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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### OCTOBER

**1**

FAFSA opens

VB: Wicksburg

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VB: Eufala FB: Carver

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**7**

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VB: Dale Co. and GW Long

HOCO Voting

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HOCO Voting

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VB: Rehobeth and Headland

**16**

Pre-ACT

**17**

VB: Ozark and New Brockton

**18**

Midterms

FB: Godby

HOCO Parade

**21**

Midterms

**22**

Midterms

**23**

Midterms

**24**

Fall Break

**25**

Fall Break

FB: Lanier

**28**

**29**

**30**

**31**

**One City**

**One School**

**One Team**



# ONE CITY, ONE PACK

By Lindsey Cole

The consolidation of the two major high schools in Dothan was met with equivocation and backlash. No matter the opinion, the outcome was the same: One city, one school. Obviously it has been tough for everyone—students especially. Communication from the usual close friends is lacking and patience has been worn thin. But with lost certainty comes a new adventure.

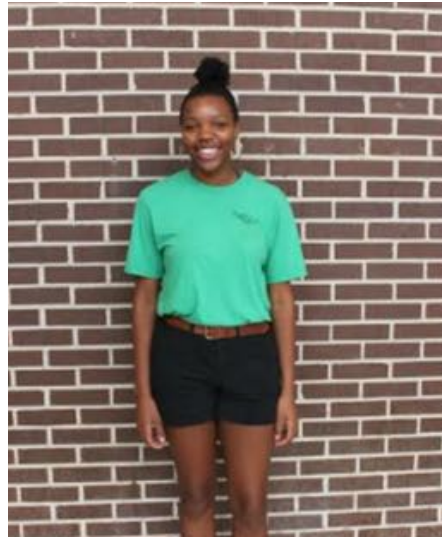
Dr. Phillis Edwards has a B.S. and M.S. in education. Before her time in Dothan (a city she left shell shocked) she was earning her doctorate in Educational Leadership at the University of Central Florida. Starting in 2003, Dr. Edwards was a superintendent in a Georgia school system. Now that you are familiar with the woman behind the consolidation, here are some of her reasonings: financing and unity. Though it seemed all bad at first, a few students have some major positive “clapbacks” to those who see it negatively.



Peyton Robertson who is a football player (number forty-two) and a senior proudly proclaims “ Well everybody I knew was against it last year, but things changed. Almost everybody’s getting along and we are really coming together as a new school. Personally, I have made new friends, and I am enjoying going to school at the new Dothan High. The football team has united much better than anyone expected and we should have a great season ahead of us.” Catch Peyton on the field at the next Dothan High game on October 4th.

Battalion Commander, Yasmine Hall says “ with consolidation, we now have cadets in the program who are from the Marine JROTC. It has been a hard transition, but I fully believe we can make it work and it will be for the better. While our program had a different structure, the former Marine JROTC cadets seem to have passion and ideas to offer that could benefit us all now under Wolf Pack Battalion. Then she gets personal “I was first skeptical about the consolidation. It made me worry, especially since it divided our JROTC program. However, I am hoping that we can offer a more genuine beginning for the 9th grade JROTC cadets because they will be able to make mistakes and learn from each other. Being Battalion Commander, the amount of effort I will put into this program to ensure unity will stick with me forever. As the first Battalion Commander for the





Wolf Pack Battalion, I hope to gain a bond that is strong since everyone in the Battalion is learning the same way I am under new circumstances. In the end, our Wolf Pack Battalion will thrive.”

“Well, I assume there are not many who are unhappy about the consolidation. Though, yes, there have been some issues and mistakes. But that does not make it a bad thing! A lot of good has come from consolidating. The amazing staff of Dothan High and Northview have come together to make it an even better staff and an immersive learning environment. Not to mention the combination of students, all the creative minds congregating, making something better than the sum of its parts. A great coaching staff behind the best athletes in the city, along with the vast population of artists, musicians, and writers being

together in one place. In all ways- athletically, artistically, and academically- consolidating was the best choice for the city of Dothan.” Justin German sums up the feelings of many students within the New Dothan High walls.

Out with the old and in with the new. Dothan High School is now bigger than us and our city. It is a new history we are living and maybe our future kids will live. The onslaught of negativity on the outside of our school does not need to find its way within us. Hopefully, we will continue to uplift and inspire, so future graduating classes will follow in hot pursuit. People will know our name. Dothan High School. The Dothan Wolves. Dothan, Alabama. Nothing but LOVE for OUR school!!



via Dothan Eagle

# Wrangle Up Wetumpka

BY ADORA EDWARDS

Wetumpka had nothing against the Dothan wolves football team, fifty-four to forty-one. But our Wolves could not have done it without the hype of the student body. Pep rally day brought the charisma; all students ready to “wrangle-up” Wetumpka. The theme was sassy, and it was bold. Girls and boys alike wore their cowboy boots and cowboy hats. The class of 2020 stole the show and spirit stick. However, the class of 2021 almost had the senior class beat. The cheer team gave it all, and they came out shining. The cheerleaders are a prime example of our school’s ability to keep going. We even had a very underwhelming dance battle, mainly the teachers, but at least they perform well in class. Lastly, Quarterback Jamal Lane sent off the football team with words of encouragement.



# HUNT THE TIGERS

By Adora Edwards

The Dothan Wolves took out the Eufaula Tigers forty-nine to thirty-eight. They could not have done it without the cheering on of the student section. The theme for the Eufaula game and pep-rally was "Hunt the Tigers," where everyone wore camouflage. There were many signs with Mr. Singleton's and Mr. Mitchell's faces on them. The juniors dominated the sophomores in a game of tug-of-war and then went up against the seniors and lost. The seniors then competed against the faculty and lost miserably. The seniors won the spirit stick once again. After winning the spirit stick, one of the seniors threw a blue dye bomb which went all over the senior class and floor. A few of the seniors stayed after the pep rally to help clean up so that we would be allowed to participate in the rest of the pep rallies.



# Football Updates

BY MADDIE KENNEDY



## Wolves VS Indians



The Wolves played against Wetumpka and took home the win with the score of 54-41. According to several football players I interviewed about their season so far had this to say:

“I feel like this is the best team I have been on my whole high school career, from the coaching staff to the players. GO WOLVES!!”

- #10 Brantley Grimsley

“We got a good team. We want to win the rest of the games.”

- #1 Jabre Barber

“The football program has been the most unified program since the spring. Everyone has been unselfish. I knew everybody; we all just came together and made the best team possible. We just want to win and for everyone to take it seriously.”

- #36 Brody Barnett





## Wolves VS Tigers



The Wolves had a tough opponent Friday night against the Eufaula Tigers. The Wolves came back taking the win, with an ending score of 49-38. We asked several students how they felt about the game.

“Very emotional, lots of twists”

- Rose Freeman

“It was good; I always like to go support the team”

- Zoe Finch

“Exciting; I love watching the team play”

- Mallory Armstrong



## Wolves VS Thunderbirds



The Wolves had a hard game against Park Crossing Friday night as the Thunderbirds took the lead. The game ended with a score of 42-27. Even though the team played really well as a whole, they fell short, losing the game. The Wolves are motivated and plan to prepare a comeback for the rest of the season.

“We didn’t have the right mindset.”

- Tay Johnson #9

“We thought about the game too much and let it take on a negative mindset”

- Fisher Parrish #21

“They already knew all of our plays.”

- Tae Ramey #23



## Wolves VS Indians



The Wolves had a great win against Russell County Friday with a final score of 43-27. Touchdowns scored by Jabre Barber, Jaylin White, Ta’bryious Webb, Jayden Folmer, CJ Shackelford and a field goal kick by Brody Barnett.

“ I enjoy playing on Friday nights.”- Tae Ramey #23

“ I love cheering on the sidelines.”- Rose Freeman

“ Cheering is something I really enjoy doing on Friday nights.”- Raley Pasibe





# PRIDE OF THE WOLFPACK

By Allison Jackson

It is the beginning of a new era. The band, though small in size, carries a lot of pride and tradition. The "Pride of the Wolfpack" is marching around 103 members this school year. New drum majors and new leaders allow the band to blossom in an exciting, creative way. Under the direction of Mrs. Jamie Howell, Mr. Travis Adams, and Mr. Marcus Jordan, the band is moving in a new direction. Many students believe that this year will be one of the most successful years of Dothan High School. Adrain Lewis, Head Drum Major, says, "We will have a great year as long as we practice and continue to perform at our full potential." A junior, Katarina Giles, explains, "The environment that we practice in is so much fun and enjoyable!" Now, watch as the "Pride of the Wolfpack" marching band has a phenomenal year on and off the field.

# HURRICANE DORIAN

## THE DEADLIEST HURRICANE OF THE YEAR

By Jessica Seymour



Via Axios

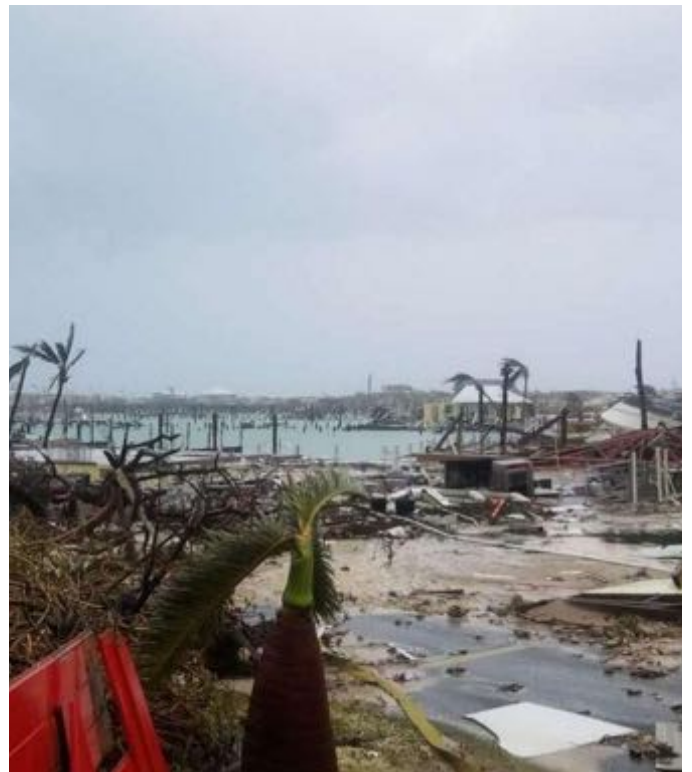
**Hurricane Dorian** popped up as a tropical storm in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean on August 25. Today, it is being referred to as the second most powerful hurricane to ever form in the Atlantic. On Monday the 2nd, Dorian hit the Bahama Islands and has resulted in the death of five people. 18-23 feet of rain has fallen and an estimated 13,000 homes have been destroyed.

By the early morning of Tuesday, September 3rd, Dorian slunk down to a Category 2 hurricane. Although smaller, meteorologists and governments still tell people to approach with caution as it is still a dangerous situation. It remained uncomfortably close to Florida as it took its ride up the East Coast of the United States on its way towards South Carolina.



Via the Atlantic

On September 6, Hurricane Dorian made landfall for a brief moment, killing 2 people before continuing her ride up the coast of North America. Within the early hours of September 7, Dorian hit Nova Scotia, Canada as a cyclone. By the late hours of Monday, September 9, Dorian was riding her way back into the Atlantic Ocean.



Via ABC News

# Pop Culture

By Judith Gordillo

**F**  
**A**  
**S**  
**T**  
**F**  
**A**  
**C**  
**T**  
**S**

Miley Cyrus and Liam Hemsworth split after 7 months of marriage.

Justin Bieber opens up about past drug abuse and relationships.

Prince Harry launches a brand new travel program to encourage eco-friendly tourism.

Ellie Goulding ties the knot with her now husband, Caspar Jopling, on August 31, 2019.

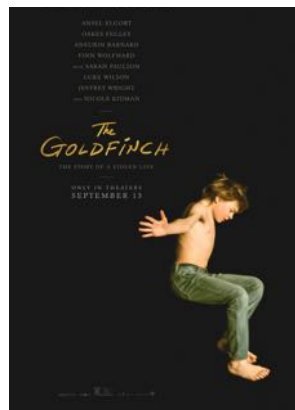


## TOP 5 Songs of September

1. Teeth- 5 Seconds of Summer
2. Not 20 Anymore- Bebe Rexha
3. What am I- Why Don't We
4. I Forgot You Existed- Taylor Swift
5. Cruel Summer- Taylor Swift



□ 63%  
☆ 7.1/10



□ 27%  
☆ 6.3/10



# **MS. GODWIN**

By Cameyah Powell and Sarah Prevatte

The new Dothan High School choir teacher is Ms. Godwin. Many of her teaching accolades include the following: reading music well and singing music properly. She is very excited about being here at Dothan High School and cannot wait to see the exciting things we have to offer our students. This year, she has many suggestions for the upcoming school year. For example, some of her ideas include performances for the Christmas concert and a show to be presented during the Spring. Our school choir is expecting to have many performances for the community this year; moreover, these programs help sponsor the Dothan High School Wolves. Furthermore, the City of Dothan has started to support our organizations. Welcome to Dothan High; we are glad you are here, Ms. Godwin.



# Mrs. Stevens

By Lindey Cole

Mrs. Stevens teaches Environmental Science and Honors Anatomy at the new Dothan High School. She has a Masters of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.) Degree in both Elementary Education and Secondary Biology Education from Randolph College in Lynchburg, VA as well as a B.S. in biology, also from Randolph College. Mrs. Stevens was an active member of the equestrian team for all her four years of her undergraduate career. She is still an avid horseback rider and currently owns two horses as well as two retrievers (a Golden and Black lab). While the military brought her to Southern Alabama, it is quickly beginning to feel like “home” for her. Biology is a passion of hers for many years and she hopes her students will have the same level of passion. Mrs. Stevens (formly Ms. Kratochvil) recently got married August 24, 2019 in Texas. Congratulations to the newlywed and new Dothan High Wolves teacher!

# AP Survival Guide

BY KATIE CROFT

The consolidation has brought many changes to the new Dothan High: new students, new colors, new friends, and new classes. Dothan High now offers many new AP classes for students to take.

While AP classes allow students to work at higher levels and possibly count their class towards college courses, these advanced classes bring many challenges. However, there are many study techniques, resources, and people that can offer helpful advice

AP classes require a lot of work outside of school, which seems a bit daunting, but there are many techniques and tips that can come in handy for any AP class you may take. Some of these tips may seem as if they will not help as much as others, but even the small things can be helpful in AP classes. If you have any assignments from the summer before school started, make sure that you have completed the work and that you understand it. If you are struggling, try talking to other students in the same classes, or contact your teacher with any questions. You should also plan ahead and use your free time wisely. Invest in a planner and schedule study time and keep up with class assignments throughout the year. Never be afraid to ask your teachers for help or extra study materials and resources. Also, form study groups with friends and work together to help each other understand the material and prepare yourselves for the exam.

There are also many resources available to students taking AP classes this year. A website called Albert Blog has an ultimate list of AP test tips with advice for many AP classes. Work that you are given in class is also a great resource, you can use it as practice work or a guideline to follow for future reference. Your teachers and fellow students are resources as well; your teacher has access to materials that can be beneficial to you and they also have knowledge about the AP test that could help you better understand the subject.

Classmates can help you because they might have better understanding in certain topics and you can work together to prepare for the exam. "Khan Academy" has many videos and articles for AP students that can help explain objectives for the AP subjects. For AP History students, Tom Richie's videos might be a resource you want to take advantage.

As stated in the previous paragraph, teachers and students are great resources because of the advice they have. An anonymous student encourages that you should not procrastinate and that you should "do your work as soon as it is assigned." Senior, Jacob Ellis, advises to "remember that your teachers are human too", and to not get angry when you do not agree with them. Sometimes, they do know best and are just trying to help you. He also encourages students to remember, "AP classes are designed to make you improve [so] don't get discouraged." AP teacher, Ms. Brewer gives very helpful advice regarding classwork, "My advice would be to regularly review... and commit to... participating in class. The more involved a student is... the better they perform... An AP class is not about hurriedly taking notes, but critically thinking about the material." Finally, Mr. Dismukes, the AP Language teacher, offers some of his own advice for students; he encourages that students should take responsibility for their own learning. If a student is struggling, he advises that he or she talk to friends, the teacher, or look online. Mr. Dismukes

also gives some tips about what attitude to maintain during an AP class. Students should practice, work on their weaknesses, work hard, and not blame others.

Choosing to take an AP class is not a decision to be taken lightly. AP classes come with many challenges and students must be hard-working and committed to their learning. AP classes may seem like an impossible task, but students should be aware of all the resources available to them. There are many techniques that can help with studying, resources that can help students understand certain topics, and advice that only requires one to ask for it. With the right attitude and determination, students can utilize the information, resources, and advice available to them and survive an AP course.



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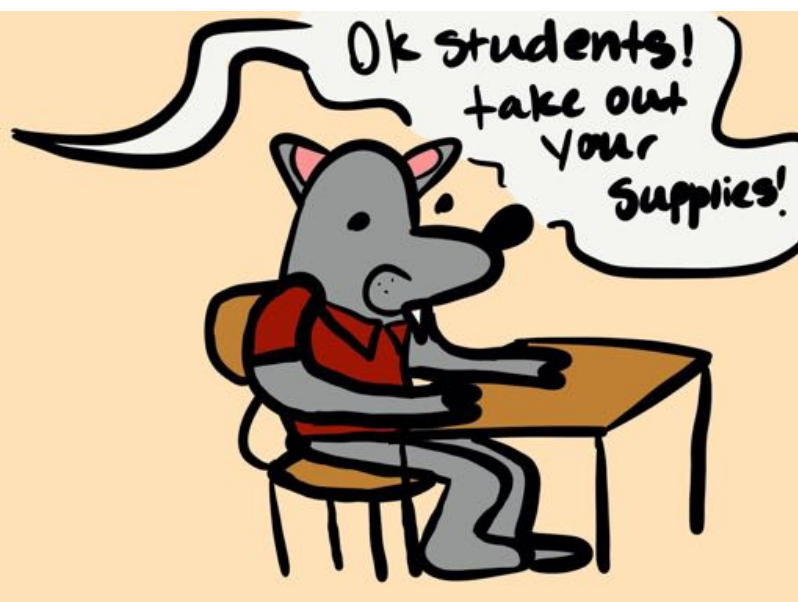


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# WINSTON

## “First Day of School”



By Jacob Ellis

# STUDENT SPOTLIGHT:



Cameyiah  
Powell

In the beginning, learning how to play a piano can be a tough and daunting task. Originally, I never thought about learning how to play an instrument. However, my mother persuaded me, my brother, and my sister to take on the challenge of learning how to play an instrument. My mother has always wanted at least one of her children to play an instrument. When it was brought to my attention that Dothan High School was offering piano classes, I immediately thought about what my mother had instilled within me. Not only will it open many closed doors concerning my future, it has brought me many hours of joy. In the near future, I plan on teaching my mother how to play, as well as play for my church on Sundays.

