

Yearbook Theme: Sailing to Success

Subthemes:

Sports – Reel It In

People – All Hands On Deck

Academics – Stay The Course

Student Life – Tales From The Deep

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Ahoy there! Us Raiders aren't so different from real pirates; adaptability, risk taking, perseverance and community are all critical parts of our culture.

We're adaptable; we survived a new cell phone policy and IXL time during study hall. We manage to **Sail to Success** through the struggles of change.

We take risks, **Reeling In** our doubt and shooting our shots anyway, like junior Leigha Divoll playing basketball despite a previous ACL tear, or freshman Lauren Blomendahl joining not only wrestling but cross country as well.

Perseverance is a built-in attribute of a Raider. **We Stay On Course** through the raging sea of academics as the journalism class gains eight rookies, each one of them having to learn the rules of writing and yearbook.

Just like true pirates, our community is what matters most to us. It's **All Hands On Deck** for English teacher Alexis Pedersen, who, after 19 years of teaching, is saying goodbye to Mead.

We create our own legacy, surpassing the **Tales From the Deep**. Senior Caden Swanson is proof of that as he stars in the one-act play for the second time and achieves a 33 ACT score.

We are **Sailing Our Way To Success** – just like pirates – nothing will be able to bring us down.

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