



Fall Recipes

Jordan Blanco

HALLOWEEN COOKIES

Do you love halloween? Do you love cookies? Well this is the perfect treat for you!

Ingredients:

1c butter, softened 1c white sugar

1c packed brown sugar 1/2 tsp salt

2 eggs

2 tsp vanilla extract

3c flour

1 tsp baking soda

1 tsp cornstarch

2c chocolate chips glass of milk



Step 1: preheat the oven to 350°

Step 2: mix the butter and sugar together until fluffy.

Step 3: add the egg and mix it with the butter/ sugar mixture. Don't over mix it, add vanilla extract and mix in.

Step 4: in a separate bowl, use a whisk to mix the flour, baking soda, salt, and cornstarch. Then add 1/2 of the mixture to the mixer while it's stirring until it's all mixed together. Try not to over mix it or it will become difficult to mix.

Step 5: add the halloween chocolate chip eyes into the mix and combine.

Step 6: roll into ball, dip into a glass of milk, and place on a cookie sheet.

Step 7: put the cookie sheet into the oven for 30 mins.

Step 8: take out of the oven, let it cool and eat!

Pumpkin Spice Cake

My mom always made this cake during October. This cake is great for Halloween and Fall parties.

Ingredients:

1 box of white cake mix

--1c of water

--3 Eggs

--1/2c oil

1 can of pumpkin puree

Steps:

1. Follow the directions on the box of white cake mix using 1c water, 3 eggs, and 1/2c of oil.

2. Then add the can of pumpkin puree.

3. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees.

4. Mix all ingredients together with a mixer. Once the batter is smooth, pour it into a cake pan of your choice.

5. Place your pan in the oven.

Bake for 25-30 mins.

6. Stick a fork in the middle of the cake and if no batter comes out, then you're ready for the next step.

Homemade whipped cream

Ingredients:

2 8 ounce cream cheese

3 egg whites

1 cup of powdered sugar

Steps:

1. Mix all the ingredients in a mixer till it gets white and fluffy.

2.Once your cake is cooled down, take a spatula to spread the whip cream.

3. Leave your cake in the fridge for 20 mins.

4. Slice and enjoy!



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Album Reviews

Sean Lyles

GUTS- Olivia Rodrigo

The songs on this album are really catchy. There are a few songs on the album I really enjoy. Those few songs really sound like classic indie bands like The Pixies and The Breeders. The slower songs on the album all sound like a more modern version of The Smiths. 9/10

10,000 Gecs- 100 Gecs

I might be biased, but this album is a work of pure art. The genres mixed in this album and the vibe shifts in each song is just insane and the production is just amazing. 10/10

Life Is But a Dream- Avenged Sevenfold

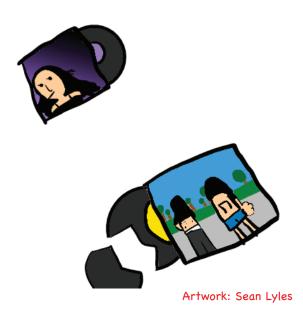
This album is VERY chaotic! It really works for most songs on the album, for example the second song, "Mattel" is a really catchy song. Some points in the album there is too much going on. Some songs do not have a lot happening so they tend to drag on. 9.5/10

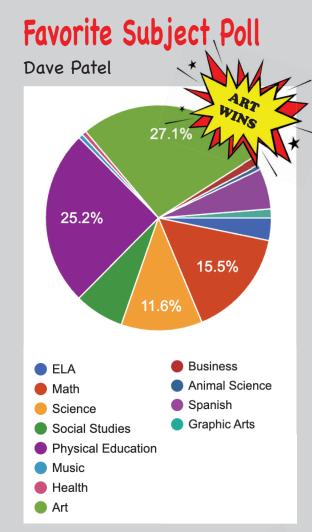
Like...?- Ice Spice

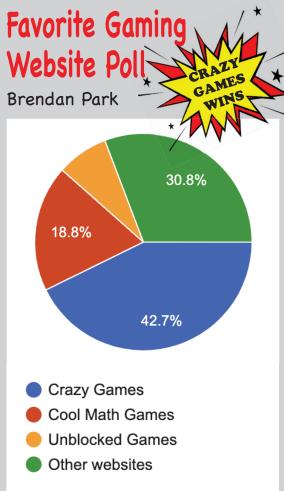
In my opinion, this album is not remarkable. Lyrically, the songs are almost carbon copies of each other. The instrumentals on the album are fairly good and have really good melodies that are memorable. 6.5/10

The Land is Inhospitable and So Are We- Mitski

This album is very mellow. It sounds like something you'd hear playing in a café or something. The album is also surprisingly cinematic for such a calm album. 9.5/10







Middle School Sports





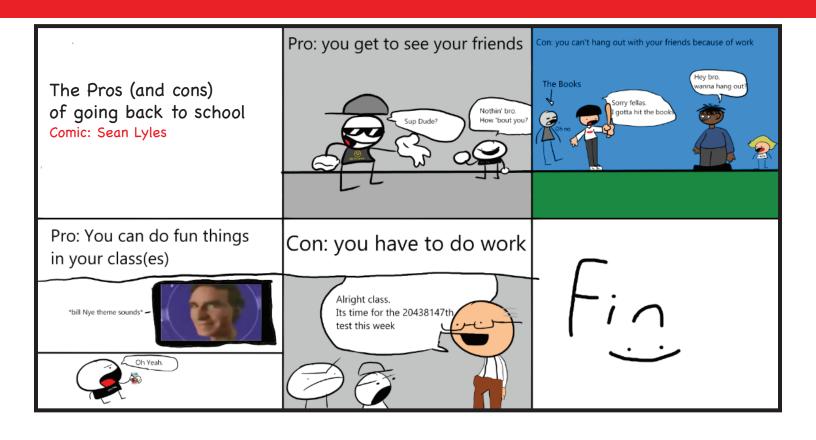
Now, on to the fun part, Sports! As students from Cliffside Park, we all know that there are many sports to join. This fall, you can join the following sports: Volleyball, Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, and Cross Country. Unfortunately, these sports have already started, but you can try out for winter sports. Winter Sports: Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, Wrestling and Cheerleading.

This fall is Volleyball season. Go Raiders! The volleyball coach is Mr. DiGiacomo. Our volleyball team consists of 18 players that alternate turns. So don't forget to give a shoutout to them! So far, the girls have won games and are continuously improving. We hope that we can win as many games as possible. Students do not only play volleyball competitively but also during recess. The objective is to keep the ball in the air and send it across the net. In real volleyball games, the players are most likely going to bump the ball, but they can also pass it to another player to help them get it over the net. In games, there are usually 6 people playing, but you can play with as many people as you want during recess. Volleyball is very fun and all you need is a volleyball!

Middle School Clubs

Ella Yoon

Do you feel bored in your spare time after school? If so, you may be interested in joining a variety of clubs! If you're a creative writer, who may want to show your work, and may be interested in joining Literary Magazine! If so, you can see Ms. Palmieri to join. Raiders TV is a club in which students create videos to post on You-Tube, and the Cliffside Park website by interviewing different people in school! They can do trivia, regular interviews, challenges, and more! But, if you're a camera-shy person, you can also edit the videos for each episode! The Raiders TV club has already made one episode, but it isn't too late to join now! If interested, you can see Ms. Matone. Do you have trouble with public speaking, or debating? If so, Debate Club is the perfect club for you! In Debate Club, you can build confidence, public speaking and debating skills, while also expanding your mind and increasing your understanding of multiple sides on important issues. If you have any questions, or are interested in joining, you can see Ms. Foster. Are you enjoying this first issue of the Cliffside Perspective? Come see Ms. Tulli on how you can contribute to the Middle School Newspaper. There are lots of different positions available such as writer, interviewer, comic creator, poll questions, photographer, artist, layout designer, and more.



Artistic Fusion: Rain, Man, and Frog

Selena Wang

Creativity knows no boundaries, and in this article, the focus is on three random words – rain, man, and frog. The challenge is to combine these words into a single work of art.

Creating Art with Rain, Man and Frog:

The art creation process begins with these seemingly unrelated words:

Rain: Raindrops falling from the sky offer a sense of motion and emotion to the artwork. This can be portrayed using watercolors or acrylics, with varying shades of blue and gray to capture the essence of a rainy day.

Man: The inclusion of a man in the artwork introduces the human element. The figure can be the central focus, holding an umbrella, engaging with the rain, or simply observing the world. The man can either be prominently featured or blend into the background allowing the other elements to take center stage.

Frog: The frog element introduces themes of nature and transformation. It can be depicted in numerous ways, from a playful frog leaping through puddles to an abstract silhouette formed by the raindrops.

Experimentation is key to achieving a harmonious balance between these elements and telling a unique story.

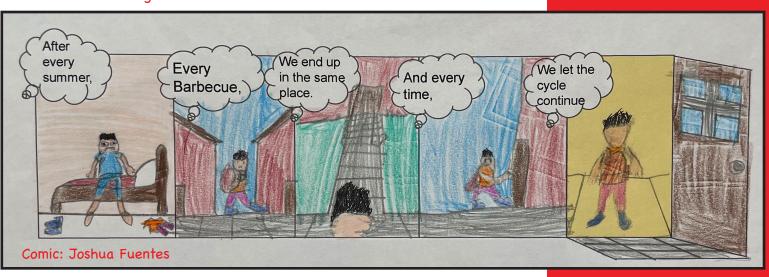


Artwork: Selena Wang

Student Council

Ella Yoon

Have you heard about the Student Council Office The winners the student council office roles have been revealed! As our president, we have Allison Chavez. For secretary, we have Emma Ndreu. Our treasurer is Ella Yoon. And our school spirit is Judith Orellana! The student council is important because they can help you make the changes to the school that you want. The student council helps think of upgrades for the school, and can arrange fun activities like dances, spirit weeks, and more. Speaking of dances, the student council has arranged a fall dance for 7th-8th graders, and will be hosted on November 17th in the cafeteria. If you would like to attend, you must fill out the permission slip and turn it in as soon as possible. Speaking of which, student council has recently held a bake/snack sale for Tomorrow's Children Fund. The student council will also be having a field trip to the food pantry in Fairview to volunteer.



ELA Strategies

Dave Patel

Q. What can students do to improve their reading stamina?

Ms. Palmieri- "Read as much as they can and as many different types of writing as they can."

Ms. Cemelli- "Reading what genre you're interested in can build interest in reading. Reading on a daily basis builds stamina- even if it's for 10-15 minutes."

Q. What are two ways students can analyze texts (prompts) easily?

Ms. Palmieri- "Look for the parts of a plot. Make sure to understand what the prompt is asking you."

Ms. Cemelli- "Discussing what you read with someone and going over key points. Highlight important information and ask yourself questions about what you just read."

Q. What can students do to improve their scores for the NJSLA in ELA?

Ms. Palmieri- "Increase your vocabulary."

Ms. Cemelli-" Practice makes perfect. The more reading comprehension you review and writing prompts you participate in will build your skills and build confidence."

Aspirations of 8th Grade Students

Selena Wang

Three CPMS students are on the verge of embarking on their journeys toward Bergen County high schools, and each has a compelling reason for their choice of major:

Dave Patel

High School Aspiration: Bergen County Academies

Desired Major: Med or Law

Why This Major: Dave is still deciding between the two majors.

Hannah Jung

High School Aspiration: Bergen County Technical High School

Desired Major: Art

Why This Major: "I like art and want to pursue it in the future professionally."

Sri Chandrika Gopujaru

High School Aspiration: Bergen County Academies

Desired Major: Med

Why This Major: Sri's purpose will be to help the poor in India.