually.

What career are you going to pursue after college?

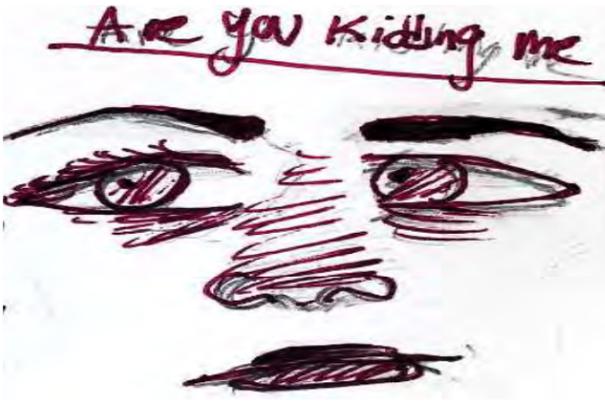
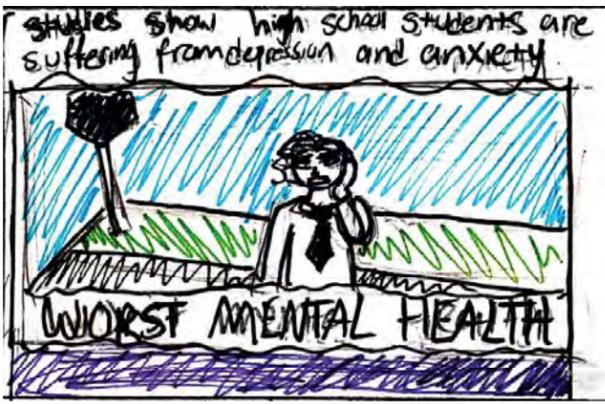
I don't know where I'll end up location-wise, but I'll be pursuing animation and character design in college and maybe throw some illustration in there. I've always loved the idea of bringing any concept you can imagine to life. If you want to give life to an alien fantasy world, you can. If you want to make a romance story that real life movies can't capture, you can. I love portraying different character aspects through their appearances and voices and facial expressions/body language that can be achieved through animation.



Members of Cheshire High's DECA club went down to the DECA national championships this year in Orlando Florida, and can be seen here rocking their Mickey ears!

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Pen Pals



Sammi Bosque 2020

2019 in Pictures



Class of 2019 poses for a picture
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Students pose in the bleachers
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CHS Drama's "Soprano Squad" takes a selfie
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Students walking through Europe with Mr. Eaton
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Seniors pose with their honor chords
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Mrs. Redford's AP Lang class celebrates before the exam
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Class of 2019 poses on the bleachers for their class picture
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Model UN travel team in Baltimore for JHUMUNC
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Bonne chance
à tout le monde!
Je vous souhaite
tout le bonheur
que vous méritez!
Madame Ocone

Challenge yourself and
enjoy the adventures
ahead. Congratulations
and best wishes.
Mrs. Redford

Seniors,
Congratulations on
making it through
the last 4 years!
Good luck in the future!
Mrs. Betancourt

Class of
2019 ROCKS!
ENJOY! Mrs. Peletier
Seniors,
Best of luck,
will never forget
you all. ♥♥♥
-Miss Manning

Hey Everyone,
A piece of advice-
figure out who you are,
and be her, him, or them.
Trust no. Thank you all.
I love you all. Dr. B.
(a.k.a. Dr. Stephanie Rose Bartenstein)

May the universe continue
to conspire forever
in your favors! Best
wishes on a new
beginning! Love
Ms. Jellen

Seniors
Best of
luck and
congratulations!
Ms. Griffiths
"Every exit is an
entry somewhere"
-Tom Stoppard
Best wishes Class of 2019
-Ms. Chumey

Seniors,
It has been a real
joy to be your advisor. BEST OF LUCK,
I hope you all find SENIORS!
a career you love + CALC-U-LATER!
are successful in life. MR HUNTER!

Remember to Always Seniors, GOOD
"give back" + pay, Always Seniors, LUCK!! Enjoy the
it forward!! next few years!
Hugs Mrs. LeBar - Ms. Wagmaker
~Ms. Skrzyniarz

It has been such a
pleasure working with
this amazing class!
I know you will all do
good things!
Mrs. Skurja

Seniors,
IN THE IMMORTAL WORDS
OF WALTER ZEVON,
"ENJOY EVERY SANDWICH"
- Mr. W.

Wishing you
the best in
life. Don't
forget to do
good
Mr. B. Kefauver

Dear seniors,
I hope you always
remember to write in
TBQAC format and
always conduct yourself
with integrity.
Much love,
Ms. Hoag

Seniors -
I will miss you all
dearly! I wish you the
best of luck, and remember:
Have fun, be safe, be smart!
Mrs. Russell / Mrs. Knott

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MIS "CHIQUE"
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The Ultimate Test: Valedictorian vs. Salutatorian

Valedictorian vs. Salutatorian is a friendly rivalry lasting throughout their school years. *Rampage* put the two to a test of pop culture. Half points are awarded for clever answers/responses.

Congratulations to both players for participating in this fun test.



1.) Which of the Avengers: Endgame cast members is the oldest at 54 years old?

a. Paul Rudd

b. Robert Downey, Jr.

c. Chris Platt

d. Mark Ruffalo

Val: B - "Thanks for spoiling Endgame" (1pt) +0.5 pt

Sal: B - "Also the best Avenger" (1pt) +0.5 pt

2.) Previously known for songs like *Dangerous Woman*, *Break Free*, and *No Tears Left to Cry*, which ex-children's show star only recently had her first #1 single with *Thank U, Next*?

a. Selena Gomez

b. Miley Cyrus

c. Britney Spears

d. Ariana Grande

Val: D - "Whose idea was creative commentary" (1 pt) +0.5 pt

Sal: D (1 pt)

3.) Which of these fast-food companies has the most franchises worldwide?

a. McDonald's

b. Subway

c. Burger King

d. Starbucks

Val: A (0 pt)

Sal: A (0 pt)

4.) Which of these is a method used in calculus for finding the volume of a solid figure?

a. Newton's Method

b. Euler's Method

c. Shell Method

d. Partial Fraction Decomposition

Val: C (1 pt)

Sal: C (1 pt)

5.) Which of these movies from the popular Terminator franchise did not have original cast member Arnold Schwarzenegger in a starring role?

a. Terminator

b. Terminator 2: Judgment Day

c. Terminator: Salvation

d. Terminator: Genisys

Val: D (0 pt)

Sal: C (1 pt)

6.) Before Mickey Mouse, Walt Disney created another animal-based character. Who was it?

a. Oswald the Lucky Rabbit

b. Ernie the Silly Goose

c. Carl the Clever Fox

d. Jonah the Wise Owl

Val: B (0 pt)

Sal: A - "Maybe I'll be lucky with this one" (1 pt)

7.) H. G. Wells is well-known for his sci-fi novels like *War of the Worlds*, among other things. What is another novel of his?

a. *The Day the Earth Stood Still*

b. *Mars Attacks*

c. The Time Machine

d. *Invisible Boy*

Val: A (0 pt)

Sal: C (1 pt)

8.) Superbowl LIII became the lowest-scoring Superbowl in the NFL's history when the Patriots scored 13 points to the Rams' 3. What year did the highest-scoring

Superbowl occur?

a. 1980

b. 2001

c. 1973

d. 1995

Val: B (0 pt)

Sal: B - "Maybe another Pats superbowl?" (0 pt)

9.) What is the smallest bone in the human body?

a. Femur

b. Staples

c. Carpals

d. Scapula

Val: B - "Staples are small" (1 pt) +0.5 pt

Sal: B (1 pt)

10.) All of these TV shows have been rebooted EXCEPT

a. *The X-Files*

b. *Magnum, P.I.*

c. Ally McBeal

d. *Gilmore Girls*

Val: A (0 pt)

Sal: C (1 pt)

11.) Which of these famous literary works was published first?

a. Grapes of Wrath

b. *Lord of the Flies*

c. *To Kill a Mockingbird*

d. *The House on Mango Street*

Val: C - "I'm sorry Mrs. Wildermann" (0 pt) +0.5 pt

Sal: A (1 pt)

12.) How many tasks did Hercules have to complete in Roman mythology for the

King of Thrace?

a. 10

b. 11

c. 12

d. 13

Val: C - "No idea, but roast Ankit if he gets this wrong because he took Latin for 6 years" (1 pt) +0.5 pt

Sal: A (0 pt) (Editor's Note: The sal will be thoroughly roasted, as requested.)

13.) Who won the 2018 World Series?

a. Los Angeles Dodgers

b. New York Yankees

c. Tampa Bay Rays

d. Boston Red Sox

Val: A - "Did the Simpsons predict this or something" (0 pt) +0.5 pt

Sal: D (1 pt)

14.) What is Cheshire known as?

a. The Flower Garden Capital of Connecticut

b. The Bedding Plant Capital of Connecticut

c. The Mattress Capital of Connecticut

d. The Sleeping Flower Capital of Connecticut

Val: B - "I still don't know what a bedding plant is" (1 pt) +0.5 pt

Sal: B - "Weird flex but ok" (1 pt) +0.5 pt

WINNER: SALUTATORIAN

Speeches You Won't Hear On Graduation Day

by

Claire Lasher

"Each second is a universe of time", Henry Miller. As a class, we have spent 126,144,000 seconds together since we walked through those doors our freshmen year, created 126,144,000 universes in which we have learned, and grown, celebrated, and mourned. We are a solar system of our successes, all gravitating around the sun that is Cheshire High School. Looking back on the first day the senior class walked in to sign our names on the wall this summer, CHS is a lot like the sun. Hot, uninhabitable, prone to gas leaks that call for evacuation. Despite the dangers that can come from extended exposure, CHS also shines a light on each of it's students, allowing them to grow into the men and women you see in front of you today. Together we have tackled everything from political differences to a dress code revolution, floods and fire alarms set off in 25 degree weather, love and loss. We've seen Gadd get pied in the face, lived

under the watchful eyes of sneaky Pete, and learned to B1. Each moment from our high school career hangs above us, lessons learned (good and bad) are our guiding stars as we embark on this new journey.

Among us today are some people we need to thank. The family, friends, teachers, and administrators that served as our gravity. The people that held us down from the black hole moments in our universes. Big, scary, unknown. Things like the SAT's, our first Varsity games, first shows, giving blood for the first time, applying for college, getting DENIED from college, or, even worse, getting accepted by a college and then thinking about the fact that we are now officially, definitely leaving for college. So thank you, for helping us navigate this whole new world and make it our own.

The person each of you should be thanking the most, however, is you. You,

who remembered the entirety of American History for an exam that lasted just two hours, remembered the entire periodic table. Who read all of "London", and wrote pages and pages of papers that will now sit abandoned in a soon to be deleted google drive. You who got out of bed and showed up, however late you might have been. Congratulations, to each and everyone of you, take a breath. You made it. We're an inch and several more dry speeches to the finish line.

I know I am not alone in saying this isn't my first CHS graduation. Each year of high school I have sat where you are now, sweating in uncomfortable chairs that have been zip tied together for some reason, here to support people you love, surrounded by peers. Today I'm grateful to see other students doing the same for us. How lucky we are to love and be loved in so many universes? This support speaks to our community, the bonds built between

teammates, casts, club members. We have teachers in the audience from our Elementary schools, that saw our potential, and let us go to grasp it for ourselves. To our faculty, I ask you to do the same thing today. To let us go, and grasp our futures. Then wait to see the worlds we'll create. This is the kind of support that will follow us wherever we go. Whether that be to California or fifteen minutes down the road.

As you walk across this stage today, I'd like to remind you of your universes. The ones you've made, and the ones that lie ahead. Count each second you spend as if you were building a universe. With purpose and patience, love and care. With the few universes I have left of this speech, I want to say thank you. Thank you for your help, your hope, and for being a home. Congratulations again, and thank you for listening.



Speeches You Won't Hear On Graduation Day

Seniors Share Words of Wisdom

by

Anisha Nigam

Hello everyone! I'm Anisha Nigam and I am honored to be giving this speech today. I just want to start this by saying congratulations and how genuinely proud I am of every senior sitting here today, and how grateful I am for every single person that has helped us get to this point. From teachers to administration to friends and family, each one of you helped and led us to wearing these gowns after we realized that high school was nothing like High School Musical.

We started with freshman year, fresh meat ready to take on high school, wide-eyed with fear and hope. On the first day we got all dressed up, put on our freshman backpacks, and headed to our first class, where we probably got lost on the way. But, even if it was ten minutes late, we made it. We were awkward and weird and thought we were cool by doing the whip and nae nae or dabbing when we sneezed. We learned what to do, or rather what not to do, for survival with Lord of the Flies and got to come in late during SAT's. We eventually learned the dynamics of the school but we still had a lot to learn, and thanks to our teachers, we survived

the dreaded freshman year.

Then came sophomore year. From man buns and growth spurts to the Kylie Jenner Lip Challenge, we went through lots of transformations. More and more t-shirts were worn on the first day rather than dress shirts, and we finally weren't freshman so this year was supposed to be a good year. Then the stress of pSAT's and Driver's Ed kicked in. But we still had our fun learning about 1920's slang and how to do the Charleston during U.S. History. We were still awkward underclassmen who were just trying to get to class on time without tripping over our own feet. But I guess I didn't follow that trend since I decided to take my embarrassing moments to the main stage and fall in front of the entire chorus concert audience. But I got up and sang and wrote my college essay on it so I guess some good came out of it after all. I really think that moment is the embodiment of sophomore year. Sophomore year work gets piled on and sometimes our grades start to slip and we think it's going to ruin us, but we ask for help, we push through, and we tell others about the F that you got in Algebra II and laugh about it because we still made it to junior year.



Junior year we were finally upperclassmen. We didn't have any more silent study halls, if we even had any because of our packed schedules, we could finally drive to school, and usually hear the second bell while we were rushing across the street to get to class on time, but this is the year we were becoming more independent. This is also the year where college stress started to kick into high gear. With junior meetings, AP exams, SAT's, and college tours, it felt like the choices we made that year were going to make or break the rest of our lives. But we were able to keep ourselves sane through horrible Fortnite dances and bingeing The Office on Netflix. So, as we got closer to having to fill out the Common App, our junior year came to a close.

And that brings us to this year, senior year. Sweatpants and senior privilege were put into full effect within the first couple weeks. Early action deadlines seemed like they came up way too fast and teachers stressed over all of the letters of recommendation (thank you by the way). Then acceptance decisions started arriving and the fear of being rejected was very much alive. And deciding where to attend for the next four years was even worse. But one of my teachers told me something that really stuck, she said as long as you like the campus, it has your major, and a couple others that

you're interested in because you are most likely going to change it at some point, and you have the desire to do well, any decision you make is going to be a good one. So, whether we are going to our dream school or a school that you only applied to because your parents made you, we've made it, we're going!

So, although this chapter of our life is over, we still have the rest of the book to write, this is the time to make mistakes, to major in things that may never amount into a career like bagpiping or bowling industry management and technology because apparently those majors actually exist. This is the time to go on a roadtrip with no set destination because we don't have to have everything figured out, that's what these next four years are for, and frankly, that is what the rest of our lives are for. So, keep on being that weird freshman at heart, and continue to awkwardly dance to no music, and have fun! But I just want to end with thanking everyone who has stuck with us through thick and thin, through the worst and best times of our lives so far. Thank you to everyone who has been the shoulder to cry on or the person to rant to, thank you for being the person that jumps up and down when we share the best news of our lives, I know we can be hard to handle sometimes, but thank you for staying.

by

Paige Remillard

Good Evening, faculty, friends, family, the Cheshire High School class of 2019. To you, I say with the utmost enthusiasm: congratulations. I'm Paige Remillard and I stand before you today as a proud member of the class of 2019. As I look to my fellow classmates, I feel a deep sense of gratitude, pride, and friendship. Today we celebrate a monumental accomplishment in this journey that we call life. In the words of Motivational Speaker, Mel Robbins, "the truth is...life isn't passing by in years, it's passing by in moments. Very powerful moments." I believe in these moments. Some may call them "signs from the universe", omens, "everything happening for a reason". The moments when it seems that life stands still, every distraction, every insecurity, every doubt vanishes. All that is left to see is a truth, a gut feeling that everything is as it should be. One is able to recognize these moments clearly when his/her mind, and more importantly, heart is open to them. I have been taking advantage of listening for these moments in my own life, as the mixed emotions leading up to this day that I am sure we are all experiencing have been at the forefront. That gripping excitement, ready to conquer the world feeling when thinking about the next chapter. For some of us that is college, others the military, others the workforce, others their own unique path- and all of that is wonderful. At the same time, the melancholy surreal

feeling that arises at the thought of leaving this place, our home, and the people that we have met who have become our family. I mention these moments to you, class of 2019, because I urge you too, to listen for them. They are the precious times when we are able to take it all in, live in the present, and realize that all of our hard work up until this point has been so incredibly worth it. I had one of these moments a couple of months ago while on an amazing school trip to Italy with some of the very classmates and teachers who have become family to me. Standing on an overlook on the beautiful Amalfi Coast, I had a flash-forward to this night. It was one of those profound times. As I stood with my class, the very same class that I experienced the first day of 7th grade Latin with, I couldn't believe how full circle that moment felt. I felt completely fulfilled, in cherishing all of the memories that my classmates and I have shared. I felt completely confident in knowing that we are all ready to make our mark on the world that awaits us.

The Cheshire High School experience has been completely unique for each of us. Some of us are the varsity athletes, others the ones who sport for fun. Some of us are the actors, the singers, the musicians, the politicians. Many of us know what it feels like to spell your own name wrong on your paper the day after you have pulled an all-nighter cramming for that test. And whether you have cated your heart and

soul to being a mathlete or an athlete or any of the millions of possibilities in between, we have all been linked by one common force: Cheshire High School. The place where we have evolved, succeeded, failed, learned about others, and most importantly, learned about ourselves. The place where we have seen true friendship, teamwork, and family. Class of 2019, while you take on the world that lies ahead of you, never forget where you came from, never forget those moments. The most profound lesson that I have learned in my time here is the power that lies in the connections made with others. The simple interactions that leave lasting imprints on who we become. I personally have been very lucky to have been touched by many lives here at CHS. When we allow others to join us on our journey, the ride becomes complete; it is richer, fuller, and so much more meaningful. Continue to take others on your ride, but make sure that they are going to help steer you in the right direction. Thank you Ms. DeMeo and Magistra Oparowski among many others for joining me on my ride here. Remember that when the ride is going fast, to hit the brakes and stop for a moment. Take a mental snapshot of where you are. Like taking a picture, but better, because you have to remember it to see it.

Friends, I ask that you dare greatly with your life. That you seize the moment of opportunity, that you listen to your heart before your head, and that you never let the world convince you otherwise.



Brene Brown once said, "You can choose courage, or you can choose comfort. But you cannot have both". To live a courageous life means having an unwavering belief that even if things don't work out the first time, sure enough if you keep trying, one day you will see why it was all worth it. Failure is inevitable, but it is what you do with that failure that defines you. It is in those trying times that our true courage is tested. And when we succeed, it is all the sweeter because we know what it took to get us there. And in the words of Helen Keller, "life is either a daring adventure, or nothing at all". I look forward to hearing about your daring adventures in the years to come. Take risks, and be bold. And in the words of Mary Poppins, "anything can happen if you let it. Life is out there waiting so go and get it. . One of the many lessons I have learned from the CHS musical theater family. Life is no dress rehearsal, it's the real show.

Thank you to each and every one of you here today. Your role in our lives has been immeasurable. I think we are ready. And as Ralph Waldo Emerson once said, "The only person you are destined to become is the person you decide to be". Congratulations, class of 2019.

Quotable Quotes

What will you miss about CHS?



"The sporting events, my friends, school, and of course the teachers that are there to cheer you up"
-Meagan Clyne
2019



"All of the sporting events, the teachers that got me here, and finally Petro, the best study hall monitor ever."
~Annie Acquavita
2019



"Seeing everyone every-day in the halls, the Friday night football games, and the wim team because it has had the biggest impact on me"
-Grace McCall
2019



"The teachers, Ramland, the new people I have met, and the relationships I have built."
-Laura Thomas
2019



"The relationships I've built while I was here and all of the sporting events."
~Lauren Stearns
2019



"The teachers"
-Shaoshi Huang
2019



"The people."
-Justin Grove
2019



"My friends, some teachers, and senior privilege"
-Brittany Biney
2019



"All my friends, but especially the teachers."
~ Maggie Burkhard
2019



"I am going to miss all of my teachers, but especially Ms. V and her smile."
~ Sara Taylor
2019



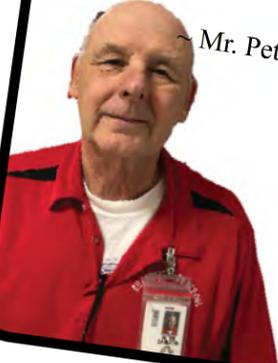
"I am going to miss my kids!"
~ Mrs. G



"I'm going to miss you kids the most! I have absolutely loved getting to know each and everyone of you!"
~ Ms. Rooney



"The people! The students and the faculty."
-Mr. Pete Cameron



"All the friends that I made"
-Doris Hall
2019