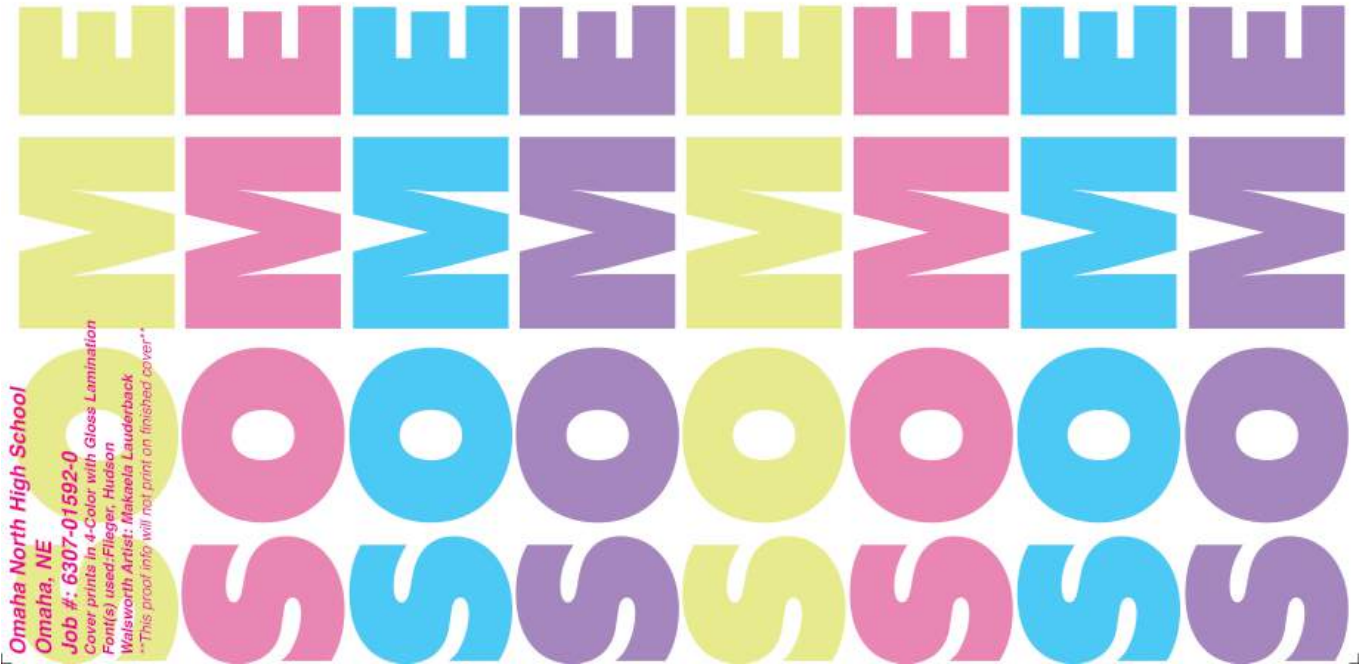


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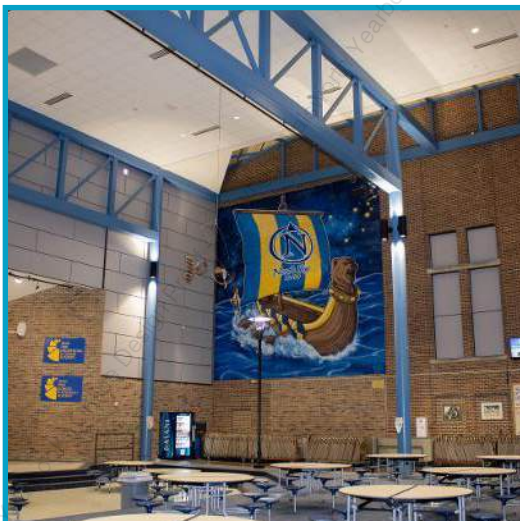


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Come and see what North has to offer as you begin your voyage to an educated future. The Vikings lead the way in sports and academics. Come to this place of innovation and imagination.

Get ready for a new community. We accept all students, making sure they're ready to learn and grow as a crew. Get the opportunity to grow alongside the school.

You belong. With a place for everyone to expand their interests, everyone has a place here. You shine individually, but as a group we glow.

Some people may lose sight of what's important, but North's administrators and teachers are there to guide us to success. Some may downplay but we're here to stay.

So, as the cheerleaders say, it is time to **COME GET YOU SOME!**

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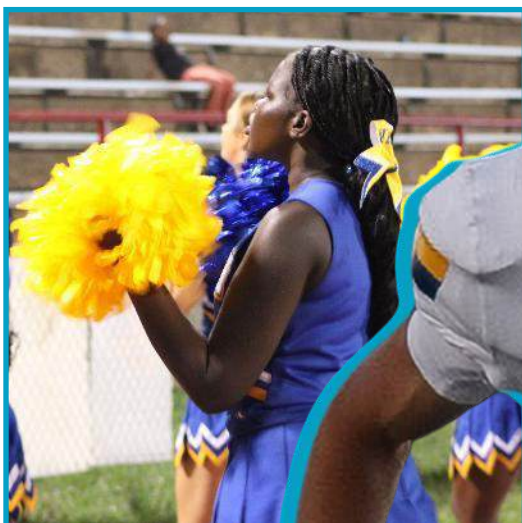
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The North offensive line prepares to snap the ball against the Westside defense. Despite being behind on the scoreboard, the Vikings were prepared to keep fighting.

Touchdown Time Varsity Football

Despite falling short in the first round of the state playoffs, the North Varsity Football team walked away with more than a final score. The 2025 season gave the Vikings growth and a deeper sense of brotherhood that will carry them into next year. From early morning lifts to late practices under the fading sun, the players spent countless hours preparing together. Whether it was running drills in the heat, recovering from tough losses, or celebrating hard-earned wins, the team continually pushed one another to be better. Those everyday moments became the foundation of a bond that stretched far beyond the field.

"First game, getting back on the field with my brothers," was Louis' favorite part of the season. That feeling of brotherhood was

felt throughout the team as returning players and newcomers learned to rely on each other.

With a surge of new athletes, especially freshmen and transfers joining the program, the team began the year with a lot of unknowns. But after weeks of summer conditioning and shared challenges, the Vikings transformed into a cohesive unit.

"We grew and improved by banding together, learning each other, and forming a brotherhood," said Jaron Cannon, 12.

Through both the highs and lows, the players found pride in their progress and in the relationships they built. While the scoreboard did not always reflect their hard work, the team finished the year stronger, closer, and ready for what comes next.



Jayden Cannon, 11, stands on the sideline, taking a break before the next play. He enjoyed going to practice everyday and working with the team. Cannon says the team was able to build a good bond throughout the course of the season.

Team Captains



**Maxwell
Clark, 12**



**Marquise
McIntyre-Dailey, 12**



**Jaron
Cannon,
12**



**Darion
Jones, 12**



Davius Brown, 12, reviews the previous play he was involved in on the television. This season, Brown injured one of his finger tendons. It was a challenge relearning how to catch a football, but the support from his teammates and coaches helped him recover.



Dominic Yancy, 10, attempts to throw the ball to one of the open receivers. He started the season unsure of how it would go for him, but ended on a high note, playing in the playoff game.

Kor'dai Richard, 11, runs down the field for a touchdown. Throughout the season, Richard says he keeps his head down. "Never give up," said Richard.

Brandon Louis, 12, listens to his coach, Daniel Hempel, as he discusses strategy for the upcoming down. "The coaches trusted in me... they impacted me a lot," said Louis.



Advice from the Captains

"Meet with your coaches... go over play books, look at last years film... see what you can do better than what your position did," said McIntyre-Dailey.

"Stay healthy and work in the off season... put in the work and you'll go out [on the field] and shine," said Cannon.

"[Have an] undying want to win... stay on the right path... watch [college and professional players] highlights," said Clark.

"Work in the off season... before the games you have to calm yourself down... and be the guy you trained yourself to be," said Jones.

Untamed Learning

Lydia Peterson, 12, holds a Cape Cobra shed while shadowing a reptile keeper in the Desert Dome at the Henry Doorly Zoo and Aquarium. This year, Peterson is enrolled in the Animal Care class, which allows her to shadow in two different departments at the zoo. "I wanted to get experience in animal care because I want to become a vet when I'm older, so having an opportunity to get that experience at the best zoo in the nation is really exciting," said Peterson. In addition to her time learning about reptile care in the Dome, Peterson also shadows in the Wild Kingdom Pavilion, where she works with a variety of animals and helps to maintain their enclosures. Sometimes, Peterson is able to help keepers with guest interactions. "One day, we took the porcupine and a Hog Island boa to an event where we helped present them to the attendees," said Peterson.

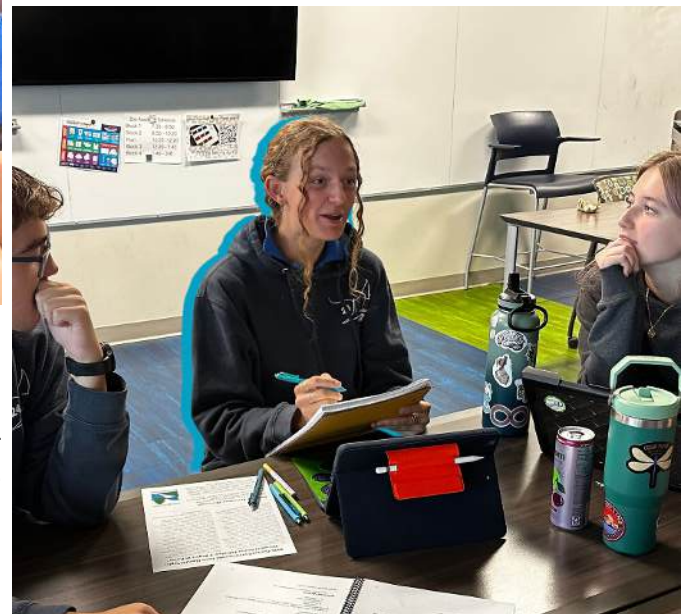


Zoo Academy

Sadie Larkin, 12, and **Lily Kolb, 12** examine a newly hatched chick on a Zoo Academy field trip to Gifford Farm.



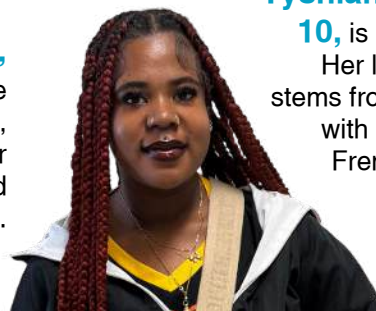
Elyse Johnson, 12, discusses her Friday class group project with her Zoo Academy peers. Friday class is a full two-block class at Zoo Academy that revolves around group projects and collaboration. Johnson chose to participate in the Envirothon competition for her year-long project. "I chose Envirothon because I really like taking tests and doing quiz bowl style events," said Johnson. "I love studying, I love taking notes, I love learning new information," she added. Aside from the project, Johnson loves Friday class because she is able to work with friends that she otherwise does not see throughout the week.



Favorite type of animal



Jayden Cannon, 11, says his favorite animal is the moose, because of their impressive size and surreal appearance.



Tyshianna Dean, 10, is a dog lover. Her love of dogs stems from her bond with her own pet French bulldog.



Bella Quintana, 9, is a fan of the lavender fox. Although she loves all foxes, she finds the lavender variety particularly beautiful.

Hands-on Healthcare



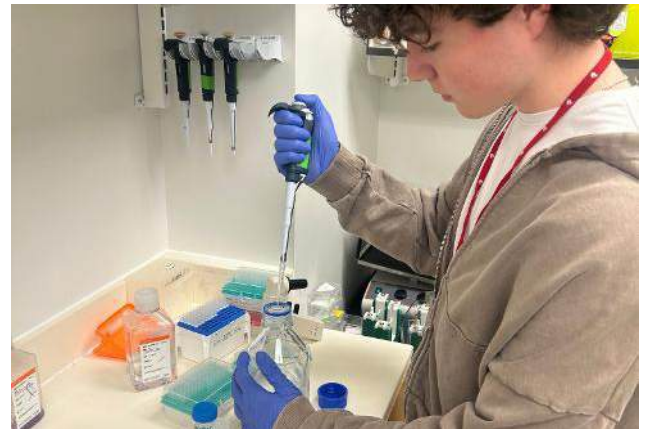
Jay Pospisil, 12, speaks with a University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) Chancellor about their lab work. Pospisil claims that their favorite part about their UNMC classes is definitely the labs. "The teachers don't just hand you some food coloring on a fake agar plate, you're actually working with real E. Coli, Staph, or Strep." Pospisil especially enjoys the Infectious Disease class because of the many labs included in the curriculum. Pospisil plans to go into speech pathology in the future, and is excited to take the Behavioral Health class to learn more about the social aspects of health science. "Being part of the UNMC High School Alliance is very helpful to understanding how college classes actually function," Pospisil added. "The professors are teaching us the same classes that they teach their masters or PhD classes," said Pospisil.

UNMC High School Alliance



Cecilia Push, 11, and **Madelyn Morong, 11**, pose for a picture during their Study of Patient Care class, after they were able to speak with a Radiologist. "My favorite class would be Study of Patient Care because we get to learn about so many different professions and learn about what they do," said Push. Hoping to go into the medical field, Push appreciates the opportunities and experiences offered by her classes at UNMC, and hope they will help her to achieve a career in physical therapy.

Maxwell Long, 12, pipettes a solution using a western blot technique to analyze proteins and parasites.



Maxwell Long, 12, helps his professor explain the Public Health course offered at UNMC to a visiting University Chancellor.



Antonia Seldera, 11, said, "my favorite moment was the game against Central because there were more people in the student section than normal."

Beyond the Bleachers



Lily Kolb, 12, said,
"my favorite moment
from this season was
during the North
versus Central game
when the score was

Katelyn Graham, 12,
said, "I like being able
to dress up for the
themes. My favorite
was Western for the
Central versus North
game."

EAGLES

Strictly Science

Science and Research Academy



Lilianna Urwin, 11, poses with Asa Coffman, and Cynthia Ochoa while visiting the University of Omaha. Urwin is in the Teaching as a Profession Research Pathway. Urwin has wanted to be a teacher for the past couple of years. Urwin says her teacher, Syd McNeal, inspires her to be the best version of herself. Being in the Research Academy has helped bring her opportunities to help her future teaching career. Being in this pathway has allowed Urwin be able to go on trips to learn more about her future career and college choices. Choosing Teaching as a Profession not only helped Urwin learn how to plan a curriculum, but it helped her grow as a person and make new friends. "This pathway really helped me get out of my comfort zone and network with others," said Urwin. After college, she is going to pursue a career in teaching graphic design or another type of art class.



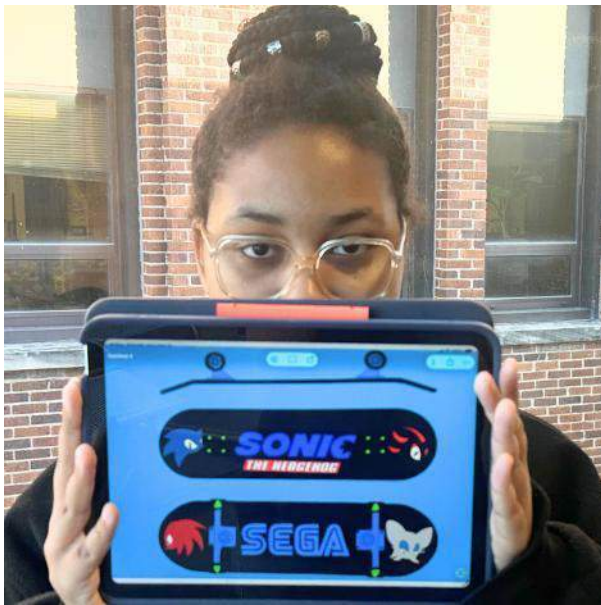
Jordan Linstrom, 12, is in the Environmental Science pathway. He plans on becoming a botanist after college. Linstrom has helped pot over 100 plants for North's greenhouse.



Students in the Environmental Sciences pathway observed the Omaha Public Power District.

Compute, Calculate, and Configure

Computer Science and Technology Academy



Ciara Jackson, 9, is in the PLTW Computer Science pathway and is currently taking PLTW Computer Science and graphic design. After high school, Jackson wants to attend Oxford and pursue a career making video games or animating. Jackson enjoys being in the pathway because it gives her the chance to use technology she does not have at home. In September, there was a specific assignment in Jackson's graphic design class that really inspired her. "When they said we could do anything, the assignment went from something normal to something I could put passion into," said Jackson. She says that she has not done art in so long and remembered how much she loved it. The Sonic skateboard is by far her favorite.



Casey Wardell, 10, practices taking photos in Audio and Video Production class. Wardell wants to be a Graphic Designer in the future. She says the pathway has helped her understand design programs better.



Isaiah DeBord, 12, is in the Cyber Security and Coding class. After high school, DeBord wants to attend the University of Nebraska, Omaha, and eventually work for a big organization, such as the Federal Bureau of Investigation, as a security analyst.

Women in STEM



Julia Walker, 10, is in Foundations of Computing. Walker likes the class because it is relaxing.



Zaylee Zitek, 10, is in Environmental Science. Zitek plans on becoming a zoologist.



Autumn Baker, 11, loves learning about the environment. She plans on becoming a glaciologist after college.



Akazja Foster, 12, takes the ball down the court, setting her teammates up for a shot. She is a point guard on the court, where she directs the offense and creates scoring opportunities for her team. Foster has been on North's varsity team all four years of her high school career.



Sa'Nya Gilmore, 11, takes her place as guard while her teammate prepares for the extra point. She has been playing basketball since she was about four years old. "Don't be too hard on yourself... as long as you're getting a little bit better everyday... that's all that matters," said Gilmore when asked what advice she has for future players hoping to make varsity.



Wilson-Smith, along with **Himayajo Metoyer, 10**, **Sanai Cotton-Welchen, 11**, and **Justine Tcheuhchoua, 12**, cheer on their teammates from the sidelines after a tough point.



Lonnie Brazile, Assistant Coach, instructs the Lady Vikings from the sidelines after a lost point. The coaches often give the players feedback in order to improve their future offensive plays.



Destinee Mitchell, 11, has been playing basketball since fifth grade. The highlight of her season this year was winning the Metro Holiday Tournament over winter break against Westview. This was the first year the girls basketball team was able to win this tournament.

Above the Rim

Girls Varsity Basketball

Scoring 1,000 points during a high school basketball career is a rare achievement. In the past four years, only two girls currently on the Omaha North High Girls' Varsity Basketball team have reached this milestone. Their scoring totals reflect more than offensive ability. Each contributed through leadership, defense, and teamwork.

During the 2025-2026 season, **A'yanna Hill, 12**, surpassed this very goal she set for herself at the start of the season. "It felt great to accomplish," said Hill.

Before the milestone reaching game, Hill did not realize she was about to hit her goal, making the moment all the more memorable.

T'Niyah Wilson-Smith, 11, was able to reach this achievement during her sophomore year. "I haven't heard of anyone... in Nebraska, doing it as a sophomore, so that really... meant a lot to me," said Wilson-Smith.

She did not realize this accomplishment was even in sight until the night before her game. After receiving a pass from her sister, Wilson-Smith made a three point shot and hit the 1,000 mark.

Together, these two players helped shape the team's identity and set a standard for future players at North.



Michaela Dailey, Head Coach, rounds up her players during half time to review strategy and improve communication on the court. Even during the quarter, Dailey helps guide her players from the sidelines during particularly challenging plays.

Hill takes a tricky shot before being pushed out of bounds in order to make a last minute score during a home game against Millard West. The Vikings were defeated in this game, but turned the tide when playing this same team less than a month later and won 64-44.

Splash

Artists of color

Diego Morelos, 12, has been making art his entire life. The countless hours of time spent crafting and perfecting has finally paid off. This year, Morelos was accepted into the Kansas City Art Institute on a \$100,000 scholarship.

Morelos taught himself how to draw as a kid and gained most of his skills by teaching himself.

"From childhood, I knew art would be my future," said Morelos.

A majority of his pieces are influenced by communicating with other people and the drive to make viewers think or feel emotions. Growing up, his pieces were mainly realism. In the past few years, he has been experimenting with a variety of art styles such as photography and sculpting.

Recently a lot of Morelos' inspiration comes from his mentor Mark Sabaliauskas from the Kent Bellows mentoring program.

"Mark Sabaliauskas has helped me loosen up and make more meaningful art," said Morelos.

In the Fall of 2026, Morelos will be attending the Kansas City Art Institute majoring in either photography or illustration. Although he does want to pursue art as a major, he wants to try new areas in art such as woodworking, blacksmithing, metalworking, fashion, or infrared photography.

When reading the acceptance letter, he was surprised.

"I was worried that my portfolio would not be good enough or I did not do something correctly," said Morelos.

Although he was worried, Morelos was given some reassurance by getting accepted in the Precollege Art Lab.

"I don't know exactly what career I wish to pursue yet, but I plan on college helping me figure that out," said Morelos.

While he is unsure of what career he wishes to pursue, he hopes to continue with art.

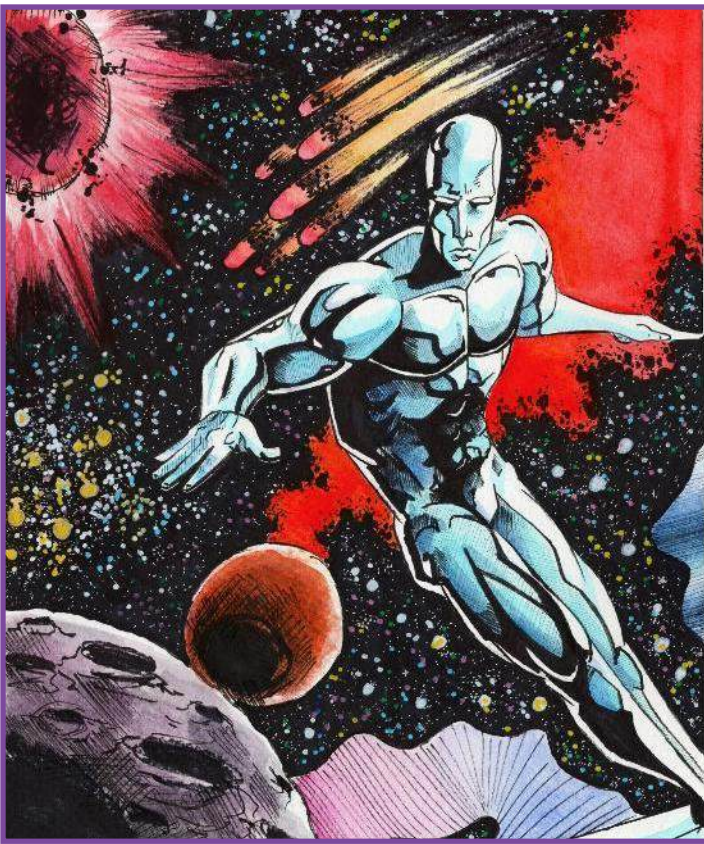


Roaring by Diego Morelos

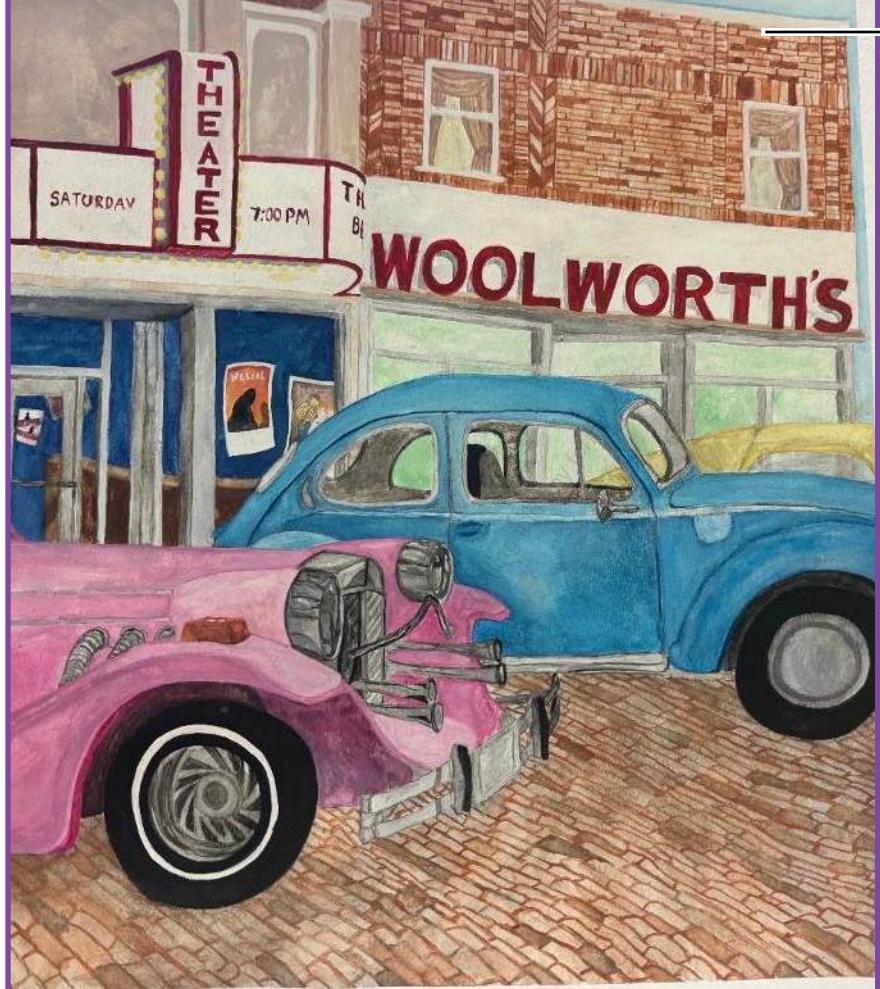


Horse by Diego Morelos





Silver Surfer by Angel Avalos de la Cruz



Cars and Theaters by Katelyn Graham



Frankenstein, by Angel Avalos de la Cruz

Angel Avalos de la Cruz, 12, has been creating art since he was five years old. "As a kid all the art around me in comic books and on YouTube always made art a constant in my life since kindergarten," said Avalos de la Cruz.



Girl in Pink by Katelyn Graham

Katelyn Graham, 12, has been doing art since kindergarten by coloring, but she started really getting into drawing during middle school. "My dad always liked drawing and coloring with my sister and I, so I picked up the hobby and as I got older, I furthered the passion through art class," said Graham.

Naiah's Big Back

Business Owning Bakery



Snickers Cookie



Strawberry Cheesecake Cookie



Freeze Dried Strawberry Cookie



Classic Cinnamon Roll

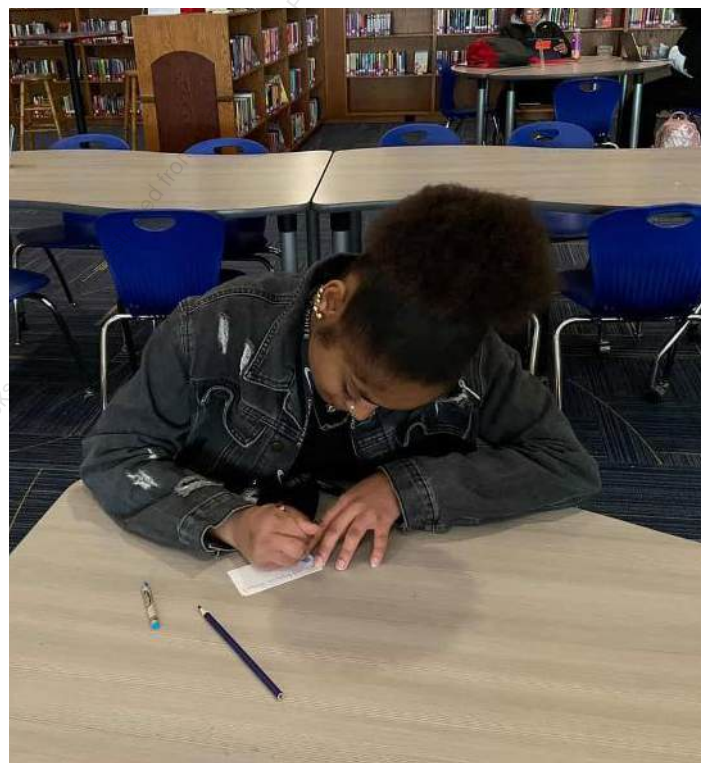


Strawberry Cinnamon Roll



Cookie Monster Cake Bar

Anaiah Williams, 12, created Naiah's Big Back Bakery in 2022 when she was a freshmen. In middle school, Williams wanted a way to make money, but wanted to be her own boss so she started selling baked cookies. Since then, Williams has started selling mini-cakes, cinnamon rolls, cake bars, and more. Williams said her most challenging project was baking a custom Care Bear cake. "That cake was definitely a challenge but, I made it work. I had accepted the order because it was for a close friend and I love a good challenge," said Williams. Part of owning a business is being able to take on challenges and overcoming them in order to learn and improve. "I didn't know how to do it, but taking on things I don't know teaches me a lot like, you'll never know if you can do something or how to do it unless you go and do it," said Williams. The biggest struggles for Williams is balancing her business with school life, her home life, and planning for the future. Williams plans on going to Metro Community College for Culinary Arts while also studying entrepreneurship or business so she can create her own stand alone bakery as she is currently a home baker. To overcome the challenges, Williams plans around her school schedule so she is able to manage the bakery. Williams says she is very inspired by *Insomnia Cookies* because it started with two college students selling cookies out of their dorm room. Her dream is that the bakery will become a successful, well-known and loved business.



Cierranae Miley, 12, is the first to try the Cookie Monster Cake Bar. Miley has been supporting the bakery since 2022. Miley says she loves being able to support her friend and enjoys seeing how much the business has grown.

Williams designs a sample business card during her lunch block, all the visuals used for Naiah's Big Back Bakery are designed by her.

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Meet the cookie monsters



Locanie Stewart Brumley, 10, gets cookies every month. Stewart prefers to buy in bulk, he says when he orders, he makes sure to get everything in stock. His favorite cookie is the Cookie Monster Cookie because it is blue.



Tyris Shelly, 11, buys cookies weekly and has been a customer since 2024. Shelly says his favorite treat is the Cookie Monster Cookie because it is delicious every time. Shelly likes that the cookies put him in a better mood and make him feel friendlier.