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#### Entire Freshman Class Missing in New Library Construction

The entire freshmen class has been reported missing, having last been seen on a grade-wide field trip to visit the construction site of the renovated library. The mass disappearance was first noticed following the IT department report of Chrome-book repairs falling from 439 to 4. In addition, Sodexo workers in the cafeteria noticed a stark lack of excitement among students at the idea of "like, being able to get food whenever." Many teachers also reported a strangely high number of students walking on the correct side of the hallway.

After reaching out to the construction manager Eddy Fiss, he assured us of the library project's continued efficiency. Mr. Fiss affirmed that "this unexpected delay will not affect future expected delays. We plan to have the library finished well before the current seniors have grandchildren. 2 years. 40 tops." Rumors that new library tables have space for, and we've consulted with the math department for confirmation, an infinite number of students per table. (For freshmen who don't get the joke: a table is a flat surface, often made of wood or Chromebook-like metal, upon which you can rest your Chromebook or set books while you search your backpack for your Chromebook. Chromebooks.

Yes we know we are beating a dead horse. Chromebooks.)



Generic missing posters were hung around the School as no one really knows what the freshman look like yet.

We reached out to dozens of parents of missing freshmen to assess how they are coping with the difficult situation. A vast majority were unconcerned, stating that they're just glad their child is adjusting well to the new school and exploring all that the school has to offer. A few were outraged, insisting that the books had likely poisoned their child's mind and possibly even staged the kidnapping to forward a new literary agenda.

One responded "Oh, Tommy? Right, right, he goes to the high school now, doesn't he?" On a more optimistic note, many local eighth graders inquired if the disappearance might boost their chances of getting a parking pass as juniors.

When reached for comment, the school administration assured us that a search team has already been dispatched to the library. "We have left a trail of caf cookies leading all the way to the library" said the administrator. "At the moment, though, we're hoping that the freshmen are taking advantage of the situation to study among those, uh, leafy things."

Unexpectedly, it seems that the group most affected by the lack of freshmen is the senior class. Many seniors said that they feel unsure of their place within the school now that there is no one to intimidate. Some even reported attempting to confuse or make fun of sophomores out of desperation but were unsuccessful. "The sophomores are just too clever. I just wish the freshmen would come back already," lamented Adam Slaxalot, beginning to tear up. "I try shouting 'SENIORS!' at others, but no one else will listen . . . Not my mom. Not my math teacher. Not even that huge group of freshmen I saw hiding out by the new gym."

- Benjy Sachs



ARC uses backroom to collect students; two of every kind (p. 8)



17 parents discovered Friday in school's new dungeon following open house (p.9)



Fitness testing found to actually decrease fitness (p.10)

## Administration uses Chromebooks for Mind Control

A correspondent for The Flipside confirmed rumors this week that school administration is waiting for the current seniors to graduate so that the mind-controlling technology embedded in the Chromebooks that juniors, sophomores, and gnats are required to buy will be activated. Chromebooks' remote access features allow the high school to efficiently police their use and to implement the brainwashing, device BERGERON, with the touch of a button, the informant said.

Representatives for the school denied all such rumors, saying in a state-

ment, "We clearly implemented the Chromebook Initiative for the students. Chromebooks were chosen for their overwhelming superiority to typical laptops, including a practically-unusable keyboard to keep students from playing games in class, incredibly fragile hinges to teach students delicacy and grace, and battery charge that can last an incredible eight hours only if the computer is in 'doorstop mode' the entire time. In addition, we feel that Chromebooks teach a valuable life lesson by becoming unusable without Wi-Fi, because students today are underexposed to

these 'inter-nets'. With all of these features, compatibility with BERGERON was only a bonus."

Math and physics teacher



Like The Spongebob Movie, Th district will be using your Chrome books to control your mind.

Mr. Oyler commented that he was "incredibly excited to get rid of those brats" when asked if he was looking forward to a school without the Chromebook-less seniors.

"Right now, if I want to demonstrate terminal velocity, I have to go down the hall, find the cart, distribute them, make sure everyone knows to put the right Chromebook back in the right charging station (because there are subtle differences, and each computer actually only charges if plugged into the correctly numbered port), turn off the WiFi, and tell the kids that there's a signal if they lean far enough out the window. Next year, I can just activate BERGERON and tell them to jump. We just hope he does not mean out of upper X.

- Jessica Chen

# Flipside Poll

What is your favorite part of the school day?

O- Walking next to someone and accidentally hitting their hand

IO- Getting electrecuted by your physics teacher

O- Peeing awkwardly close to somebody else

to somebody else O- Food in homeroom

O-Taking a math test only to realize your calculator is to dead

O- Lunch

Deliver this slip to locker E452 and I'll tell you where the eighth Horrcrux is

THE FLIPSIDE CRYPTOGRAM CHALLENGE: Solve the Cryptogram, and then give your copy of *The Flipside* to Evan Fischoff. The first person to find him with a correctly solved puzzle will receive a hug.

ALTERNATE UNIVERSE UPDATE: Colleges have to be accepted by the student, causing large amounts of stress on universities

#### **REBUS PUZZLES**

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О Т Can you guess the common word or phrase portrayed below?

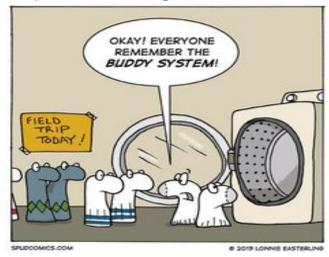
The Covers ZZz...

Tunnel

-----> Crust Crust Crust Crust Crust

Puzzles By Evan Fischoff

## A Flipside Un-Original Cartoon



#### CRYPTOGRAM CHALLENGE

This is a simple substitution code. Each letter is replaced by a different letter. Try to decode the message or quote below. HINT: T=>J

"JEG MGVJ TQU JZ RLG LV JZ JGRR JEG JXDJE . . . HQXGADRRU GOLJGO JXDJE." -QPZPUSZDV

You!! Yes, You. We, at the Flipside, are looking for new writers, puzzle-makers, poll makers, and just makers in general! If you are a maker, and you would like to get involved, please contact Evan Fischoff or Jessica Chen at 161fischoff@student.dist113.org or 161chenj@student.dist113.org. Thank you for reading the Flipside!

#### **SUDOKU**

LEVEL: Yesterday's math test

Fill in the grid so each column, row, and 3x3 box has the numbers 1 through 9.

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NOTE: All names and stories are fictional, unless public figures are being satirized. Remember, these are all jokes.

### Flipside Fun facts

These are some really cool fun facts\* that the writers at the Flipside have stumbled upon:

**10%** of all monkeys actually hate bananas

**100%** of said monkeys are really people in banana costumes

**40%** of math teachers wish that the fact below is correct

The other **61%** of math teachers haven't read the Flipside yet

**100%** Flipside user satisfaction

\*Note: Facts are not credible by any standard whatsoever

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