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REALIZE▶

▶ High school can be complicated. It can be stressful and difficult. But you **REALIZE** that most of all, it can be full of excitement, community, and opportunities. You **REALIZE** your potential, and dive into the crazy world of high school.

Makenna Christensen, junior

"I loved my school and I loved showing my love too. So for pep rallies and spirit week, I tried my hardest to really get in the spirit. On Fridays, I spraypainted my hair orange and blue, painted my face and grabbed all of my orange and blue accessories. I thought it was important not only because it allowed you to be you, but also because it allowed you to support your school and the sports teams as well."

Kaeli Medlin, senior

"I had been involved in student government since freshman year. Each year, I increased the amount of responsibility by running for a higher position. Student government helped

me make new friends and enhance my leadership abilities. It really helped me put others before myself because it was not about what I wanted; it was [about] what the student body wanted. I thought student government was important because it was a way to give back to the community. Student government allowed us to enhance our leadership abilities, but also gave us opportunities to do many community service projects and talk to the student body to figure out what they would like to see happen next."

Kevin Cao, sophomore

"Last year, as a freshman in high school, I was awkward. I was this kid who couldn't express himself because he wasn't confident enough, or because he wasn't comfortable around individuals. As a sophomore, I realized that I had grown, and would continue to do so through participation. Model United Nations played a huge role in this. I expanded my way of thinking [and] understood that not one way was right." ▶

Miss RNE was something senior Lilly Coveney was looking forward to, but did not think she would win. "I was very surprised; I didn't think I was going to win. It was a great surprise though. I was overjoyed when they called my name," said Coveney. (Photo: Yessica Naranjo)



At the annual volleyball intramural tournament, junior Grace Harling prepares to serve the ball. "My team won, [so] we were all really excited," Harling said. ▶ At the Homecoming pep rally, Freshman Class President Amani Jamison raised \$237 for Families Helping Families. "The purpose of pulling out the chains was to raise money for Families Helping Families," Jamison said. (Photos: John Jeffery and Amanda Locklear)



On the night of Cavalier Madness, junior JaBrie Drakes and senior Bayleigh Ponds participated in a 'minute to win it' game. "I participated in that activity because me and my teammates thought it would be a good idea to [go against] each other and see who [would win]," Drakes said. (Photo: Devy Perkins)

