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2017 Cougars

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No Borders, No Boundaries



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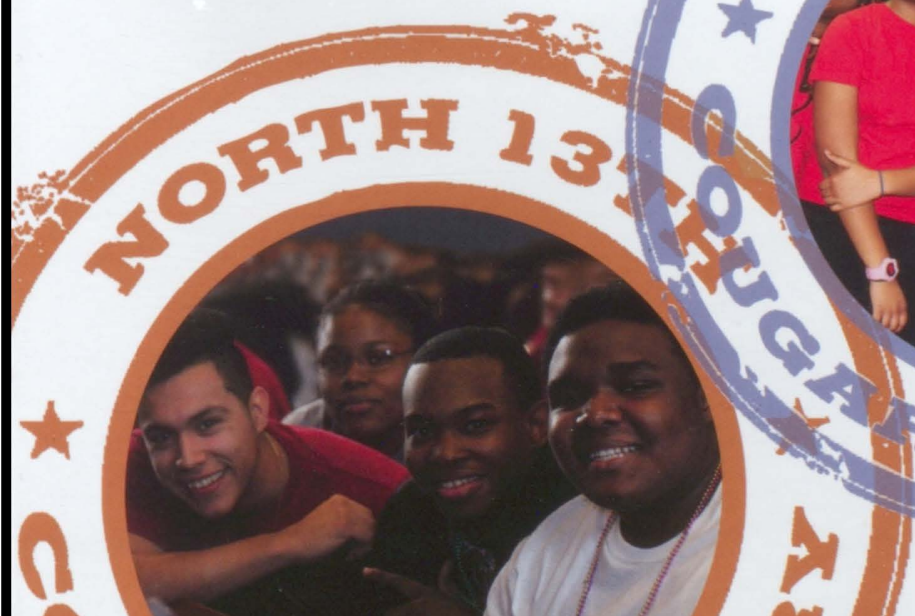
This yearbook is our essential passport. Through every page, it reminds us of our experiences and our adventures as we navigated through high school. North 13th Street Tech helped us to discover ourselves, learn about diversity, and find out what is unique about every one of us.

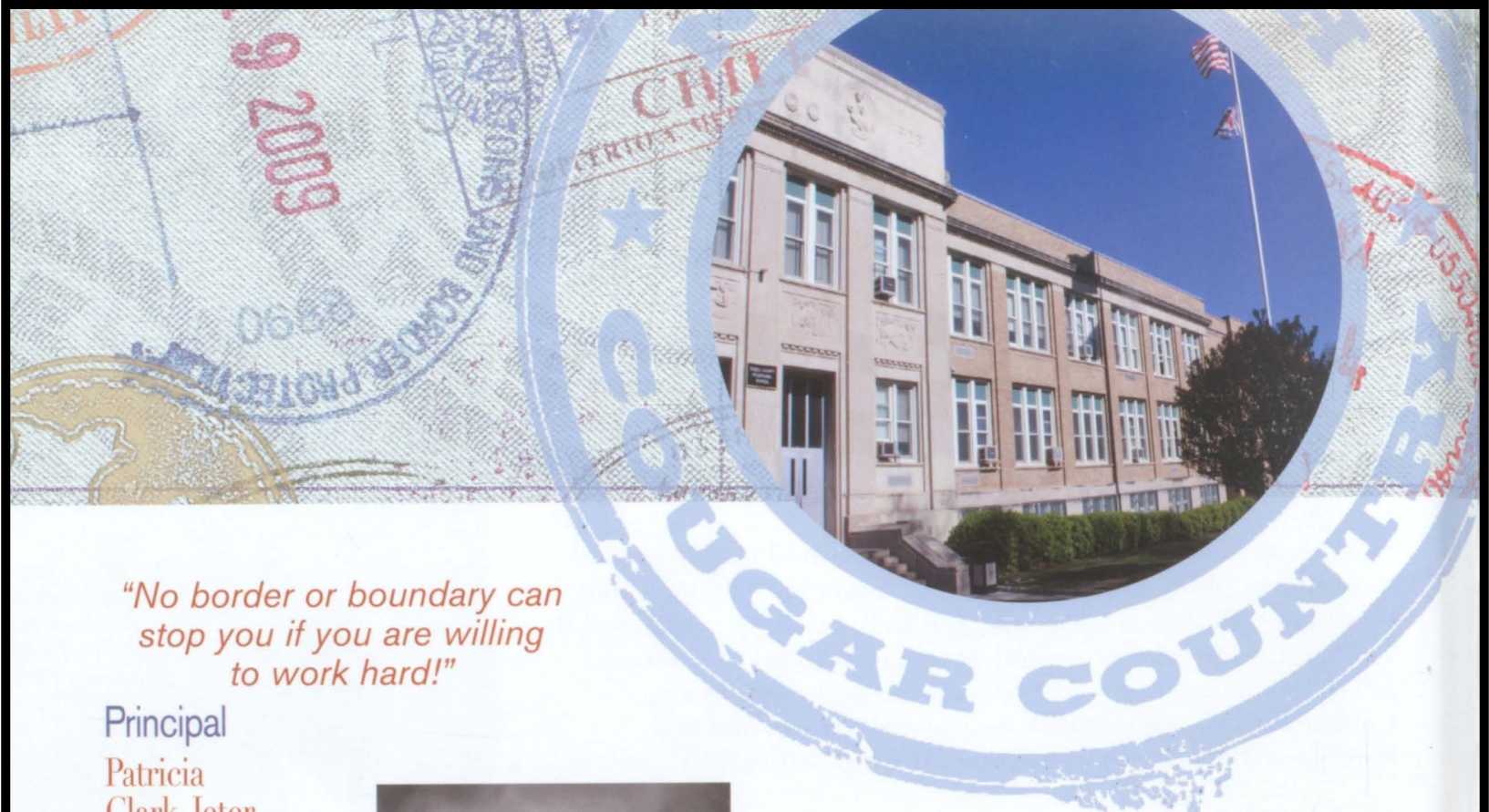
As we look back on these four years, we created memories and learned lessons. Most importantly, we received challenges that we did not think we can handle, but in the end we conquered it. The opportunities we received were endless, and now it's our job to radiate greatness. We created our definition of a Cougar Family, and together we learned that we had no borders or boundaries to limit us from our future fate.

As we end our journey with North 13th Street Tech, we must not forget that we pushed ourselves to overcome the standards of society, and we took risks doing so.

We broke barriers, and some people did not think we could do it. We changed our mindsets from impossible to I'm possible and became the leaders of today. We stamped our paws into this school and made the best of what we were given, and we made it remarkable.

-Jasmine Metellus, Class of 2017





"No border or boundary can stop you if you are willing to work hard!"

Principal

Patricia Clark-Jeter

To the Class of 2017: I share this message in hopes that you will reflect on your high school experience, and from time to time be reminded of all that you have experienced, endured, and learned. During the 2016 presidential election, considerable attention was aimed at building physical borders



and placing boundaries on some. The dictionary defines borders as lines that bring about separation, while boundaries are associated with placing limitations. Having spent four years at Essex County North 13th Street Tech, you have learned that in order for any person to prosper, they must be willing to work collaboratively with others. Through a willingness to learn about diversity, we can gain knowledge and sincere appreciation for the cultures of others while learning to truly appreciate our own. Borders foster divisiveness and a lack of respect for others, while boundaries limit us from reaching our goals. Each prevents us from attaining greatness and living out our full potential. Regardless of where you go in this world and what you end up doing, never place borders or boundaries on yourself or others, and never allow anyone to place them on you. Remember, you will always be a North 13th St. Tech Cougar. 'Cougars Got Character' and we 'Aspire to Greatness.' No border or boundary can stop you if you are willing to work hard!

"I truly believe that you can overcome any borders that you may encounter."

Vice Principal

Richard McNanna



As you, the Class of 2017, move on to the next chapter in your lives, I hope that you will always put to use the knowledge and the values that were taught to you here at North Thirteenth Street.

Four short years ago you came to us as boys and girls and now you are walking out the door for the last time, as young men and women with many challenges ahead of you. I truly believe that in later life, if you reflect upon your experiences at North Thirteenth Street you will overcome any borders that you may encounter.

Congratulations and please remember that my door will always be open to you.

Special Thanks To N13 Tech Student Gianfranco Cervantes, For 2017 Passport Yearbook Cover Design

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Senior Class Advisor
Simone Cameron

Letter to 2017 Seniors

As you prepare to embark on a new journey and take your life in a new direction, remember that the road you will travel on won't always be easy. It will get tough at times, but don't you dare give in. I encourage you to reach deep within and find that inner strength to persevere and face those challenges and create your own meaning of success. John D. Rockefeller said, "If you want to succeed you should strike out on new paths, rather than travel the worn path of accepted success." Always put forth your best effort in everything you do and don't forget to reward yourself for your hard work.

Remember the people who helped you along the way and most importantly, remember that you will always have a family here at North 13th Street Tech.

Congratulations and I sincerely wish you all continued success in everything that you do!



Senior Class President
Genesis Mena

Open Letter to the 2017 Senior Class

We can all agree there was no way to possibly be prepared for the adventure that was high school. Every year was compared to the last in the hopes of discovering which year would be the hardest or most important, yet it is clear they have each been both difficult and memorable within various aspects of our lives. We made and lost friends. We stayed up late at night to study in the hopes of maintaining high GPAS, but most importantly, we worked to make it to this point where we can see the fruit of all that hard work, and that has been the most fulfilling part of this journey. However, it's not over just yet. Let's not forget the lessons learned throughout these four years at North 13th Street Tech, because we will carry them along with us forever. Let the ending to this chapter of our lives mark the beginning of yet another journey with no borders and no boundaries.

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*"Wherever you go,
go with all
your heart."*
- Confucius

Senior Year Flew by...

TRAVELING AT
THE SPEED
OF LIFE!



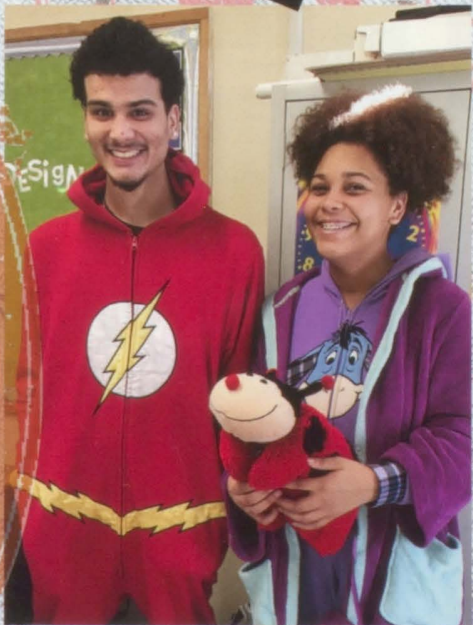
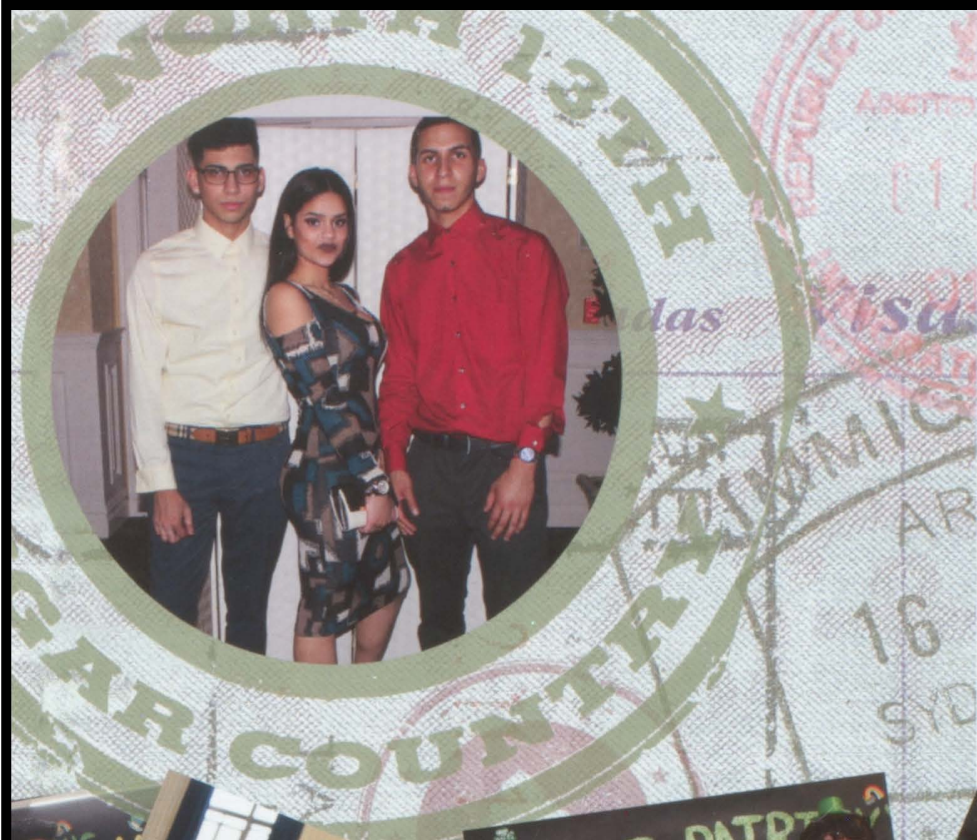
*"Never go on trips with
anyone you do not love."*

- Ernest Hemingway



"Certain travellers give the impression that they keep moving because only then do they feel fully alive."

- Ella Maillart



"Ah! Young people, travel if you can, and if you cannot - travel all the same."

- Jules Verne

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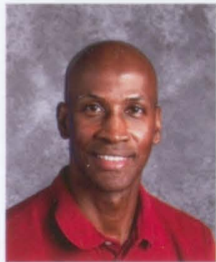
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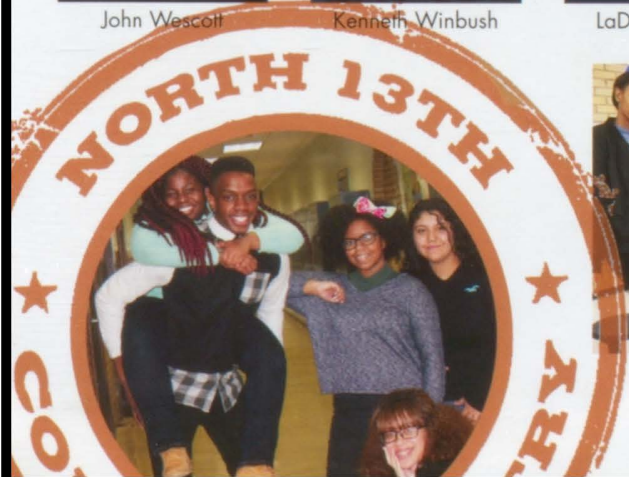
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It has been a bumpy ride. But it was definitely worth the trip. From late nights to early mornings, our dedicated crew did everything and more to distribute the passports. Whether it be copy or layout we all worked with each other to get it done. From laughs to sending emails to frustration to ordering Dominos, we have become a special kind of family. Have a safe flight.

"Thank you for contributing your time and talent to build this passport. This year we tracked the course of 2016-2017, and it was a great adventure! I am excited for the various routes that lay ahead for each one of you."

- Ms. Timothy



Yearbook Advisors, Ms. Timothy and Ms. Valle

"We're a group of kids that love what we are doing and work well together"

- Josue Soto



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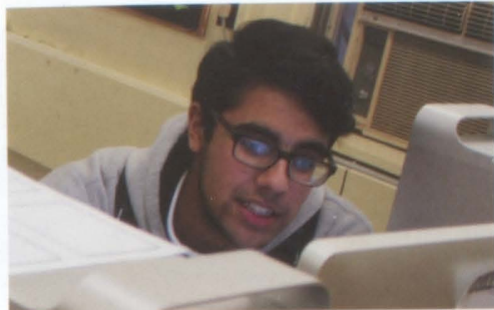




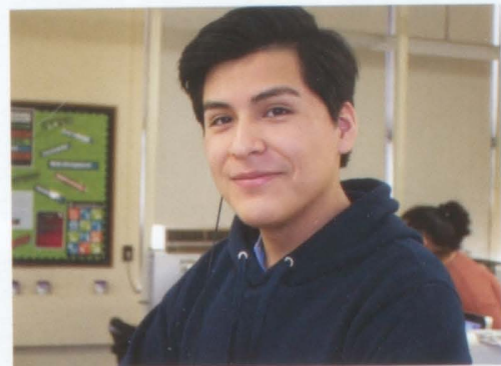
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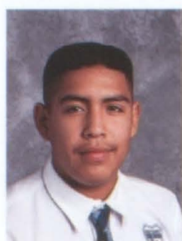
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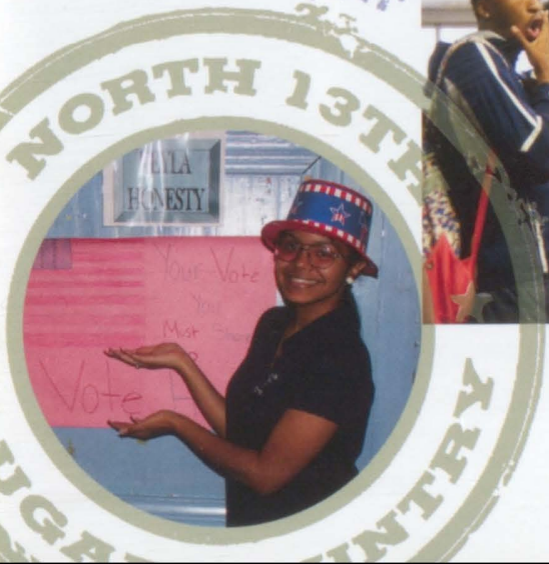
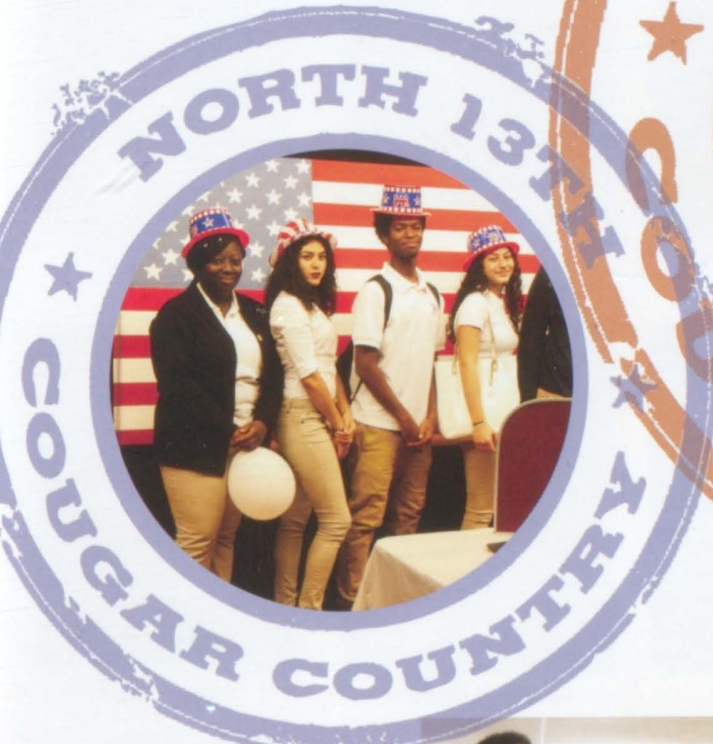
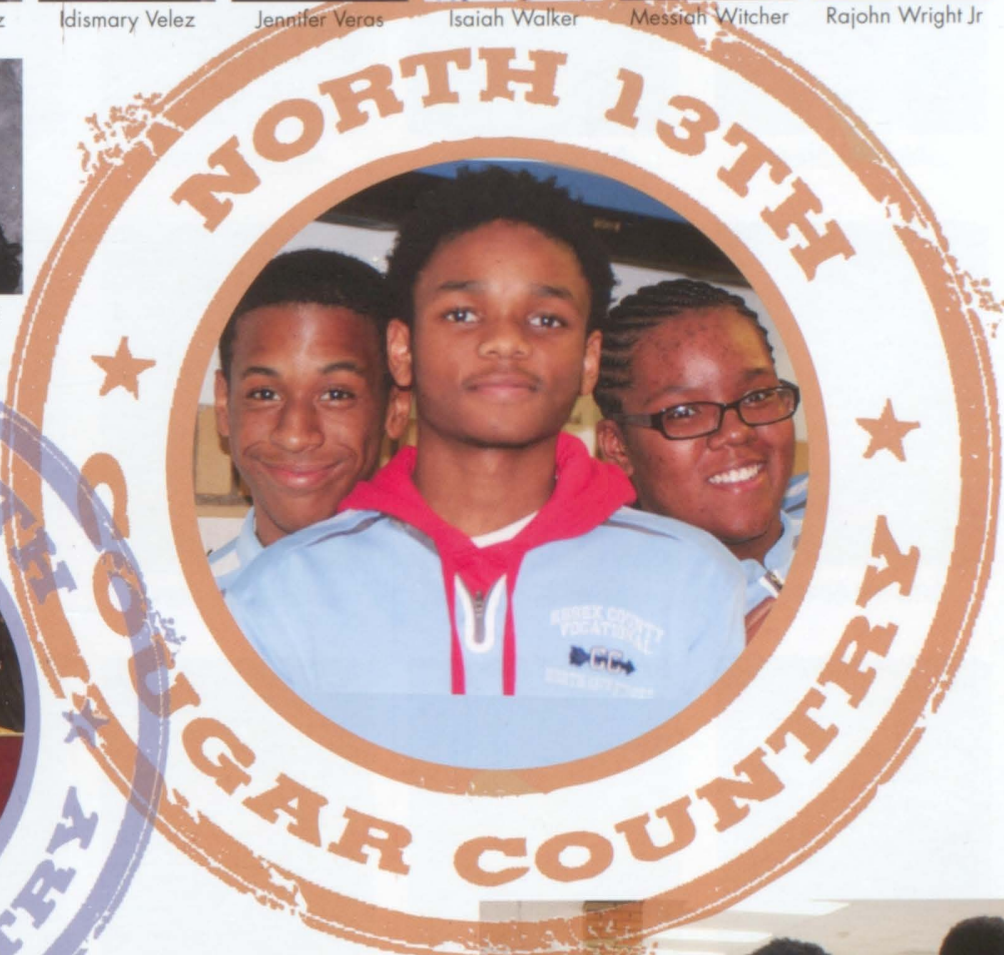
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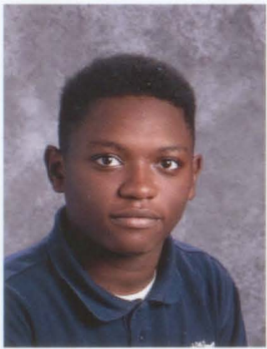
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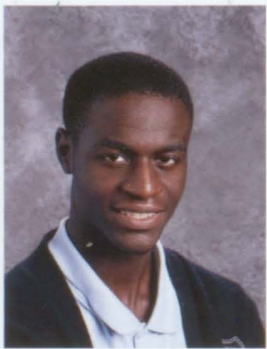
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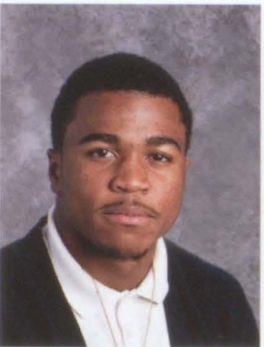
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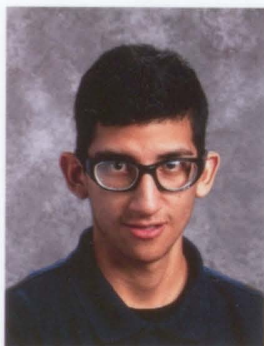
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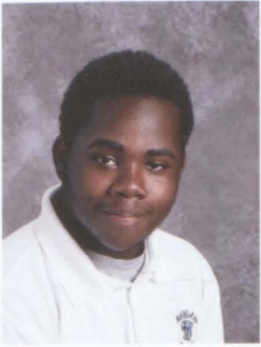


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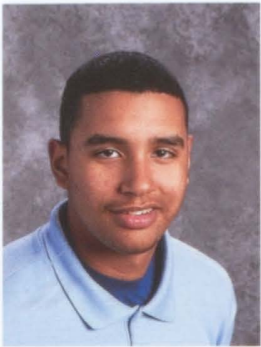
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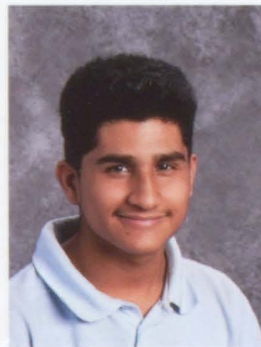
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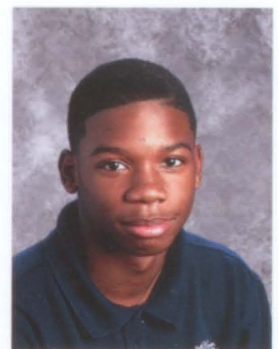
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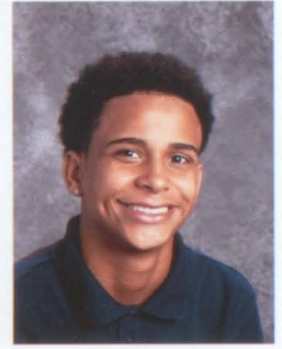
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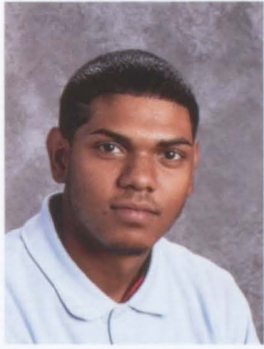
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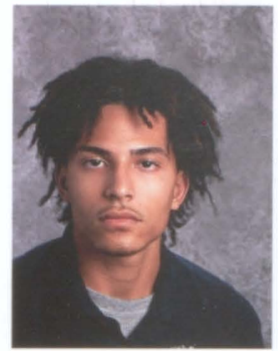
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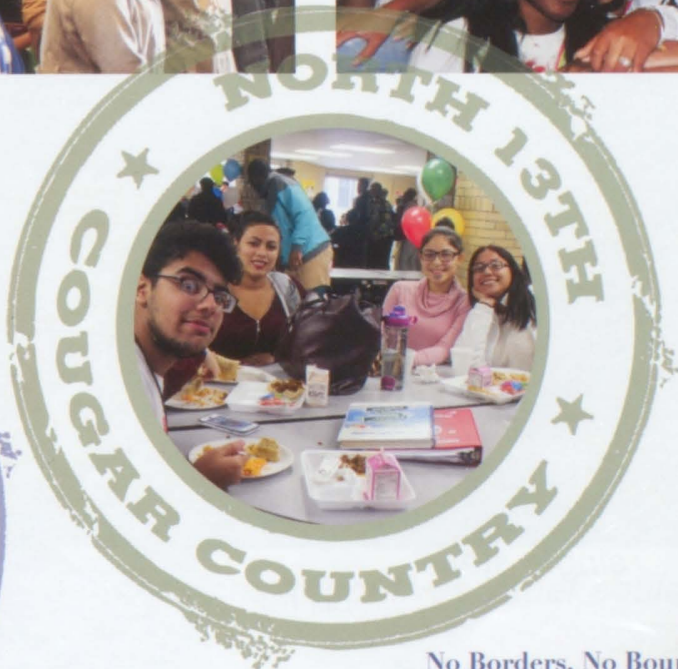
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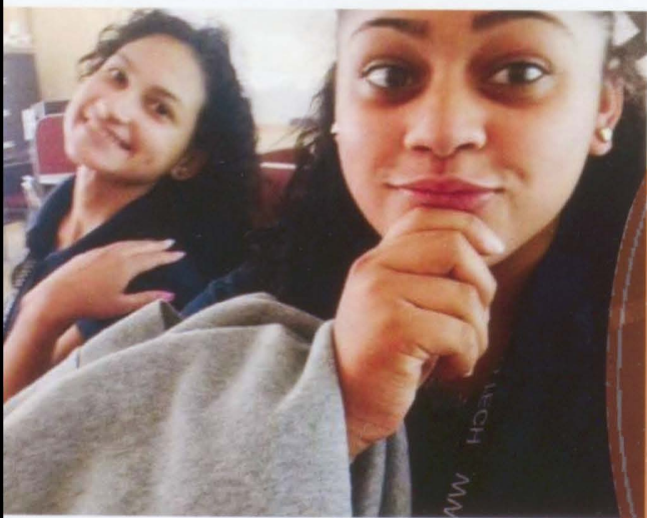
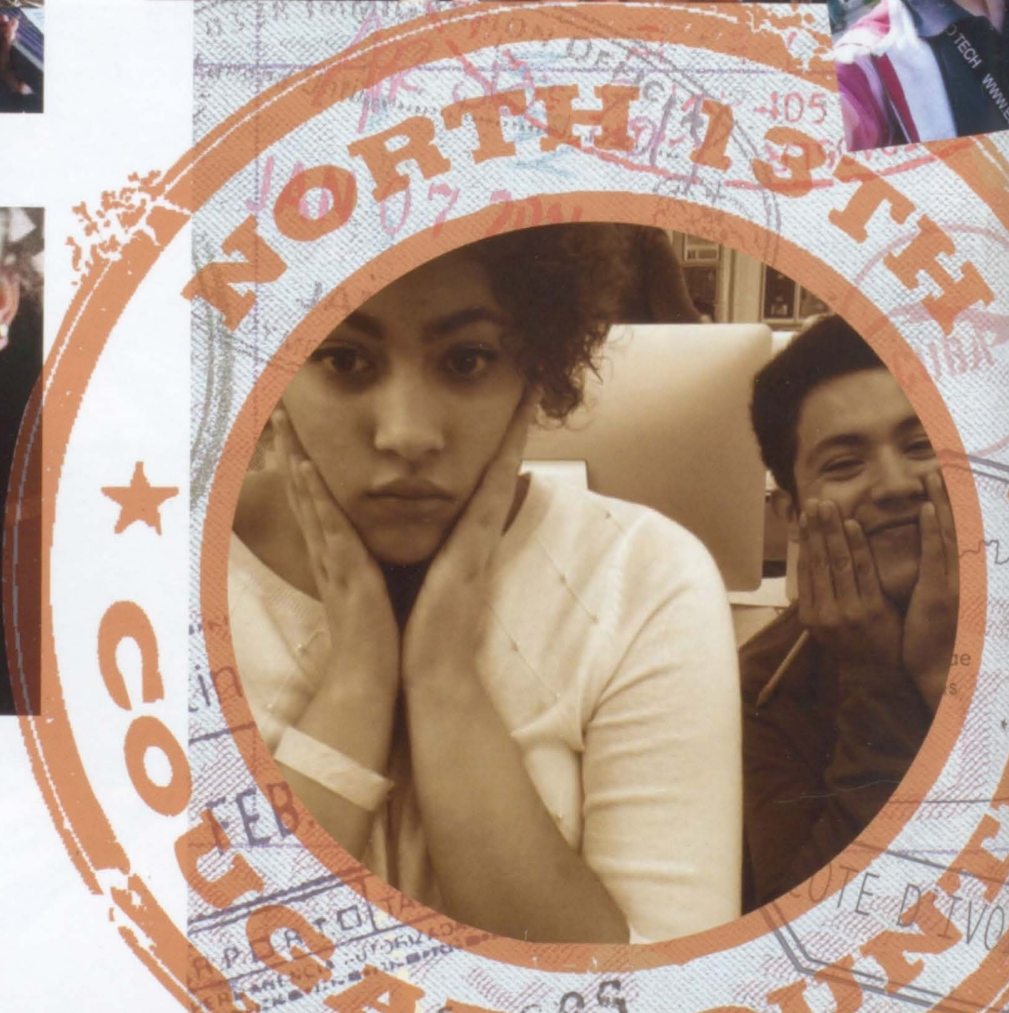
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Cougars' First Flight!

HERE WE GO AGAIN!

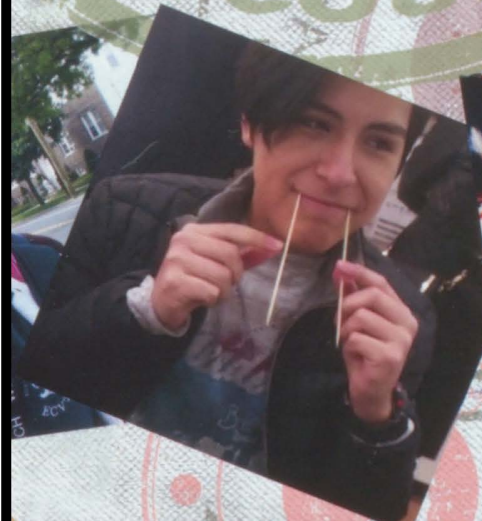


"The journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step."

- Lao Tzu

"A journey is best measured in friends, rather than miles."

- Tim Cahill



"We travel, some of us forever, to seek other places, other lives, other souls."

- Anais Nin

PUSHING LIMITS

N13th SPORTS



There will be **Obstacles.**
There will be **Doubters.**
There will be **Mistakes.**
But with **Hard Work,**
with **Belief,** with
Confidence, and with
Trust in yourself and in
those around you, there
are **No Limits."**

Michael Phelps



MAKING STRIDES PAST THE FINISH LINE

CROSS COUNTRY



(Left) Christopher, Jeremiah, and Jarien ready to travel straight to the finish line
(Right) Yadaris gives her all

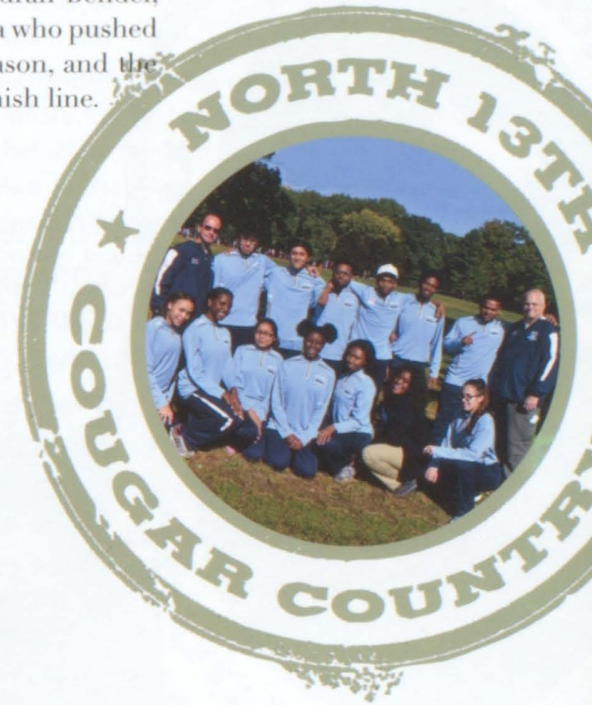
Cross Country is not just about running, but it's about building a family. The team went through a lot during the rigorous summer training, and they transformed into more than just teammates. North 13th Street Cougars were led by senior captains Kendrah Bender, Kevin Ferreira, and Maria Da Silva who pushed the team to give their all this season, and the lessons learned stride past the finish line.



(Above) Kevin, team captain, running on the field with team spirit

"Whether we win or lose, we are always going to be supportive of each other."

Maria DaSilva



"The obstacles that I wanted the team to overcome was for them to start to believe in their personal abilities and to hydrate each night to prepare their bodies for practice and meets."

Coach Gallo



Row One: E. Brown, A.Naycir, D.Ramos, B.Rivera, A. Hardy, K. Bender, K. Bender, C. Cambon, C.Preston
Row Two: I. Gbadamassi, B.Van-Nooten, R.Rosario, A.Morales, S.Godfrey, H.Pickett, I.Orengo, C.Berger, S.Llanos, J.Carchipulla, M.DaSilva, L.Parra, M.Santiago
Back Row: Coach Gallo, C. Bethea-Jones, D. Daugherty, J. Soto, M. Smith, Y. Arias, E. Zapata, J. Nazario, M. Quiles, M. Romain-Green, J. Battle, R. Otoadese, M. Santos, N. Jenkins, R. Camacho, J. Rahim, J. Rosario, K. Ferreira, Coach Derkacs

TOO LEGIT TO QUIT

BOYS
SOCCER



"The definition of a team is when all the players treat each other as family and give it their all in each game."

Jovan Vega

The Cougars learned the true definition of what it means to be a team as they built on a foundation of responsibility, trust, and positivity. Although the season ended with a 4-14 win-lose ratio, motivation, and hard work was without a doubt their greatest strength. Coach Fardin strengthened the core of the program by teaching the players to "work hard to get better, never give up, and be the tougher team on the field." May the team continue to grow together and improve greatly next season!

"The team bonded and ending the season going four wins and five losses on a two game winning streak over teams with better records than us"

- Coach Fardin

(Below)

Jovan Vega and Jake Torres guard the goal



SCOREBOARD

	we	they
West Caldwell	2	1
Golda Och	3	2
Christ The King	2	1
Weequahic	0	4



Row One: C. Larco, G. Guevara, J. Hernandez, J. Pineda, J. Salcedo, B. Molina, S. Muniz, K. Adubayaro, J. Fune, E. Mena. **Back Row:** G. Maceno, M. Lozado, J. Vega, J. Torres, K. Chacon, B. Amaya, D. Narvaez, C. Diaz. Coach Fardin

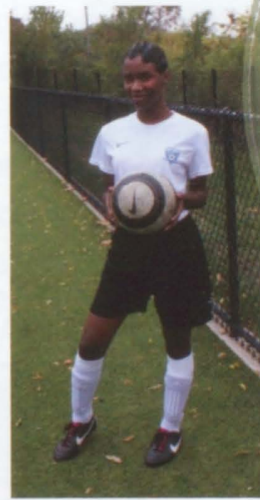


(Left) Daijale Orenge hustles down the field
(Right) Allyson Massa stands at attention



"Soccer is a sport that I love, and no one can take it from me."

Daniela Zeas



ALL GOALS, NO LIMITS

GIRLS SOCCER

Welcome to the start of something new! Coach Rajkovich led the original Lady Cougars, and these girls displayed sportsmanship, confidence, athleticism, and most of all cougar character! Our senior players Danielle Heriot, Marilyn Cruz, Daniela Zeas, Allyson Massa, and manager Sheyla Ramos, left their limits behind when they went out on the field. "Soccer is a sport that I love and no one can take it from me," said Daniela Zeas. Every girl on the team ate, slept, and lived soccer. That passion was evident in their hard work.

"Stay focused, keep playing."

Coach Rajkovich

Each girl faced and had to overcome obstacles in order to become a better player and teammate. For instance, Marilyn Cruz worked on throwing herself as the team's goalie, but with the help of Allyson Massa (forward midfielder) she improved and gained confidence in her soccer skills. Within one year, the team came together, worked hard, and at the end of the day were "like a big family", as Sheyla Ramos explained.



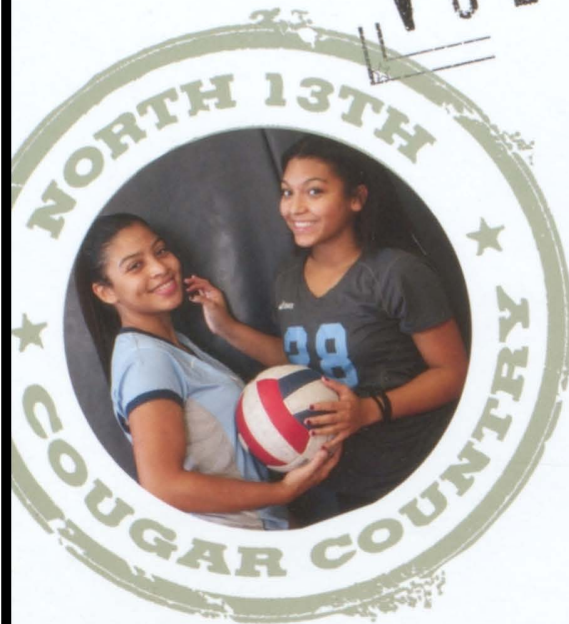
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No Borders, No Boundaries

FIRED UP!

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL



A family built on hard work, passion, and dedication, the girls volleyball team always comes out on top and demolishes their opponents. The girls set high expectations and strive to play their very best. "[The team] did a lot of mental conditioning this season because you need to be tough mentally to win the big games," Coach Batista proudly stated. During the season, the team made it to the second round of states and won twenty-three games.



"This year we did a lot of bonding, which allowed the girls to trust and respect each other. They learned to communicate and have each other's back."

- Coach Batista

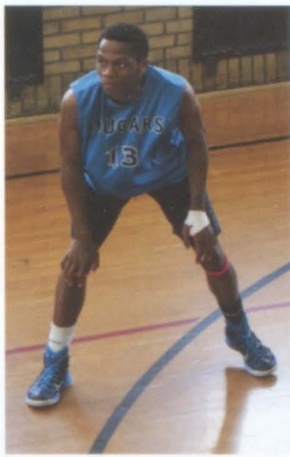


SCOREBOARD

	we	they
Arts High School	2	0
Shabazz High School	2	0
Newark Tech	2	1



Row One: T. Reyes, K. Budhu, J. Troche, J. Nivar, B. Lopez
Back Row: G. Mena, A. Amaral, S. Goris, N. Robinson, D. Esteves, M. Charles, E. Dogbe



(Left) Naseem Crump poised and ready to take action!
 (Right) Malachi Thomas is focused on the game!

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

KILLIN' IT!

The Boys Volleyball team constantly plays with energy and commitment. Their driven mindset pushes them to play with mindfulness and passion. The boys never fail to show their potential because of the talent they bring to the game. Jevelson Jean, Joan Fernandez, Naseem Crump, and Carlos Moran are the most talented players to come into this school. *"Jevelson Jean can hit block, serve, and has improved his defense greatly. Carlos Moran and Naseem Crump have both taken steps in order to become top level players in the county,"* says Coach Johnson. From blocks, serves, and solid defensive methods, the team does what is necessary to bring home a win.

"We play with passion and mindfulness, and we thoroughly enjoy playing the game. This cannot be overlooked."

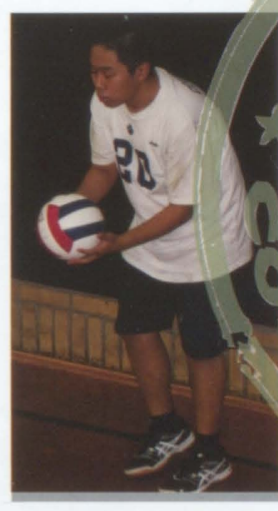
- Coach Johnson



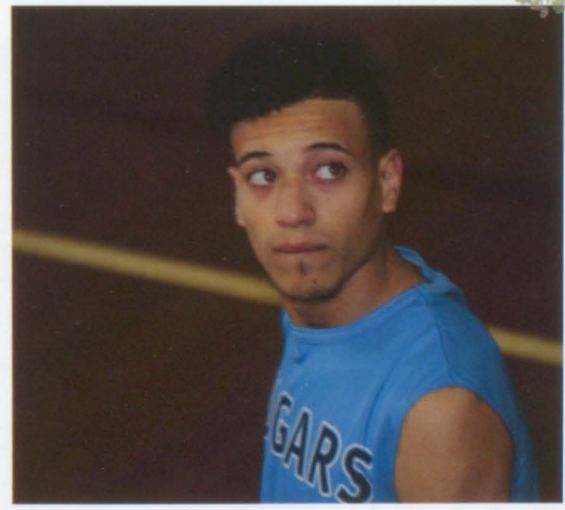
"GO SEN17RS!"

"...Taking the role as a student athlete has disciplined and prepared me for the joys and the harshness of life."

- Jevelson Jean



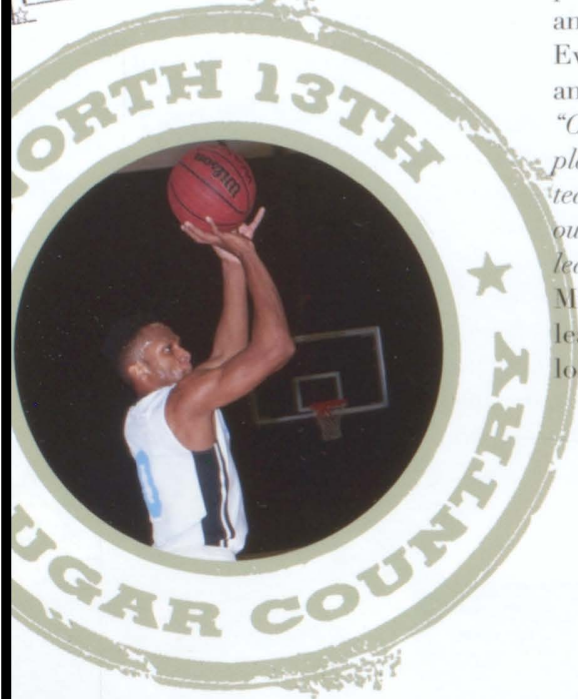
Row One: T. Reyes, D. Nelson, J. Nivar, S. Goris **Row Two:** O. Singalivo, D. Jones, C. Moran, J. Ascencio, N. Crump **Back Row:** Coach Johnson, M. Thomas, C. Jiron, J. Jean, A. Sommers, J. Brown, J. Fernandez, Coach Rigley



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PERSISTENCE

BOYS BASKETBALL



This was a tough season for the returning players. They lost a large portion of their team after 2016 seniors graduated, but they dealt with the obstacles extremely well. "The biggest obstacle was experience, our team didn't have much experience playing on varsity level: it was all trial and error," explained Coach Mingo. Every game they brought their all and persevered, whether win or lose. "One of our toughest games this year was playing at Verona. They are a veteran team, and even though we lost the game, our guys played very hard. I think we learned a lot that game" said Coach Mingo. Overall this season was a huge learning experience and the future looks bright.

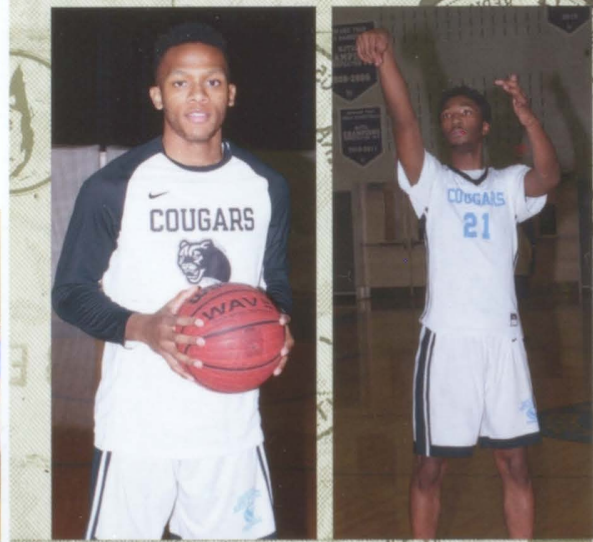
"The team had a bond, working with each other on and off the court."

- Coach Mingo

(Below) Malachi and Aly showing how teamwork makes the dream work

"It wasn't our best season, but as a team we will get better."

- Malachi Thomas



SCOREBOARD

	we	they
Newark Academy	51	35
Manchester Regional	46	41
Montclair Kimberley	46	47
Livingston	72	77



Row One: R. Thomas, A. Doukoure, J. Nortfleet, D. Jones **Row Two:** M. Thomas, A. Sommers, J. Browns III, D. Philipe, J. Lampley

AIN'T NO STOPPIN' US NOW

Having a diverse basketball team is what led the Lady Cougars to a successful season. With six freshmen and five seniors on the team, they were able to have a sense of equilibrium, balancing youth with experience. "I think the youth of the players mixed with the experienced seniors players helped the team grow," said Coach Younger. When the Lady Cougars played against their rival schools, they brought their A-game and focused in order to take home the win!

GIRLS BASKETBALL

"The effort you put in is what you get out of it."

- Sydney Jackson



(Left) Jamiyah McCombs caught mid-flight!



(Right) Riquel Alexander dribbling the ball past the opponent for the shot



Sydney Jackson ready to bring her A-game.

"Hard work and determination is pretty much what defines us. Being able to come back to my alma mater to guide the girls and try to get them to perform to the best of their ability has been an honor."

- Coach Younger



(Right) Abrianna Todd gives it her all



Row One: S. Jackson, R. Alexander, K. Bender, **Back Row:** A. Todd, U. Etim

SCOREBOARD

	we	they
West Side High School	67	56
Ferris High School	50	19
Elizabeth High School	71	62
Barringer High School	68	40
McNair High School	55	20
Shabazz High School	41	35

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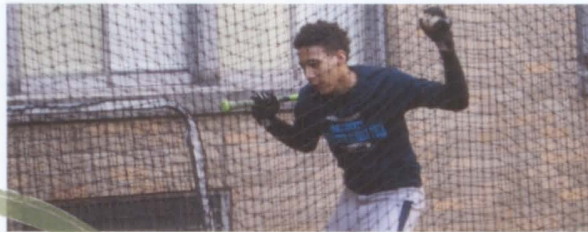


PITCHIN' IN

BASEBALL



The Boys Baseball team demonstrates commitment and dedication. They are not just a team, but a family who works together through their strengths and weaknesses. They help to push each other mentally to build the best team on the field. The team uses motivation as one of their strongest strategies, and they are always ready to beat their opponents. Justin DeLaRosa, Victor Gonzalez, and Franklin Linares know how to bring the team together and bring out the best in every game.



"It is more than just practice and games, you need to be a hard worker and be committed to achieve your goals."

- Justin DeLaRosa



Row One: E. Santana, C. Fernandez, H. Figueroa **Row Two:** A. Silverio, T. Thomas, M. Morillo, A. Martinez **Back Row:** Coach Ruiz, G. Maceno, J. Santos, A. Peralta, J. Pena, L. Castillo, F. Linares, C. Ocas, J. Pena, N. Gibbs-Diggs, C. Pantoja, V. Gonzalez, G. Volmar-Volquez, A. Alvarado, A. Ferreira, Coach Ivan

COUGAR, COUGAR, COUGAR SOFTBALL

The Softball team tests their limits every practice, scrimmage, and game. The players become stronger athletes through self discipline, working hard on specific techniques for their position. "I learned how to be fast. I play shortstop, and you have to be fast on your toes, which was hard for me at first. But when I run now it does not hurt because I move a lot" explains Dayamaris Urena. Dayamaris not only pushed herself to be stronger physically, but her leadership ability is unparalleled. Because of her efforts, the JV team has learned to respect and communicate with each other and the effects of this is shown on the field.

"We look at the opponents, find their weak spots, which could be the catcher, pitcher, or left fielder, and then push the ball toward those locations.."

- Coach Encarnacion

"It is important to listen to everybody in the team and hear what they have to say, and then we can put it to work."

- Dayamaris Urena



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Row One: K. Rigual, K. Budhu **Back Row:** Coach Barrionuevo, E. Maldonado, J. Cespedes, A. Mercado, G. Aquino, S. Falcon, N. Rodriguez, S. Mateos-Mejia, J. Santiago, J. Guzman, E. Lascano

MORE THAN JUST CHEER

Over the course of the winter season, the Cougar Cheerleaders brought their all to the court! Though setting the vibe of the team proved to be a challenge, the girls were dedicated and formed a camaraderie among themselves. Lumari Cortez, team captain, describes the team as *"building a family and being there for one another, on and off the court."* With their positive attitudes and hard work, the cheer season was incredibly successful.



CHEERLEADING

"Words can't describe how much I love these girls"
- Lumari Cortez



"Once you join the team, we begin creating a family, kind of like a sisterhood."
- Sha-Deya Dixon



"Sisterhood is not a destination. But a journey."
-Unknown



"We don't sweat, we sparkle."
- Coach Meyer



Back Row: A. Burrell, E. Dogbe, T. Paulino, J. Shaw, A. Bradshaw **Row Two:** I. Fils-Aime, K. Gorn, N. Danzey, T. Exum, A. Outen, B. Devereaux **Row One:** F. Hayes, K. Bender, K. Hightower, S. Dix, L. Cortez, A. O'Bryant, T. Nicholson

START STRONG, FINISH STRONGER TRACK & Field



Back Row: Ms. Cameron, K. Ferreira, J. Battle, M. Da Silva, K. Bender, C. Bethea- Jones, M. Smith, K. Bender, C. Cohen, J. Carchipulla, D. Heriot, C. Preston, Mr. Gallo, Mr. Derkacs **Row One:** J. Soto-Vasquez, J. Soto-Vasquez, J. Guarderas, J. Torres, J. Moise, K. Penefiel, C. Cruz, R. Golding, J. Rahim

"Focus, focus, focus" is a message that Coach Gallo reiterates to the team. The members set their mind to be better for the next meet or practice in order to accomplish their season goals. In addition to the mental preparation, the track team completes intense conditioning and drills. Coach Gallo explains, *"I've grown to know the players, the individuals, their personalities and their strengths and weaknesses in order to help them."* Coach Gallo helps the participants boost their overall event performance.



Coaches & Captains:
K. Ferreira,
Ms. Cameron,
M. Da Silva, Mr. Gallo,
K. Bender, Mr. Derkacs

*"Never give up and
always go beyond
your limits"*

- Kevin Ferreira



Back Row: Ms. Cameron, D. Ramos, P. Jimenez, M. Smith, B. Van-Nooten, C. Perez, R. Martin, N. Martinez, D. Heriot, C. Bethea-Jones, J. Carchipulla, R. Rosario, S. Godfrey, A. Anderson, K. Bender, K. Bender, D. Daughety, C. Cohen, M. Da Silva, Mr. Gallo, Mr. Derkacs **Row One:** K. Garcia, K. Bocker, D. Anderon, T. Alphonse, E. Dogbe, L. Parra, E. Saladin, C. Rozsalyi, C. Datus, S. Nesbitt, C. Cezar, A. Williams, A. Lynch, M. Lopez

*"The team works hard
and pulls together.
Obviously, there is
going to be bumps
on the road, but they
learn to overcome it
just like in life, and
just do the best they
can."*

-Coach Gallo



Back Row: Ms. Cameron, J. Soto- Vasquez, J. Soto-Vasquez, J. Torres, R. Golding, J. Moise, J. Guarderas, K. Penefiel, C. Cruz, J. Rahim, C. Preston, J. Battle, K. Ferreira, Mr. Gallo, Mr. Derkacs **Row Two:** R. Otoadese, J. Parenti, A. Doukoure, W. Rodriguez, M. Nunez, A. Malave, E. Jorge, M. Quiles, S. Llanos, J. Burton, R. Paida, J. Rosario **Row One:** J. Lainez, D. Cruz, S. Permaul, R. Pabon, M. Jones, A. Naycir, E. Boone, E. Brown, P. Torres

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North 13th Consumer Bowl Team Members, Aatikah Muhammad, Sharil Orellana, Advisor Ms Cameron, Dalai Julca, Ruth Rosario, and Tiara Montesino



Web Design Students selected as Panasonic Corporation Interns: Carlos Andujar, Shania Lopez, Leann Maldonado and Jovan Vega

N13th-Mapping Out Success

STUDENTS WHO INSPIRE & ASPIRE

What makes a student leader? Who makes a school great? What creates memorable moments? These students and their advisors go above and beyond, and the results are what put North 13th Street Tech on the map. There are many students that make N13th great: here are some of our "High Flyers."



N13 Robo Cougars win "Most-Points-In-A Game" Award at the FTC meet at Millburn High School Julio Arenas, Vishiel Outar, and Tyler Catarino (and Michael Nunez not pictured)



Teachers for a Day: Sharil Orellana, Chloe Bethea-Jones, Dalai Julca, Ali Beh, Kendrah Bender, and Kenyatta Bender



Construction Trade Seniors completed their OSHA certification: Carlos Banks, Daijah Santiago, Nelson Espinal, Mr. Zarra, Steve Lall, Carlos Arena, and Dennis Ontaneda



Jvelson Jean and Josua Soto-Vazquez NJ FBLA Winners of Open Event: Student Web Design



Senior Ali Beh played for the Weequahic High School Football team that won the state championship this year. He scored one of the game winning touchdowns during that game and defeated Shabazz High School.



Web students Joseph Parenti, Michael Nunez and Jordana Bernard place second in SkillsUSA Career Pathways Showcase: Marketing Sales & Service
LPS students, Noelia Toledo, Stephanie Torres, and Jenazmin Baez place second in SkillsUSA Career Pathways Showcase: Law, Public Safety & Security



J'hane Davis - Stage Manager Extraordinaire -- she has an internship at NJPAC for their afternoon program and is stage Manager for the Musical at ECC



Web Design Seniors, Josua Soto-Vasquez, Debbie Ramos, Carlos Andujar and Gianfranco Cervantes take the Gold for Web Design Secondary and Post Secondary at the SkillsUSA State Competition.



Tahjanae Jenkins came in second at the largest competition for Poetry out Loud with her outstanding poem "Black Boys Play the Classics"



Sophomore Cosmetology Student, Mia Puca, wins First Place for Fantasy Mannequin at SkillsUSA State Competition.



Afiya O'Bryant-Travis - Extraordinary dancer in the Black History Program [see photo of her in the front] also amazing work in "Once on This Island"



Lumari Cortez, with Dr. Patricia Clark-Jeter, honored by Essex County School Board Association



Business Students accepted into Rutgers Business School's Young Entrepreneur Academy Program: Ruth Rosario and Destiny Ramos with Instructor Ms. Burke

Clubs & Activities on Board

Activities that Let Us Discover Ourselves

Clubs help us discover a very unique part of ourselves. They also help us develop our own personal skills as well as strengthen student relationships. Clubs at Ni3 range from small and intimate clubs like Book Club, to large and competitive clubs like SkillsUSA.

Book Club



Row One: J. Rivera, T. Bowers, V. Autar, T. Falcon, X. Tamayo, A. Bueno **Advisor:** Ms. Stratton

BOOK CLUB

SKILLS USA

SkillsUSA



Row One: J. Lashley, D. Herriot, K. Pinheiro, S. Godfrey, F. Hayes, A. Cruz, J. Baez, S. Torres, J. Salcedo, D. Cruz
Row Two: S. Colon, D. Anderson, A. Rivera, T. Caterino, G. Cervantas, J. Jean, J. Soto-Vazquez, J. Parenti, J. Davis, G. Rosario, J. Rivera, N. Lantigua, J. Soto-Vazquez, N. Toledo, C. Fuentes, A. Torres, J. Bernard, M. Puca
Advisors: Ms. Riccardi and Mr. Cuccolo

Drama Club



DRAMA CLUB

Row One: J. Bernard, S. Godfrey, T. Gibbs, C. Calle, K. Welton, S. Ramos, T. Gibbs, A. Yunes, B. Perez, M. Jenkins, D. Perez, S. Torres, Y. Fernandez, N. Robinson, J. Ordonez, A. Wright **Row Two:** H. Pickett
Advisor: Ms. Meyers

Robotics



Row One: N. Lantigua, A. Cruz, S. Henry-Magee,
Row Two: J. Arenas Jr., V. Outar, R. Balkissoon,
 J. Lashley **Advisor: Mr. Ressaissi**

Anime



ANIME CLUB

Row One: J. Camacho, J. Soto, A. Febo, T. Bowers, A. Bueno
Row Two: N. Lantigua, D. Rojas, V. Outar, S. Johad-Rodriguez,
 S. Waters, A. Vazquez, J. Diaz, R. Christopher, J. Daniel
Row Three: D. Heriot, H. Hyman, J. Rivera,
 W. Sime **Advisor: Ms. Rubino**

Student Council



STUDENT COUNCIL

Row One: J. Burton, K. Gary,
 K. Harris-Brown, C. Arenas
Row Two: I. Thomas,
 A. Roberts, B. Devereaux-Williams,
 N. Saamad, K. Hightower,
 C. Preston J. Gonzalez
Row Three: I. Rivera,
 D. Lamb, A. Torres, C. Datus,
 B. Mosley, A. Rivera, J. Rivera
Advisor: Mrs. Bauknight

Clubs & Activities on Board

Senior Mentors



Row One: L. Owusu, A. Cuadrado, A. Muhammad
Row Two: C. Bethea-Jones, K. Pinheiro, D. Julca, K. Hightower, J. Metellus, S. Dixon, D. Williams
Row Three: N. Crump, K. Arias, F. Toure, E. Zapata, J. Jean
Advisor: Ms. LaDonna Young

Literary Magazine



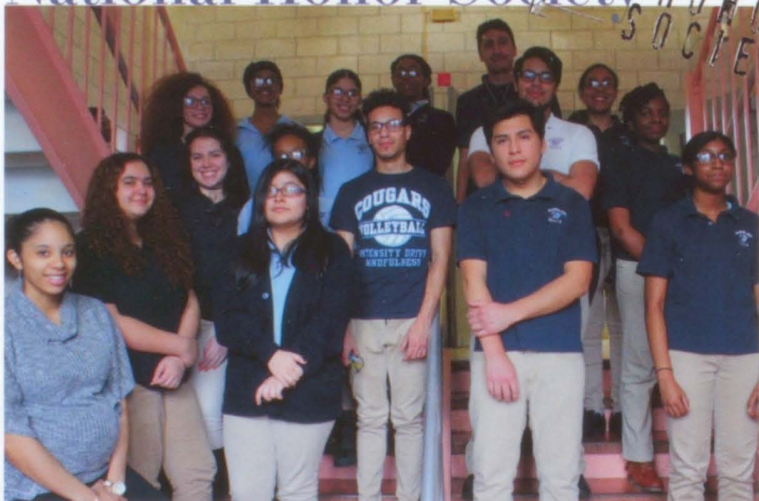
Row One: T. Alphonse, A. Brooks, S. Davis, E. Bautista, A. Hunter, M. Matthew, G. Mena
Advisor: Mr. Perez, Mr. Fardin

Choir



Row One: A. Cruz, M. Gonzalez, J. Comacho, P. Cousins, E. Russell
Row Two: P. Zambrano, K. Santos, A. Wright
Advisor: Mr. Walker

National Honor Society



Row One: A. Yunes, C. Calle, G. Cervantes, S. Godfrey
Row Two: N. Toledo, N. Lawson, C. Moran, J. Soto-Vasquez, B. Van-Nooten
Row Three: T. Gibbs, R. Rosario, T. Montesino, M. Charles, C. Diaz, J. Bernard
Advisor: Mrs. Patterson



Row One: A. Cuadrado, S. Orellana
Row Two: A. Morales, J. Ramirez, M. Da Silva, C. Marguez, A. Ortiz
Row Three: P. Jimenez, G. Mena, J. Carchipulla, A. Cruz, S. Torres
Row Four: A. Wright, N. Robinson, G. Maceno, S. Williams, V. Outar, K. Welton
Advisor: Ms. Meyer

Multicultural Club



Row One: C. Marquez, A. Cruz, R. Rosario, C. Calle
Advisor: Ms. Guerra

MULTICULTURAL
 CLUB

TNT



Row One: J. Moise, D. Singletary, L. Griffin, A. Brooks, B. Rodriguez, S. Lawrance, N. Valle, E. Castro

Row Two: X. Torres, V. Autar, K. Santos, M. Matthew, Y. Williams, E. Zapata, K. Pinheiro, T. Polynice, L. Owusu, J. Metellus

Row Three: I. Scott, B. Devereaux-Williams, K. Nixon, J. McCombs
Advisor: Ms. Ladonna

TNT

Dance



Row One: C. Rose, M. Roman, P. Cousins
Row Two: L. Vega, B. Rock, N. Sime
Row Three: K. Gibbs, M. Charles, B. Jeffers, C. Jeter
Advisor: Ms. Patterson

Future Business Leaders of America



Row One: A. Muhammad, K. Bender, T. Polynice, K. Neal, B. Van-Nooten
Row Two: A. Orellana, R. Martin, Y. Tamayo, L. Griffin, J. Carchipulla, S. Orellana
Row Three: C. Bethea-Jones, R. Roario, V. Autar, T. Montesino, J. Soto-Vasquez, D. Julca, N. Payne, G. Mena
Advisor: Ms. Cameron

FBLA

Mock Trials



Row One: G. Aquino, J. Baez, L. Diaz
Row Two: A. Yunes, H. Pickett, S. Torres, T. Nicholson, N. Toledo, J. Ramirez, T. Khan,
Row Three: N. Payne, N. Robinson, G. Maceno
Advisor: Ms. Poole

MOCK
 TRIALS

Early Travel Plans

Career Technical Education

"My classes in high school were ten minutes of book work, preceded by 35 minutes of lecture against a blackboard with undecipherable words. However, I needed a hands-on experience. So when I left the private sector, the biggest attraction to teaching was the fact that CTE schools practiced Project Based Learning. I can only imagine how different my high school experience would have been if I went to a CTE high school."

- Mr. Cuccolo

Cosmetology students Karina and Jasmine show their skills



The Power of Career

Game Design's Sphero obstacle game attracts many people

"Cosmetology is not just about hair, skin, and nails. There is a lot of hard work involved. It taught me how to look for different ways to understand complex information. I learned many different study techniques, such as memorization through audio devices. Also, quizlet and kahoot have become my life."

- Karina Pinheiro

Technical Education



Mr. Patierno models how to make fresh mozzarella to the seniors



Business shop represented at the CTE Fair, illustrating Fashion Marketing (below)



Woodshop students painting projects (above)



Carlos and Lisandro set up their drone for the Law and Public Safety CTE



VPA students in Christmas show

senior class 2017

Building Construction Technology



Instructor: Mr. Zarra **Row One:** D. Santiago, D. Ontaneda, C. Banks, N. Espinal, S. Lall

senior class 2017

Business



Instructors: Ms. Cameron, Ms. Burke, Mr. Turner

Row One: T. Polynice, K. Neal, K. Bender **Row Two:** S. Orellana, D. Julca, G. Mena, J. Metellus, J. Croom, T. Hill, N. Crump

Row Three: J. Rahim, J. Perez, K. Ferreira, S. Williams, J. Carchipulla, K. Penafiel, T. Montesino, M. Smith, K. Bender,

Row Four: L. Owusu, F. Toure, A. Coppin, C. Fernandez, D. Orengo, S. Victor

senior class 2017

Arts & Communications



Instructor: Ms. Pepper

Row One: J. Davis, T. Todd, A. Massa, D. Zeas **Row Two:** J. Camacho, L. Cortez, A. O'Bryant-Travis, A. Todd, R. Alexander, L. Familia

senior class 2017

Law & Public Safety



Instructors: Ms. Poole, Mr. DeHerde **Row One:** T. Reyes, D. Urena, U. Etim, A. Cuadrado, D. Williams, M. Diaz, T. Craft, S. Dixon **Row Two:** P. Quiles, Y. Arias, A. Febo, M. Diaz, K. Hightower, D. Pereira, C. Cohen **Row Three:** C. Moran, A. Sall, Y. O'Connor, K. Gonzalez, T. Simmons, I. Gordon, J. Torrez, L. Maldonado

senior class 2017

Culinary Arts



Instructors: Mr. Patierno, Mr. Encarnacion **Row One:** S. Waters, R. Velez, S. Ramos, D. Heriot **Row Two:** J. Ortega, K. Arias, J. Delarosa, H. Figueroa, S. Ortiz, J. Santana, K. Davis-Mcgee, S. Lawrence, C. Fuentez

senior class 2017

Cosmetology



Instructor: Ms. Andrews **Row One:** A. Santiago, A. Reyes, M. Cruz **Row Two:** A. Morales, D. Acosta, N. Samad, L. Greenlee, T. Trent **Row Three:** M. Da Silva, K. Pinheiro, D. Laboo, E. Evans-Benson, M. Jiminez, Y. Williams, J. Greene

senior class 2017

Web & Multimedia Design



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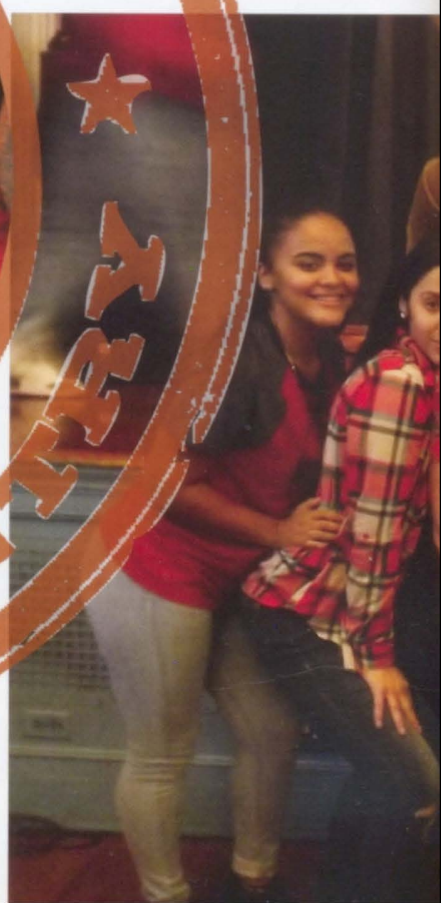
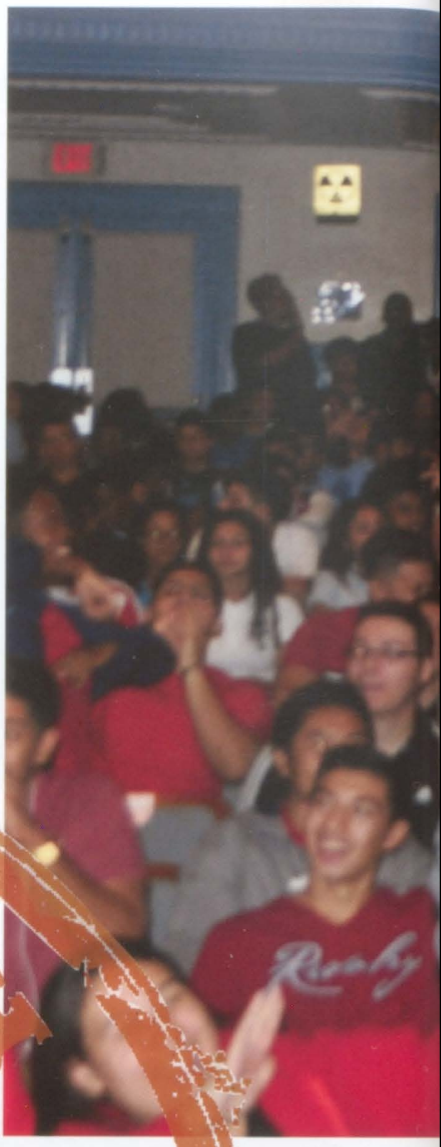
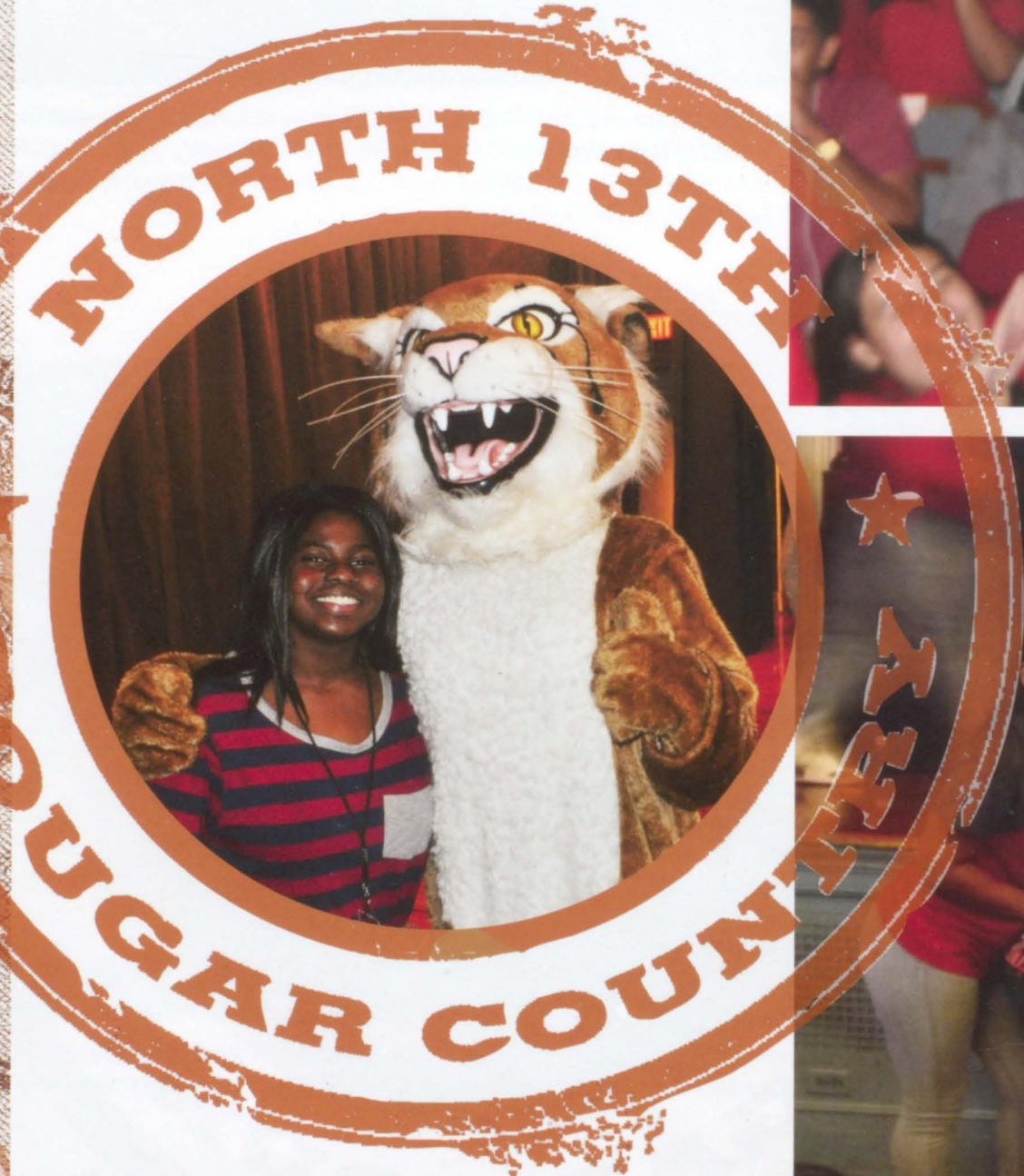


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GET HYPED

FALL PEP

For the Fall Pep Rally, giving recognition is a form of respect towards the sports teams, allowing students, such as the freshmen, to be exposed to the different sports and the accomplishments of the athletes. *"Being in the spotlight with my fellow teammates, made me remember how we pushed ourselves to be the best that we can be"* said James Battle. It was definitely a special moment for all of the North 13th Tech athletes.

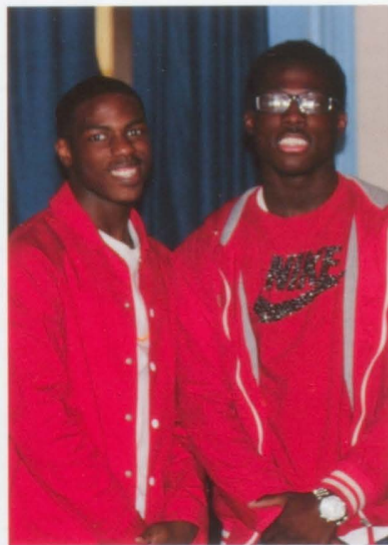


READY TO TAKE OFF!

"My best memory of the fall 2016 pep rally was being able to get recognized with the first girls soccer team in North 13th Street."

Daniella Zeas

Coach Rajkovich & girls soccer team members Daijale, Daniela, Allyson, Sheyla, and Stephanie



Tamil & Ali bleeding red



Lumari, Afiya, Kaylah, Sha-Deya senior cheerleaders, showing their Cougar Pride

SENIOR
YEAR

Hispanic Heritage

Next Stop, Latin America!

The celebration kicked off with the annual flag ceremony, and the crowd showed excitement to see their countries represented. Next, Ms. Pepper's class performed Lin-Manuel Miranda's musical, *In the Heights*. In a memorable scene, Riquel Alexander rapped as the class danced to Carnival Del Barrio.

THE CELEBRATION DID NOT STOP!

Ms. Guerra's students gave the audience knowledge about important Hispanic women. Ending the show with a pleasant surprise, the acrobatic trio came and the entire auditorium was up on their feet with rousing excitement as the captivating flags filled the aisles.



A trio of acrobats spins and amazes North 13th Street students

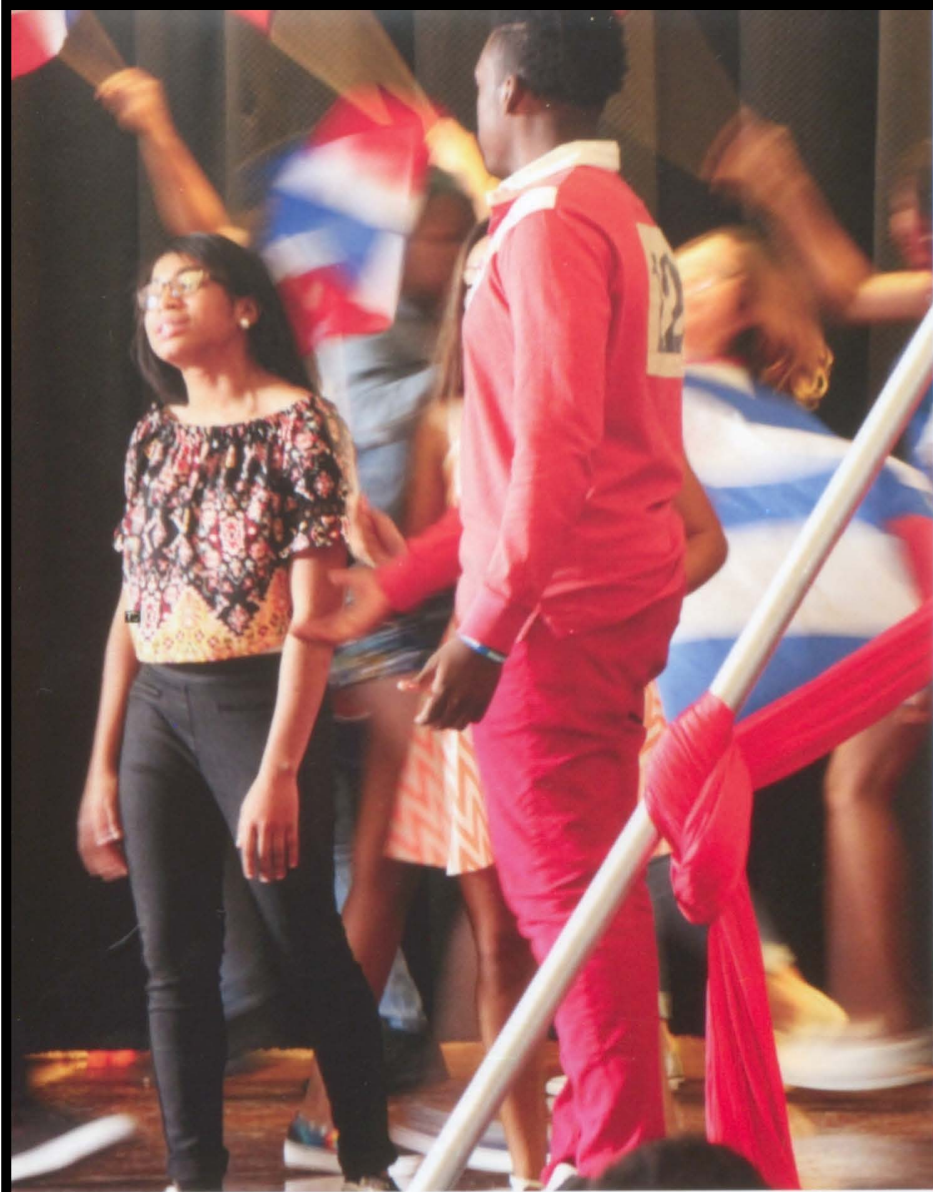


HISPANIC AMERICA AIRLINES

"It was an exhilarating experience. The students embraced the musical number, and I think it brought great joy to the audience for our Hispanic Heritage Program."

- Ms. Pepper

Theatre Arts CTE performing Carnabal Del Barrio from Lin-Manuel Mirnada's Musical *In the Heights* below Daniela Zeas - was the lead in the number



North13th students cheer for Latin America



Latin American flags on display across the cafeteria ceiling

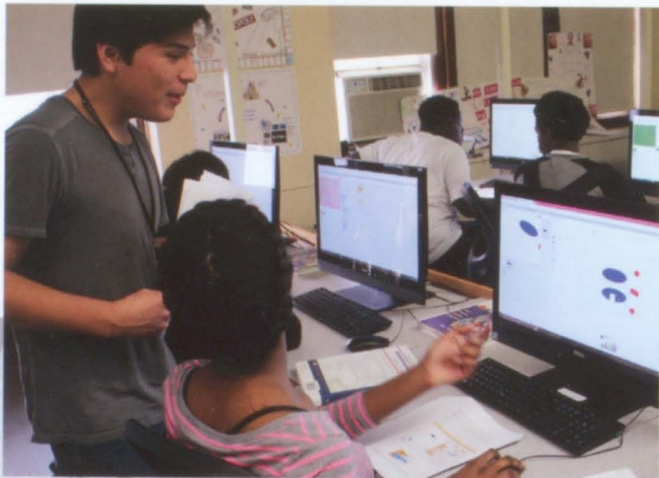
HOUR OF CODE

The event consisted of two learning areas. In the library, there were Ozobots, which are robots that read color. Using code, the students programmed the colors to mean different actions. The computer robot would follow the plan that the students coded into it. Inside classrooms, we used a program called "Scratch" to create an avatar and a trail. We used coding to make the avatar follow their own track. It would be a random path, and if the avatar got out of the borders of the path it would make a sound. In addition, as the avatar moves, it leaves a mark, which traces its path.

The Hour of Code is a movement by Computer Science Education Week reaching students through a one-hour introduction to computer science and computer programming.



(top) Using cups to teach kids.....



Gianfranco Cervantes helps a fellow student learn how to code



Debbie Ramos teaches coding in an interesting way



That computer is itchy because their learning how to use the "Scratch" program



Raimy Lopez and other business students sell their products



"It's not about ideas. It's about making ideas happen."

- Scott Belsky



Kendrah Bender sells handmade wallets

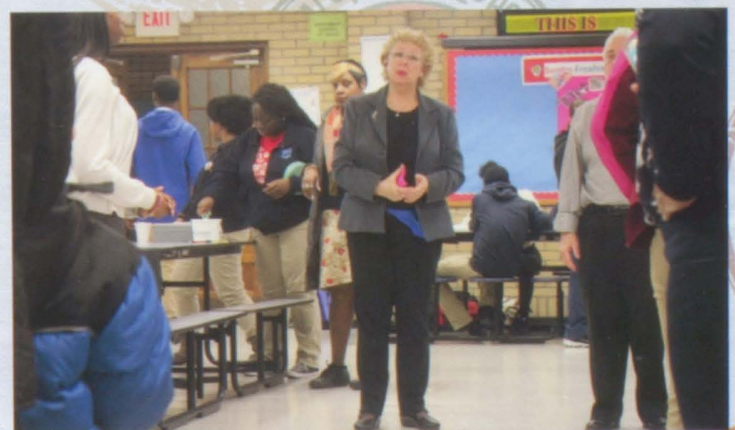


FLEA MARKET

Mrs. Burke organized the Flea Market, allowing juniors and seniors to showcase their entrepreneurship skills to the PTSA. In order for it to be successful, students brought materials and supplies from different places. The event was successful and profitable. The money earned from Flea Market went to pay for other Business Academy events, like The Fashion Show.



Shemar Victor displays sweatshirts for sale

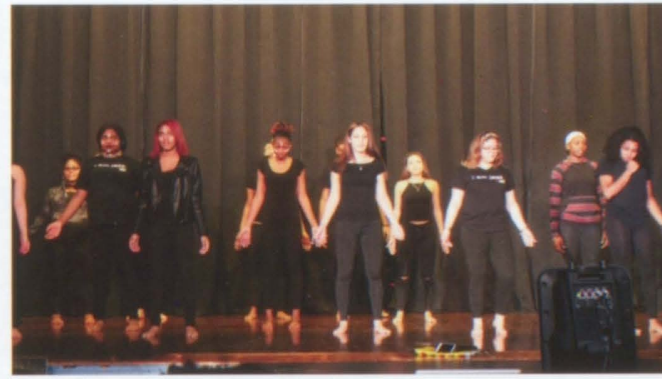


N13th CELEBRATION

REMEMBER.
EDUCATE.
INSPIRE.

"During this year's Black History Celebration, the seniors really stood out. From the food, decorations, performances, and everything in between, these students really showed what it means to be a Cougar."

Jhan'e Davis



Ms. Rhodie introduces her friends to North 13th Street

Crossroads Theatre Company teaches us about slavery

Winter Pep Rally

LET THE CARNIVAL BEGIN!

"All of the performances were presented by students in different clubs around the school. It all ended with joy and laughter and with memories that we all made together."

- Janet Perez

The Winter Pep Rally consisted of a fierce carnival organized by the amazing Ms. Meyer! Throughout each practice, the cheerleaders were determined for the show to be on point. Lumari Cortez and Kaylah Hightower, senior captains, formulated the committee and added their creativity and uniqueness to the show. Focusing on making the performances great is challenging because you really do not know the outcome of it. The team worked together to get the audience on their feet.



Lauribel Familia sings *The Star Spangled Banner*, and was the first North 13th student to audition at the Performing Arts Program at Julliard and is an applicant for the BFA program at Montclair State





COMING TOGETHER IS WHAT WE DO

"Dreams have no boundaries"

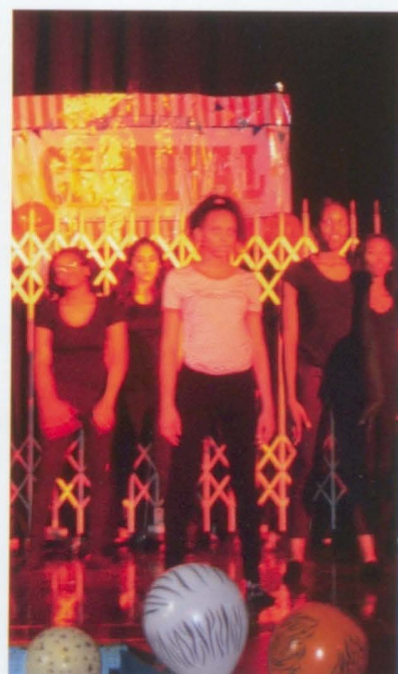
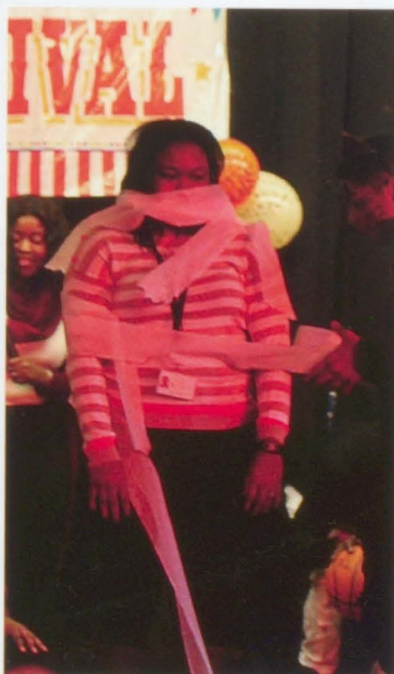
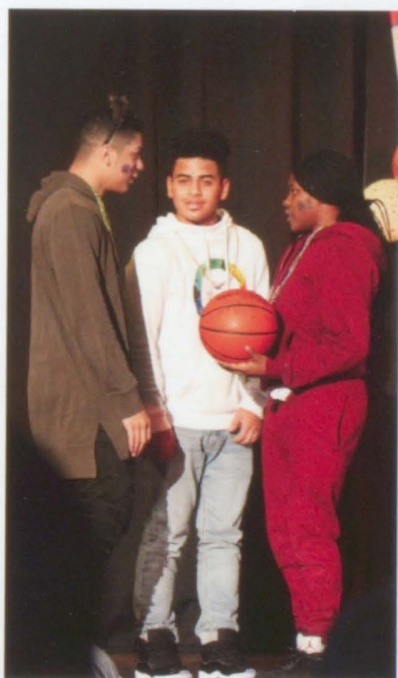
-Joy StClaire



Girls Basketball team shows their Cougar spirit on the stage



Fatim's charismatic personality shined through hosting the show



Entertaining games and a fantastic show from our school's Cheerleaders were a surprise to the audience

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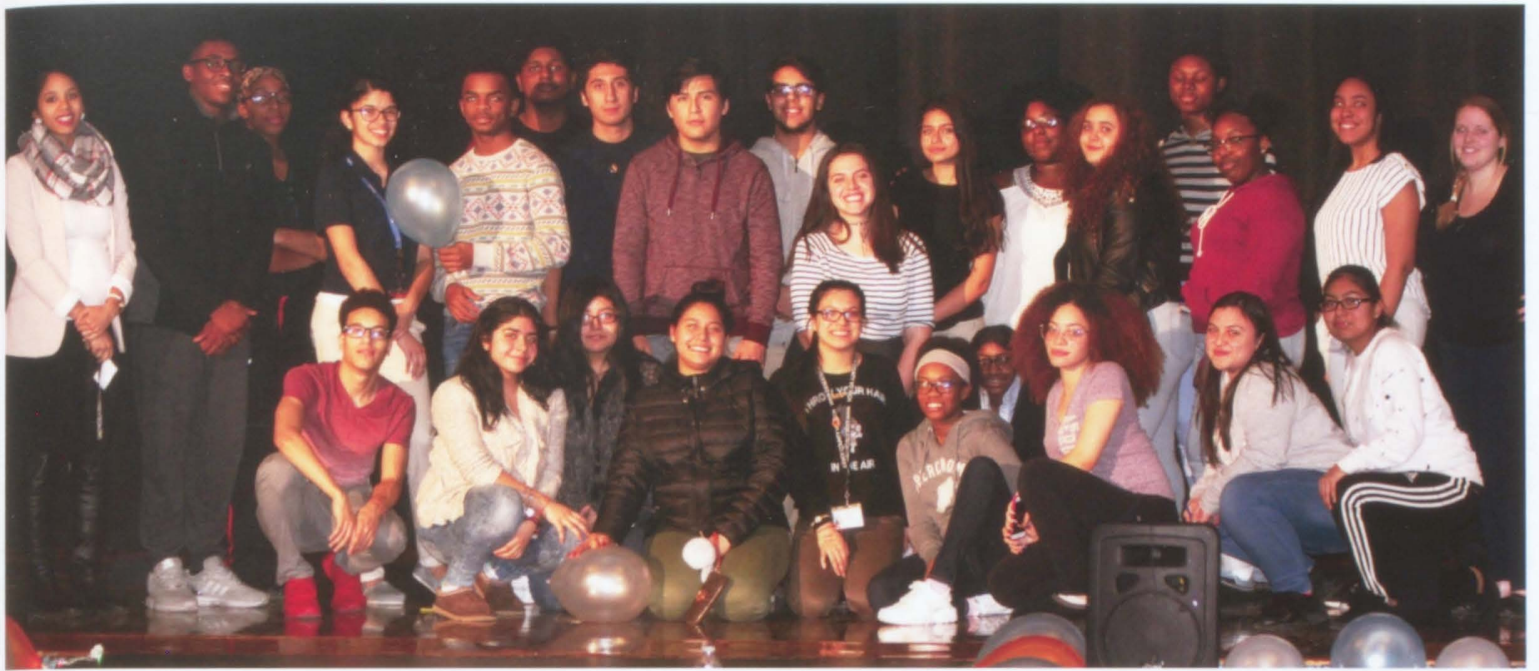
SHOW
Talent

Welcome to The XFactor

Live From N13...

From spoken word to dancing, the students of North 13th street showcased outstanding talents. Capturing the hearts of the judges with his dance moves, Yendi Ulloa won first place. Katherine Santos won second place with her amazing spoken word. CeJae Jeter placed third earning her a guaranteed spot at the top.

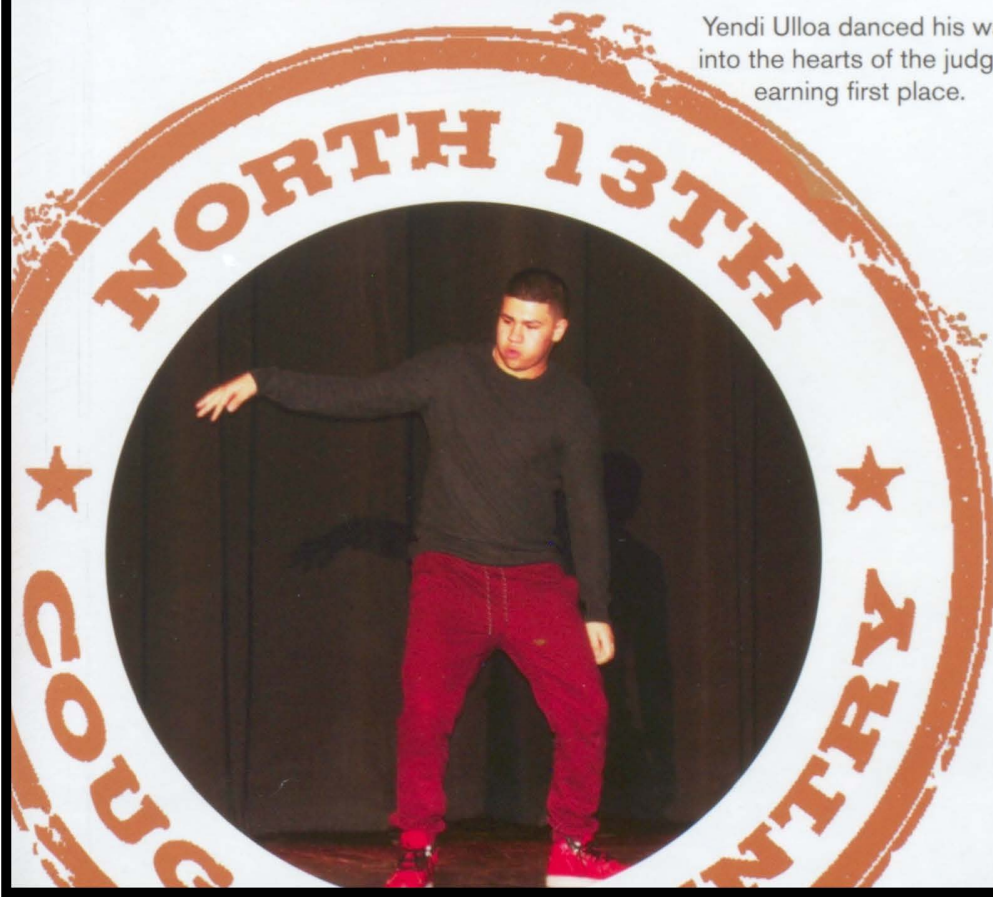




"Considering it was our first time organizing the event, we had a very successful talent show. It will be even better next year!"

- Ms. Meyer

Yendi Ulloa danced his way into the hearts of the judges earning first place.



It's The Most Wonderful Time of the Year

HO HO HO!

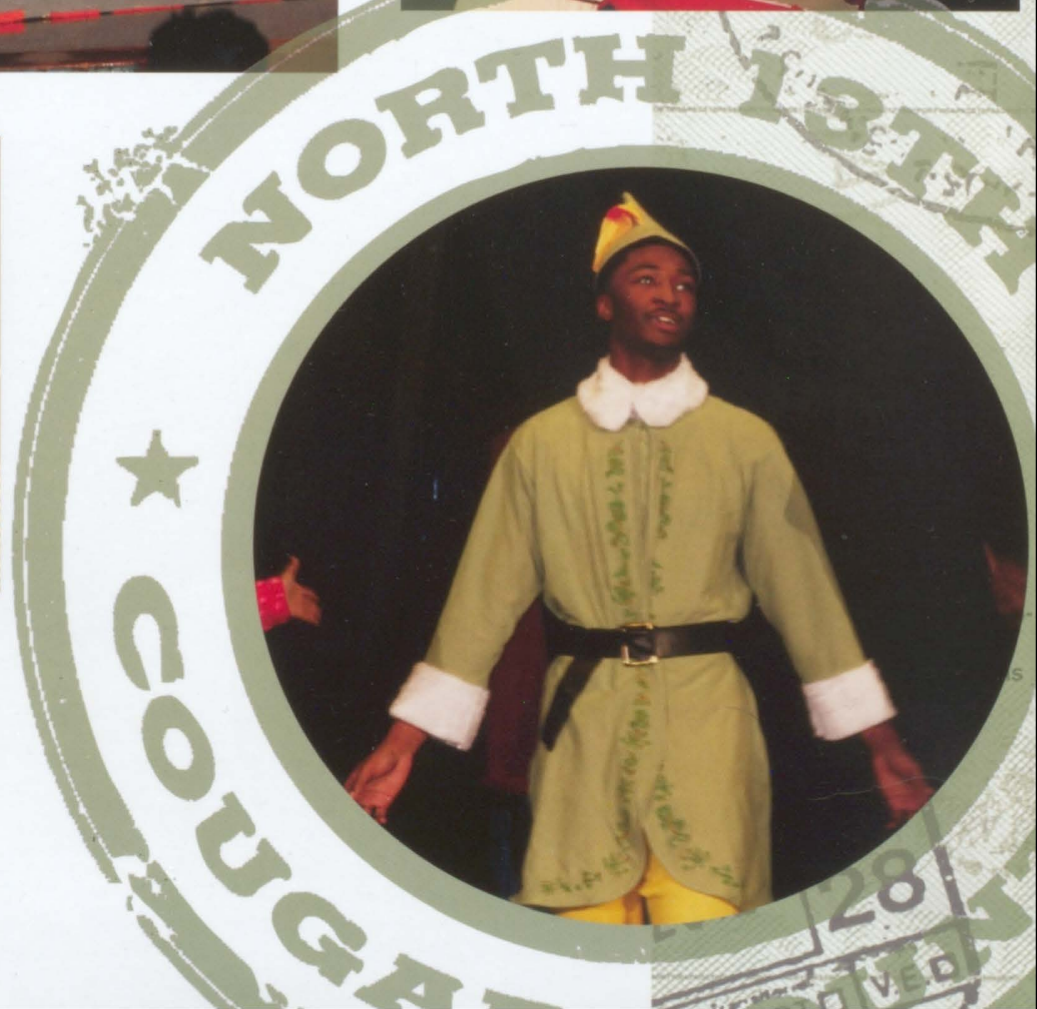
Christmas is a time to have a break from school to spend time with our families. But it is also a time where we watch our fellow students act in different performances. One of the performances was the North 13th Street's own rendition of the film *Elf*. It was fun to watch because they made it seem like we were watching the actual movie. Students in the audience were laughing and having fun. The hard work putting this together was evident because of the successful execution.

Depart
Sorties

Sophomores CeJae Jeter and Precious Cousins perform *The Nutcracker* with the Dance Club.



Mr. Walker sings his heart out to the entire student body.





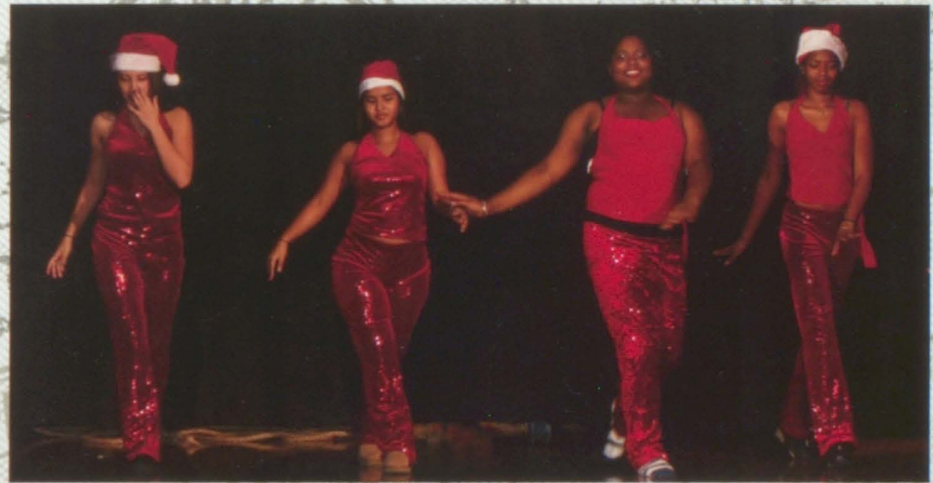
Ms. Pepper gives thanks to the participating staff members, Mr. Walker, Ms. Salvante, Ms. Meyer and her students.



Joshua Camacho as the Real Santa in his sleigh (made by Mr. Zarra's woodshop students) and he was also the lead in the N13th Spring Musical *Once on This Island*

"Amyr Sommers playing the Elf was really funny. He really fit the character because of his height."

- Amidou Sall



Allyson Massa, Lumari Cortez, Afiya O'Bryant-Travis, and Lauribel Familia got all of the guys' attention with their dance version of *Jingle Bell Rock* from the movie *Mean Girls*.



Senior Performances

"PROJECTION IS KEY!"

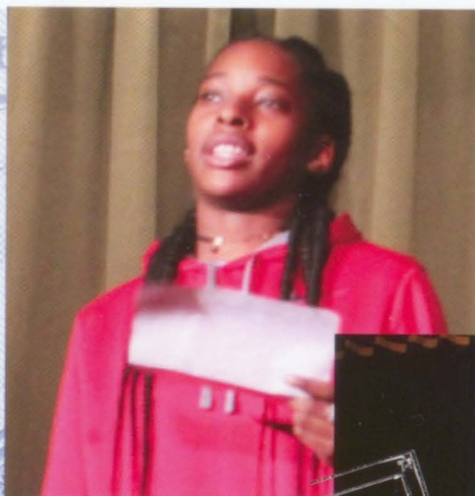
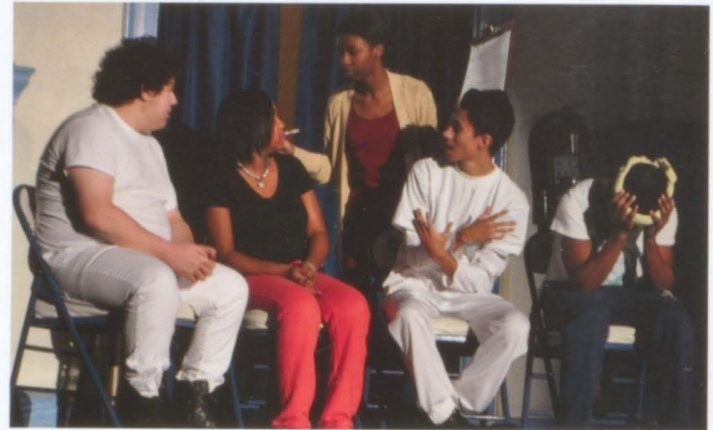
"I wish you all well, continue to always find your voice and explore the world! I'm proud of each and every one of you, as you close this ending, you have a new beginning on your journey."

- Ms. Pepper

Ms. Pepper's Visual and Performing Arts class performed various comedy, action, and drama skits with their own unique and creative features. Seniors take a few weeks to prepare for ten minute scene selections. Students explore their inner creativity by picking out their own costumes and editing skits to make it notable.

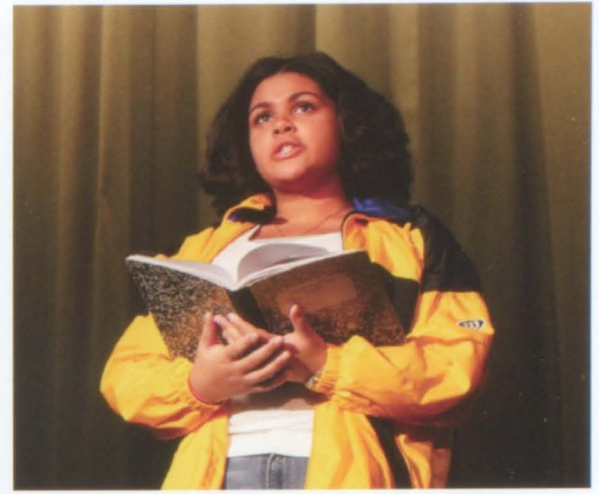


Naseem, Owen, and Erick performing "Sherry"

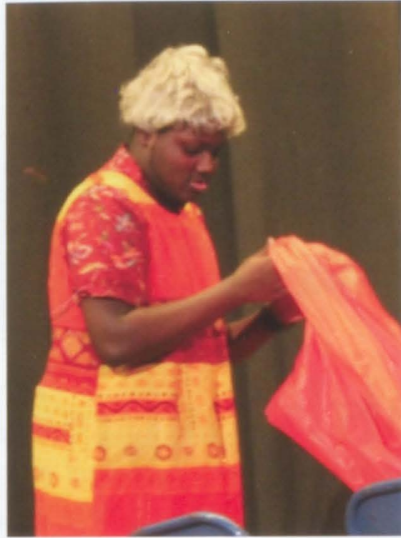




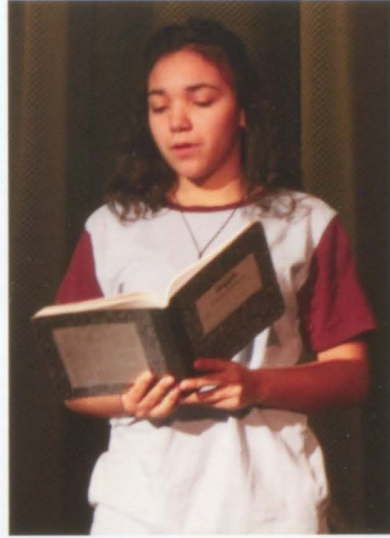
Two of the *Colored Girls'* cast, Fatim and Yaquana perform a scene together



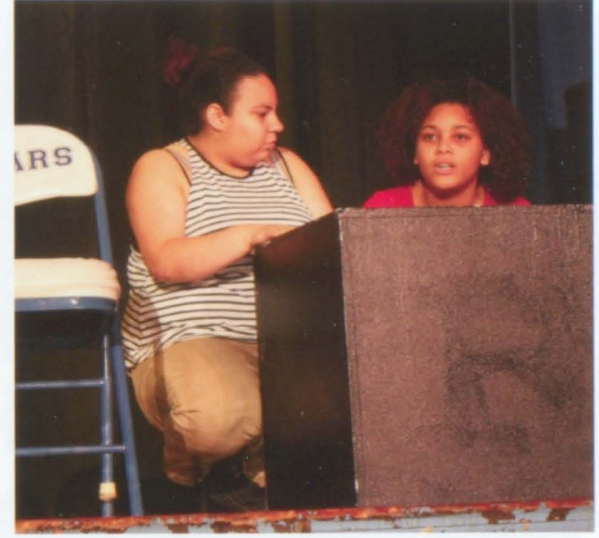
Deyra shares her character's sad story as a pregnant teenager in *Freedom Writers*



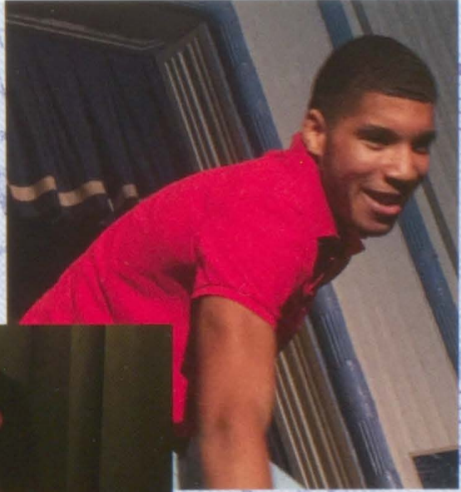
Shemar plays Madea in *Madea's Big Happy Family*



Jaeliya shares her story as a homeless teen



Denise and Debbie perform *Candy & Shelley*



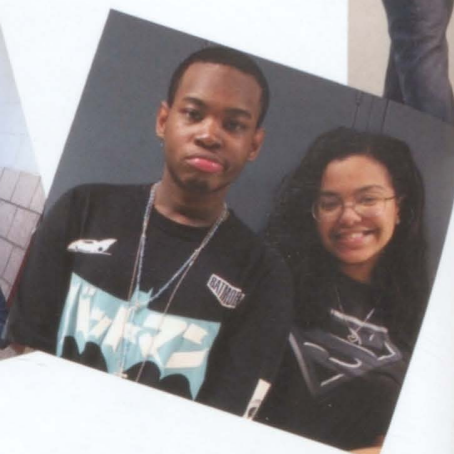
SENIOR WEEK

CHARACTER DAY

"Boy power? No... more like girl power. Come test us and see what we are capable of"



"If having a twin is confusing, what about if one of them end up like a superhero from a fictional book?"



Travel the Globe!

DRESS FROM YOUR POINT OF ORINATION

"Take a friend and go somewhere new"



"Step out to the world and be the best person that you can be"



Multiplicity Day

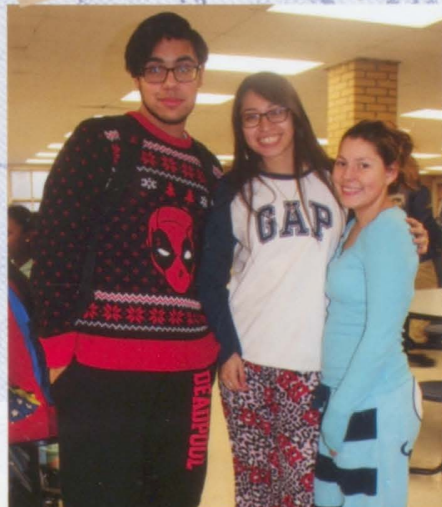
GROUP TOURS ONLY!



"We don't need family to make it feel like home. Friends who take the time to dress up like you is something so cherishable"

Overnight Flight...SENIOR PJ DAY!

"Our journey begins now"



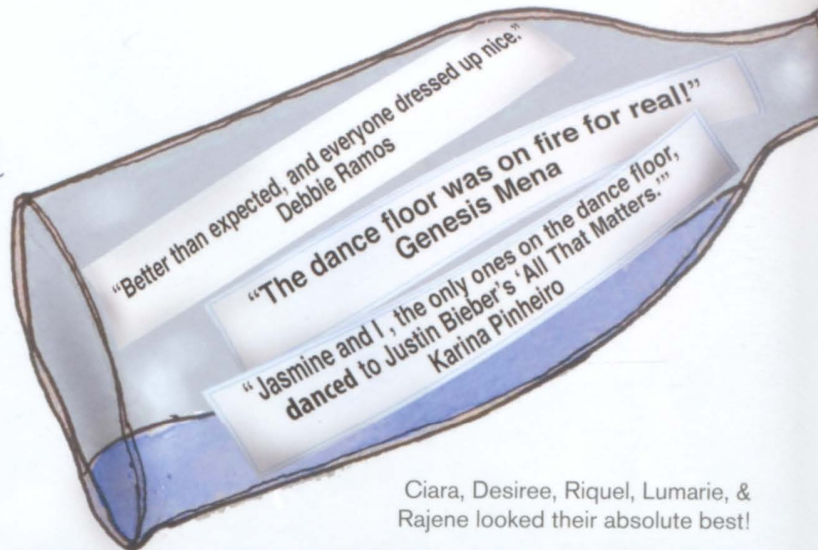
"School could be so tiring, might as well come in our pajamas"

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A Voyage Under the Sea

DESTINATION, FUN.

Due to the "litness" of our class, our first flight got canceled, but we rescheduled and flew through the night with great ease and delight.



Ciara, Desiree, Riquel, Lumarie, & Rajene looked their absolute best!



Cougar ladies showed off their elegance!



JUNIOR YEAR, IT WAS A GREAT TRIP!



Josue and Josua looked awesome!

JUNIOR PROM



Sha-Deya & Lisandro Junior Prom King & Queen



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First Class Flyers

2017 SUPERLATIVES

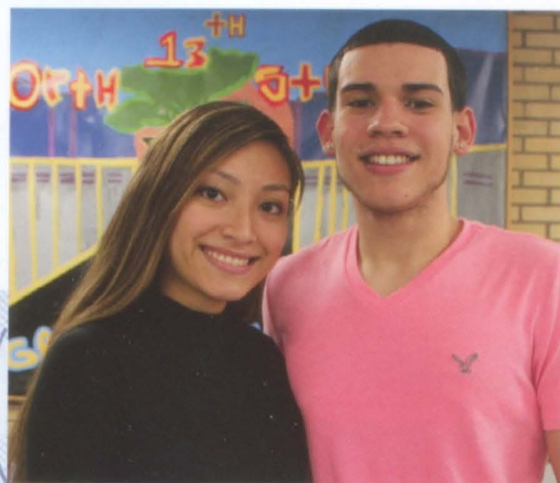
"We are all travelers in the wilderness of this world, and the best we can find in our travels is an honest friend."

Robert Louis Stevenson



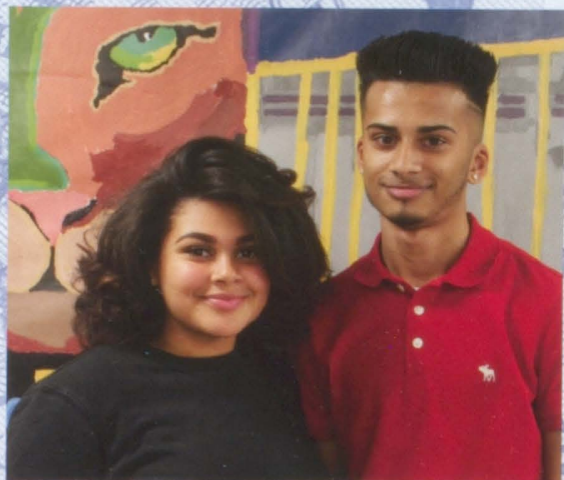
BEST DRESSED

Kaylah Hightower & Cesar Portillo



BEST SMILE

Daniela Zeas & Nelson Espinal



BEST HAIR

Deyra Acosta & Steve Lall



BEST DELOUDEST

Isaiah Gordon & Fatim Toure



QUIETEST

Natasha Ferrer & David Zhang



MOST POSITIVE

Jevelson Jean & Jasmine Metellus



CLASS CLOWN

Amidou Sall & Uti Etim



BIGGEST FLIRT

Naseem Crump & Shaniya Vazquez



DRAMA QUEEN & KING

Lumari Cortez & Erick Zapata



MOST ATHLETIC

Malachi Thomas & Abriana Thomas



TEACHER'S PET

Lisandro Maldonado & Genesis Mena



Kevin Penafiel & Jefferson Veras



Lauribel Familia, Deyra Acosta & Dayamaris Urena

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Deyra Acosta



Riquel Alexander

"You know that squirrel from Ice Age who's always chasing that acorn? That's me with my diploma."



Carlos Andujar

"If you don't start living then you'll never be alive."



Carlos Arenas

"You may leave school, but it will never leave you."



Keyla Arias



Yadaris Arias

Love yourself and you will be invincible." - Jen Sincero



Angeli Baez

"Don't let your food get cold worrying what's on my plate."



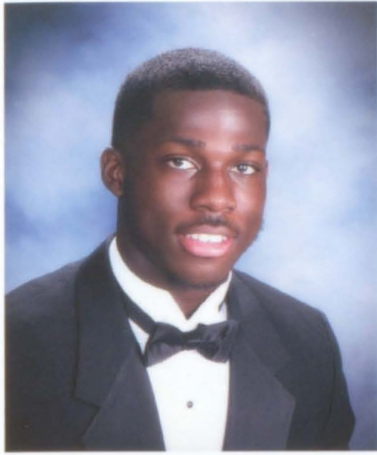
Carlos Banks



James Battle

"Happy are those who dream dreams and are ready to pay the price to make them come true." - Tupac Shakur

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Ali Beh

"Took Them This Long To Realize Momma Didn't Raise A Dummy #RingBoys"



Kendrah Bender

"When life hits with a tornado...you get back up in a different direction."



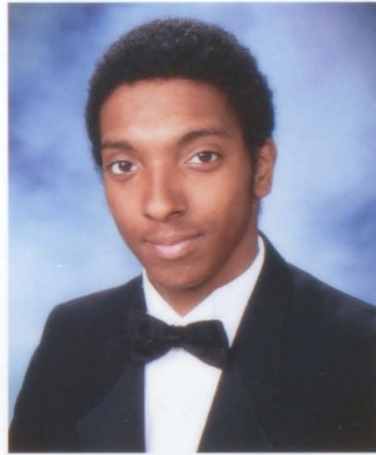
Kenyatta Bender

"I didn't get here by wishing or hoping for it, but by working for it."



Chloe Bethea-Jones

"Life is too short so smile while you still have teeth."



Joshua Camacho



William Camacho



Janina Carchipulla



Gianfranco Cervantes

"This isn't even my final form."



De'Aisha Chavers

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Ciara Cohen

"If it's not on a plate it can wait."



Andre' Coppin

"Winning isn't everything..... It's the only thing and you're Done."



Lumari Cortez

"I started off as a white girl with no rhythm and no drama. Now I'm graduating with the title of cheer captain & drama queen"



Taniyah Craft



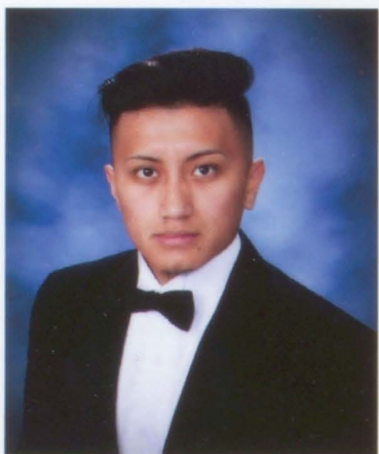
Jada Croom

"You know it's real when you are who you think you are." - Drake



Naseem Crump

"Got to keep my focus on the prize, and become the man I was set out to be."



Christopher Cruz



Marilyn Cruz

"Crushed it :)."



Alyssa Cuadrado

"The art of being happy lies in the power of extracting happiness from common things."

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Maria Da Silva

"No matter how educated, talented, rich or cool you believe you are, how you treat people ultimately tells all. Integrity is everything."



Jaylen Davies



Jhane Davis

"Be yourself, everyone else is already taken. Unless you can be a unicorn; always choose a unicorn."



Kayla Davis-Mcgee

"Always chase your dreams, no one can reach them for you."



Justin DeLaRosa

"YOU GOTTA DO WHAT YOU GOTTA DO."

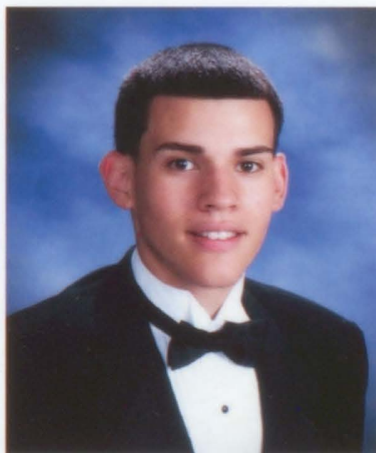


Margarett Diaz



Sha-Deya Dixon

"High school was real, but there's only one Sha-Deya who always kept it real; Now I'm out! Success is the key for expensive lifestyles to me." - Sha-Deya"



Nelson Espinal



Uti Etim

"Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah! We made her! Huh? Yoo-hoo! What? YAGAI!"

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Emani Evans-Benson

"There are far, far better things ahead than any we leave behind."



Lauribel Familia

"Your education is a dress rehearsal for a life that is yours to lead."



Ashley Febo

"Ohana means family. Family means nobody gets left behind or forgotten" - Lilo and Stitch



Austin Fernandez

"The only way to stand out is to stop trying to fit in. I rather be a square than have a circle of fake friends."



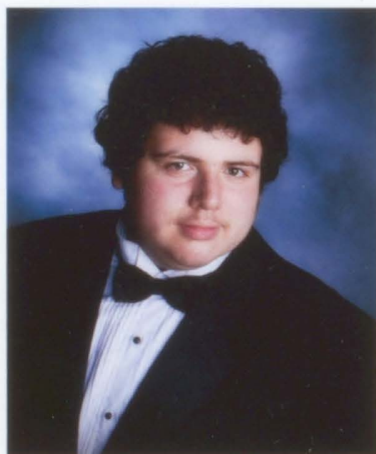
Natasha Ferrer



Heriberto Figueroa



Yanelly Figueroa



Christian Fuentes

"I want to say thank you to everyone who supported me throughout the 4 years we've been here. I love you all and care for y'all."



Ricardo Golding

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Isaiah Gonzalez



Joshua Gonzalez

"I don't have friends. I have family."



Kevin Gonzalez



Jasmine Greene



Lanasia Greenlee

"Drink smoothies and stay groovy."



Lateemah Griffin

"I am dripping melanin and honey.
I am black without apology."



Danielle Heriot

"Chase dreams and you just might
catch them." - Colin Kaepernick



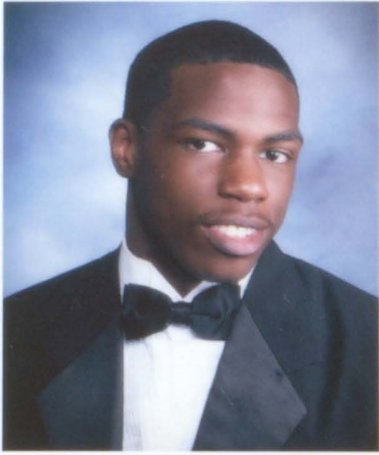
Cindy Hernandez



Kaylah Hightower

"I don't understand why we even had
to vote for BEST DRESS. Y'all know I
had that in my bag." -Kaylah

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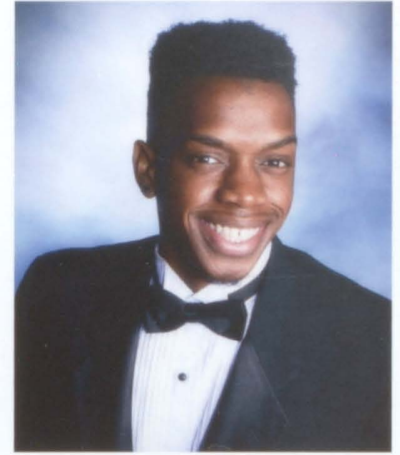


Tamil Hill



Sidney Jackson

"I would say get on my level, but I'm the tallest girl in the senior class."



Jevelson Jean

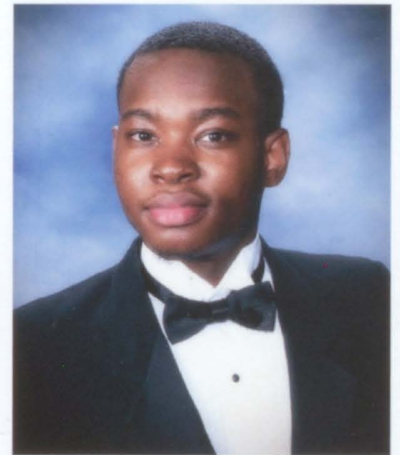
"Disappointment is really just a term for our refusal to look on the bright side."



Tahjanae Jenkins



Melissa Jimenez



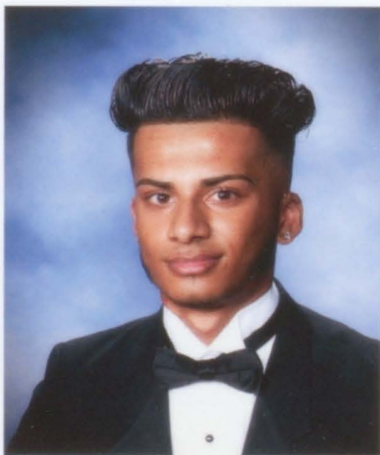
Frederick Jones

"You only live once do whatever your heart desires."



D'Amyra LaBoo

"Sometimes you have to be your own knight in shining armor. It's okay to save yourself."



Steve Lall

"Take pride in how far you've come. Have faith in how far you can go. But don't forget to enjoy the journey."



Jorge Larco

"Without soccer, I am nothing!."

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Shanaia Lawrence

"I've been humble and I'm still humble, and for the ones who turned on me, man I still love you." - M.A..



Brendaly Lopez



Brian Lopez



Denise Lopez

"Live life like a 3-0 count."



Raimy Lopez

"Teach us to number our days that we may gain a heart of wisdom." - Psalm 90:12



Shania Lopez

"Show your haters how it's done by hating yourself most."



Leann Maldonado

"Work for a cause, not for applause. Live life to express, not to impress. Don't strive to make your presence noticed, just make your absence felt."



Ysaurys Marte



Allyson Massa

"Every ending has a new beginning."

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Genesis Mena
"Just keep swimming!"



Kendra Mendez



Jasmine Metellus
"I feel like I'm too busy writing history to read it." - Kanye West



Jenner Moise
"Thank God I made the future hold more for me and my fellow seniors."



Tiara Montesino
"I am not a product of my circumstances. I am a product of my decisions." - Stephen Covey



Ashley Morales
"You don't have to make something last forever. What's important is making every second of it worth." - J. Cole



Carlos Moran
"Somebody said that it couldn't be done..."



Aatikah Muhammad
"Learn to ignore the names people call you and just trust who you are. Be an #OgreAchiever. #Shrek"



Keione Neal
"Life's a runway and Keione Neal is ready to walk it alone."

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Afiya O'Bryant-Travis

"Life isn't hard, you just make it hard by thinking about it." - Fiya



Yarinnette O'Conner



Dennis Ontaneda

"You know what I keep on my feet, G Fazos don't even ask me." -G Herbo



Sharil Orellana

"Life is about time, opportunity, and choices. Or maybe it is about peace, love, and pettiness."



Daijale Orengo

"Always find a reason to laugh. It may not add years to your life, but will surely add life to your years."
- Unknown"



Jacob Ortega

"I'm young, rich, and handsome, it's really not random."



Lycinda Owusu

"I just want to give a shout out to the 7 people that got my name right all four years. Thanks."



Alyssa Padin

"My neck, my back, my Netflix, and my snacks!"



Kevin Penafiel

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Desiree Pereira

"I've spent more time in the hallways than I did in class and still got honor roll."



Janet Perez

"Growing old is mandatory, but growing up is optional." -Walt Disney



Kaejon Pierre-Small



Karina Pinheiro

"All I need in this life of sin is pizza rolls, The Walking Dead, and financial stability."



Taricha Polynice

"I'm the rose that grew from concrete."



Cesar Portillo

"I rather kill 'em with success and give 'em knowledge."



Charles Preston

"The best is not perfect, the rest is not worth it."



Piper Quiles

"Work now, live and relax later."



Jeremiah Rahim

"If you want to finesse, be single!"

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Debbie Ramos

"I may look like a potato now, but one day I'll turn into fries and you'll all want me then."



Sheyla Ramos

"The night is far gone and the day is at hand."



Yaxenis Ramos

"Sometimes it is the people no one imagines anything of, who do things no one can imagine"



Karisma Redd

"Just because you're trash doesn't mean you can't succeed in life. That's why it's called garbage can, instead of garbage cannot."



Stephanie Reid

"Life was made to be lived, not a mistake. So go out and live, be the things you want to do because you only get one life to live."



Aaliyah Reyes

"Don't live in someone else's dream."
-BTS



Brianna Reyes

"Never look back. If Cinderella went back to get her shoe, she never would've become a princess."



Denise Reyes



Taiz Reyes

"I hate everyone." - Squidward

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Karina Rigual
"Since freshmen year my forehead never changed."



Christopher Rivera



Melani Rosillo



Nadiyah Samad
"They said Beyonce was who?"



Joseph Santana



Abigail Santiago



Taylor Simmons
"High school? All I did was sleep."



Owen Singalivo
"Good Man." - Johnson



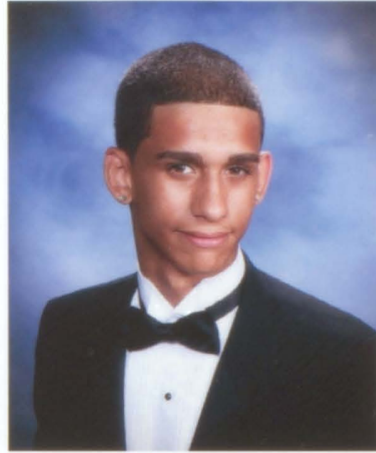
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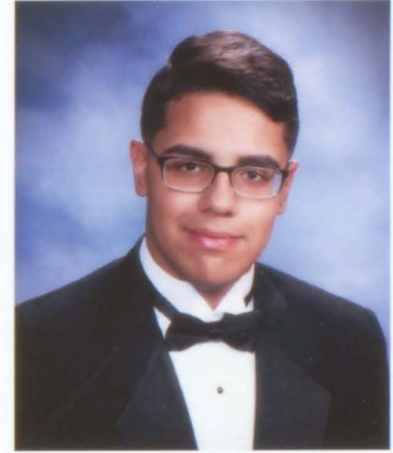


Melissa Smith

"When your beautiful soul and mind are open, they grow."



Jonathan Sola



Josua Soto-Vazquez

"Anything worth doing is going to be hard. That shouldn't discourage you. Embrace that. Own it. Apply yourself. Push farther."



Josue Soto-Vazquez

"Sometimes good people make bad choices, it doesn't mean they are bad people. It means they are human."



Joshua Suarez



Ibn Thomas

"Your future is what you make it, so don't let it make you."



Malachi Thomas

"My main focus is to stay focused."



Abriana Todd

"Be the best version of yourself in anything you do. You don't have to live anybody else's story."



Thomas Todd

"Whatever it takes.... ALL IN."

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Jake Torres



Fatim Toure

"My diploma almost had me in a coma."



Tyiezhanay Trent



Jaeliaya Troche

"You have to be odd to be number one."



Dayamaris Urena

"My eyelashes are longer than some of your relationships. :)"



Shaniya Vazquez

"I never changed up, I just leveled up."



Jovan Vega

"Just wait on it..."



Rebeca Velez

"You can always retake a class, you can never relive a party."



Jefferson Veras

"Even when it's dark out, the sun is shining somewhere." - J.Cole

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Shemar Victor

"You have one chance at life. What you do with it is completely up to you."



Shaylah Waters

"Friends come and go like the waves of the ocean, but the true ones stay, like an octopus on your face."



Danielle Williams

"It is better to know how to learn than to know."



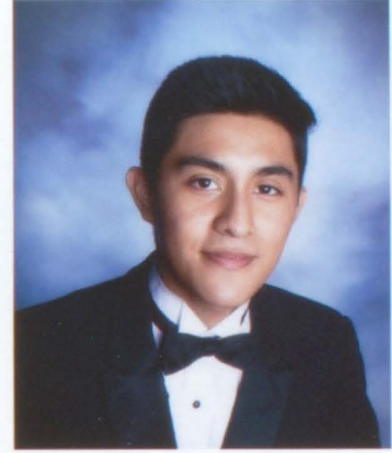
Serena Williams

"Free at last, free at last!"



Yaquana Williams

"Oh..Senior Quotes were due today?"
- Me



Erick Zapata

"I'm not great at advice. Can I interest you in a sarcastic comment?"
- Chandler Bing



Daniela Zeas

"With God, all things are possible."

Travel Back in Time!

CAMP BERNIE 2013!

There ain't nothing stopping us
 'Cause we are a force unstoppable
 Nothing can control us
 'Cause we are unconquerable

No matter what, we work as a team
 Always moving forward,
 never running out of steam
 When the path ends,
 we make a new route
 Working hard, that's what we're
 about

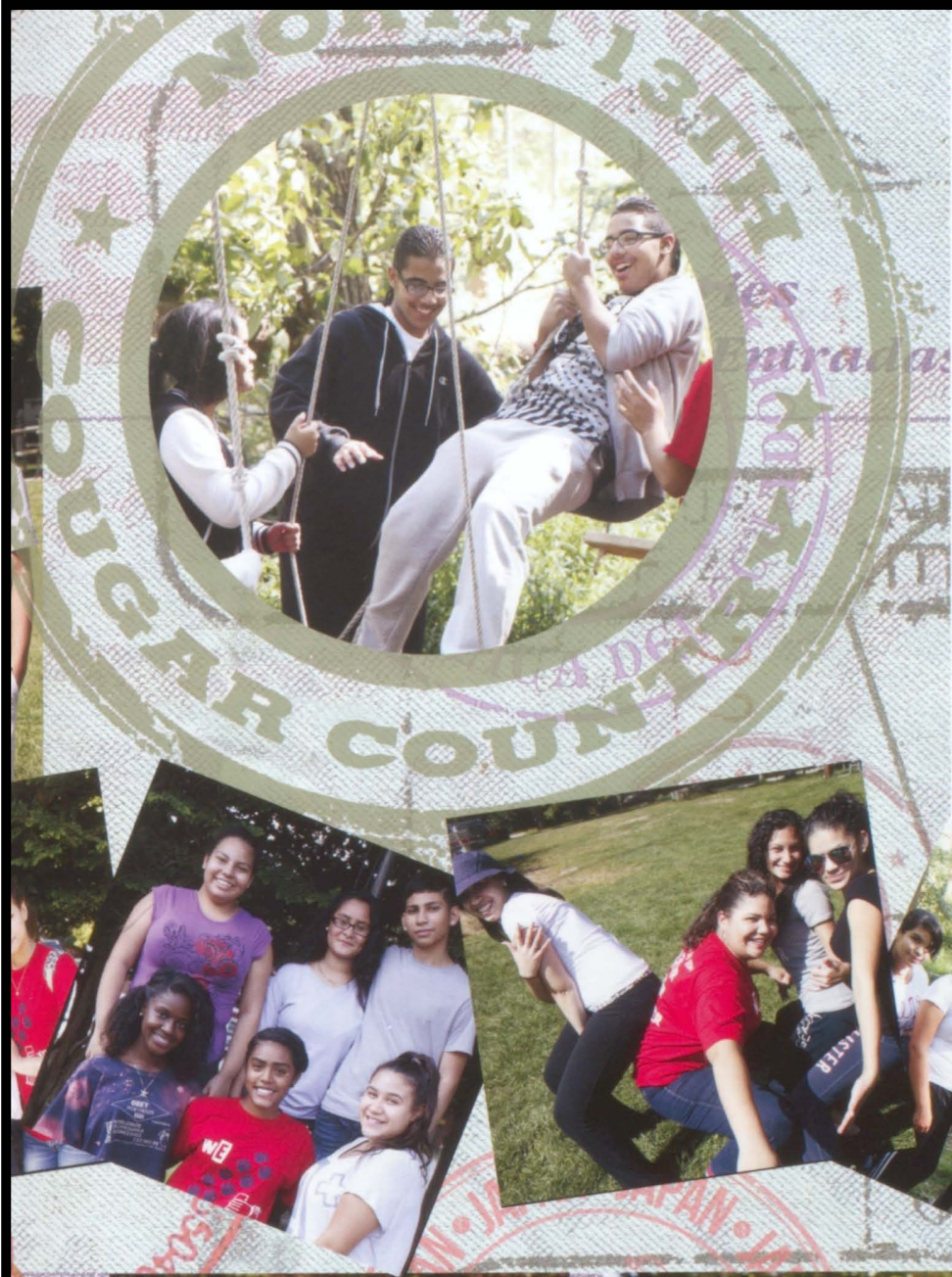
We are the best, there is no doubt

- Christian Fuentes



"This trip definitely took me out of my comfort zone!"

- Karina Pinheiro



"Time travel is such a magical concept."

- Matt Smith

Arrivals!

GUESS WHO JUST CHECKED IN

Guess which N13th passengers are shown below?





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N13th Tech Seniors 2017

"All journeys have secret destinations of which the traveler is unaware."

- Martin Buber

ANSWERS FOR BABY PHOTOS

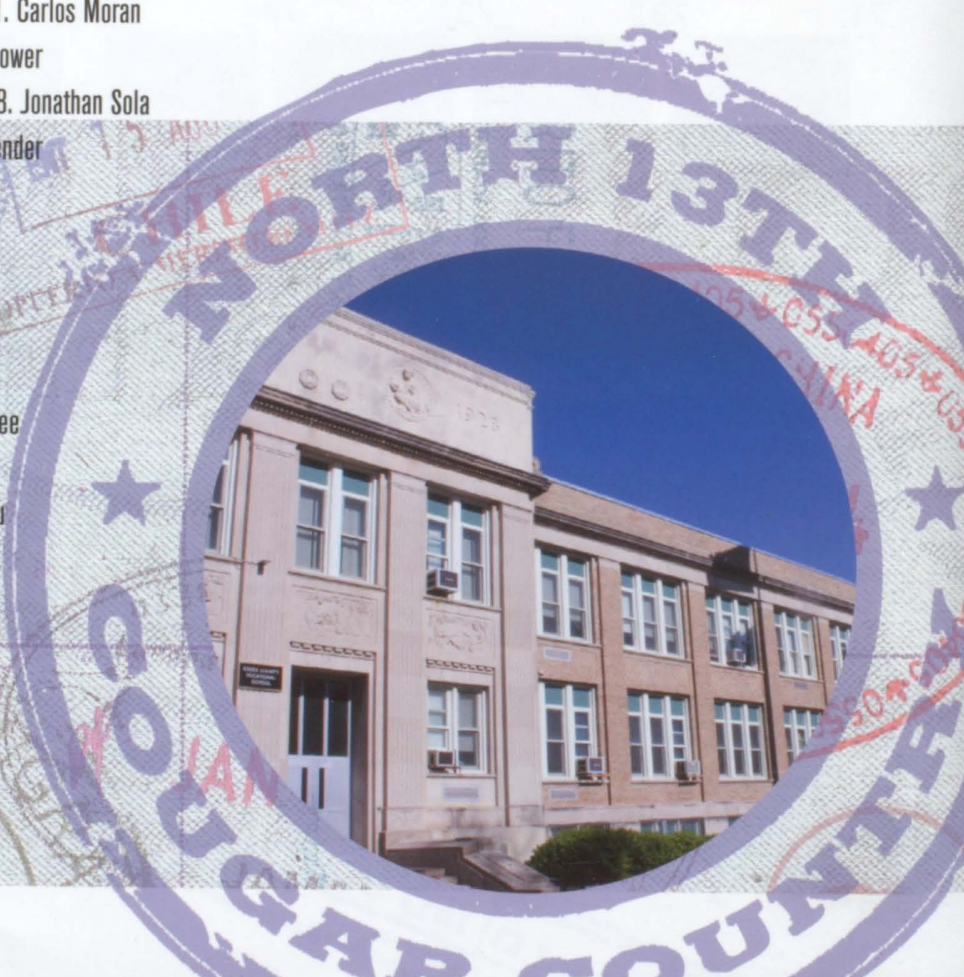
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10. Cindy Hernandez
11. Jhane Davis
12. Herbirto Figueroa
13. Amidou Sall
14. Ciara Cohen
15. Deyra Acosta
16. Danielle Williams
17. Charles Preston
18. Taylor Simmons
19. Leann Maldonado
20. Thomas Todd
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41. Carlos Moran
42. Ysaury Marte
43. Chloe Bethea-Jones
44. Kaylah Hightower
45. Kendra Mendez
46. Genesis Mena
47. Kevin Penafiel
48. Jonathan Sola
49. Sha-Deya Dixon
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51. Kendrah Bender
52. Jacob Ortega
53. Daijale Orengo
54. Lauribel Familia
55. Sydney Jackson
56. Karina Riguel
57. Sheyla Ramos
58. Afiya O' Bryant
59. Melissa Smith
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61. Shaniya Vazquez
62. Carlos Banks
63. Raimy Lopez
64. De'Aisha Chavers
65. Desiree Pereira
66. Jovan Vega
67. Sharil Orellana
68. Nadiyah Samad
69. Kayla Davis-MeGee
70. Abriana Todd
71. Carlos Andujar
72. Lateemah Meijaha
73. Janina Carchipulla
74. Natasha Ferrer
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76. Jasmine Greene
77. Jefferson Veras
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81. Yaxenis Ramos
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83. Aatikah Muhammad
84. Shania Lopez
85. D'Amyra Laboo
86. Shania Lawrence
87. Janet Perez
88. Tyiezhanay Trent
89. Emani-Evans Benson
90. Ashley Morales
91. Shaylah Waters
92. Abigail Santiago
93. Riquel Alexander

"This was an amazing adventure that I had in Yearbook. I have learn so many things when it comes to interviewing people. I have grown into having better management skills. I would like to thank the team and especially Ms. Valle and Ms. Timothy for helping me throughout the process. - Janet Perez

"I had so much fun putting together the yearbook and i would like to thank everyone who participated making the Passport Yearbook a reality." - Gianfranco Cervantes

"Thank you so much Shania Lopez for being in my life and allowing me to be a part of yours. You are the most amazingly caring and beautiful person I have ever met. - Karina Pinheiro

"When an obstacle comes along, you figure it out. You move mountains, you change your life, and you do whatever it takes to get through it." - Alyssa Cuadrado



You know what happens when you read this... HUH, YOU JUST MADE THE LIST!

- Josua Soto-Vazquez

"Thank you to my amazing advisors, Ms. Christina Timothy and Ms. Guion Valle and my great team members, from writing to photography and building the spreads, we brought our talents together and created this book. Now that I am departing from this chapter in my life, I've grown so much and appreciated the memories. I love you all and thank you for this experience.

- Jasmine Metellus

"There are things you can only achieve together. Someday when you look back, the people you experience it with will see it as a happy memory with the same warmth that you do."

- Josue Soto-Vazquez

"Hats off to those who made it these past four years, try to make the next four as best as you can."

-Shaylah Waters

"Who knew all those nights without sleep would pay off! We finally made it now we can sleep"

- Ashley Febo

"Life is like chocolate chips...it can be dark...but also sweet. Why live for others when you could live for yourself. If it has less than an 85% of killing you just do it."

- Yaxenis Ramos

"Thank you Yearbook Club members, and Christina Timothy, for so generously sharing your time, your gifts, your spirit and your sincere willingness to learn. Without all of these the 2017 yearbook would not have happened"

- Guion Valle

To the Class of 2017, Always be Champions At Work!

Congratulations & Best of Luck,
Ms. Riccardi and Mr. Cuccolo, Advisors

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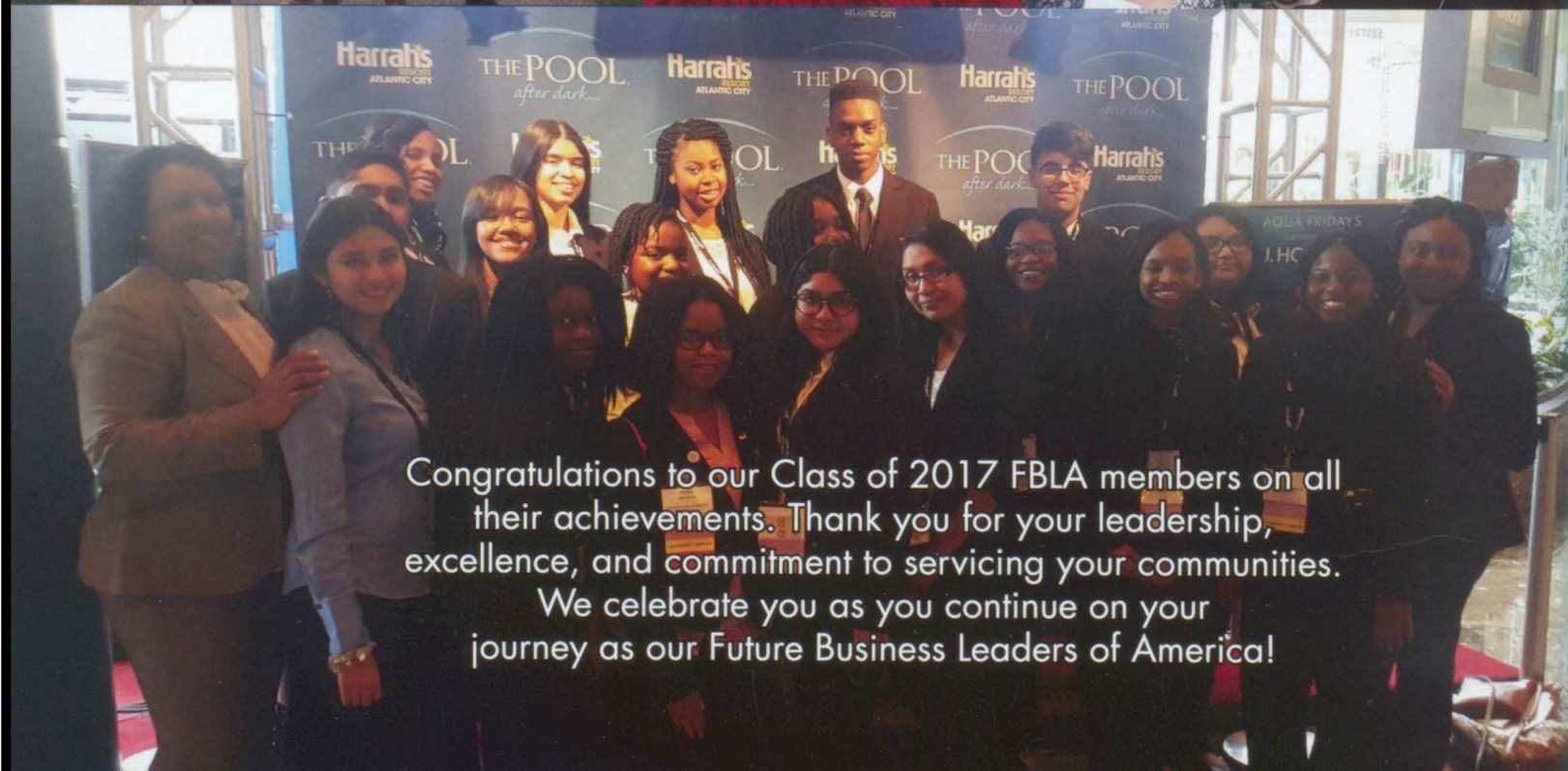
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Congratulations to our Class of 2017 FBLA members on all their achievements. Thank you for your leadership, excellence, and commitment to servicing your communities. We celebrate you as you continue on your journey as our Future Business Leaders of America!



"Dear baby girl as you embark on this long and unforgettable journey there will be many many challenges, bumps in the road, and distractions that might throw you off but there's nothing to worry about because I've seen the strong independent women you've grown to be over the years I can't help but to be so proud of you only because the hard work you put in over the last 4 years and even though your independent no matter what happens if you ever need me I'll always be there to send advice or just be the friend you need you know I love you to pieces and only wish you much more success congrats on making it this far just keep going" -

Your BFF Timmy

"To: My beautiful daughter Sha-Deya. I am so proud of you and the young lady you've become you are very special to me and I love you more than words can express. Sha-Deya you are a sweet, bright, beautiful and intelligent young lady who can accomplish anything as long as you put your mind to it, just stay focus and don't let anyone tell you that you can't never do anything because if you keep doing what you do, you will accomplish all the goals in life that you want. I'm so happy God choose me to be your mom." - Mom

"One of the most special grandchildren that I have. She worries me to death every day that I have to pick her up from work or take her to work. I have to get her something to eat from Popeyes, but she's sweet. Whatever she set her mind on that's where she's focus and she completes whatever she's into. Now that's what I like about her. Love you." - Grandpa William Beard

"Deya know that I am extremely proud of you for your academic achievements thus far knowing you are in pursuit of more I pray your continued success and lastly know that you are a part of my legacy I can't express how much I love you Deya you're the icing on my cake love you" - Grandma



Desiree Pereira

*When we heard your cries
and saw that you were a girl,
our eyes lit up with joy.*

Right away we felt an unconditional love towards you.

My princess, our pride and joy, Desiree!

*You were a very happy girl with short tight curls
and very active. Playing with baby dolls
was your favorite pass time. We remember the day
we took you and your brothers to Disney.*

*It was a nightmare chasing you all over park
although we didn't mind because we were all having fun.*

Those are the times we cherish in life. This is what we live for, our children.

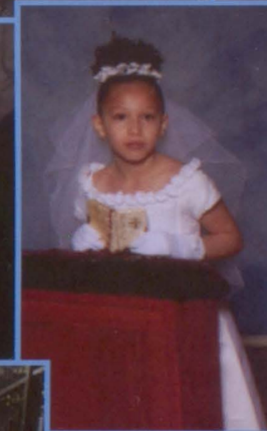
*We are proud to be your parents and to have you
as our daughter. Through the years you became a smart,
silly, and understanding person. Dezy, what a blessing
it has been to watch you grow into a beautiful young lady.*

*We are so excited to see what life has in store for you
as you leave high school and begin a new journey.*

*May your life be filled with love and laughter, and
remember to always do what makes you happy!!*

*All the best to you with lots of love
and congratulations on your achievements.*

Love Mom, Dad, Kiki, Michael & Danny



Lumari,

From the moment, I felt you kicked I knew you were going to be something special. I fell in love with you before I even laid eyes on you. I couldn't have asked for a better gift, than you. I am beyond proud of you baby, and everything you have done.

You will continue to strive in a positive path, & never let anyone tell you, you can't do something. You have proven everyone that you will become a successful young woman. Every time I see you smile, my heart melts. Everything I do, I do for you. I see such a bright future for you. I love you more than words can describe, and I will always be here to protect you, give you advice, and hold onto you when you need a hug. -Love, Mommy

Mookie,

I want you to keep on going on the right path, keep pushing yourself and accomplish all the things you set out to do. I want to tell you that I'm proud of the beautiful young women you've become, I want you to be successful and strive for greatness. The reason I'm so hard on you at times, because I see all the potential to be anything you want to be in life. I love you and will always support you. #KeepGrinding. -Xavier

Dear 18 year old Lumari,

Words don't describe how proud I am of you. Life is just beginning for you, and you have accomplished so many things already. You are beautiful and smart. The things that use to concern you, should have no meaning right about now. Your only focused should be school, and making sure you are set for life. Your life has never been easy, and with all the obstacles thrown at you, you have overcome everything. Senior year hit you with so many curveballs, but if your reading this, it means you have past them. Lumari, you will be going to Rutgers University. And the fact that you got into the nursing program is a accomplishment by itself. Your father is watching over you with tears of joy and a big smile. You have gained so many friendships and you have made your mark in life already. Life is going to get hard, but just know I believe in you, and I want you to be successful

-From 17 Year Old Lumari





Fiya Biya

My Dearest Afiya,

It is with much happiness and great pleasure, that I congratulate you on this wonderful time in your life. I am so proud of you. Although the road wasn't always easy, you weathered the storms and came out victorious. As you look forward to your next chapter, remember that anything you so desire is possible with faith, hard work and dedication.

Love you to the Moon and Back!

Your proud Aunt, Jackie

Dear Princess,

A lot of people may not understand why I call you Princess, but I'll tell you why. You are so strong, intelligent, & you carry a grace that's so pure & beautiful. I'm so extremely proud of the beautiful young woman that you are becoming & destined to be.

I love you for exactly who you are. I love you because you ARE my Princess.

You work so hard & for that you deserve the WORLD.

Love, Kay

My Afiya,

From the moment I laid eyes on my big ball headed baby. I knew you were the greatest in the whole wide world. I have watched you struggle and doubt yourself and in the end triumph. You will accomplish things I haven't even dreamt of yet and I can't wait to see your greatness. Never forget you will forever be my rotten baby nothing in the entire world is better than you. You will be and you've always been triumphant believe in yourself like I always have. Love you always!!! Congratulations on a job well done. I have watch you grow from the little girl shooting in the gym with me. We are enormously proud of all that you have and will achieve. Follow your dreams and goals you have set for yourself. Keep moving forward, you can get anywhere. I pray for nothing but the best for you and I can't wait to see what you have in store for the years to come!!!!

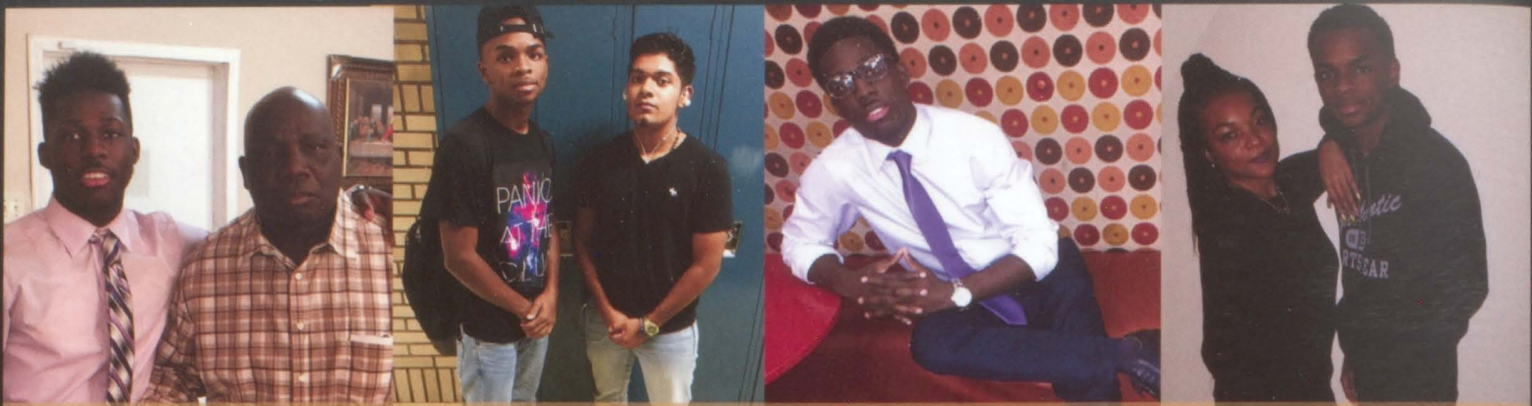
We Love You- Rae', Bink, Taz & Paris

Fiya is a strong girl, she's always been talented, from theater to cheerleading, she remained committed to what she loves. She is very outgoing, strong-minded, and a warrior princess. We are very proud of her, she's grown into a beautiful young woman. She's intelligent and plans her goals out well and achieves them. Overall, she is a brilliant young lady, and we love her!

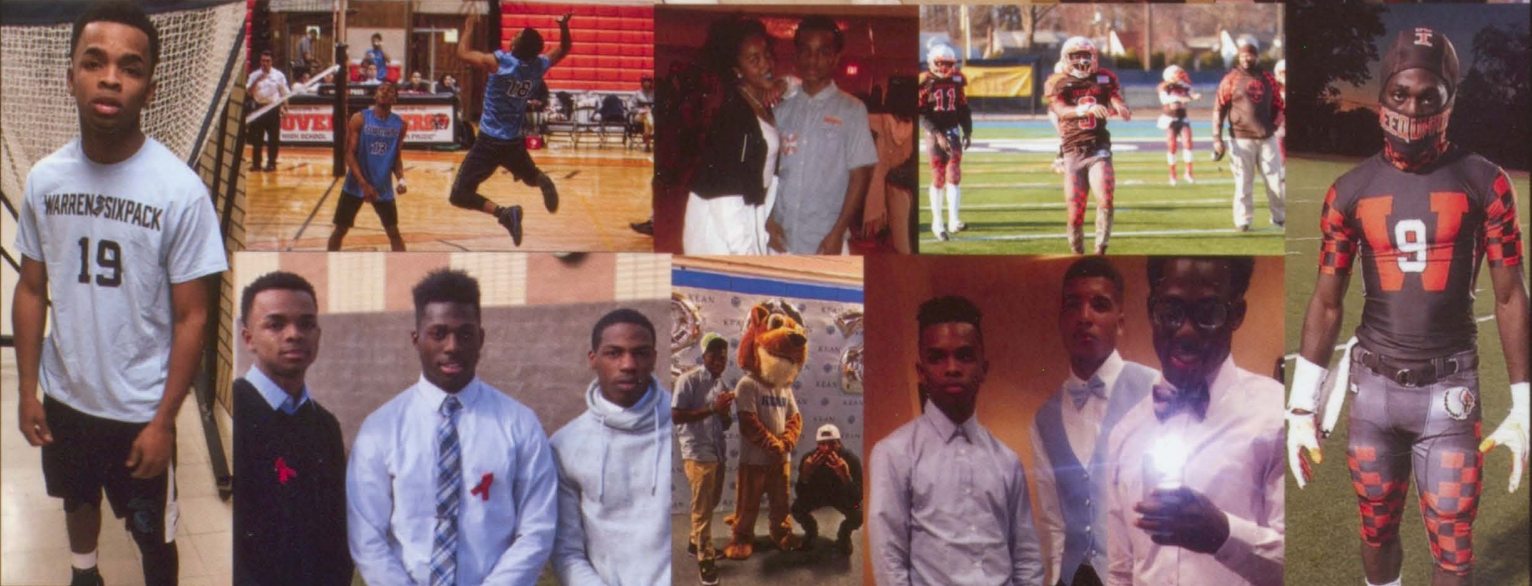
Rima, Suli, Noddy, Fa, Rah, Rif, and Kam, but mostly Renee!

I know they all feel that way too!





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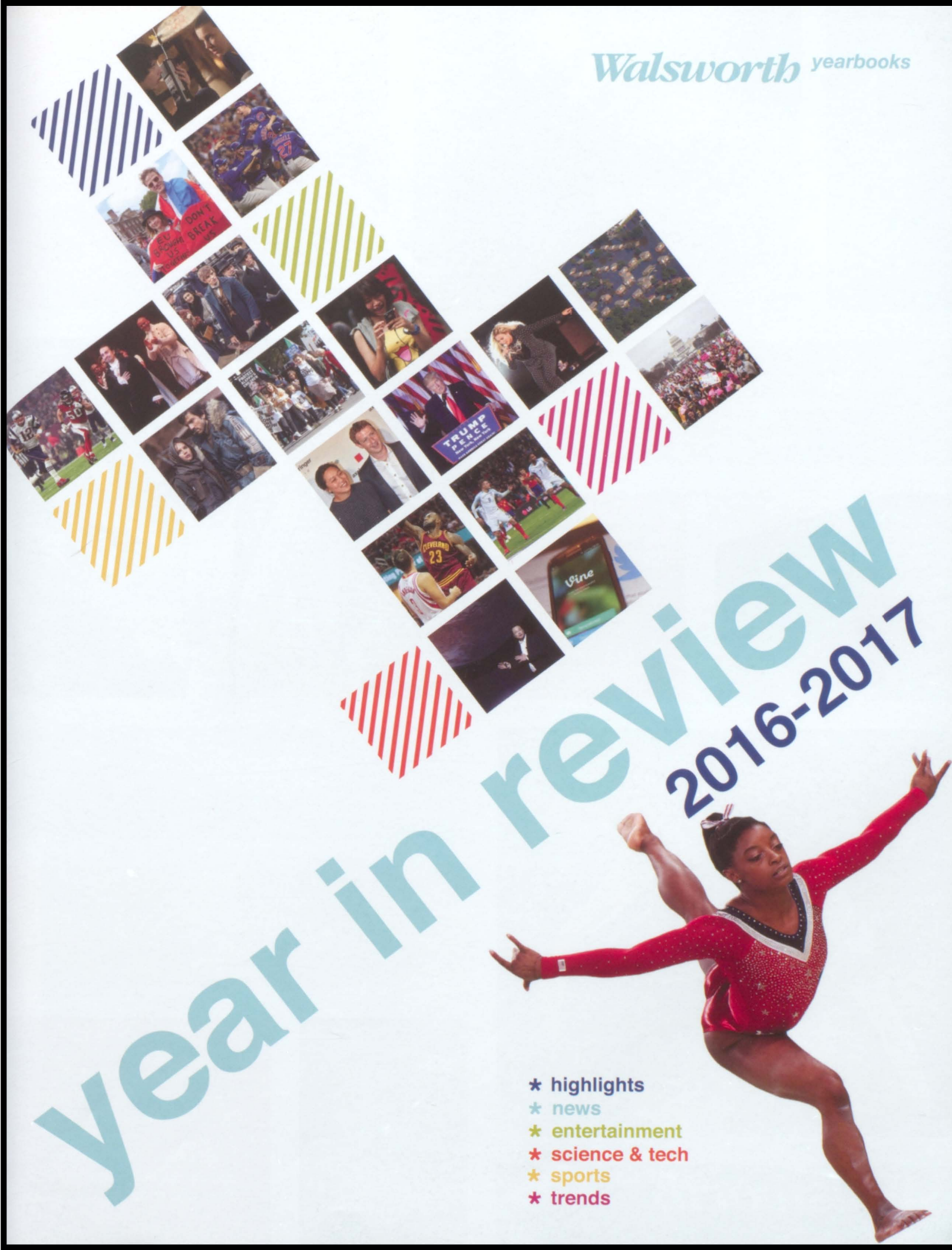
ONE JOURNEY ENDS-ANOTHER BEGINS

As we turn the last pages of this passport, we must not forget where we come from. Let us remember the people who encouraged us to overcome the dreadful statistics and prosper successfully within any career field. Yes, some of us do not know what we want to do for a living, but do not worry because our options are not limited. We must break away from those who doubt us and surround ourselves with those who inspire us.

As we reach the top, always think of those who challenged us to step out of our comfort zone and make a change. Let us cherish the people who made us realize that we are worth it. Within these four years, we made decisions because we wanted to be better than what people viewed us to be. They criticized us, but yet here we are going far and beyond the set expectations from both family and society.

We all grew at North 13th, and we must continue to do so because our fate is full of opportunities. Let us shoot for the stars as we succeed in a future with no borders or boundaries. Let us not allow people to strip away our hopes and dreams because they view them to be "too big" or "too small." It is our life, our world, our future.

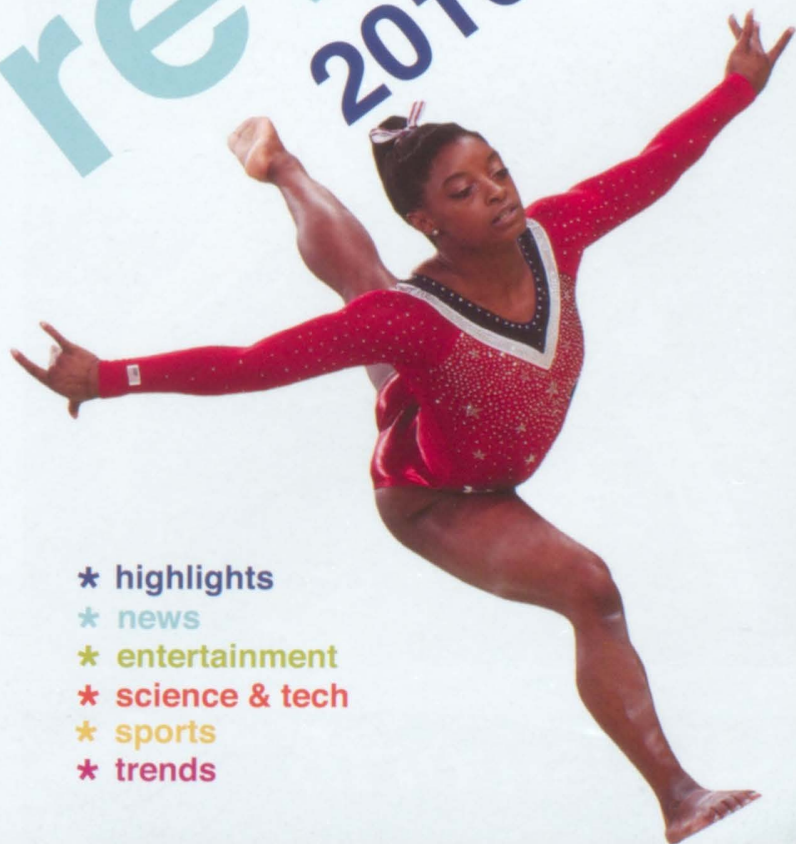
-Sharil Orellana, Class of 2017



Year in review

2016-2017

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- ★ news
- ★ entertainment
- ★ science & tech
- ★ sports
- ★ trends





Popular songs of the year



- "Closer" – The Chainsmokers
- "Cheap Thrills" – Sia
- "Treat You Better" – Shawn Mendes
- "7 Years" – Lukas Graham
- "One Dance" – Drake

Source: Spotify

Streaming music service Spotify said that **Drake, Rihanna** and **Justin Bieber** were the most listened to artists on its platform this year. Drake's music accounted for more than 4.7 billion streams in 2016.



Twitter discontinued its short-form video service **Vine**. The decision was made so Twitter could focus on live streaming with its Periscope product, rather than Vine's short video loops.



Songwriter **Bob Dylan** received the Nobel Peace Prize for literature, making him the first musician to win the award.



NBA All-Star **Kevin Durant** surprised many when he chose to leave the Oklahoma City Thunder after eight seasons via free agency and sign with the Golden State Warriors.



Samsung's newest Android smartphone, the **Galaxy Note7**, was discontinued after less than two months when it was discovered that battery defects led to excessive heat, causing fires and even explosions.



▲ **Donald J. Trump**, billionaire businessman and reality TV show star, was elected as the 45th president of the United States on Nov. 8. While his opponent, Democrat Hillary Clinton, the first woman nominated by a major political party to run for president, received more popular votes, Trump won in the Electoral College, 304-227. He is the first non-military leader and non-politician to win the job.

Trump said it was time for Americans “to come together as one united people.” In her concession speech, Clinton said, “Donald Trump is going to be our president. We owe him an open mind and a chance to lead.” President Obama reminded Americans that we are “all on the same team.”

Trump, a Republican, was inaugurated on Jan. 20 and went to work with a Republican majority in both the House and Senate.

▼ Long-time sports broadcaster **Craig Sager** died after a long battle with leukemia. Sager, who worked as an NBA sideline reporter for TNT and TBS, gained wide fame and popularity for his entertaining interviews and colorful suits.



◀ **Hurricane Matthew** pounded Caribbean nations before heading up the Southeast U.S. coast, making landfall in South Carolina Oct. 8. At one point, 2.3 million people were without power.



◀ After 108 years, it finally happened. **The Chicago Cubs** ended the longest championship drought in sports when they defeated the Cleveland Indians in seven games to win the 2016 World Series.

Naturally it wasn't easy, as the Cubs became just the sixth team in baseball history to overcome a three-games-to-one deficit to do it. The seventh and final game dramatically went into extra innings, and through a rain delay, before Chicago clinched an 8-7 win.

The city of Chicago estimated that nearly five million fans swarmed into downtown Chicago two days later to attend the Cubs victory parade.



◀ More than **30 wildfires** raged in the Southeast U.S. in the fall, including one that damaged much of Gatlinburg, Tennessee. Singer Dolly Parton donated \$1,000 per month for six months to affected families.

▼ Drug manufacturer Mylan faced harsh criticism after costs of their **EpiPen** injection device, commonly used to treat those who suffer severe allergic reactions, soared to \$600. Mylan responded by releasing a generic version.

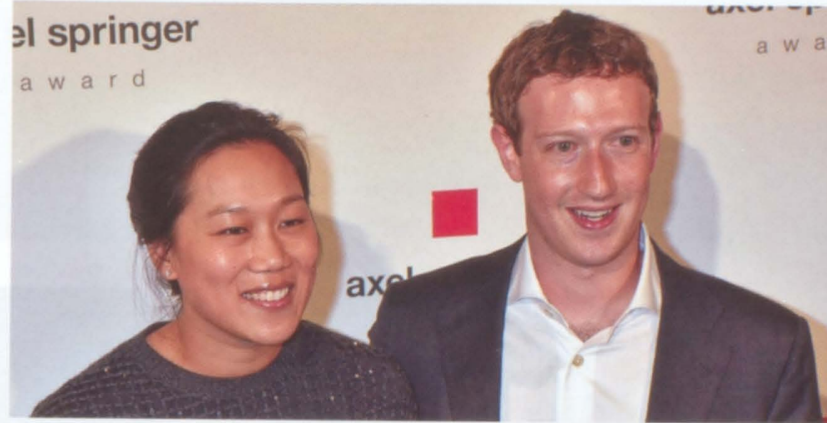




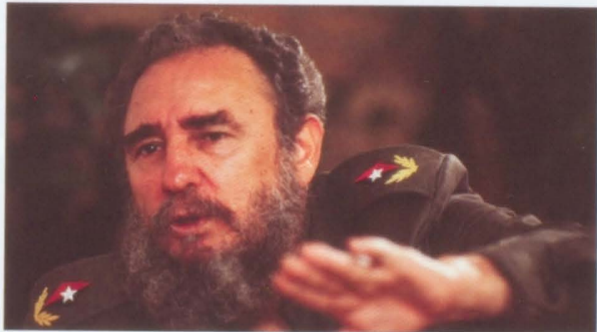
For the second straight year, Alabama and Clemson played in the championship game of the **College Football Playoffs**. This time the Tigers beat the Crimson Tide, 35-31, to win Clemson's first national title in 36 years. Quarterback Deshaun Watson was the hero, throwing for 420 yards and three touchdowns, including the game winner with one second left.



Pokémon Go, a new location-based augmented reality game, became a sensation. Millions of players took to the streets to hunt Pokémon with their mobile devices and the app sparked renewed interest in the 20-year-old franchise.



Facebook CEO **Mark Zuckerberg** and his wife, **Priscilla Chan**, donated \$3 billion to the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative, their company aimed at curing, managing and preventing all disease by 2100.



Fidel Castro, who took over Cuba in a 1959 Communist revolution, died at age 90 in November. Castro also nearly brought the world to nuclear war in 1962 with the Cuban Missile Crisis.



LeBron James led his hometown Cleveland Cavaliers to the 2016 NBA title in an upset win over the Golden State Warriors, who won 73 games during the regular season.



Most Instagram Followers - U.S. Athletes

- LeBron James – 26.4 million
- Steph Curry – 13.9 million
- Ronda Rousey – 8.8 million
- Dwayne Wade – 8.1 million
- Kyrie Irving – 7.5 million

Source: socialblade.com



▲ The number of **refugees around the world** reached 21.3 million, according to UNHCR, the United Nations human relief agency. Most of them were from Syria, Afghanistan and Somalia, and were fleeing war or persecution.



➤ **NASCAR's Jimmie Johnson** won his seventh Sprint Cup championship during the 2016 season, tying him with Richard Petty and Dale Earnhardt for the most all-time wins.



◀ Audiences flocked to theaters around the December holidays to see **"Rogue One: A Star Wars Story."**

The new stand-alone film was unique, as it was the first spin-off in the Star Wars series. It told the origin story of the Death Star, and the group of rebel spies who stole the plans to destroy it.

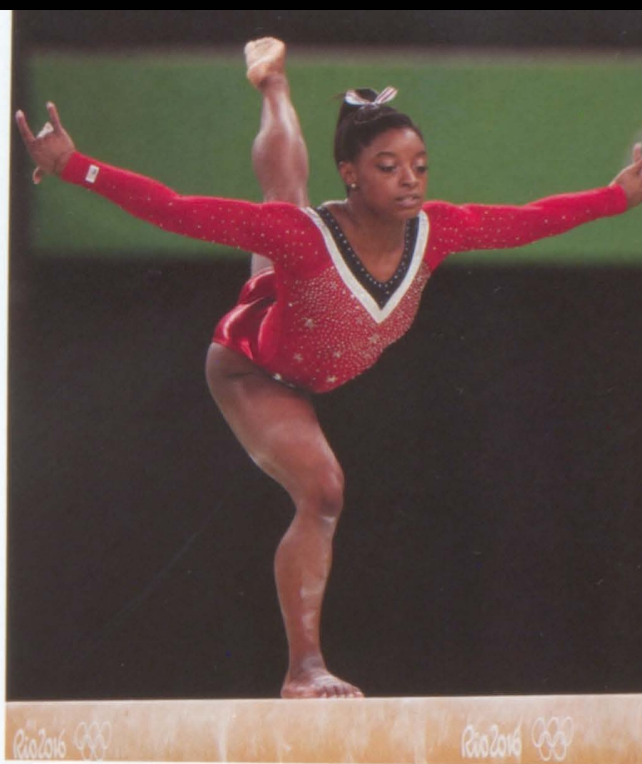
"Rogue One" earned more than \$200 million at the box office in its first week, making it the second biggest December movie opening ever, only behind another Star Wars movie, "The Force Awakens."



▲ **The Harry Potter universe returned!** Author J.K. Rowling wrote "Harry Potter and the Cursed Child," a stage play script that was also published into a new book. A new movie, "Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them," was released based on one of Rowling's previous books and it became a box office hit.



◀ After voting in favor of **Brexit**, as it was known, the United Kingdom began the process to exit from the European Union. People in England and Wales voted for Brexit, while Scotland and Northern Ireland wanted to stay in the EU.



▲ The U.S. won more medals, 121, than any other country at the **2016 Summer Olympics in Brazil**. Stars included swimmer Michael Phelps, who won five gold medals in his final Olympics, and gymnast Simone Biles, who won four gold medals.

▼ The **Mannequin Challenge** became a viral video trend. It involved groups of people freezing in action like mannequins while being recorded. The craze started with students but soon spread to various celebrities and sports teams.

Top-selling video games of the year

- "Uncharted 4: A Thief's End"
- "Tom Clancy's The Division"
- "The Elder Scrolls V: Skyrim"
- "Final Fantasy XV"
- "Madden 17"

Source: Amazon



▲ Aerospace company **SpaceX** and CEO Elon Musk unveiled plans to build a new Interplanetary Transport System, with the goal of taking people to Mars and building a self-sustaining colony within the next 50-100 years.





⚡ Fans were shocked and saddened by the deaths of several entertainment icons.

Actress **Carrie Fisher**, most famous for playing the role of Princess Leia in the Star Wars movies, died two days after Christmas after suffering a heart attack on a flight. Fisher's mother, actress/singer Debbie Reynolds, tragically passed away the following day.

Pop star **George Michael**, who sold more than 100 million records worldwide and had eight number one hit songs in the U.S., died at his home in England on Christmas Day.

Rock star **Prince**, the multiple Grammy Award winning artist remembered for his flamboyant stage presence and innovative sound, also passed away at his Minneapolis-area home.



Smart speakers, like **Amazon Echo** and **Google Home**, became available for the first time. The voice-controlled devices worked like home personal assistants, with the ability to play music and audiobooks, provide news and weather and connect with other devices in the home.



The **San Diego Chargers** ended a 56-year stay in the city and announced they would be moving to Los Angeles. The team's ownership made the decision after they were unable to reach a new stadium deal in San Diego.



Carpool Karaoke, a regular segment on "The Late Late Show with James Corden," became popular on YouTube. The segments, which showed Corden driving around Los Angeles singing with musical guests, featured Madonna, Mariah Carey and Bruno Mars this year among others.

Stargazers had a large object to behold as a supermoon appeared in November. The moon had not been this close to the Earth since 1948.



Highest-rated TV Shows

- "The Big Bang Theory"
- "Empire"
- "The Voice"
- "This is Us"
- "Modern Family"

Source: tvline.com



Serena Williams defeated her sister, Venus, to win the 2017 Australian Open title, and her 23rd Grand Slam title overall. The win broke Steffi Graf's previous record for the most ever by a tennis player in the Open Era.

➤ **New England Patriots** quarterback Tom Brady led the biggest comeback in **Super Bowl** history in Super Bowl LI, as the Patriots rallied from down 28-3 in the second half to defeat the Atlanta Falcons, 34-28 in overtime.

Brady was chosen the game's MVP after throwing for 466 yards, another Super Bowl record, and leading New England to 19 fourth-quarter points to tie the game. It was the fifth championship for Brady and coach Bill Belichick.

The heartbreaking loss for Atlanta prevented the Falcons from winning their first Super Bowl in team history.

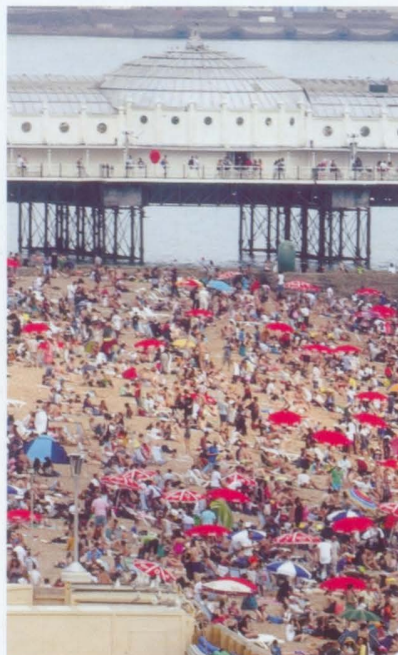


◀ The year 2016 looked to be the **hottest year** since records started being kept in 1880. According to NASA, each of the first six months of 2016 set heat records.

You Tube Popular YouTube Stars

- The Dolan Twins
- Lilly Singh
- Connor Franta
- Kian Lawley

Source: Teen Choice Awards



▲ The **Seattle Sounders** won the first MLS Cup in team history, defeating Toronto FC 5-4 on penalty kicks after the two teams battled through regulation and overtime, tied 0-0.



➤ Bomber jackets were in style for both guys and girls. Comfort also was in, as girls wore leggings with long tunic tops and some guys sported the man bun.



◀ Health organizations continued to fight the spread of the **Zika virus**, particularly in South America and Central America. By the end of 2016, it was estimated that 1.5 million people had been infected by Zika in Brazil.



➤ Led by Patrick Reed, the U.S. defeated Europe at the 2016 **Ryder Cup**. It was the first win for the U.S. in the event since 2008, and the American team dedicated the victory to Arnold Palmer, who passed away the week of the event.



✔ The Army Corps of Engineers stopped construction on part of the **Dakota Access Pipeline** in North Dakota in September, pending a review of other routes. Thousands of people protested the pipeline near the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation. Despite protests, President Trump signed an executive order in January to restart the construction with an environmental review.

➤ It wasn't an easy year for rapper **Kanye West**. In October, West left one of his New York concerts early after he learned his wife Kim Kardashian had been robbed at gunpoint in France. Later in November, West cancelled the rest of his tour, citing exhaustion.





◀ **The Women's March** on Jan. 21 was a worldwide demonstration in support of women's rights and a variety of other causes, including health care reform and protection of the environment. The March began as an event in Washington, D.C., but companion events were held in cities worldwide and were estimated to involve nearly five million people.



Most Popular Fast Food Restaurants

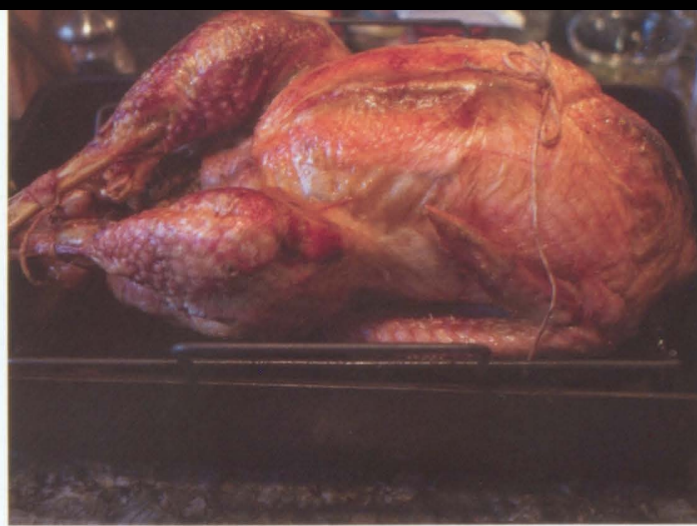
- Starbucks
- Chipotle
- Chick-fil-A
- Panera
- McDonald's

Sources: Mashable, Piper Jaffray

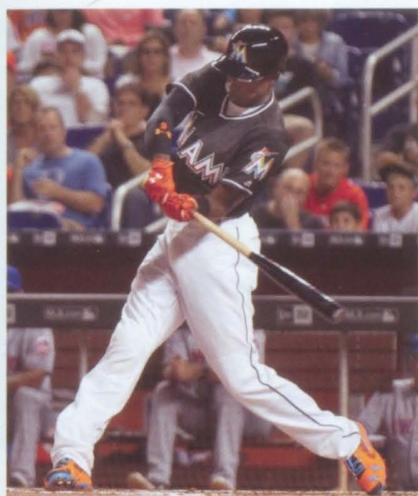
◀ “**La La Land**,” a musical romantic comedy starring Ryan Gosling and Emma Stone as a musician and actress trying to make it in Hollywood, was nominated for 14 **Academy Awards**, tied for the most ever by one movie. The movie earned five Oscars, but Best Picture went to “Moonlight,” the story of the life of a young black man growing up in a rough section of Miami.

“Moonlight” also won Best Adapted Screenplay and Mahershala Ali earned Best Supporting Actor.

Other movies nominated for Best Picture at the Oscars included “Arrival,” “Hidden Figures,” and “Manchester by the Sea.”



▲ A Phoenix, Arizona, teen received a text from a grandma inviting him to **Thanksgiving dinner**, but it wasn't his grandma. Jamal Hinton, whose cell phone number was the old number of Grandma Wanda's grandson, asked if he could come anyway, and the families got together for the annual meal.



◀ After Miami Marlins All-Star pitcher Jose Fernandez was tragically killed in a boating accident, his teammate **Dee Gordon** memorably led off the Marlins next home game with a home run he dedicated to Fernandez.

▼ **Popular action movies** of the year featured all types of superheroes, including “Deadpool,” “Doctor Strange,” and the latest chapter from the Avengers story, “Captain America: Civil War.”



▲ With the release of the **iPhone 7**, Apple made several changes that got mixed reviews from users, most notably removing the headphone jack.



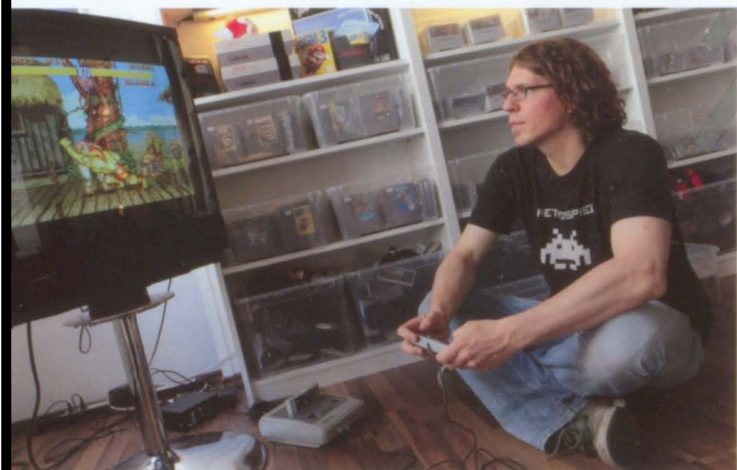
◀ Oklahoma continued to be rattled by **earthquakes**, which have been increasing in number in the past decade. The quakes have become stronger, too, such as the 5.0 magnitude quake just west of Cushing, Oklahoma, in November.



Top 5 bestselling young adult books

- "The Hammer of Thor" by Rick Riordan
- "Miss Peregrine's Peculiar Children" by Ransom Riggs
- "March" by John Lewis, Andrew Aydin, Nate Powell
- "The Fever Code" by James Dashner
- "The Sword of Summer" by Rick Riordan

Source: Barnes and Noble



▲ Nintendo released the **NES Classic Edition**, a miniature replica of the original Nintendo video game system from the 1980s. The console was met with wild demand and sold out quickly, along with old school games like "Super Mario Bros." and The "Legend of Zelda."



◀ Season 11 of reality singing show "**The Voice**" once again made it one of the most popular shows on TV. More than 12 million viewers tuned in for the finale, where country singer **Sundance Head** was chosen the winner over Billy Gilman.

➤ **Auston Matthews**, the 19-year old hockey phenom who was drafted first overall by the Toronto Maple Leafs in the 2016 NHL Draft, scored four goals in his regular season debut on Oct. 12 against the Ottawa Senators.





▼ **Flossing** came under scrutiny, as a report by the Associated Press stated there was not enough sufficient research to show the benefits of daily flossing your teeth.

▲ Netflix TV series **“Stranger Things”** told the story of a 12-year old boy who disappears from his Indiana town in the 1980s and the search to find him. The show became a hit with more than 14 million viewers in the first month.

Viewed by many as a tribute to 80s pop culture and inspired by the works of Steven Spielberg and George Lucas, the show also received critical acclaim and made stars out of its quartet of young actors, including Millie Bobby Brown and Finn Wolfhard.

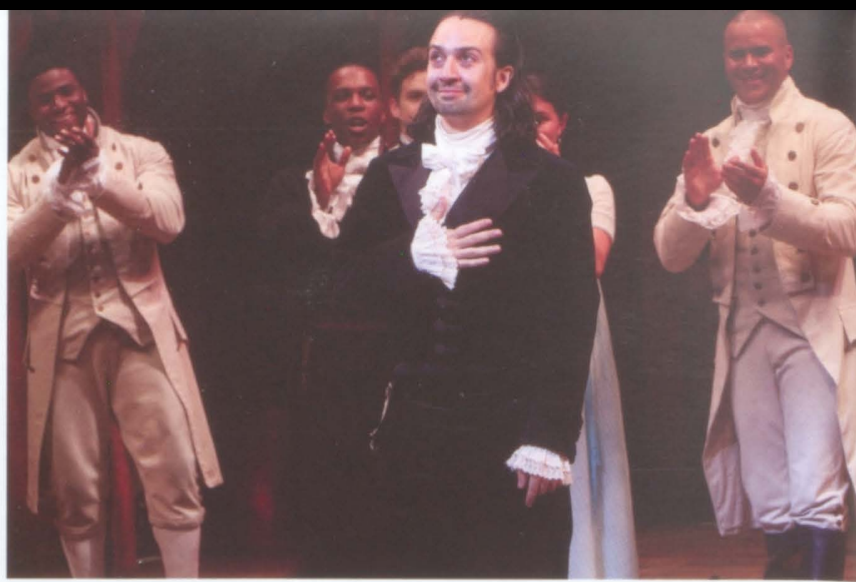
A second season of “Stranger Things” was scheduled for release in 2017.



► **The Ringling Bros. Circus**, often known as “The Greatest Show on Earth,” announced they would be ending operations after 146 years in business, due to declining attendance and rising costs.



▲ **Wells Fargo**, a financial services company, was fined \$185 million for opening fake accounts under customers’ names without their knowledge.



▲ **"Hamilton,"** the hip-hop Broadway musical about our nation's first treasury secretary, Alexander Hamilton, continued its success without its author, Lin-Manuel Miranda, in the lead role.

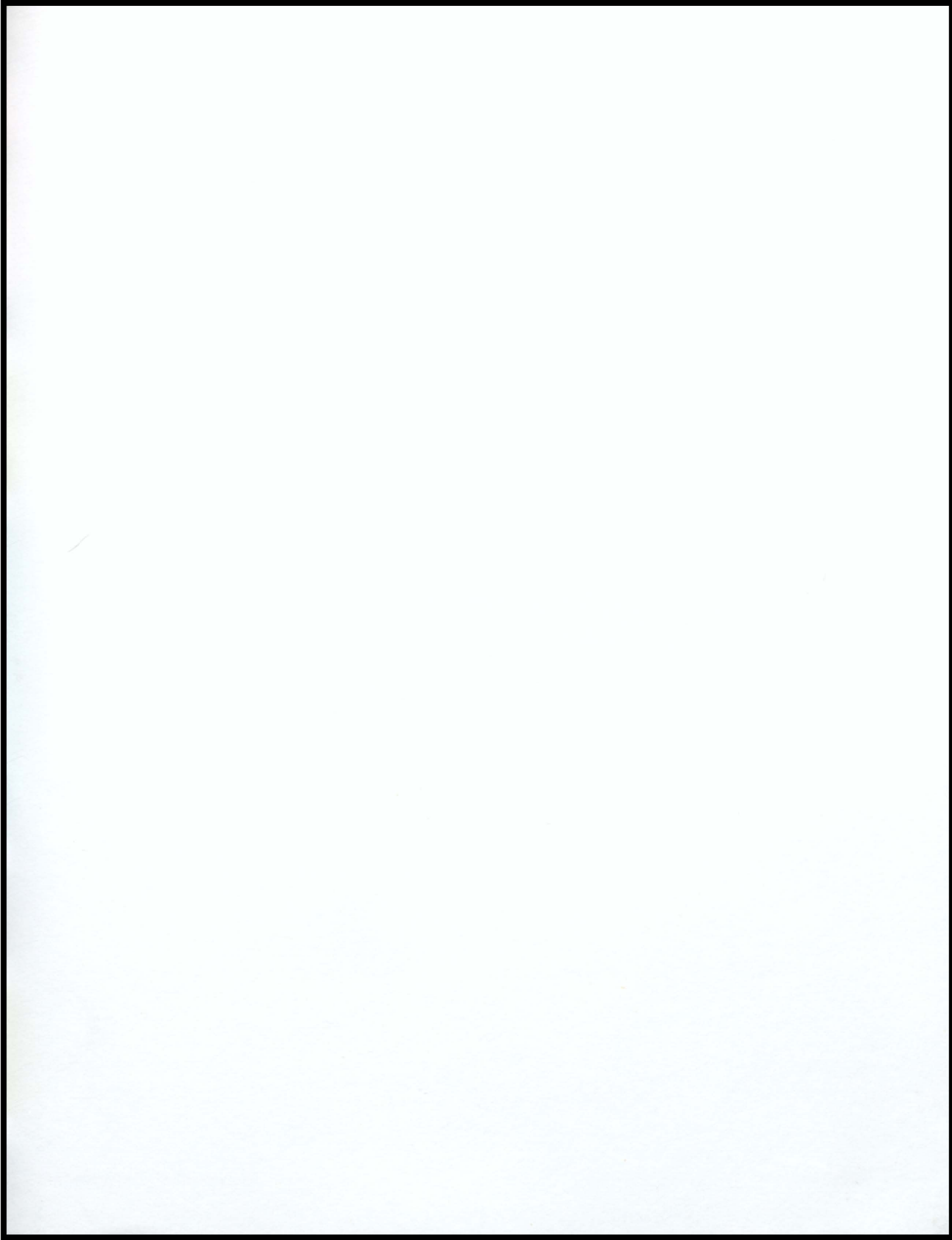
▲ Louisville quarterback **Lamar Jackson** became the youngest player ever to win the Heisman Trophy at just 19 years old, after a sophomore season where he passed for more than 3,000 yards and 30 touchdowns and ran for 21 more touchdowns.



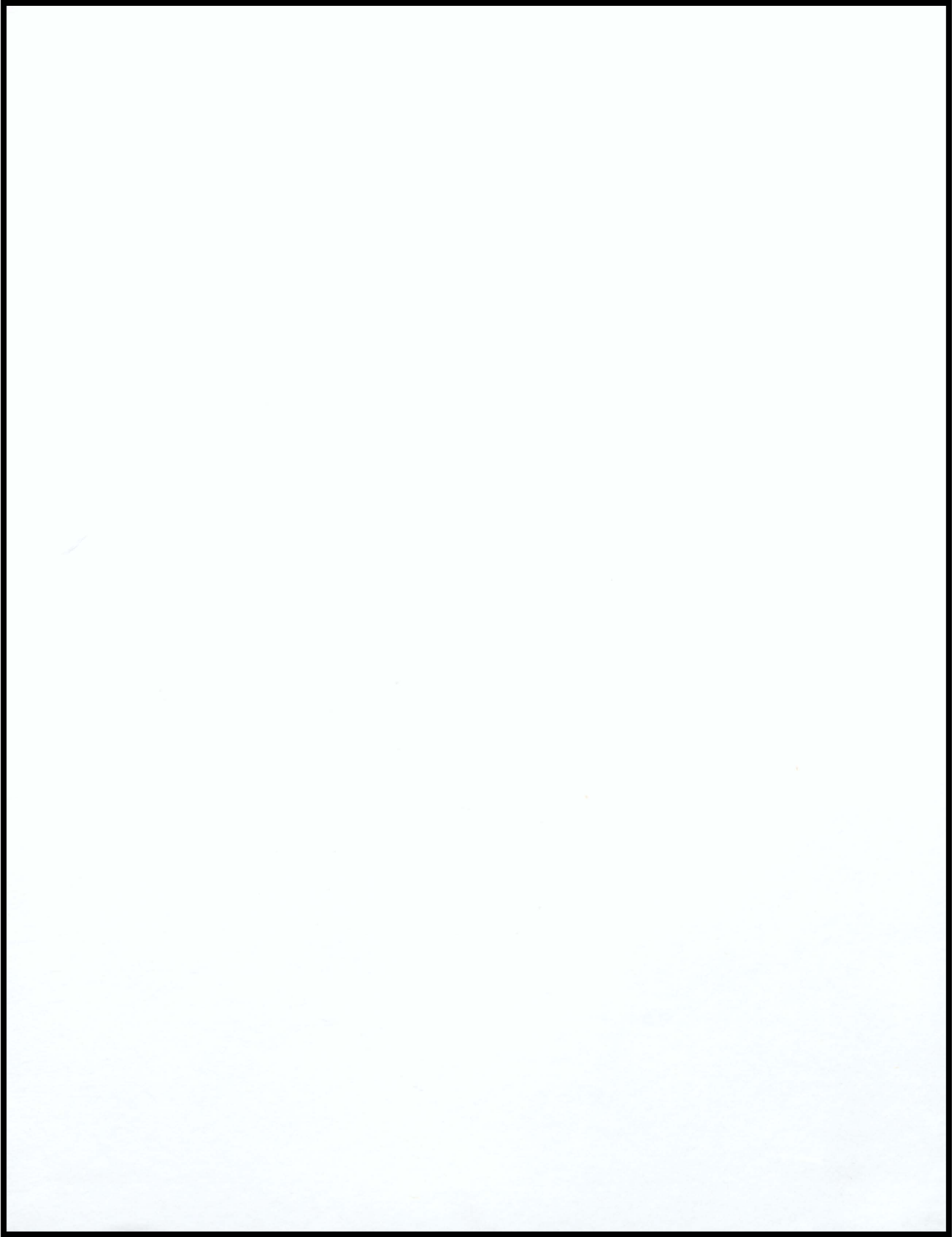
◀ **Fake news** stories appeared on Facebook, and there was debate as to whether it affected the 2016 presidential election. Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg said only 1 percent of the news on Facebook's news feed was fake and said it could not have swayed voters.

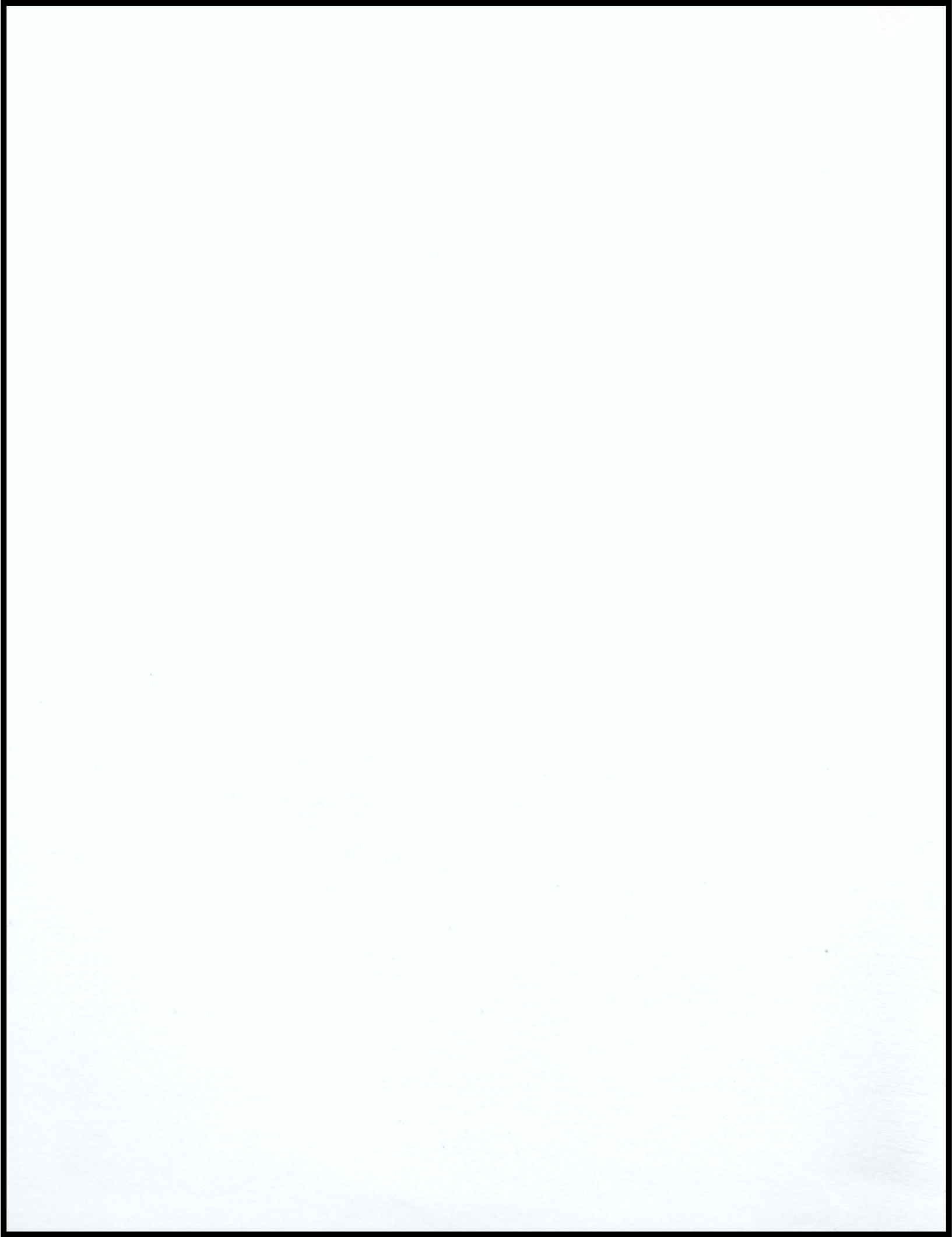


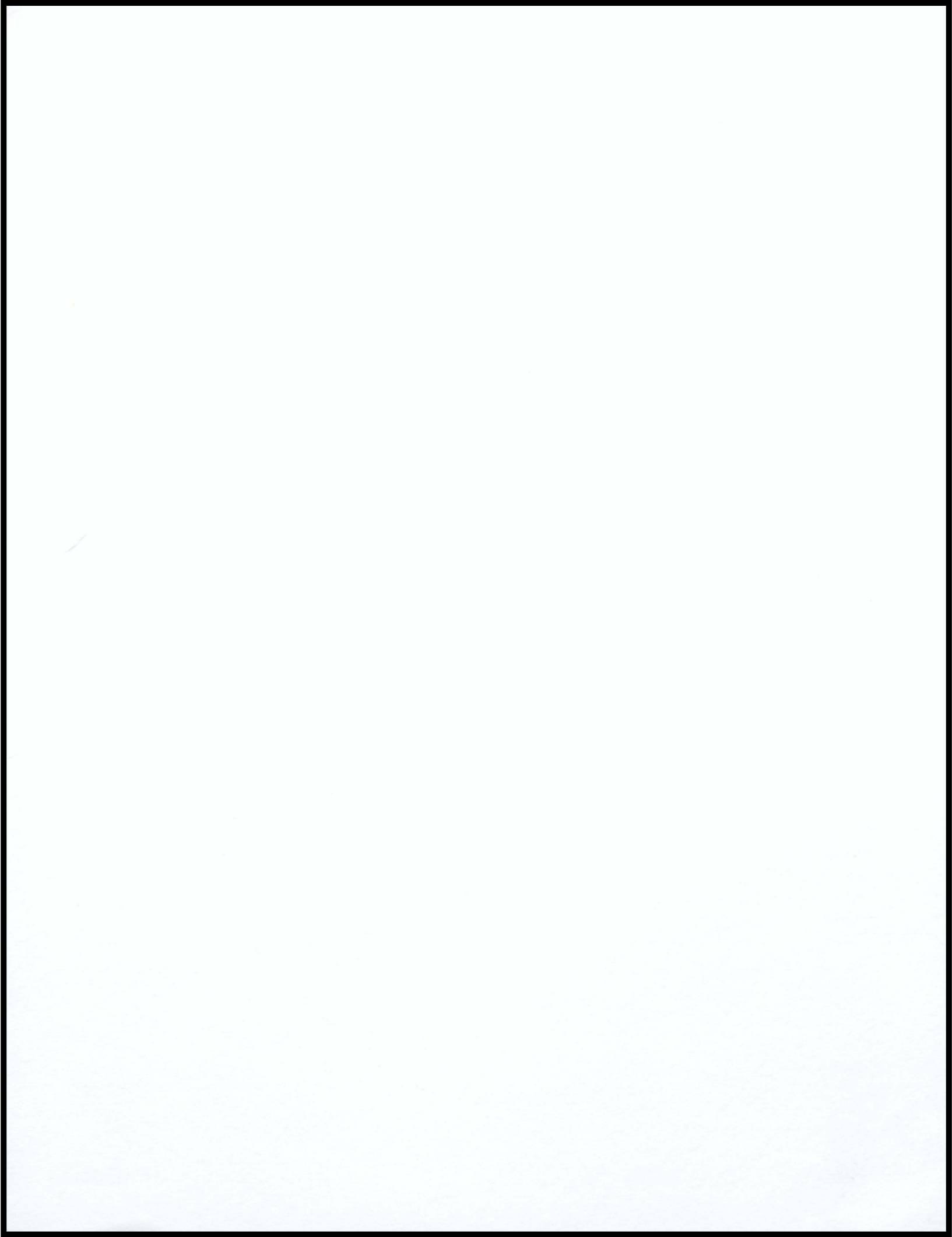
◀ **Beyoncé** led all musical artists with nine Grammy nominations for her latest album "Lemonade." Right behind her was Adele, who received five nominations for her hit album "25," and won Album of the Year.

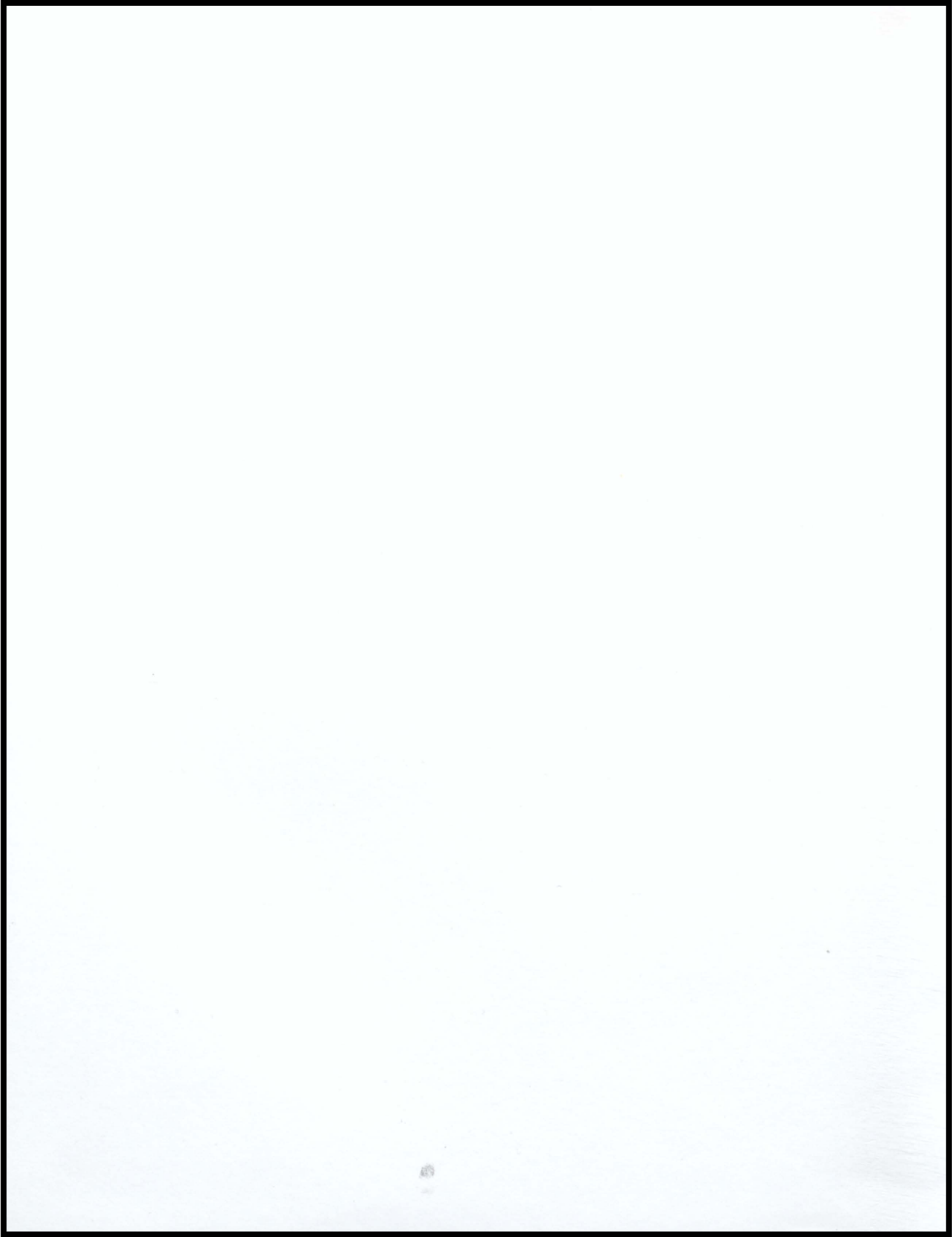




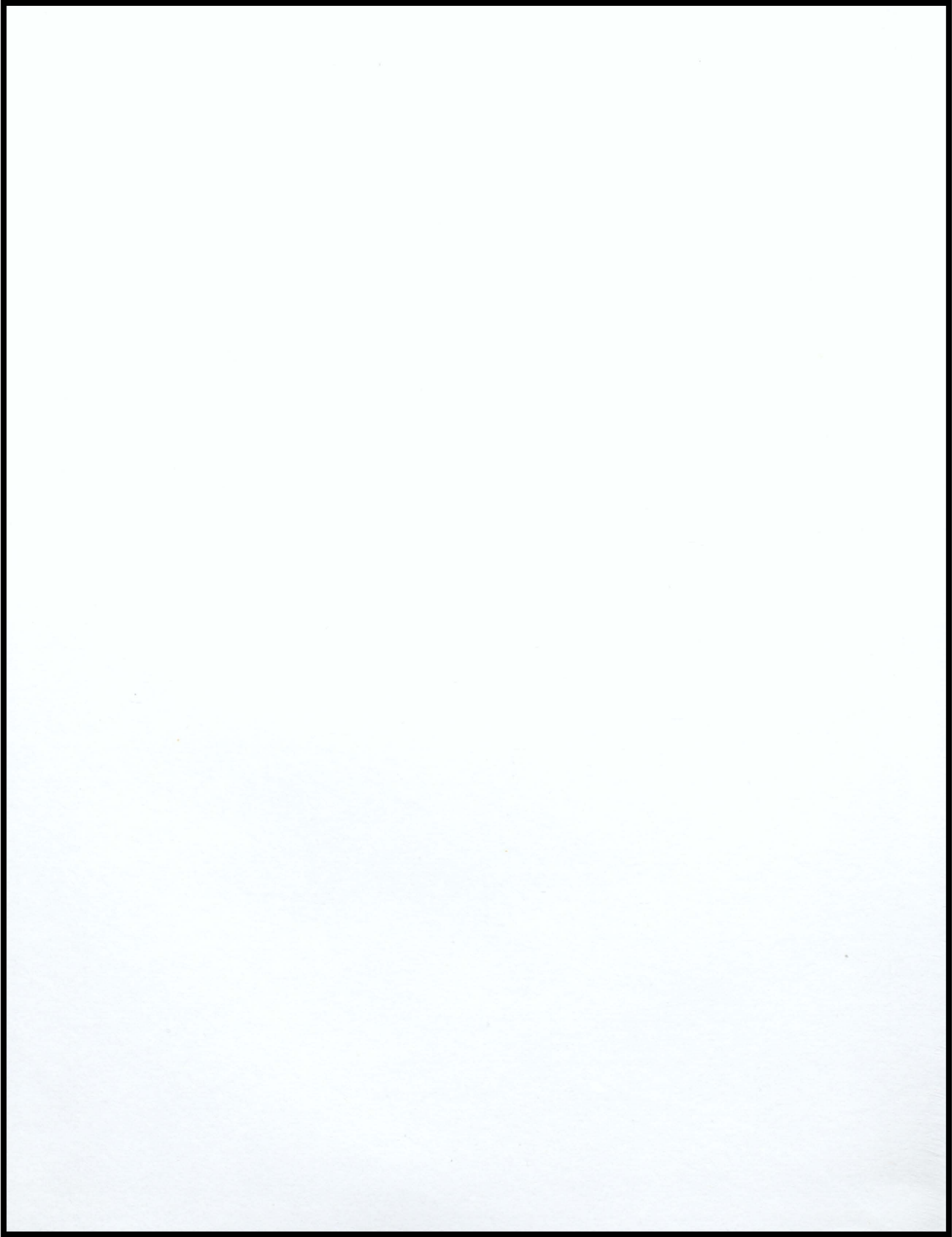


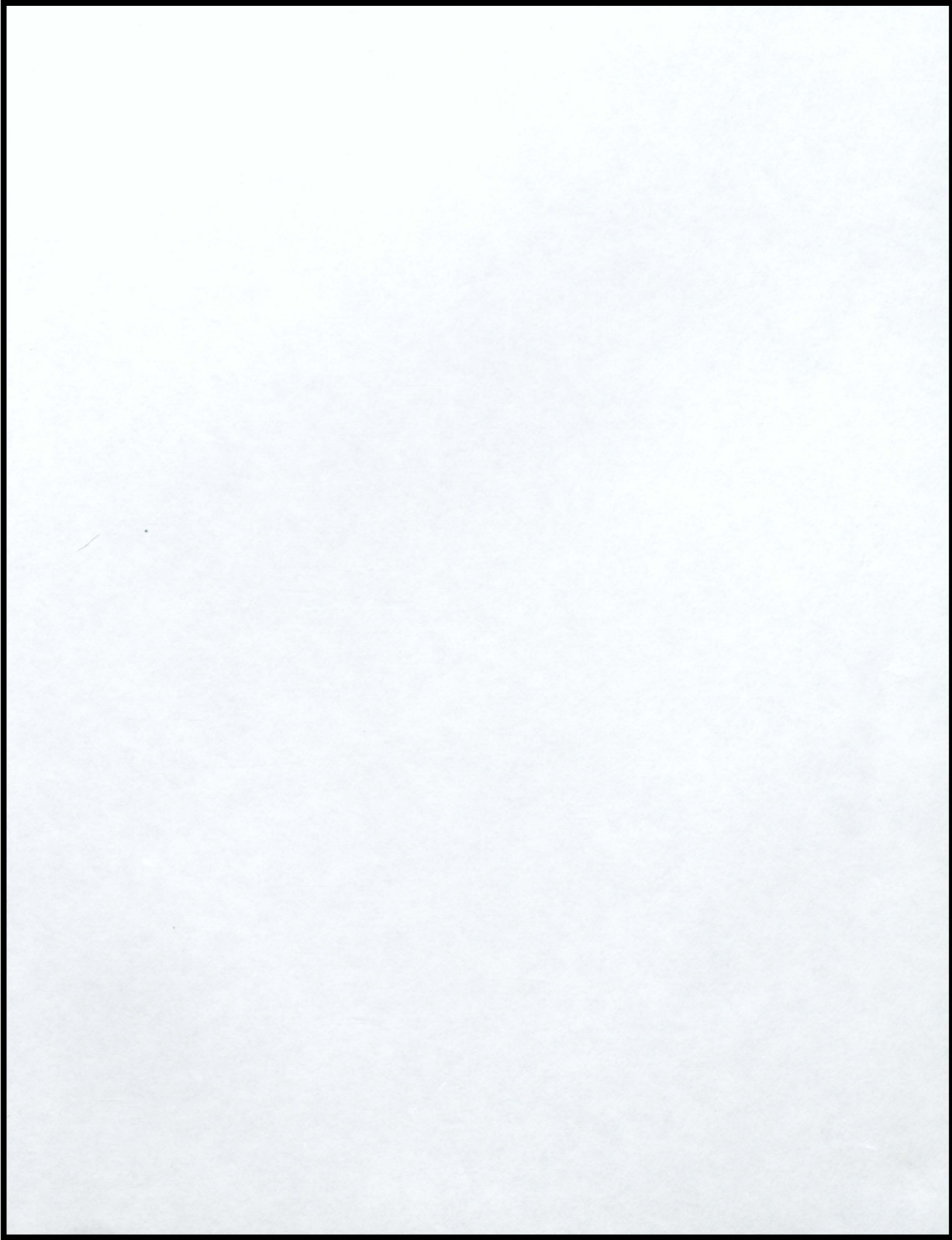














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