



PSA: Why We Should Go Back to School

By Zach Lefkovitz and Zac Ambrose

Change.org has been home to many acts of positive social change powered by the people. Some of its victories include ALS patients no longer having to face a waiting period for receiving critical benefits, honoring the wrongful death of Dallas resident Botham Jean by naming a street after him, reducing sentences or granting clemency for wrongful criminal convictions, and soon to be District 113 getting its kids back in school. This petition has been backed by the respected doctor Jonathan Sins MD. Asked if going back to school would solve mental health issues, Sins, an esteemed kinesiologist, replied, “Several studies show that hybrid learning has reduced poor learning retention, lack of motivation, depression, obesity, video game & porn addiction, communist thought, and chlamydia by 99%.” Plus, we all know that these problems never existed in American teenagers until the pandemic. What’s better for a student’s mental health than being in a mostly



A picture of an unfortunate student during online learning
empty classroom with a teacher who is not allowed to interact with you because they are required to stay at their computer? This is, of course, considering that interactions with other students must be minimal. The writer of the petition strongly echoed the sentiments of Dr. Sins, stating “Other than my skiing vacation to Colorado and the dozen or so parties I’ve gone to since the beginning of the school year, I’ve had almost no personal interaction with anyone which is just really bumming me out.” According to the Change.org petition from multiple doctors (with specializations that are basically as good as an epidemiologist), “Superintendent Dr. Bruce Law has presented no data or evidence [to support e-learning]. The District has had almost 8 months to develop a working plan that is sustainable and is fluid based on metrics.” Although the petition writer did not acknowledge any part of Dr. Law’s plan to return to school presented at the board meetings which is both sustainable, fluid, and based on metrics, the FlipSide is still throwing their support behind

the petition. We asked the writer of the petition for comment on January 6th, who responded they would get back to us after a trip to our nation’s capitol. We have yet to hear back from them. Regardless, you can’t help but understand why they didn’t attend Dr. Law’s board meetings. Clearly, doing their research is against their values, or else they would actually be learning during online school. Personally, I don’t want to make my decisions based on what these fancy, politically motivated “scientists” tell us we should do. I’m a free thinker, an American, I can do what’s best for me and my body and it definitely doesn’t affect other people. We, the people of Deerfield High School, demand to be brought back to in-person schooling. Put frankly, I don’t care if COVID spreads through the community from the irresponsible actions of students. It would be for the greater good of our social-emotional health. And isn’t that what’s really important?

What I Do on Zoom

By Noah Meyerhoff
School can get boring sometimes. You can find yourself wanting a distraction. When classes are on Zoom, this is only made worse. In school, this role would normally be filled by secretly playing video games or whispering to your friends. Now that classes are on Zoom, you’ve got to think bigger. Luckily, I’ve got plenty of experience distracting myself from the many weeks I’ve had online classes.
Exercise
There is no better time than quarantine to get in shape. We’ve all got oodles of free time, and nothing to do with it. So when you are bored on Zoom, why not work out? One thing I love to do is Zoomba. Now, it’s not the sneakiest activity, so you’ll get caught

if you have your camera on. The solution? Lie. Say you are going to go get a drink of water, or need to use the bathroom. Once your camera is off, turn on your Latin music and get groovy. And sweaty. That one will be hard to explain to your teacher. “I’m all sweaty from the bathroom,” I often say, and there are no further questions.
The Culinary Arts
A great 3rd period activity, cooking is a great way to pass the time while you wait for lunch. It’s also incredibly easy to hide. What they see is me reaching for something off-screen, perhaps a notebook, but in reality, I’m flipping burgers on my George Foreman grill. They think I’m rearranging my desk, however I’m actually stirring fondue. Taking notes? Nope, dic-

ing an onion. I go outside for my gym class most of the time, so when my teacher sees me doing burpees he doesn’t notice that my heavy breathing is actually me oxygenating the fire where I’m spit roasting a ham. The best part is that even if you do get caught, the class stops and everyone is interested in what you’re doing because they are bored too. Then you can rub it in their face that you were being productive while they wasted their time browsing Reddit.
Driving
If you’re like me and you’ve recently gotten your permit, then you’ll know it’s hard to find time to get your 50 hours in. That’s why I like to fire up Zoom in the car. Jokes aside, traffic safety is important. That’s why I only do this during my

online Driver’s Ed class. It’s great and it makes the class so much more engaging. I really felt the gravity of the lectures when I got a firsthand demonstration of the importance of seatbelts. Sensational. If you are a thrillseeker, here’s a fun joke you can pull while you’re on Zoom and driving. First, wait till you come up on a red light at an intersection. Then, unmute your Zoom, and if there are pedestrians present, roll down the windows. Finally, scream, at the top of your lungs, “I’M ZOOMING!” whilst tripling the speed limit into the intersection making the sharpest left you can. Don’t forget your turn signal! I hope you found this guide helpful to staying entertained during online class.

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This Week's Number

400,000

You thought we'd make a joke? We're in a pan-demic, stay in-side.

Weekly Chirps

We chirp the zoom bombers for making us change our pass-words

We chirp the FlipSide for stubbornly refusing to die

Alternate Universe Update

Anything but this cursed timeline. Please God make it stop.

Out of Context Quote of the Week

He literally was advocating for background checks for reproduction.

- The AP Physics C Group Chat

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Infographic

Top five very sound arguments to OWN your friends with

1. It wasn't racist, it was just a different time

You just wouldn't understand. You had to be there to see it *hides suspicious ghost costume.*

2. I held the door for you so you are obligated to text back

Is chivalry dead? Women are so un-grateful these days.

3. Fact checking is censoring my free speech

This is Orwellian!! We've given too much power to corporations. Time for public... wait.

4. They aren't calories if it's Christmas

I wrote a letter to Santa asking for a Peleton. He hasn't answered yet.

5. I'm smart, I just need to apply myself

I swear, if I just turned in this ONE assignment, I'd have an A- instead of a C+.

This Week's Poll

What been the best part about quarantine?

49%

Slowly descending into nihilism

16%

Bread. Lots of bread

0%

Staying academically honest in all my classes


17.76%


Becoming politically radicalized


17.24%


Watching every video on YouTube (or as I call it, finishing You-Tube)

Puzzle Section









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Meme Corner



Everyone in Deerfield trying to tell the school board that we should be back in school by now



Who wore it better?



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World's largest pistachio nut



I Solved the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict

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