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WAKE UP CALL

Daylight Savings Time comes by in full swing

Jacobo Gallego

very year, daylight savings time occurs Idaylight savings time occurs in the fall, the

Many positive factors come out of this time change.

Many people look forward to the time change in the fall, since the time change allows for more hours of sleeping, which can be very beneficial. Waking up everyday with a sufficient amount of hours results not only in health, but satisfaction. Waking up in the morning also increases the amount of daylight we take in the morning. into effect on March 10, and ended on November 3.

Many individuals think that daylight savings has absolutely no purpose, and that is simply not true. The purpose of daylight savings time consists of America's economy consisted of a lot of farming land. The government created daylight savings as a way to use up as much daylight as possible, maximizing the amount of work performed. Over time, daylight hours of sun. Also with the constant evolution of technology and solar power, daylight savings remains

"I liked daylight savings time, because it stays lighter longer, but it does make it harder to get up for work

"[I'm not a fan of the switch] because it takes time away from my day," freshman Cesar Rengifo said. "We should continue the [situation] we had

positive and negative effects. Some may prefer one over the other. When daylight savings happens around spring, the day becomes longer, but one may get to sleep a little less. In contrast, when daylight savings ends around the

shorter, and all sunlight goes away by around 6 PM. However, there seems more at stake than just a matter of preference when it comes to the amount of sunlight. With the lost hour of sleep many get on the turn to daylight savings time, automobile accidents increase sleep deprived. This means the likelihood of spotting

state sunny by instating a permanent state of daylight savings time. When the legislation was proposed,

Daylight savings time has different effects on various



Fixed Financials

Budget allocates money towards athletics, the media center and advanced programs

Gloria Greenfield **OPINION EDITOR**

very year, the school district allocates a significant amount of money towards funding the school's wants and necessities. In this specified budget, resources go to athletic equipment, textbooks, additional desks for students, and even extra courses like the Advanced Placement program, Cambridge program, and Dual Enrollment through Broward College. There are in fact many benefits to having this flow of money in the school's system.

Most recently, in the athletic aspect of the budget for the school, the provision of a new scoreboard will make an appearance in the gymnasium, making it the most advanced and high tech scoreboard in the school district. The reasoning behind this claim is that it will provide a high definition visual of what is occuring during gametime, by filming play by plays for the audience in the stands, as well as the speaker amplification will be phenomenal, for

the playing of music and commentary on the sport.

Shifting to an academic standpoint, the Media Center grows in importance as the district prepares a \$75,000 budget, with additional funds supported by media specialist Kerry Cerra, to completely revamp the atmosphere of the library, shifting from a more independent setting to a more inviting, collaborative and team working environment. The budget will entail a multitude of new advancements in technology and furniture in order to achieve the desired collaborative environment. In the budget provided, new laptops will replace the stationary desktops located on the north entrance of the library. By having these adjustments to the current technology, students, as well as educators, can combine ideas and work together much more efficiently.

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Despite their appearance, school lunches operate well in American teenage diet.

Natalia Maldonado EDITOR IN CHIEF

themselves frequent in the life of students. In the lunch room, students can find themselves a variety of options pizza, pasta, salads, ice cream parfaits, mashed potatoes french fries, and chips barely scratch the surface of all that can be found in a school cafeteria

But what impact does the constant consumption of the foods provided on campus do to the teenage body? The meals themselves carry quite a few nutritional requirements, but if they're enough to sustain a student healthily is up to the question.

If a school expects reimbursement by the U.S. government for serving the proper school lunch, the meals they serve must not have more than 30 calories caused by fat, and must meet 1/3 of the average

carbs, and a few specific vitamins

In surveys conducted in the mid 2000's, it proved increasingly clear that many school meals did not meet the national nutritional guidlines set into place. 1 in 10 schools had meals heavy in saturated fat, known to lead to a slew of problems such as high blood pressure and type 2 diabetes in obtuse quantities. Due to this, 2010's Hunger Free Kid's Act made the many guideline adjustments students know today. Emphasis on healthy whole grains and an increase in vegetable and fruit servings became standard at every school.

These specific requirments prove notable when cafeteria staff remind you to pick up a serving of fruit before paying for your meal. But what effect do these precautions and requirements truly create upon the teenage diet?

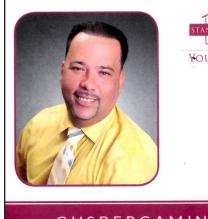
The average teenager should

eat around 2200-2800 calories in a day, leaning on the higher side when mid-development. And with the many provisions of the Hunger Free Kids Act, it seems the nation is doing a good job at providing proper nutrition to the 30 million students fed daily by the National School Lunch program.

This leads to a slew of benefits. The vitamins and minerals found in the vegetables required by the National School Lunch Program, such as zinc, vitamin B, Omega-3s, and proteins, play an important role in the cognitive development of students.

Thanks to the legacy of Michelle Obama, we can safely say that students will not be underfed at their schools if they can help it. Our students hold the power of knowledge in their hands, and it all starts with a warm meal that can easily be found on their school campus.







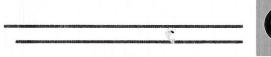


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SWADDLED IN SWEATERS: Sohomres Anastasia Del Valle, Arabella Rocco, Isabelle St. Leger and freshman Hailey Stein, pose in their comfy sweaters as the school dresses up to celebrate the holidays. The spirit week included days such as 'Summer vs. Winter,' 'Festive Sock Day,' and the incredibly comfortable 'Pajama day.'

BERNIE'S GRAND PLAN

Bernie Sander's continuous support of immigrants shines through during the 2020 election season



FEELING THE BERN: Bernie Sanders proves popular among millennials and the youth as progressivism and socialist ideals flood the nation.

photo courtesy of Fox News



DETESTING DETENTION: Bernie's plan appeals to those who dislike the current immigration policy for South American countries regarding

photo courtesy of The Washington Post

Abigail Hansen
STAFF WRITER

ernie Sanders has said that "We are a nation of immigrants. That is, in fact, the strength of America." He supports the immigration reform to help provide immigrants a better chance of leading fulfilling lives in America and becoming citizens.

One of the few things he supports includes the visa reform which supports the workers, and protects guests and undocumented people from labor exploitation. Labor exploitation can include withholding wages, forcing long work hours, and stealing immigration documentation from workers to prevent them from leaving. Illegal immigrants more often than not come to our country looking for a better life, and any discrimination would be unjust.

Possible ways to reach an economy that accommodates undocumented immigrants and Americans workers without manipulation of wages remain in reach. With many ways to make peace with immigrants where we both can live instead of demonize them as less. Sanders also supports the DREAM Act in which younger undocumented immigrant kids get permanent residency. Sanders continues by trying to stop the separation of kids from their parents by the inhumane process. So much so he was one of many that voted against ICE due to the fact that they are known to deport and separate families.

Sanders believes in building better facilities to hold immigrants. He continues to disagree with President Trump about building a wall against Mexicans trying to come in illegally. He's worked on seven bills to the Senate, and worked tirelessly to overturn the travel ban place on some middle eastern countries, claiming Trump as xenophobic. To his dismay, the Supreme Court supported Trumps decision on immigration ban.

Bernie has called President Trump's plan to eliminate the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, also known as DACA, the "ugliest and most cruel decision made by a president of the US in the modern history of this country."

According to feelthebern.org the DACA program, enacted in 2012, allowed unlawful immigrants brought to the United States as young children a two year period to apply for work permits and visas so that they may be eligible to stay in the U.S.. The withdrawal of the program puts many people in a devastating position, and it seems that Bernie would likely bring it back during his presidency.

Bernie's father was an immigrant who came to the United States without anything to do his best and make a better life for his family. Due to this, it is clear to see how Sander's commonly relates to the immigrant experience and often comes to empathize with those searching for a better life. Bernie continually supported programs like DACA and DAPA, or Deferred Action for Parents of Americans.

In 2013, Bernie cosponsored the Uniting Families Act, which would allow people without a marriage license still obtain citizenship if their partner was a legal permanent resident of the United States. The bill originally intended to get the LGBTQ+ community to attain the same rights as heterosexual citizens to bring their partners to America.

citizens to bring their partners to America.

Bernie's opposition throughout history to the Zero Tolerance Policy that the standing president supports is immensely clear. Bernie perceives ICE detention centers as inhumane, and it seems that many in the younger generation perceive it as the same. According to Sander's website, 53 percent of Americans maintain a positive view of the Senator, and nearly 4 in 5 Democrats see him favorably in the terms of his policy and beliefs. With such a young and strong crowd standing behind Sanders, it's clear he stands as a strong contender for the position of the President.

Fixed Financials

from **FIXED**, page 1 Gloria Greenfield **OPINION EDITOR**

Also, new table tops and seating arrangements will be installed in order comforting atmosphere.

These tables will be circular and hightops going around the pillars of the media center, as well as the purchasing of new sofas and love seats to create a restful space for reading and completing assignments.

"I am very excited for this new redesign of the media center. It looks beautiful and I feel that the students will enjoy the new layout once it is completed," Cerra said. "I enjoy the idea of having this media center advance the technology provided for the students, they will be able to work together better than ever before. The funding provided will be put to great use. This

Finally, programs like the Advanced Program and Cambridge International Program

"[Students will be able to work together better than ever before."

> -Kerry Cerra Media Specialist

are provided in order to allow pupils to dive into a rigorous and more curricular enriching lesson plans of those eager to set themselves ahead of the game and experience what it is like to have a heavy and fast paced work load, like those of college students. Additionally, Dual Enrollment is provided to allow students to take college courses directly at the Broward College campus or online for no cost as all, being that the total costs of these courses are covered by the school district.

Theschoolbudgethasmuchpreparationandthoughtput into it, and will make the well-being and learning environment of the school much more pleasurable. With the hard work

media center will in fact be geared towards collaborative behaviors between peers." and dedication of those who decide on the budget, comfortable student life is nearly assured.



Popping Off With Popeve's

One of the most common foods in America is the chicken sandwich. With an abundance of fast food chains, America provides many choices. Chick-Fil-A, McDonald's, Burger King, and in recent popularity, Popeye's, all serve the wonder of a meal. Popeye's has taken on the chicken sandwich, leaving America overwhelmed. With their advertisements emphasizing the fried chicken, placed on a "buttered bun" with pickles and spicy mayo, it has the public's mouth watering. Like other fast food chains, it comes in regular as well as spicy. So far it seems to please the masses even better than a Chick-Fil-A sandwich.

"I mean, it's shocking how heavy the thing is. For only \$3.99, even if the sandwich is just okay, you're still getting your money's worth" senior Angel Guerrero said.

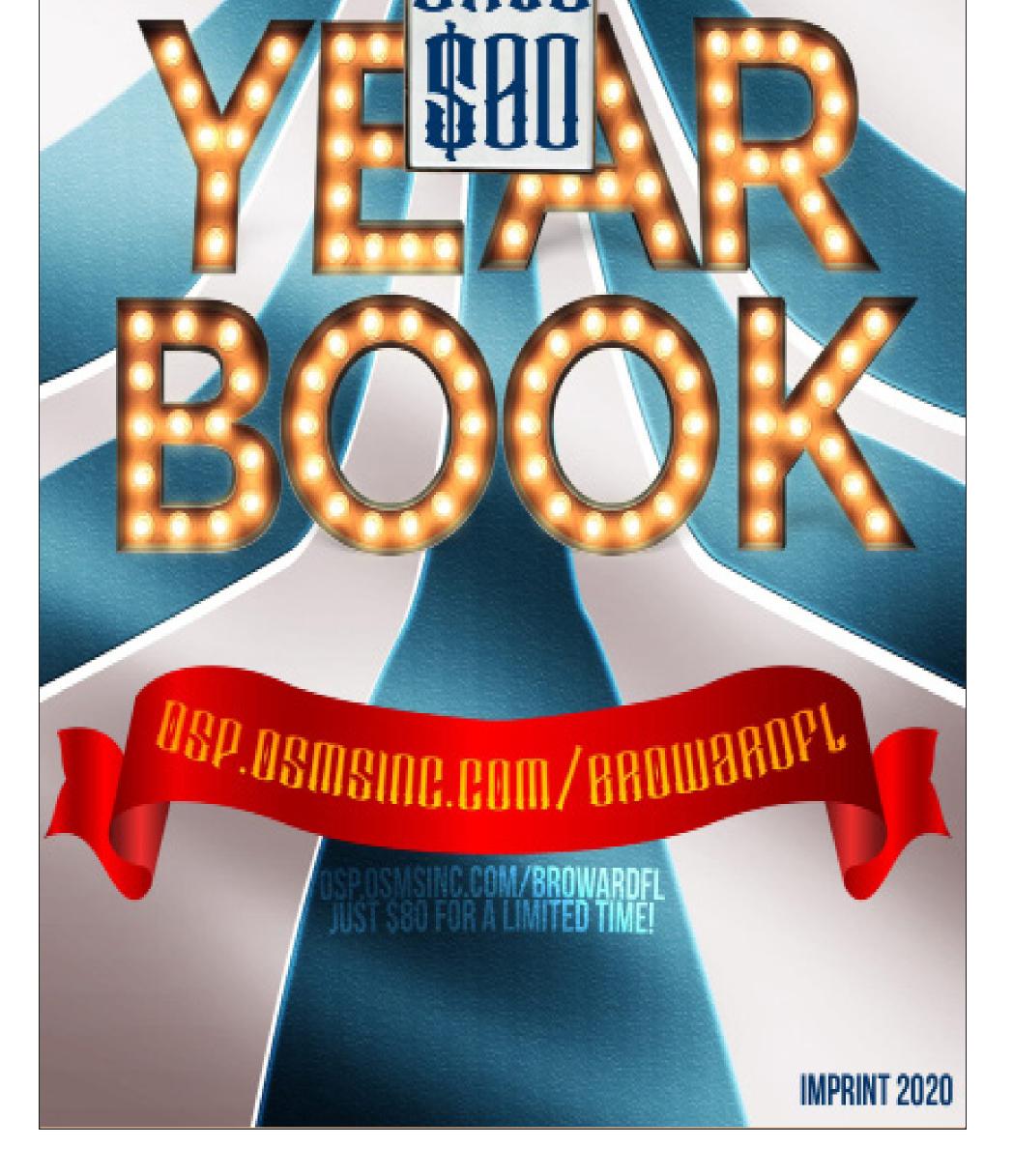
With nothing more than a piece of fried chicken, bread, and very little else, Popeye's may have crafted the chicken sandwich of the year. -Valeria Cristancho



Helpful Harvest Drive

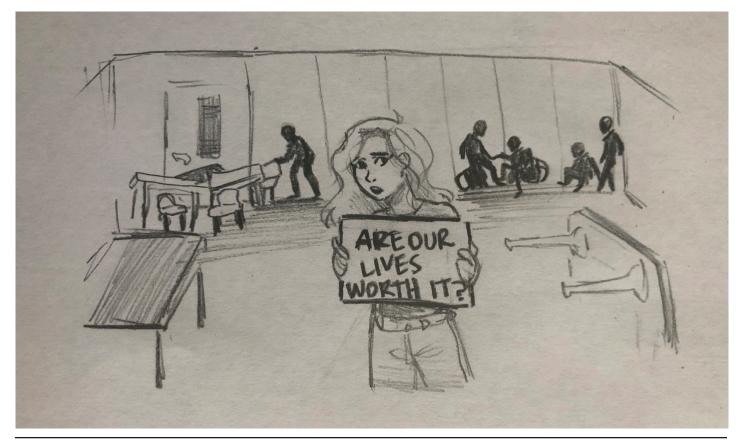
With fall comes a season of remembering to be thankful for the things you have in life and the people closest to you while also giving back to your community. It could mean participating in a town cleanup or contributing to your school's harvest drive. The Jaguar's student government (SGA) hosts the annual harvest drive where students can donate canned foods such as tuna, corn and vegetables, as well as other non-perishable food items to give to local homeless shelters. The SGA students also raise funds to donate by selling candy. The club encourages all students to donate the goods or purchase candy. The club also encouraged the other clubs like HOSA to contribute to the drive in other ways like different fundraisers and other school events. This year, they raised around \$1245 and collected over 1600 items.

-Brianna Barrios



OPINION

cartoon I Carina Barrella



School Shootings Continue

olumbine High School. Virginia Tech Institute. Sandy Hook Elementary School. Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School. Santa Fe High School. Santa Clarita High School. These are just some of the many schools in our nation that have endured major amounts of loss, brutality and tragedy. Almost everyday, news reports get sent out of "The Next School Shooting," so when is enough really enough? When will the ongoing battle of the value of a human life come to an end? How long will it take for real change to occur? Real change can take place at the smallest level: right in the school system.

There are numerous ways that our school and others can change in order to ensure the safety and comfort of those in it. Students, teachers, faculty and staff deserve to come into school every single day and feel unharmed or lack the worry of a tragedy occurring. Logical safety procedures can be implemented. For example, every school is required by law to have a fence around the perimeter of the school in order to create a boundary between itself and the outside community. By installing this fence, it certainly won't guarantee that other individuals won't attempt to enter the campus, but it will delay the efficiency of the unwanted entrances. To continue, another advancement that could jump start a safer environment is to in fact alocate a significant amount of funds towards metal detectors. Metal detectors will not just notify officials of major forms of weaponry but also the minor ones too that may slip in the cracks of one's mundane life. The bringing of hidden blades, small handguns, and other small but deadly weapons onto campus can become preventable with the use of proper metal detectors. It's even easier to implement with the reduced number of entrances to many campuses.

Most importantly, in school, mental health recognition

should take place. More times than not, the threats are not from outsiders but in actuality the threat is already formulated within the walls of what is considered "a safe space." Based off statistics of the last two decades, the majority of those who cause the shootings in schools, are students or former students themselves. If more time was dedicated to the mental health cause, and not just glamorized by the media, real steps to change can be made. Mental health is not just a term used to label people who belong in the "nut house" as many refer to it as, it goes much deeper than that, and affects the lives of those facing mental health issues. Although this cause does not justify violence nor condone hate and malicious behaviour, if the people within the walls of the school were a little more kinder and compassionate to the fact that not everyone will be all right or okay, events so tragic as the ones listed can be narrowly avoided.

On a more formal note, stricter background checks most certainly can be created in order to ensure a safer purchasing process of the weapons. Unfortunately, the culprit responsible for the Parkland massacre received the opportunity to walk into a gun store in Sunrise. He passed his "background check" but clearly it lacked high levels of security because if they were stricter, red flags would have gone up about his hostile tendencies and unruly behaviour as a student.

All in all, if more precautions were taken at the smallest level, right here in school, the safety and well-being of students would be valued more. Students and teachers are growing exhausted with having to ask the same question of whether or not their lives are important. Students and teachers are infuriated by the news of more lives lost. The time for change is now, because if not now, then when?



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Are monthly drills really helping?

Remy Ramirez is a

Prowl and believes that

students shouldn't be

required to participate

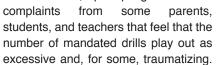
in drills as regularly.

Students question effectiveness of the required monthly drills

Remy Ramirez STAFF WRITER

n the wake of 2018, the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High shooting took place, leaving 17 people dead and 17 others injured. Florida students became subject to an increase in school

safety drills. In addition to fire and tornado safety drills already required by state law, Florida students are now required to follow "code red" drills which help prepare students for an armed attacker or active shooter. A new state law about gun control, passed in response to the shooting requires code red drills to take place as often as other emergency drills, such as fire drills, prompting



line outside once a month for fire drills and we hide in a dark room during a code red. Students are forced to participate in these often times mundane drills that prove triggering to an already

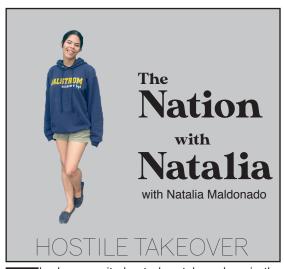
traumatized student.

While I recognize that repetition develops habits, and habits can become an automatic reflex. I can also see where this not only disrupts classwork and the mindset of post-traumatic victim, but students can very quickly lose the intended focus importance of these drills

conducted when ad nauseam. My opinion about school safety drills is that they do not need to repeat to exhaustion. I think students and At minimum, we find ourselves in teachers would benefit from having

more programs or classes targeting social behavior especially in a county guns remain adamantly protected. Additionally, because we live in a state prone to natural disasters such as hurricanes and tornadoes, I think students would learn a lot more from participating in help efforts after a storm. This would give them an insight on what can happen in the event of a real emergency, what causes these extreme climate fluctuations, and how they can prepare themselves.

All in all, I feel that we lack case studies on the effectiveness of frequent school safety drills. Has the increasing of school safety drills helped lower the number of deaths and injuries caused by fires, tornados, and active shooters? These frequent drills impact the emotional health of survivors from school mass shootings. It seems at times that we expend more time and energy in preparing for a disaster verses preventing one.



he long awaited vote has taken place in the House of Representatives. The reviews of all evidence against President Donald Trump and his administration complete. The time had come on Dec. 18 for the House to make their formal decisions. Had Donald Trump committed the offenses of obstruction of Congress and abuse of power?

According to the House, yes. Donald Trump has become the third U.S. President in the history of our country to be impeached. But the question remains as to whether or not he will become the first of the Presidents removed from office by the Senate.

While I had litte doubt that President Trump would find himself disgraced during presidency by the House of Representatives, I carry an increasing fear that the Senate will not feel the same way. While the power to impeach lies in the hands of the House of Representatives, they're only formally charging him with a crime. It doesn't mean he must leave his offiice and stop ruling the country. The true power lies in the Senate, which has never in history removed a standing president. The decision to remove our executive stands in their hands.

But why is it that I heavily doubt the Senate will continue onword with the articles of impeachment? The vote so clearly lies along party lines.

When the House voted on the impeachment of Trump, only two Democrats stepped out and voted against the measure, while none of the Republicans present for the vote found themselves in support of the motion. It's become clear to me that this battle no longer involves just the President and his decisions. It is clear this is a party on party battle, and a showcase of who carries the bigger guns when it comes time for the important decisions.

The Republican party members, despite also left reeling after some of Donald Trump's decisions, would rather leave a criminal sitting in office than stop protecting one of their own. Therein lies the problem: if even the House, the members of our government most in touch with the people's beliefs and wants, would rather protect a criminal than appeal to their people, how can the Senate make much of a difference choice?

Their six year terms make it easy for them to ignore the will of the public and vote with only themselves and the benefit to their party in mind. A national embarrassment would come from the removal of office of a notoriously conservative Republican like Donald Trump.

So what happens now? For now, the country must celebrate that a man who has undermined the freedom of the press, called neo-Nazi's 'fine people,' and rage tweeted about a 15 year old climate activist is in the most embarrassing position of his career.

The social media king of the decade has begun tweeting like never before. He claims his impeachment is an assault on America, and a disgrace to the country.

Many however, could argue the same thing. Foreign leaders often look at the newest political figurehead of the nation and laugh at his complete inexperience and lack of understanding of how even his own government works. With many countries literally shutting the door in Trump's face, it's no wonder international tensions remain high.

In the face of nuclear talks with North Korea, an inexperienced man with something to hide could prove far more dangerous than one might hope. When faced with a man who is far too often more prideful than willing to admit his genuine, human mistakes, its no wonder such a large portion of his constituency jumped for joy at the progression of his removal from office.

In the wake of this time where President Trump has embarrassed himself in fronf of the entire country, it proves just how difficult his competitors and the nation will make it for him to receive the reelection he so desperately desires come 2020.

Deciding on Disney+

Students contemplate subscribing to T.V. streaming service Alina Pina

STAFF WRITER

n this whole new world of streaming websites, Disney+ has arrived with hundreds of movies and television shows that left a footprint in our hearts

as we grew up. Services are available for only \$6.99/month, or in a bundle costing \$12.99/ that includes Disney Plus, Hulu, and ESPN+. Even though I'm not a huge fan of Disney always attracted more to Nickelodeon), I didn't hesitate to start a free trial in order to see what it has to offer.

I noticed you can stream Disney+

up to four different devices at once, supporting iOS, Android, Roku, Amazon Fire TV, with no impediment of watching favorite childhood

I had the random urge to watch Lizzie McGuire, one of my favorite also suggests movies that you might

childhood shows, and then my curiosity led me to look for more content to feed my nostalgia. Movies like Halloweentown, Hocus Pocus and Twitches caught my

> attention and convinced me in some way to start considering the subscribing.

> The content ranges from a multitude of genres entertainment. From the Marvel movies to National Geographic (owned by Disney), any person with a wide variety of interests could spend days clicking through Disney+ and still stay clear of boredom.

If you can think of any Disney movie or show, it's there. Even if you try searching, the interface serves up different suggestions to help you find what you may be interested in. It

Now, the question: should you get it? In my opinion, if you portray a cord cutter, especially one with children (or even just a big Disney fan) you would definitely enjoy Disney Plus. Compared to other streaming apps, this one has a relatively affordable price. If you

have forgotten, such as Flight Of The

Navigator or Bedknobs and Broomsticks.

had no other subscriptions besides Disney+, it would be considered a steal based on what you recieve. However, knowing lots of people pay for multiple subscriptions, the real question lies: Is Disney+ truly worth it in addition to everything else you currently own? Considering the fact that this platform does not owe its rights to any other company, its title will not cycle, and all Disney content remains tangible, its definitely worth the few extra bucks out of one's pocket every month. For those who remain young at heart, \$6.99 a month still proves cheaper than a trip to Disney World to relive classic memories.

From Forest or Factory

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writer for The Prowl. Pina

believes that high school

students should definitely

invest in Disney+ and

stream their services.

Finding which tree makes the least environmental impact Makayla Joyce

NEWS EDITOR

Christmas spirit, and purchasing or setting up their Christmas trees, often the focal point of Christmas. According to American Christmas Tree Association.

More than 94 million households display Christmas trees, but every family is different and has unique traditions.

Some families face the decision of purchasing a real Christmas tree while others want artificial trees. Many families enjoy the scent of a real Christmas pine tree and appreciate the feeling of having a living Christmas tree to set the mood for the holidays.

Those who choose artificial trees value the easier option because they tend to be cheaper, less messy and time consuming, and require less

th the holidays falling upon responsibility than handling a real tree most environmentally-friendly option many families find that requires an immense amount of care. is to purchase a tree locally and then

> take into consideration which tree is the greener choice, making sure to consider which does the least amount of harm to the environment.

> > In recent years fake trees skyrocketed in popularity compared to real trees, with 80 percent of households displaying fake trees and only 20 percent displaying cut pines, according to The New York Times. These misconceptions left many families wanting to buy fake trees in an attempt to save our precious

Christmas forests. However, Christmas trees are

themselves already into the Recently, many families also have the wood recycled. Thus, families can continue to cherish the scent of a real Christmas tree without feeling bad about cutting down trees and believing they are harming the environment. More debate involves the fact that artificial trees are commonly made out of plastic, PVC, and steel, and often

manufactured in China. No doubt plastic proves extremely harmful to the environment. Although fake trees are made out of harmful substances, if you reuse your artificial tree for at least five years before throwing it away, it is more eco-friendly than buying a real Christmas tree. Disposing of a real tree at the end of every holiday season has a much greater impact on greenhouse gas emissions, water, and energy use making the artificial tree a better option.

It depends on every household. If a family plans to keep a tree for years on end or has the storage space, a plastic tree proves a better choice.



Makayla Joyce is the News editor for The Prowl. Joyce believes that fake trees ultimately bring greater benifits to the environment.

actually grown similarly to many crops we eat, like corn. For real trees, the

BLACK FRIDAY: WORTH IT OR NOT?

Angelique Bergamini

Copy Editor

lack Friday is known to be the most exhilarating shopping experience of the whole year. Held on the night of Thanksgiving and people tend to shop all hours of the night. Generally all stores have amazing prices and certain giveaways on Black Friday that people will go insane for. The Malls get swamped with people because that's where all the main stores are, but stores like Best Buy and Walmart also get consumed with people. Customers will even camp outside of the stores just so that they can be the first in the store to get their hands on those great deals. Black Friday falls around the perfect time of year. Just as Thanksgiving ends and Christmas rolls around families start on their holiday shopping. Black Friday gives the perfect opportunity to get the best gifts for everyone at indubitable low prices, especially for people with a cut budget for their gift shopping, but still want to make every penny count. More than half of America feels that Black Friday is the best time to do the holiday shopping, because they simply won't get better offers on any other night.

Most Americans believe that participating in Black Friday shopping gets you in the holiday spirit and more excited for christmas or any other holiday you celebrate, according to news magazine The Baltimore Sun. Certain people enjoy making Black Friday shopping into a tradition with their friends and family. This has the potential to uplift your mood even if you don't purchase anything. Just the experience in window shopping until late hours with holiday music playing and people running around is a fun experience that many people take advantage of. Getting into the holiday spirit right is one of the main reasons people decide to go Black Friday shopping.

Those opposed to Black Friday believe that it's not worth the crowds to attempt any sort of shopping. To contradict that, many people who make that valid point likely haven't gone Black Friday shopping, suggesting that not all stores may be as packed as some people make it seem. People may be against the whole thought of going Black Friday shopping because of the things relayed to them from friends and/or family along with what they see on social media.

Most people should be able to experience Back Friday shopping at least once in their life. Not only do you have the potential to purchase gifts and personal items for yourself for extremely low prices, but you also have the opportunity to turn a normal Thanksgiving night into a fun-filled memorable night with your friends and family that you won't possibly forget. Not to mention, little compares to the satisfaction one feels for getting the perfect gift for a beloved family member, especially when it's purchased at a low cost.

Samantha Noel Copy Editor

lack Friday is a day to get good deals at places you love... or that's what one might think. Black Friday shouldn't hold such glory in the eyes of the many, because of the mania caused by the corruption of capitalism. A quick analysis of the amount of injuries that has happened in the past couple years on Black Friday could show anyone just how savage and desperate people become in an attempt to save a quick buck.

A study has shown that in the past 13 years, 108 injuries and 11 deaths occured on Black Friday in the United Sates, stated in an artice released by news magazine The Hustle. The first incident known was in 2006 and the most recent was in 2018. And for whatever glorious

after a pepper spray attack in the store. Maybe next time, if you're going shopping on Black Friday, be prepared to protect yourself from a range of assaults. When people get desperate, they

reason, the majority of the incidents occured in the big

box supermarket known for bulk buying and good

deals: Walmart. Incidents even spiked in 2011

can turn into animals in an instant.

Thanksgiving might be a fun holiday to celebrate but not for retailers. During this time of the year some stores even open up the day before Black Friday with post-thanksgiving dinner sales. While you may enjoy the dollars you get to save during the crazy rollbacks of items on the shelves, store owners and employees often lose valuable time with family and friends on an important holiday to ensure customers don't strangle each other to death.

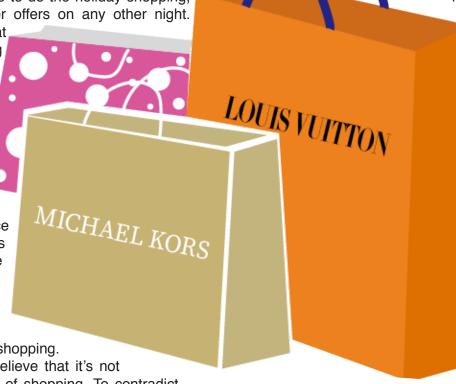
Thousands of people petitioned in the past to keep Black Friday sales separate from Thanksgiving, making the

opening times later. Retailers, however, choose to justify their choices by saying they merely attempt to give customer demands.

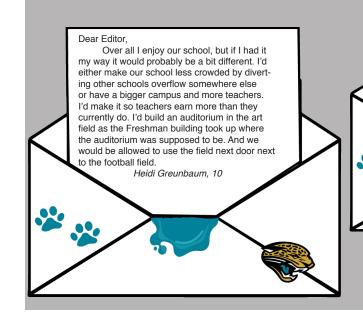
Black Friday has also cut the focus of togetherness at Thanksgiving, and the story behind the beloved holiday. One must implore themselves to look deeper than capitalist gain as the reason for the season.

The only thing retailers truly find themselves talking about during this time of the year are their Black Friday sales and how good it feels for a person to buy an item they've been wanting for a cheaper price.

All in all, Black Friday is a dangerously exaggerated time of savings all put in motion so that corporations can get a little richer at the expense of the valuable time of their employees. With the risks it poses on its shoppers and employees, its horrific to believe that society has let the trend continue this long. Soon enough, Black Friday could consume the entire week of Thanksgiving, if we don't prevent toxic BOGO culture from continuing.



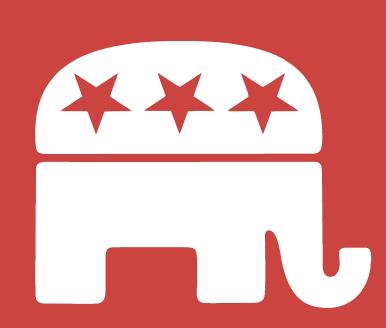
Letters to the Editor



Using keycards to enter the school via the student parking lot doors is the best way to stay safe. If a student has a keycard, ID's won't be as necessary, and more comfortable for students that typically don't like wearing lanyards. It also makes it more challenging for someone not a part of the school to enter. Keycards are much safer for the students and teachers, and should be taken into consideration.

Samantha Melchor Garcia, 9





Top three candidates from each pa they can

> Natalia M EDITOR-

married man with 5 beloved children, the former Illinois Congressman Joe Walsh is a strong Republican conservative. He avidly supports the Second Amendment, but hates to see the perverse nature it has taken under Donald Trump. He believes that people citing the President as their reason for violence is obscene. He dislikes Obama and Trump's policy of seperating families at the border, and offers a new and refreshing image to the Republican party.

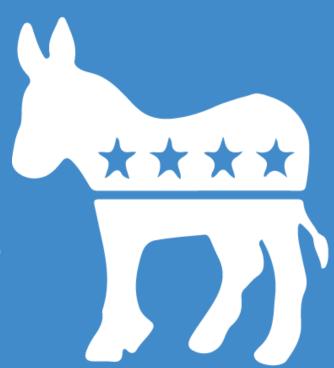
he Mexican-American Republican Roque "Rocky"
De La Fuente has stood out among Republican
candidates for reflecting conservative immigrants
ideals for the country. A supporter of tax cuts, editing the
Affordable Care Act, and comprehensive immigration
reform, "Rocky" appeals to the moderate American
and relates to the middle class experience in America.



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ete Buttigieg is a former naval officer running as a Democrat for 2020. The youngest one running for office, his campaign centers heavily on the removal of military style assault weapons from America. He maintains liberal social views, and gains the support of many LGBTQ+ as a married gay man. assachussetts senator Elizabeth Warren once served as an assistant to former President Barack Obama, and is one of the only popular female contenders for the role of the President. She advocated for loosening the control of corporations on American economy, and plans to eliminate tuition costs of two and four year universities by placing a larger tax on families with a net worth of \$50 million or more.



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FEATURES

HARRISON LE TAKES ON THE YEARBOOK

Student attempts to go down in history and appear in as many pages of the yearbook as possible

Samantha Noel COPY EDITOR

he yearbook has a special place in school pride. It's one thing most students look forward to at the end of the year. Everyone hopes they'll be in it more than just the standard school photos. They enjoy showing off to all their friends all the pictures they're seen in, from clubs to school activities. The yearbook gives people a way to look back at some of the best years of their lives. People can see all the stupid picures they've taken during school events. And one student in particular, Harrison Le, has made it his mission to get into as many pages in the yearbook as possible. Who doesn't enjoy seeing themselves in the yearbook?

Every friend group has their own special inside jokes, ones that they can bring up at random times just for the fun of it. The band kids to create their own specialized inside jokes, evident in many cases such as when Le and some of his friends shaved their heads after placing 3rd in their marching band competition or jokes cracking on other marching bands. That was what really started it all. Le and his friends thought it would be a fun inside joke. heading out into the big world to really feel like a kid again which also sparked a flame of determination. He really wanted to end this year with something hilarious that he won't be able to forget. "I wanted to be in the yearbook so many times because it is my senior year and it'd

be a hilarious inside to see me in almost every single thing," senior Harrison Le said. He just wanted to make his friends laugh with a joke.

As a source of reflection for high school students, the yearbook is truly like a time capsule of memories. A single picture can bring back so many memories someone forgot they even had. This was a goal of Le's. He wanted to be able to look back on this year's yearbook and just be flooded with an abundance of memories of this last year of high school. "I wanted to leave a lasting impact on everyone this year," Le said. People will be able to look back and remember that one kid who managed to get into various pages of the yearbook. Because would anyone truly forget that one kid from the class of 2020 that really tried to make this way in so many yearbook photos.



NO HIDING FOR HARRISON: Le's attempts to put himself in the spotlight even caught the attention of yearbook editor in chief Courtney Sheflin. So far, his attempts have proven successful.

photo courtesy of Harrison Le





Senior Signing Day

Jaguars sign to colleges and further their academic and athletic career

Payton Post FEATURES EDITOR

auren Fortunato and Kayla Holden received the honoring offer to sign to colleges and committed themselves to the sport they will play. Holden, 12, signed to Tennessee University to play golf and Fortunato, 12, signed to play softball at Eastern Florida State. The exciting day finally arrived and the students' families and friends were welcomed to watch their loved one sign to their dream school. This ceremony was held in Dr. Kaplan's office on November 13th.. Both students have worked very hard their entire lives to reach their goal of continuing to play the game they love in college and it has definitely paid off.

Fortunato plays for the high school and for her travel team, "TNT Florida." "When I started playing on TNT I was scared because this team travelled out of state a lot which I wasn't used to. I am also terrified of airplanes so that wasn't an easy transition but I had great teammates to get me through it," Fortunado said. She started playing tee-ball when she was younger and has loved the game ever since, "I started playing softball because my sister played and I always looked up to her as a role model so I thought I should give it a try."

Not only has softball taught Fortunato lessons, it has brought her friends and inspiring people she looks up to. "Throughout the years of playing I have met people that I will never forget, people that have become family, amazing mentors, and I have gained respect for every single person that helped me get to where I am today." She is a middle infielder who can also catch and is a great asset offensively. At her previous school, Western High School, Fortuanto drove her team and helped them win states in 2018 for the first time in school history. "Winning states was one of the best feelings in the world because everybody doubted us and it felt good to prove everybody wrong, plus seeing how our hard work paid off was really exciting. But it was also bittersweet because

it was the last game we would ever play with the seniors."

"It's a funny story, because I met my coach at a softball camp in Ocala and we started talking about pizza, so I decided to email him afterwards saying I was interested in his school!" Fortunato said. Fortunato will attend Eastern Florida State College in Melbourne, Florida and will major in criminology to one day become a Homicide detective. "I've always loved crime shows and have always found that kind of stuff interesting, plus my whole dad's side of the family is a police officer so that makes me want to do it even more." Her favorite memory is hitting her first homerun in 2019 against South Plantation High School during the High School season. "When I hit my first homerun it was against a team with girls I didn't really like and also girls that I used to play with, so to hit a homerun and have one of the best offensive and defensive games I've ever had was a really exciting feeling."

Kayla Holden has been around golf her entire life but only started playing competitively 5 years ago. "I always knew I wanted to play in college and to be able to have the opportunity to play D1 SEC golf is more than I ever could have dreamed of," Holden said. Holden hasn't always been a Tennessee fan. "2017 was the first time I had heard about the school and became interested." Although she isn't sure what she wants to major in yet, she knows for sure that golf has and always will hold such a huge impact on her life. "I wanted to start playing competitively because of all the opportunities golf has to offer. Traveling the country, playing in college, the people you meet and all the doors it opens to you in life really attracted me to the game, "Holden said.

Coral Glades Jaguars wish Holden and Fortunato both nothing but luck and success, as we know both of them will continue to stand out and accomplish so much in college and in their life.



BIG DAY, BIG SMILE: Holden smiling on her special day as she signs to become an official Tennessee Vol Golfer. Holden is well known for her fierce competition on the putting greens, and is a prized part of the Jaguar's golfers.

Photo courtesy of Kayla Holden



OFFICIALLY OFFICIAL: Fortunato poses as she signs her national letter of intent to play softball as an EFSC Titan. Fortunato has played softball throughout her highschool years, and intends to do so throughout college as well.

photo by Payton Post



DISPELLING DISTRACTED DRIVERS: The Jaguar's student government students posed with Kevin Brooks after his impactfully emotional and inspirational message about distracted driving, which he gave November 4th. His message came with the hard work of students Victoria Rocha and Alexandria Terhune, who created their state project 'X the Text' in honor of the Jaguar's lost to car accidents the previous school year. photo courtesy of Caitlin Pein

X marks the spot SGA students hold distracted driving awareness week

Lauren Fortunato STAFF WRITER

The Text is a campaign to stop texting and driving and distracted driving, and to spread awareness over the dangers of it. The school held an assembly where a man named Kevin Brooks came and spoke about his tragic experience with distracted driving. He explained how he got into a car accident and became paralyzed from the waist down, and witnesed the passing of his friend due to his distracted driving. He went on explaining how he felt so much guilt afterwards but decided to use his background to help students from doing the same thing.

Seniors Victoria Rocha and Alexandria Terhune made their state project about 'X the Text' and brought attention to the seriousness behind texting and driving.

"Since Kendell's and Breanha's death, I just wanted to make distracted driving a known risk around the school so we could educate people," Terhune said.

It all begins with a pledge to stop distracted driving. By pledging you promise to not text and drive, drive while distracted, or drive in a scenario where you feel you or other people could be in danger, it brings a feeling of accountability back on the students.

"It's pledging to do something very simple. By not texting or becoming distracted while driving you're saving your own life and others around you," Rocha said. "I've lost a close friend in a car accident, so I take safe driving seriously." partners their big goal with "It's so people could understand how devastating a car accident could be, not only personally, but [to] a whole community. It brings more awareness to something that is preventable with the right decision," Terhune said. "[We're]making it very public and inyour-face. The point is to show even those not involved that we're coming together for [our cause]."

teenagers death's come from accidents every day. Teaching others that such a small action could spiral into a senseless and unreasonable death can help try to change that.

"I personally really hate texting and driving, although I've done it before. It's not worth possibly dying because of a stupid text that probably doesn't even matter," Rocha said.

So far, the project partner's impact on the school has proven immense. With X's pasted onto every door promoting their cause, as well as pledge slips handed out to nearly every student, they've shown how well of a job they've really done at getting their message out there. The dedicated work of Rocha and Terhune shows time and time again that when student's find themselves passionate, they will do anything to see that passion come to life.

OK, Boomer

Generational term hits soft spot in older Americans

Natalia Maldonado & Emma Mandelbaum EDITOR IN CHEIEF & BUSINESS MANAGER

ecently, the phrase "OK Boomer" has the internet backlash from older folks. Talks about modern parenting at the supposed purporters of their circumstances. and how the generation affects the rest of the world come at the forefront of the conversation. The teenage trend has especially blown up on the video sharing TikTok, where youth now often post comedy videos geared at the older generation. The Baby Boomers, born from 1946 to 1965, find themselves frequently accused of things such as supporting systematic racism, the rapidly changing climate of the planet, and ignorance to newer developing social norms.

"OK Boomer," to the Gen-Z teens that invented the phrase, is a harmless joke to poke fun at the older generations for the state of the world. Some, however, claim that "OK Boomer" carries the weight of a racial slur, and the ageism behind it is too negative to allow the use of the phrase in commonplace.

According to writer Suzanne Lucas, using "OK, Boomer" in the workplace falls write under the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, meaning it puts the jobs of those who use it at stake.

For many, Gen-Z has earned a sort of right to use it, due to the immensely difficult "rite of passage" situations the world puts young people in every day. The unlikely chance of ever owning a home, unable to find a job above minimum wage despite a master's degree, and the ever

increasing cost of living all come as slaps to the face in uproar. Teenagers use it to mock the Baby for the young generation. The feeling is that because Boomer generation, and it has led to much of these difficulties in life, its alright to poke some fun

> "These young people have inherited a world full of rising waters, disappearing life, crippling debt, and crumbling democracies. Gen Z is not catching ZZZZs. We've come a long way from the Silent Generation," CBS News writer Faith Salie said. "Look, we all know you're not right just because you're young. But likewise, Boomers don't always deserve respect just because [they're] old."

> It is true that circumstances today prove far different from that of the Baby Boomer generation. Nearly a quarter of people in low paying job sectors have a Bachelor's degree or higher. Not to mention, working minimum wage requires students to take more hours than there are in a day to pay for just a college education, let alone living situations, food, and clothing.

> But does this truly give teenagers an Millenials today the right to make such crude jokes to the older generation? To Vice writer Jules Suzdalstev, the phrase is not even meant to focus on Baby Boomers.

> "OK Boomer doesn't mean 'OK person born between 1946 and 1964," Suzdalstev said. "It means "OK person born into uniquely prosperous circumstances built on the backs of colonialism, slavery, and white supremancy, who believes that this prosperity was not only normal, but legitimately earned."





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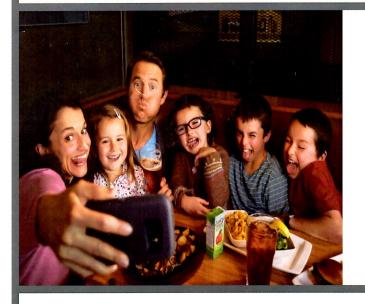
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SPORTS

Kicking it Up

The girls soccer team shoots for success

Mina Kendall SPORTS EDITOR

■he Lady Jags girls soccer team, over the past years, has had quite the makeover, almost unrecognizable from a couple of years ago. From 2017 to now, the difference is quite obvious. The team spirit and raw talent shown on this girls team is just one of the factors that keeps the Lady Jags motivated, hard working, and winning. Coach Richard Denny shows great pride in this team he has supported, keeping his priorities straight and clear, and his team members focused. "In my eyes, academics come before soccer. If grades are bad, you will be sitting on the bench next to me. Practice every day and no slacking off keep us together," Coach Denny said. The team works cohesively training every day and creating lifetime bonds and friendships.

Although the team lost three crucial seniors last year, the team is still as prominent as ever. The team stepped it up and proved their talent. Stephanie Rosado, a senior who has been on this team for all four of her years at Coral Glades, is very proud of the team she has watched grow. "I believe the girls on this years team have a special, closer bond, than displayed in the past years. This makes us better players on and off the field," Rosado said. The team is very competitive, kicking many teams out of the running for finals including Northeast High, Deerfield Beach High, and Fort Lauderdale.

Many of these girls use this sports team as an outlet from the stress of school. "It's great to know that after a stressful day of school I get to spend a couple

hours doing what I love, with my friends," junior Kayla Haweny said. Sports teams and extracurriculars are proven to improve a students academics, social skills, and teaches them valuable life lessons.

In order for players to keep their spot on the team, they are held accountable for keeping their grades good and to be an overall a well-rounded student. The coach will frequently do checks on grades implying for all the young ladies to keep their grades in check. Bad grades equals no playing time, and if there is no saving the grades, the girls spot on the team is put into question. These rules make the team strict, demanding better work and higher discipline. Discipline plays a huge factor on this team. Coach Denny has a mandatory study hall before every practice. Every student athlete has to do work, and computers are provided for them. Coach checks work after to make sure something has been done in this time, and none has been wasted. The girls take pride in this, all of them having above average grades and thriving in extracurriculars and AP classes.

As a team these girls have grown together a lot and have chemistry that will last a lifetime. "When you're wearing our jersey, you represent myself, our team, our school, and most importantly yourself. Do not do anything that will tarnish our reputation as one of the best teams in this school," Coach Denny said. The girls will continue to thrive through their winter season, defeating many more schools who stand in their path.



GIRLS SOCCER: Principal, Dr. Mark Kaplan and coach Richard Denny are all smiles preparing for the game against Fort Lauderdale High School



GIRLS SOCCER: Coach Denny gives his half-time speech to sophomores Athena Chitty, Mia Zamorano, Giana Gharakhanian, Victoria Fuentes and senior Omelie Dameus.

photo by Mina Kendall

SPORTS BRIEFS

FSU on the Search for a Coach

Jimbo Fisher had a great seven years at FSU after succeeding Bobby Bowden, winning a national championship in 2013 and left in 2017 for a unrefusable contract from Texas A&M. This forced FSU to hire somebody. Nobody wanted the job and the few that did were not qualified, except for Willie Taggart. However, with his terrible resume he failed to be truly successful even in the easiest of conferences. When he came to Florida State from the Oregon Ducks he seemed like a fan favorite. He did everything right off the field, but everything wrong on it. In his first game against Virginia Tech, the Seminoles wore all black to mark the special occasion. The game didn't exactly go as planned and they lost badly. Week two they played Samford, an FCS team, and were favored by 32, however only won by ten. A year and a half later of constantly losing, the Seminoles decided it was time to fire him and replace him with Mike Norvell who previously was the coach of the Memphis Tigers. Willie Taggart is now the head coach of the Florida Atlantic Owls.

- Matthew Larrick





Basketball Cheer Makes a Comeback

As football season has come to a close, for the first time in many years the school has decided to bring back the basketball cheerleading team. This team made a comeback after being suspended for a few years. With a high reputation and state winning title, the basketball cheerleading team was held to a high standard which many can say that standard was met. With challenging stunts and powerful cheers, the cheerleaders excited the crowd with their unstoppable energy. This year the cheerleading team has gained a new coach, Gianna Rowe, to lead the basketball squad. This is Rowe's first year as a coach here at Coral Glades. She's introduced new chants, dances, and stunts to her cheerleaders that have blown the crowd away. Rowe has been a great addition to the cheer program. The team has given more students who cannot participate in competition cheer, the opportunity to be a part of the excelling cheer program.

- Chelsea Ramu

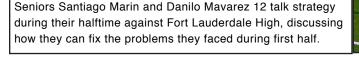
BALLING BOYS

Highlights from this year's boys soccer season

SPORTS EDITOR









Diving for the ball, junior Lewis Massingham makes an amazing save, keeping the boys in the game.



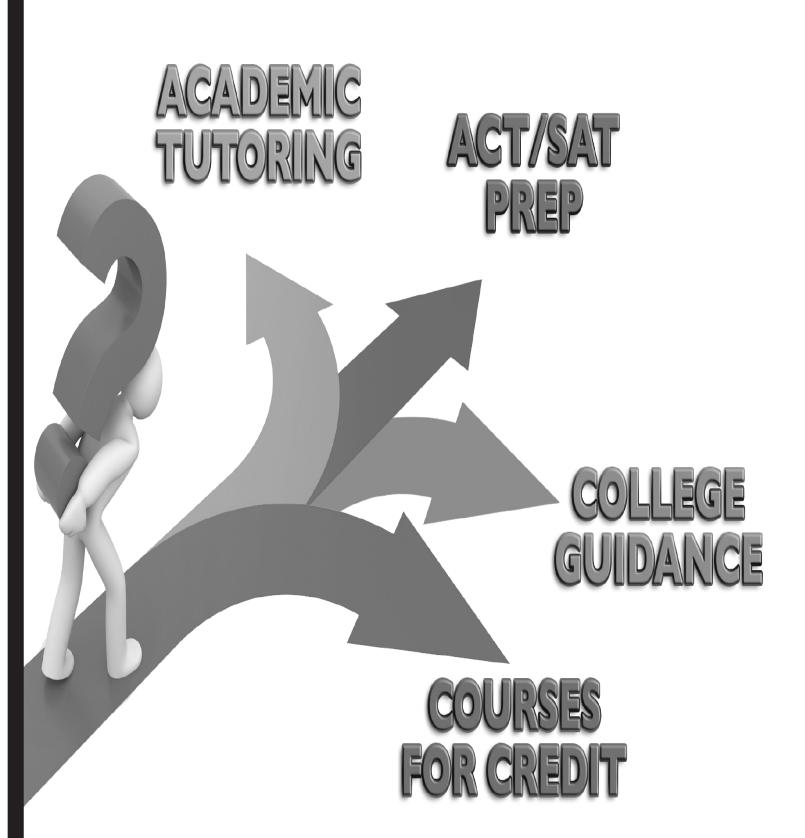






tressed out? Not surprising as the majority of high schoolers, and even middle schoolers feel this way. Stress is identified as the body's reaction to any change that requires an adjustment or response. This stress can cause your body to react negatively mentally, physically and emotionally. Stress can come in many types and forms from many different places. Identifying what causes your stress is the first step to overcoming it. Whether your stress is caused by an upcoming test, having too much homework, lack of organization, no down time, a poor sleep schedule, family issues, or struggling in hard and time consuming classes, there is always a solution that doesn't involve a mental breakdown. A couple ways to relieve your stress is to take some time for yourself. The homework will still be waiting there for you after you take five minutes to breathe. Another way to reduce stress is to take your assignments one step at a time. Baby steps may seem like an immature thing to do, but ultimately it gives your brain some time to comprehend what you have just done, giving you time to start up again on a new topic. Getting a good amount of sleep is crucial to your body and brain. Although you may feel you only need four hours of sleep every night, it is very bad if you are feeling stressed. Your brain is like a battery that needs to be charged, and sleeping is the way to fill your battery up. Shortchanging yourself from a good nights sleep will ultimately make the situation worse. You can also try to imitate a "test-taking environment" while you are studying. Making a time limit or no use of your phone may seem more stressful in the moment, but when you end up taking the test you will be better prepared and have a better outcome. Furthermore, once you prevail from your stressed out mindset, the key to persist is to find ways to prevent yourself from feeling the same stress again. Keeping a positive attitude is ideal to maintain a small amount of stress. Although this may be hard at times, starting every morning strong can be a great help. Exercising regularly will make the levels of your body's stress hormones reduce. Exercise stimulates and produces endorphins that can elevate your mood. Managing your time correctly--as addressed my last column -- drastically affects your amount of stress, as procrastination is a major cause. Time management can assist you with making time for your hobbies, interests, friends, and self care time. If at any time your stress seems to grow out of proportion, or you feel as if you can't help yourself in any way, seek social support. A trusted authority figure in your life that you can vent to may open your eyes and help you in a major way. If this doesn't work, it may be time to see a therapist. Cognitive therapy has been found to be effective in treating disorders such as stress, anxiety, and depression. Therapy is not for everyone, but if you truly believe there is no other way you can relieve your stress personally, it is a good option to look into. Overall it is very important to be aware of your body and stress levels, and to try to not let it get the best of you.





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boggling films such as Memento (2000) and Interstellar (2014). However, his action-thriller Inception proves his most career defining project. Inception follows a bold thief (DiCaprio) tasked with going into a businessman's head to plant an idea in order to change his opinion on a crucial issue. This film also displays some of the best practical effects work ever seen, giving the film a psychedelic, dreamlike quality. Leonardo DiCaprio turns in an excellent performance with support from Joseph-Gordon Levitt, Tom Hardy, and others. When coupled with the in-your-face score from Hans Zimmer, this movie a must watch film from early in the decade.

hristopher Nolan is known for his unique, mind-



011 was a year that was rather devoid of amazing films. In fact, the first half of the 2010s is this way. Fortunately, there's a diamond in the rough for the year, and that was Drive. Drive follows a Hollywood stunt driver (Gosling) who secretly works at night as a getaway driver for a gang. The driver, however, wishes to escape this dangerous line of work for a simpler life. So, think of this film as the Baby Driver (2017) before Baby Driver. The biggest strengths of this film have to its extremely careful camera work and editing. The way this film is shot is definitely a thing of beauty and shows nighttime LA for the gritty and dark place that it is. There's not too much to say here, but it's still a very fun watch.

any thrillers are often described as gritty,

realistic, and sometimes frightening.

However, there aren't many thrillers that come

close to matching 2013's Prisoners in these aspects.

Prisoners follows a man (Jackman) whose daughter goes missing, and he stops at nothing to try and find

her. The film is immensely gritty and dark, literally and

thematically. Not only are the events occurring in this

film dark, but the film itself has a dark look to it to match. This choice is extremely effective and accentuates the themes of loss, violence, grief, and justice that

are present in the film. If you're looking for an actually

thrilling thriller, then Prisoners is right up your alley.

classic whodunnit mystery is always a

welcome watch to any moviegoer, casual or devoted. Add to this, however, a director

of such caliber as Quentin Tarantino, and you get a film that is worth much, much more. The Hateful

Eight is a film set in the height of the old west and

follows a group of strangers who randomly meet

up with each other while tending to their own respective business. When these strangers get

caught in a blizzard and must seek refuge together,

tensions quickly rise and seeds of doubt begin to

plant in everyone's minds, as someone among

them is clearly lying about why they're there.

s a seguel to the 1982 sci-fi action thriller Blade

Runner, Blade Runner 2049 brought much to

the table in rich themes, kaleidoscopic visuals,

jaw dropping effects, and impeccable performances. think that the film may drag. However, this is far from

the truth. With its carefully woven story and extremely

detailed world watching the film's story play out and

our protagonist (Gosling) grow is anything but boring, not to mention a return of Harrison Ford's senior Blade Runner character and a villainous performance

from the infamous Jared Leto. This film is a definite

must see, especially for those sci-fi lovers out there.

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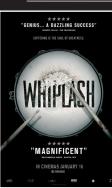


ebuting at film festivals in 2012, this film is a diamond in the rough for this half of the decade. Not only is The Place Beyond the Pines immensely unique, heartfelt, and even shocking, but it is also very real. The plot line itself is plausible to real life. This film follows a stunt motorcycle driver (Gosling) who turns to crime in order to support his lover and his newborn son. The performances here are so real and unhinged and so interesting to watch. Dane DeHaan is one of the most underrated actors out there and he deserves much more attention. All in all, this movie is easily one of the best of the decade and deserves a watch.

DRIVE PRISONERS

2013 Prisoners

5015 THE PLACE BEYOND THE PINES



doesn't mean it is any less in quality. Whiplash exemplifies this. Whiplash follows an aspiring jazz drummer who wants to become one of the best jazz musicians in history. For jazz fans, the tracks alone sell the movie. Besides the soundtrack, there are many elements of this film that impress. The performances from our two leads (Miles Teller and J.K. Simmons) work excellently off of each other and the relationship between their characters is an incredibly complex and unique one. In addition, the editing is so spot on and fun to watch especially in the music scenes, as it goes along with the music. The film's story, although short, proves fulfilling. The ending is incredibly satisfying.

ust because a movie is on the shorter side



2015 THE HATEFUL EIGHT





or once, the Academy's pick for Best Picture couldn't have been more accurate; Moonlight is absolutely phenomenal. It's such an incredibly deep, personal, and touching film that keeps you a man named Chiron through parts of his life as he discovers himself and who he is in an environment that isn't accepting of him. This film has everything: a deep and rich story filled with meaningful themes and real issues, incredible performances, enchanting shot composition, a wonderful score, subtle symbolism, and so much more. It's best to go in blind as it makes for a better experience.



2017 BLADE RUNNER 2049





hen it comes to modern horror movies and thrillers, there really isn't much to talk about. The genre is rather lacking. However, every once in a while there's an exception to that ruling; Hereditary is one. Ari Aster, director of 2018's surprise mind-bender, tells the story of a family whose ancestry has a strange, dark past that is inexplicably coming back to haunt them after the recent death of a family member. This isn't the type of film to rely on loud, obnoxious music and a jumpscare. The score by Colin Stetson is mysteriously and subtly evil.



he Lighthouse made an impact on me that no other movie this year, not even Joker, did. The Lighthouse is the first film I've seen in a while that is constantly and completely original. The story follows two lighthouse keepers (Pattinson and Dafoe) in the early 1800s as they tend to a lighthouse and slowly lose their sanity. The film acts as a sort of a love letter to the old, early 20th century style of filmmaking, with its colorless shots and square frame. The movie contains deep-rooted themes of obsession, power, humanity, and sanity to go along with the aforementioned accomplishments, *The Lighthouse* is an incredibly unique and refreshingly original film that acted as a cinematic breath of fresh air.

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Rotten Apple

Airpod Pros carry whopping price tag for mediocre product

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pple has introduced its latest product, the brand new airpod pros. It promises various new features such as active noise cancellation, transparency mode and water/sweat resistance. The new device also boasts an improved microphone that cuts down wind during calls, and new silicone ear tips that are designed to comfortably fit your ear all day. It also has new controls such as tapping 3 times to skip back and pressing holding to switch from active noise

cancellation to transparency. new tech packed device and all its features come at the hefty price of \$249, making it almost \$100 more than the original apple airpods and \$50 more than the second generation apple airpods. With the price placed so high, it has left customers wondering are they really worth it?

The new airpod pros, differently presented physical design, have a wider and shorter look compared to the original airpods. The pros height reaches 1.78 inches, and inches in width; while the originals 5.2 inches in height, and 4.3 inches in width. With the new design changes, this makes the pros smaller and lighter than the 1st generation airpods. Many customers criticized the design, calling it dumb for having such a wide end. The pros also come with silicon tips designed to uniquely fit ears comfortably. This option comes in 3 different sizes,

small, medium or large. The newly added ear fit tip test,

can see which size would best comfortably fit your ear. This feature only comes with the new airpod pros and not

included in the two previous models. Replacement silicone

tips sell at \$3.95 each according to Apple's website.

Apple has additionally made the pros water/sweat resistant which has become the first to happen in the brand's headphones. This makes its easier to workout and do other active activities without airpods falling out of your ear. The headphones come water resistant but not waterproof which means it cannot be submerged in water or placed under a running faucet. Three new noise settings components come apart of the apple airpod pros. Noise cancellation blocks external sounds, with an inward facing microphone that listens inside your ear for unwanted internal sounds.

Another sound setting, transparency mode, lets outside in so you can hear what's going on around you. You can switch between transparency mode, noise cancellation and off by touching the force sensor on

> pros new high tech features are but are not the expensive \$249 dollar price tag. The features complement the device but not worth dollar price hundred difference to the first generation airpods. the original generation, most of the remain unchanged. Some improved slightly but not enough for people to go out

hundred dollars more. This and spend a option may be good for people who are active or trouble finding comfortable headphones but overall isn't worth the price. With few differences between the Pros and their originals, it becomes clear that Apple must step up their game in order to see any money from their customers.

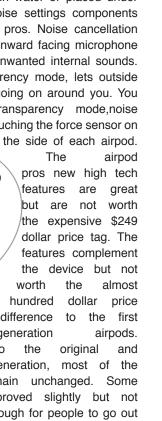
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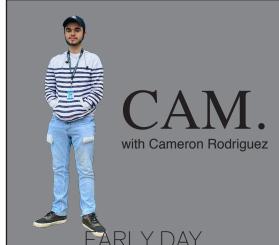
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arl Sweatshirt has been in the music industry for a decade now, so it's hard to believe he's only 25 years old. He released his first mixtape, simply called Earl, at the age of 15, which made him instantly recognized as a promising prospect in the rap scene. Fast-forward to current day and 4 albums later, Earl is considered a modern legend and a pioneer in the fledgling subgenre of post hip-hop. Once you take a look at his upbringing however, it's not hard to see how this happened. His father, Keorapetse Kgositsile, was a famous South African poet known for his influence in closing the gap between African poetry and black poetry in the United States. Constantly being surrounded by art in his early age influenced Earl's stylistic choices later in life.

Earl released his first public work under the name Sly Tendencies, but quickly dropped the moniker after joining famous rap group Odd Future, where he was joined by other famous members such as well known Tyler the Creator and Frank Ocean. After his first mixtape, Earl received widespread acclaim and it cemented him as the most talented member of the Odd Future lineup. 3 months after this mixtape, Earl was sent to a boarding school in Samoa by his mother as she believed the influences in his life were leading him down a troubled road. During his time in Samoa, Odd Future's popularity had risen to cult like status. Earl states his time in Samoa as the catalyst for his shift in lyrical content, and allowed him to make more focused art which shows on his second release, Doris. Doris's content explored darker, grittier ideas than his first release and still received similar acclaim. What's seems to repeatedly differentiate Earl in comparison to other artists is that he's able to turn underground trends and stylings into mainstream success. Earl's 3rd release and 2nd studio album, I Don't Like S*** I Don't Go Outside, is as antisocial and raw as the title shows. The production on the album, dubbed IDLSIDGO by fans, is incredibly minimalist and grimy, and lyrical content is the same way. Earl switches his writing style on this album pretty substantially, replacing intricate and dense rhyme schemes with potent one liners and imagery. The album is also entirely selfproduced, which allowed Earl to fully express himself not only in the lyrics but in the instrumentation as well.

3 years passed after the release of IDLSIDGO without any album. In this time Earl released a 10-minute project entitled Solace which ended with a message of hopelessness.

"Well time waits for no man and death waits with cold hands," Earl said before the song's instrumental continued on without him. It wasn't until November of 2018 the world get another single from Earl, and it was apparent that he had accepted his path in life. The instrumentation, despite feeling more disjointed than ever before, felt strangely optimistic and hopeful. Earl expressed his values; now surrounded by friends he enthusiastically shouted out on the song. Not long after an album dropped, simply called Some Rap Songs. The darkness and grime still apparent, but it's clear that Earl had accepted it and became one with the music. Often, the instrumentals took center stage of any given song, and it's clear it had intention. The use of abstract and chopped samples emphasized the feelings Earl had over his father's death, which occured just around the New Year of 2018. Despite the experimental nature of the record it has been lauded by many fans and ciritcs as Earl's best record yet.

All in all, Earl's music is unpolished, deeply personal, and incredibly influential in the music landscape. The music he produces shows that not all work has to be positive and joyful to make a substantial impact on the market and on the fans. In an industry of boisterous personalities and albums that overstay their welcome, Earl may just be the reserved, concise artist we need.

Shining She-Ra

For the honor of Grayskull! She-Ra:The Princess of Power is becoming She-Ra and the Princesses of Power in the newest modern reboot of a beloved cartoon. Now parents can reminisce about their past and take pleasure in seeing it repurposed for new generations. It gives new perspectives and outlooks aswell, such as LGBTQ reputation. The current trend of reboots for shows like She-Ra have gotten a lot of flack due to the differences from their 80s counterparts, such as changes in animation styles. Plot and character development also has a stronger part of the modern updates of these shows. Overused cliches and sterotypes from the 80s are gone, for the most part anyways. In shows like Voltron, another show that's be rebooted recently, main characters are set up in a way where all their pains and struggles feel realistic. The backstories of characters are a lot more fleshed out and go as far back as to when they were kids, and It's no difference with She-Ra. The compex traits of each character makes the each interaction and dynamic interesting. All in all, She-Ra is at the same time faithful to the source material as well as a breath of fresh air in modern animation. -Danielle Roberts





Streaming Victory

Have you heard the great news? Nextflix finally gave into our demands and added Victorious! This show brings back so many memories, influencing so many parts of many of our childhoods. The show made us see high school as fun. Though at times school can be enjoyable. it can't compare to what we saw in Victorious. A lot of people wanted to be like Jade when they got older. She is perceived by her fans as a cool, popular teen who gained everyone's respect, even though majority of the people attending Hollywood Arts were scared of her. Not to mention, she had an amazing voice and eye catching boyfriend. We can't forget all the iconic characters we all grew to love. Every little girl thought they would turn out to be like Jade, Tori, or even Cat. After watching all three seasons, 60 episodes, after all the tears and laughter and all the memories, Victorious has brought back all those warm fuzzy feelings that nostalgia gives us. Thankfully, Netflix let us experience that one again.

-Ximena Garces



Judging With the Jags

Students review the latest releases

Jesus is late

Kanye West's gospel album came a year late and disappointed

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know it's very subtle, but it may surprise you to find out that Kanye West believes in God. Religion has always been an aspect of Kanye's music, I mean his first major hit was called "Jesus Walks", but in recent times he has found himself 'reborn'. This new era of West's christianity can be traced back to the album *The Life of Pablo* where Kanye repeatedly references Saint Paul, commonly known as San Pablo. These religious tones continued into *ye* which featured Kanye meditating not only on his faith, but on his mental health as well. *Jesus is King* is born out of the same ideology Kanye had when recording ye. Both albums consist

of less than 30 minutes of runtime and commentate on recent events that are affecting, or caused by Kanye. However, *ye*'s rawness and brevity was charming due to the back-to-back Kanye produced album releases of early 2018. The lack of focus on Jesus is King due to his continued self-obsession hinders his ability to do a gospel-inspired album well.

This record is more about Kanye's personal faith and ego than it is about Jesus or anything related to christianity. In fact, this album says more about the state of Kanye's mental health than his

faith. Throughout the record it becomes more obvious to the listener that it's hard for Kanye to speak on religion without keeping his own ego in check. On the song "Hands On" Kanye responds to critics and Christians alike who attack him for his shift into more faith-centric music. He states, "What have you been hearin' from the Christians?/ They'll be the first to judge me/Make it feel like nobody love me." Ever since Kanye began this 'public revival arc' through his Sunday Service concerts Christians have been questioning his true motives.

It's a valid concern as Kanye has no problem stirring up chaos in the public eye in order to promote himself whenever a new album is about to drop. This is so well known in fact that it has become a joke that whenever Kanye does something weird in public we can anticipate an album in the near future. Kanye paints this picture of him being persecuted by the public, and even goes as far as to compare himself to Noah on the track "Selah". The further the listener dives into this album the more apparent it becomes that this isn't a gospel album, but is an album more about Kanye's own interpretation of Christianity.

There are a lot of complex layers on Jesus is King,

and a lot of them feel unintentional. If they were then the lyrics wouldn't feel so surface level and reductive, and the production wouldn't feel as rushed as it does. There is only a fraction of effort and self-awareness on this album in comparison to *ye*. The mixing, particularly on the first leg of the record, is very muddy. On "Follow God" the vocal quality is very granular and muted, as if he's rapping into a tinfoil microphone. The quality of the song "Water" isn't much better, which is disappointing as it was personally one of my favorite

tracks shown during Coachella. It's as if the vocalists had decided to record themselves literally underwater. This is coming from the man who remixed "Stronger" over 100 times to perfect the quality of it. The highlight of this album would be "Use This Gospel" as the minimalist production actually benefits the track and everyone is at the top of their game lyrically, especially Pusha T. All in all, this album is a solid no from me. I'd recommend listening to the *Yandhi* leaks over this rushed, lame excuse of a gospel album. 1.5 starts.



Dora does it

The new Dora the Explorer movie exceeds originally low expectations

"The movie portrays the

characteristics of Dora

we've come to know

and love, and it brings

back a serious sense of

nostalgia."

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ora, an animated series, distributed many educational purposes that enabled children to learn about "Español". Dora motivated multiple children to seek education through exploration with an outside the box of mind stimulating system. "Dora the Explorer" originally premiered June 12, 1999, with an uproar of success. Dora the Explorer aired its final episode on August 9, 2019. Since then, the writers and producers for 'Dora' decided to take Dora in a newer sentiment and create Dora into a real life fiction movie otherwise known as, "Dora and the Lost City of Gold." The

new movie premiered August 9th, 2019 in theaters, and a diverse amount of people showed, excited to see this occurrence from their childhood come to life.

Since the new Dora made its appearance they obtained excellent responses from the viewers. I found it as a gratifying and entertaining experience, to take something old and nostalgic and bring it into the light again for another chance to shine, but alas with every great comment there comes the unpleasant. Some viewers who saw the movie say it's too much like Jumanji, but I say this Dora movie deems far

more complex than that. I feel people should not compare the two, but instead enjoy them equally and separately as they contain many differences but both perform great.

This new Dora movie holds perfect for all ages, as well as an astonishing homage and parody. It's not full of jokes or not too serious, it has the perfect balance between the two. Although the critic Joshua Starns thinks otherwise, he states, "Dora and the Lost City of Gold is not edgy is not funny enough and does not seem to be really about Dora." I wholeheartedly

disagree with this statement, this movie endures edge. They faced countless trouble when they got kidnapped, shot at by arrows, stuck in quicksand, and almost drowned in a room filling up with water. This movie prevails unquestionably hilarious, and not just because I loved the Dora show as a child, but because I genuinely laughed while watching the movie. Nonetheless, Dora shows her loving and caring for her family and everyone by playing a legitimate role model for all ages.

The movie held extremely put together, but it wouldn't of had greater success without the stunning cast. They acted

perfect and couldn't of picked a better actress to play Dora. Isabela Moner did an excellent job at portraying all of Dora's characteristics, how she stays true to herself and doesn't change just because people made fun of her. I think that's a beautiful message that kids should take notice on, kids seem to always try to change themselves to satisfy others and that's not healthy. Diego's hair appeared off, but other than that Jeff Wahlberg played a great Diego. The cast really did bring this movie together.

The movie as a whole portrayed very enjoyable and can teach people

many lessons. Dora can be seen a very inspirational figure: ambitious, intelligent, and seen as a very courageous character. Not to mention she is committed, and devoted to making sure that everyone remains accounted for and makes it out of the dangerous situation safely. After watching this movie, I am sure Dora will be everyone's spirit animal. I cannot wait to see what they do next, if they make another Dora movie, or design another old Nickelodeon show as new. With a project as good as Dora, anything else is sure to become a hit.



"Not

worthy of the radio,

but a creative and fresh take on the lyrics he writes. -Natalia Maldonado, 12