

## WELCOME To YouR MEXT ABYENTURE!

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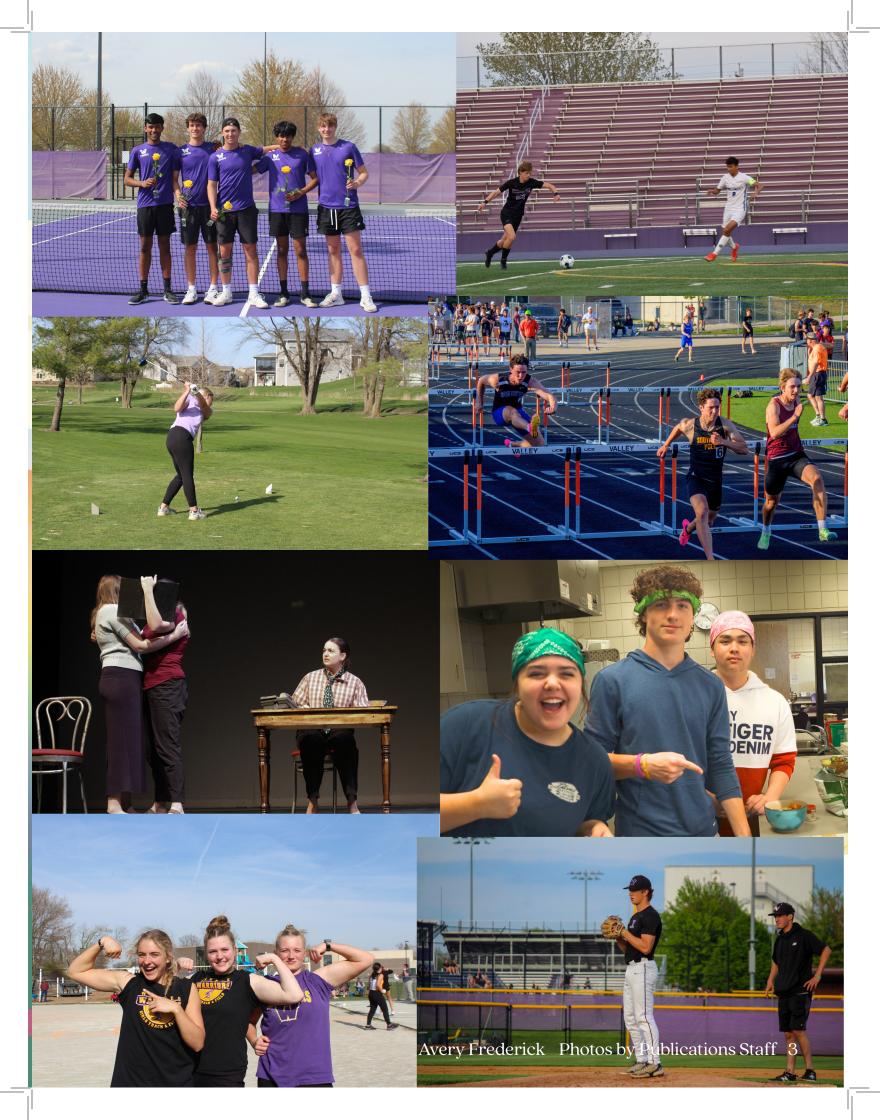
"Alice in Wonderland is about self discovery and taking risks. I wanted a theme that expressed new beginnings. Although the seniors' time in high school has come to a close, it is a chapter they will carry with them as they continue to write their own stories."

Ben Biggs, Guest Cover Artist

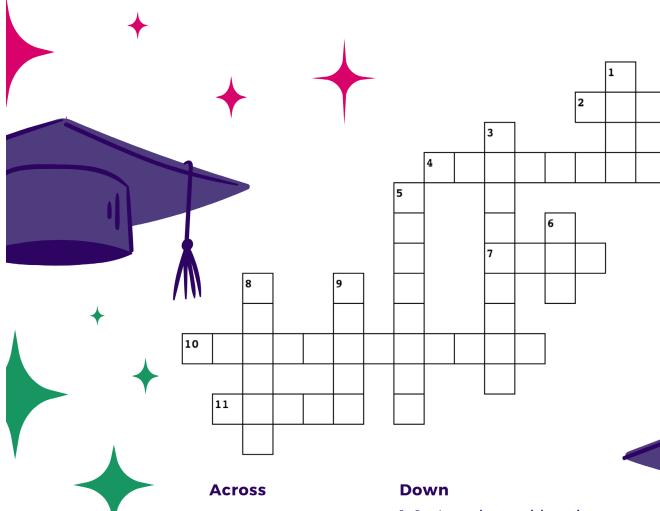
"I knew I wanted it to be colorful, [with] a natural green, and I thought a deep magenta fit with that. Everything else was added for the sake of making it look more lively."

In the "sign here" area on the back ... "Write notes, doodles, Witches' Hexes, Love Letters, Checks for \$1,000,000,000 ... whatever you want!"





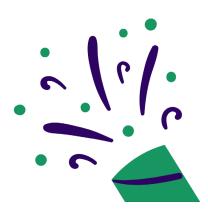




- 2. commencement accessory for service, NHS, etc.
- 4. Principal at WHS
- 7. The song of 2021, according to page 5
- 10. Graduation ceremony
- 11. the \_\_\_\_\_ of 2023

Molly Hansen

- 1. Can't graduate without it
- 3. Topic of the article on page 9
- 5. Instructors and coaches
- 6. Graduate's hat
- 8. Don't forget to thank them for helping you get this far
- 9. Last name of the author of page 10





- Kindergarten BABY - JUSTIN BIEBER
- 1st grade **MOVES LIKE JAGGER - MAROON 5**
- 2nd grade STARSHIPS - NICKI MINAJ
- 3rd grade WAKE ME UP - AVICII
- 4th grade AM I WRONG - NICO & VINZ
- 5th grade CAN'T FEEL MY FACE - THE WEEKND
- 6th grade CAN'T STOP THE FEELING - JUSTIN TIMBERLAKE
- 7th grade SHAPE OF YOU - ED SHEEREN
- 8th grade IN MY FEELINGS - DRAKE
- 9th grade OLD TOWN ROAD - LIL NAS X
- 10th grade BLINDING LIGHTS - THE WEEKEND
- 11th grade STAY - JUSTIN BIEBER
- 12th grade MOMENT 4 LIFE - NICKI MINAJ & DRAKE









## 2022-2023 school year timeline



FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL AUGUST 23

HOMECOMING GAME SEPTEMBER 30





HOMECOMING DANCE OCTOBER 1

FALL PLAY: THE BOOK OF WILL OCTOBER 6-9





WAUKEE WINS TOYS FOR TOTS AGAINST NORTHWEST DECEMBER 6

WAUKEE HOSTS STARSTRUCK JANUARY 13-14







The boys' team above from left to right: Nolan Klemesrud, Andrew Lester, Jojo Layee, Drew Sabatino, Jimmie Ware, Logan Meagher, Xavier DeMarco, Brant Kron, Tariq Ally, Gabe Chayee, and Ty Seiler



The girls' team above from left to right: Kirsten Hauck, Emilie Sorensen, Gentry Williams, Jenna Jones Valerie Jepkosgei, Miranda Peters, Lauren Billeter

#### Battle of the Sexes

Toward the end of the year, students have fewer things to look forward to. School dances and many sports events have ended, and the only thing students are excited about is summer... until this year. A basketball tournament between the boys and girls of Ms. Slauson's P.E. class has given Waukee's students something to look forward to on and off the court.

Danessa Samba, a senior in the class, said her favorite part of the games is commentating. "The basketball games bring me happiness," she said. "It's fun to see the girls go up against the guys and go all out even though the games are supposed to be fun."

Miranda Peters, another senior in the class, explained that the games make her feel excited. "The crowd gets excited about any little thing. There's no pressure to play good," she said.

The rivalry started when the girls in the class wanted to play the boys after seeing them shoot hoops for warmups. There have been two tournament games since. The boys won the first game with a score of 33-18.

The MVP of the game, Jimmie Ware, stated, "It felt great earning MVP, I think I deserved it, You know I played hard, had 12 points and 16 rebounds."

In the following week's rematch, Valerie Jepkosgei shot the winning basket for the girls' team. "My favorite part was beating the boys and my least favorite was trying to get a set date to play the games and get the teachers to comply and allow us to play," she said.



Nolan Klemesrud and Paddy Moreland pose together.



Valerie Jepkosgei cheers for her team.

"The games make me feel excited and just carefree because even though I don't actually play basketball I still get to go out and have fun with my friends and other people at school."

- Valerie Jepkosgei



## You're Out!

@keeassassins2023

This spring many seniors participated in a non-school affiliated classwide water gun fight. This competition is run through an Instagram account at the handle @keeassassins2023.

The fight started with the orchestrator of the competition, who remained a mystery for most of the game's duration, reaching out to all the seniors asking if they were "in." When the seniors confirmed that they wanted to participate in the competition, they were assigned a target.

It was eventually revealed that the secret mastermind behind Senior Assassin was sophomore Ella Soliday. "Everyone gets assigned a person to 'eliminate' with a water gun," Soliday said, "and they have a certain amount of time to get their person outside of school grounds."

A list of rules dictated when and where an assassination could take place. Another big rule in this competition is that assassins must take a picture or video for proof and DM it to the Kee Assassins account. If a player assassinated their target within four days, they advanced to the next round and were randomly assigned a new target. The game continued until everyone got out and one last person was left standing.

#### Rules

- No assassinating on school grounds
- Avoid target's place of work
- No breaking into
- Check out more of the rules on Instagram

There were many controversies in this competition. Mara Scholes took her target Gabe Carter's shoes, which was not specified in the room, and the Instagram asked players to vote it was a violation. The viewers ultimately agreed, so Mara had a bounty on her. Five people assassinated her at her house. Mara explains how her bounty hunters snuck up on her. "They were waiting for me to get home and ran into the garage so I couldn't close it," she said. Her assassins were Tariq Ally, Ella Smith, Pranesh Kalevala, Lucy Couchman, and Beth Scott. All five moved on to the next round.

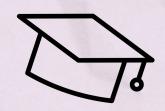
A Culver's kill was Zoey Lohse. Zoey got assassinated by Jacolyn Carfrae after the spring vocal music concert, so she was still in her a capella dress when she was assassinated. Zoey said that she was joking with her friends about maybe getting shot in her concert attire, so when it actually happened it was pretty ironic and embarrassing. One of Zoey's targets was Hunter Price, who had a bounty on her head for violating the rule of breaking into people's cars. Zoey described the feeling of being the one who got to assassinate Hunter, "It was a rush because I wasn't expecting to get her that night," Lohse said. "That's why you always have to keep your gun on you!"

On Sunday, May 14, the winner Tatum Lowell was announced. She assassinated Josie Moreland, Tanner Dinnebier, and Tariq Ally. Tatum said her favorite part about the competition was "the adrenaline rush after killing people." Many seniors fought hard for this top spot, but only Tatum emerged victorious. This senior water gun fight may be carried out in years to come. But that is up to the administrator of the account and the class of 2024.



#### DREAM JOBS

#### Then and Now



When we were younger, we dreamed of becoming princesses and superheroes. But as we grew up and learned more about ourselves, our dreams changed, too. Kee Scroll caught up with four graduates who are pursuing careers that fit their personalities and passions.



Ashley Oswald

When I was younger, my dream job was to be an elementary school teacher. I changed up my plans and decided to go into nursing. I took the CNA course at APEX and fell in love with caregiving. I like the science content behind the scenes, but the reward of helping people is what sold it for me.



Parker Moore

My dream job when I was younger was a teacher,
Now, I'm going into the health field with goals to
be a dermatologist. I realized I wanted to do
healthcare but was scared of the commitment
because it's a hard program. But I realized there's
committed and work hard, then I can do it.



I wanted to be a teacher when I was
younger because they got extra treats when there
were birthdays in elementary school. I really
admire all teachers and what they do, but don't
think I could handle what they deal with. I am now
planning on going to ISU with a major in advertising
and marketing with hopes of ending up at an
advertising firm.



Gabe Carter

My dream job when I was younger was to be a writer, and now I don't know what my dream job is. I'm going into the exploratory pathways program at the University of Kansas to help me find a career path!

## DEAR UNDERCLASSMEN,

ENJOY EVERYTHING BECAUSE IT GOES BY FAST.

COLIN DRISCOLL

HAVE A POSITIVE MINDSET.

YOU'LL GET THROUGH IT, AND DON'T STRESS ABOUT NOT BEING PREPARED FOR THINGS, NO ONE IS.

ZANDER HALL

YEARS OF YOUR
LIFE.
IT'S ALL ABOUT
WHAT YOU MAKE
OF IT:

HIGH SCHOOL WILL BE THE

BEST AND WORST

TAY TRUE TO YOUR HISTORY AND DON'T LET GO OF YOUR CULTURE AND ANCESTRY TO BLEND IN WITH THE CROWD.

DIVYA YERRAMILLI

REMEMBER TO ENJOY YOUR TIME WITH FRIENDS
OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL! IT'S NOT ALL ABOUT GETTING
GOOD GRADES, YOU ALSO HAVE TO GO MAKE SOME
MEMORIES! LILLY BETH FROEHLICH

HONESTLY, BE YOURSELF AND BE REAL. DON'T FALL FOR THE TRENDS BECAUSE EVERYONE IS FIGURING THEMSELVES OUT. NO MATTER HOW SHINY AND GLITTERY THEY MIGHT LOOK ON THE OUTSIDE, THEY'RE STILL A SCARED TEENAGER TRYING TO NAVIGATE SCHOOL JUST LIKE YOU. ORIGINALITY AND BEING TRUE AND REAL WILL TAKE YOU SO FAR IN HIGH SCHOOL... HAVE FUN, BEING TRUE AND REAL WILL TAKE YOU SO FAR IN HIGH SCHOOL... HAVE FUN, GO TO EVENTS, MAKE MEMORIES, AND DO YOUR HOMEWORK ON TIME AND STUDY FOR FINALS PLEASE.

STEVEN PAYE

YOU'RE REALLY NOT AS GROWN AS YOU THINK, AND IF YOU DON'T LIVE IN THE MOMENT, YOU WILL MOST LIKELY REGRET NOT LETTING YOURSELF BE A KID. ASHLEY OSWALD

PLEASE HAVE FUN YOUR SENIOR YEAR BECAUSE IT'LL MAKE YOUR LAST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL ONE TO REMEMBER FOREVER. ALESANDRIA LO GO TO SPORTING EVENTS AND GET INVOLVED IN CLUBS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL.

SAM THOMPSON

IT'S GOING TO GET HARD, BUT THE YEARS GO BY FASTER AND FASTER. TRY TO MAKE THE MOST OUT OF IT, BUT IT'S ALSO OKAY TO NOT LET EYERYONE WALK ALL OVER YOU. STICK UP FOR YOURSELF, FOCUS ON BETTERING YOUR EXPERIENCE AND USE THIS TIME TO TRY TO REALLY LOOK INTO COLLEGE AND YOUR FUTURE AS MUCH AS YOU CAN.

PARKER MOORE

NOBODY REALLY CARES ABOUT YOU OR WHAT YOU'RE DOING AS MUCH AS YOU THINK THEY DO, SO DON'T LET FEAR OF JUDGEMENT STOP YOU FROM ACHIEVING BIG THINGS.

NOI AN KLEMESRUD

TAKE A CHOIR CLASS. YOU WILL NOT REGRET IT. ERIN HARLAN



# WHO GOES THERE! Sign Here