



# T.F. Riggs High School The Governor

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## Crowds flock to see Christmas at the Capitol

BY NEVAEH STARR

One of Pierre's most loved events is the Capitol Grand Lighting Ceremony when the capitol building is filled with intricately decorated Christmas trees representing a variety of organizations from around South Dakota.

Due to Covid-19, however, whether or not this event would be safe for the community to celebrate crossed some South Dakotans' minds as South Dakota remains one of the most open states currently and COVID-19 cases continue to rise.

Even so, on November 24, as the high school choir sang and the lights on all the trees were turned on, Governor Kristi Noem, along with First Gentleman Bryon Noem and Mayor Steve Harding, held the lighting ceremony as usual. Frank and Beth Marnell, as well as their adopted children Ariell, Laiken, Lander, and Maury, were given the honor of lighting up the trees.

More than 83 trees currently line the halls of the Capitol, the largest of which is a 26.5-foot Engelmann Spruce, decorated by the South Dakota Nurses Association. At the lighting ceremony, Governor Noem dedicated the tree to South Dakota's nurses and thanked them for what they have endured during the COVID-19 pandemic. After taking time to admire the



*Brightly lit Christmas trees fill the Capitol's rotunda  
(Photo credit: South Dakota Department of Tourism)*

trees, people had the option to visit Santa and give him handwritten letters.

Christmas at the Capitol is open to the public Monday through Sunday, from 8 AM to 10 PM until December 26, so take some time to stop by the Capitol and get into the Christmas spirit!

## Watch out for these upcoming band and choir concerts

BY CLAIRE KOENECKE

Despite the challenges of this school year, the Riggs music department is still going strong and is busy preparing for the band and choir holiday performances.

"Jazz groups and drumline are starting up full force. We have one big jazz group that fits on stage and a smaller one, called Combo, with upperclassmen that we can split even smaller to allow for safe public performances. Our smallest group is six. Our combos will be performing at Christmas at the Capitol on December 15 and 17 in their smaller groups. Our full band concert was December 10 –formerly December 14 – but we split the band and choir to allow for better spacing. We continue to rehearse distanced and masked in the theater, and are very grateful we

have that space to provide safe rehearsals for our students," says Ms. McKeithan Jensen, when asked for an update on the band.

The choir put on a couple of amazing holiday performances as well. "Our choir concert was Monday, December 14 at 7:00 p.m. in Riggs Theater. All three choirs performed at the Capitol on Friday, December 11 from noon to 12:45 p.m. The Chamber Choir will be performing at the capitol Thursday evening December 17 at 7:00 p.m.," Choir Director Mr. Bauck says.

So, on behalf of the Riggs Music Department, we hope to see you at our upcoming concerts!

# The Electoral College: flawed and ready for change

BY RUBEN BOWEN

With the passing of the 2020 election, the debate over whether or not the Electoral College should exist stepped back into the spotlight.

If you have not taken a government class, or if you just have no interest in politics, the Electoral College may seem like a very daunting subject.

At its core, the Electoral College, or electoral vote, is a majority-of-the-majority vote.

America is the only democracy in the world that elects its president using an electoral college. In this system, Americans do not directly decide who will become the president but instead they decide who their state delegates will be who officially elect the president. Examples of presidents who did not win the popular vote but were elected to the presidency include Donald Trump in 2016 and George W. Bush in 2000, just to name a couple.

The problem is, about 61% of Americans do not support the Electoral College system, and several times both Republicans and Democrats have tried to do away with it, to no avail.

The Electoral College is broken down by state. Each state gets the same number of electors as they do representatives in Congress, as well as two additional for the two senators for each state. South Dakota, for example, gets three, one for the House of Representatives and

two for our senators. South Dakota is one of the few states with only three electoral votes.

The problem is that states have significantly different representation in Congress and can represent a vastly diverse group of people. An example is Rhode Island and Texas. Rhode Island gets four electoral votes while Texas gets thirty-eight, with electors representing 660,000 people in Rhode Island and 210,000 in Texas, respectively.

In 48 states, all electoral votes are given to the candidate with the most votes, even if it is only by 1%. This makes it all the more important for candidates to lock in the dreaded swing states or the states that have been known to be Republican one term and Democratic the next, like Michigan. This can lead voters in non-swing states to feel like their vote does not matter as much as, say, some voters in Florida. However, this is not the case. The votes that carry the most power are the states with a lot of electoral votes representing not a lot of people, like Rhode Island in the previous example. Rather than the states with a lot of electoral votes representing fewer people, like Texas, these states are usually represented by the Grand Old Party (GOP) for the former and the Democratic party for the latter.

So, how would one go about reforming the

electoral college system? Some say abolish it and make the popular vote the one true vote. For this to happen, America would have to rewrite the Constitution, specifically the 12th Amendment, and that is not easy.

Another idea is to split states up into congressional districts like Nebraska and Maine already do. This would give each candidate a little piece of the vote rather than a winner takes all situation. This would provide a more proportional representation of the electoral votes.

Others are in favor of the "National Popular Vote." This means the electors from each state would vote for the winner of the popular vote, rather than voting for the candidate that won the overall vote in your state.

The Electoral College system is, in all likelihood, is not going to be reformed because this system kind of works, and it would take a lot of resources and energy to change it.

Personally, I feel that the Electoral College needs to change, and the Congressional District system is the best idea as of yet, but like anything, it has its drawbacks, such as gerrymandering. I encourage you to do your own research, so you can make your own conclusions. If we are lucky, a new system will be established at some point in our lifetime.

# The Electoral College: an institution that must be preserved

BY SAVANNAH SHRAKE

Is the Electoral College inherently flawed? This question is asked every election cycle. To answer this question, we first must understand what the Electoral College is and why it was created. The Electoral College was created by our founding fathers to ensure that our country would not be pure-majority rule democracy. The Founders knew from a careful examination of history what most have forgotten today or never learned: pure democracies do not work. They implode.

In a pure democracy, bare majorities can easily tyrannize the rest of a country. The Founders wanted to avoid that at all costs. This is why we have three branches of government -- Executive, Legislative and Judicial.

It's why each state has two Senators, no matter its population, but also a different numbers of Representatives based entirely on population. It's why it takes a supermajority in Congress and three-quarters of the states to change the Constitution. And, it's why we have the Electoral College.

Here's how the Electoral College works. The Presidential election happens in two phases. The first phase is purely democratic. We hold 51 popular elections every presidential election year: one in each state and one in Washington D.C. On Election Day in 2016, you may have thought you were voting for Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump, but you were really voting for a slate of presidential electors. *(Continued on page 3)*



**(Continued from Page 2)** In Rhode Island, for example, if you voted for Hillary Clinton, you voted for the state's four Democratic electors; if you voted for Donald Trump you were really voting for the state's four Republican electors. The second stage of the election is held in December. It is this December election among the states' 538 electors, not the November election, which officially determines the identity of the next President. At least 270 votes are needed to win. Why is this so important? Because the system encourages coalition-building and national campaigning. In order to win, a candidate must have the support of many different types of voters, from various parts of the country. Winning only the South or the Midwest is not good enough.

You cannot win 270 electoral votes if only one part of the country is supporting you. If winning were only about getting the most votes, a candidate might concentrate all of his efforts in the biggest cities or the biggest states. Why would that candidate care about what people in West Virginia or Iowa or South Dakota think? But, you might ask, isn't the election really only about the so-called swing states? Actually, no. If nothing else, safe and swing states are constantly changing. California voted safely Republican as recently as 1988. Texas used to vote Democrat. Neither New Hampshire nor Virginia used to be swing states.

Most people believe that George W. Bush won the 2000 election because of Florida. Well, sort of. He really won the election because he managed to flip one state which the Democrats thought was safe: West Virginia. Its 4 electoral votes turned out to be decisive. No political party can ignore any state for too long without suffering the consequences. Every state, and therefore every voter in every state, is important.

The Electoral College also makes it harder to steal elections. Votes must be stolen in the right state in order to change the outcome of the Electoral College. With so many swing states, this is hard to predict and hard to do. But without the Electoral College, any vote stolen in any precinct in the country could affect the national outcome - even if that vote was easily stolen in the bluest California precinct or the reddest Texas one.

The Electoral College is an ingenious method of selecting a President for a great, diverse republic such as our own - it protects against the tyranny of the majority, encourages coalition-building, and discourages voter fraud. Our Founders were proud of it! We can be too.

## What do Riggs students think about the 2020 Election?

COLLECTED BY RUBEN BOWEN

"You mean the election month?" - Jordan Morley

"I hate political parties, they are extremely dumb. It shouldn't be based on straight party, but rather who you believe has better views."

-Michael VanDeWiele

"Abolish the system and eat rich." - Eryn Louis

"I wish I could have seen Kanye represented more on state ballots." - Andy Gordon

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# Teachers give semester test advice

BY NEVAEH STARR

Semester tests are nearly upon us! Every student knows the routine: attempt to read old notes and complete quizlets before ultimately deciding to cram the night before. For some of you, this method might work. For others, however, your grades won't be too happy. Thankfully, teachers here at Riggs have decided to share some advice as to how to get the most out of studying and how to ace your tests come exam time!

First, recommends Mr. Swiden, you need to identify your learning style. "You have to understand how YOU learn. Do you learn best by reading? Writing? Singing? Are you a visual person? Or hands-on?" There are many tests on the internet to find this out, such as the one on SDMyLife. This will affect your studying methods and maximize what you get out of it.

Next in your studying journey is knowing what information to look over. Most semester exams are over everything that's previously been taught- more than five months' worth of information. Mr. Becker recommends reviewing the early material to refresh your memory, as it may have been several months since you first learned it. This might seem like a daunting task. Thankfully, Mr. Becker has some advice for you. "Break up the information and focus on one or two units/chapters of study at a time and review everything through the course of several days, not all in one session. Also, focus on the main ideas – cumulative tests are checking for

your knowledge on many of the basics, so trying to memorize every detail can be overwhelming." Most teachers will give you a review, full of information that will be on the test, and how you complete this review matters. "If they make you a review, take your time to understand every question or problem. Don't just do the review to get it done. Especially in math, the best way to study is to do practice problems over and over again," emphasizes Mrs. Rezac.

Although great resources, don't rely solely on class reviews. Utilize past notes and study tools like GoConqr and Quizlet, especially for subjects that require memorization. "There are lots of great study materials out there. Personally, I am a fan of memory games such as those found on purpose games or Quizlet. Don't just write it once to memorize something. You have to repeat it multiple times and over a number of days in order to commit it to memory. You cannot sit down the night before and hope to memorize something," says Mr. Swiden.

These are great tools to help you review, but to really make the most out of studying, you need to use your time wisely. Some teachers give students time in-class the week before semester finals to study; others, require spending time outside of class to learn. The key is to correctly divide your time between your classes. Spend more time looking over material from classes you're struggling with and those that you have to take early on in the week. "If you have

these three tests on Monday, spend the weekend doing a lot of work on those subjects, so come Monday you'll feel prepared for the exams. You might also do a little preparation for the other tests as well," suggests Ms. Vogt. "The more studying a student can do over a spread-out amount of time, instead of cramming the hour before, the better off they'll be." And remember; it's never too early (or late!) to start studying.

Although the week before tests are crazy, don't forget to take care of yourself! Mr. Spoehr recommends that you should eat fresh foods and drink plenty of water in the days leading up to the exams. Sleep and exercise are also important. "Students should be getting about 8-10 hours of sleep a day for the week before and during the testing periods. Exercise in the morning will help students focus and be more alert each day."

Tackling one test is hard enough, let alone six or seven! Knowing how you learn best, how to effectively utilize your study time, and how to identify what material to study and in what ways can make or break your semester test experience. Hopefully these teachers' advice will help you succeed. Now, some final advice; believe in yourself! Confidence in yourself and your abilities will give you the extra boost you need to ace your tests. Good luck everyone!

## A wonderful start to the season

BY KARA WEISS

The Lady Gavs basketball team started their season strong with two practices a day the week before Thanksgiving. Although the practices were tough, the girls really pushed through and showed a lot of improvement over the course of only three days. After another week of practice, the team is looking very promising. The girls still have a few kinks to work out, but were ready to roll on Friday, December 11 for their first game of the season against Harrisburg. The team is in a good

place at this point in the season and hope to keep improving and make an appearance at the State Championships in March.

The Lady Gavs are in store for a busy season, with games throughout December, January, February, and March. Their next games are against the Sturgis Browns on December 18 and the Spearfish Spartans on December 19. Make sure to come support and cheer on the Lady Gavs!

# Questioning what we know about Thanksgiving

BY MADISON MURPHY

Thanksgiving, in the contemporary world, is a holiday commonly used to give thanks and celebrate with friends and family. First held in November of 1621, the first Thanksgiving was in Plymouth, Massachusetts. It's commonly portrayed that the colonists, fresh off the Mayflower, and the Wampanoag tribe happily ate the meal together. This, sadly, is not completely true.

The pilgrims came from England and landed in what is now, Plymouth, Massachusetts, in the year of 1620. The colonists had an amazing harvest the following year and, to give thanks to God, they used their crops for the "first Thanksgiving" in 1621.

According to Indian Country Today, the governor of the pilgrims William Bradford "invited a group of 'Native American allies, including the Wampanoag chief Massasoit' to the party." The great feast lasted three days, as documented by chronicler Edward Winslow. Bradford sent four men on a "fowling mission" to prepare for the feast and the Wampanoag guests brought five deer to the party. Since 1941, Americans have celebrated Thanksgiving on the fourth Thursday of November, per a law established by President Roosevelt.

Although the feast did occur, the story that evolved around this event

is frequently left untold.

President Abraham Lincoln created the popular image of the Pilgrims and Native Americans eating the meal happily together in an effort to "calm things down during the Civil War when people were divided." (Indian Country Today). Also, it is believed that Thanksgiving feasts pre-date Plymouth. Many nations, such as Spain and the Seloy tribe, claim to have held the first Thanksgiving.

The real significance behind the holiday is the creation of a treaty between England and the Wampanoag Nation. The Treaty, composed by Governor John Carter and Wampanoag leader Chief Massasoit, mutually benefited the two sides. It stated that the Wampanoag tribe would protect the colonists from their enemies if the colonists protected the Wampanoag from any of theirs. The fragile peace granted by the treaty was short-lived, however, and within a few years after Carter and Massasoit met, war had broken out between the two sides in a bloody war known as King Phillips' War.

Though the history of Thanksgiving is one shrouded by misconceptions, the initial message sent from Plymouth in 1621 is one of hope and peace for all future generations.

## How to pack for the holiday

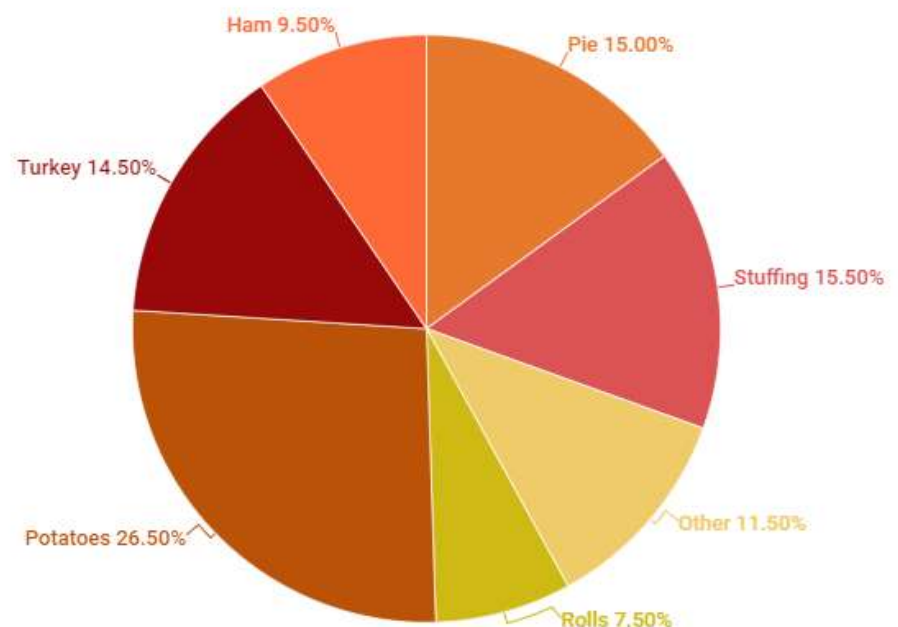
BY MADISON LEIDHOLT

Christmas is fast approaching, inevitably meaning long hours stuck in a car driving to see relatives. And when traveling is involved, invariably packing is too. Packing can be a struggle, especially if you are going on a long vacation. You have the potential to run out of room for everything in your suitcase. However, you are in luck this Christmas season! Here are some tips to help you pack successfully.

First, lay all of your items out and make sure you have everything you need. Beforehand, you might want to create a checklist to ease the burden of remembering everything. The way you pack your bags matter. Put your heavy stuff at the bottom first, that way it will not tip over. When packing clothes, do not let any space go to waste; stuff socks and other small items into your shoes. To maximize space, is best to split the suitcase in half and roll up the clothes on one side and have folded clothes on the other side. Fold the bulky articles of clothing and roll the thinner pieces.

Packing bathroom materials can also be tricky to do. It is best to use smaller travel size bottles for shampoo, conditioner, and body wash to save space. Make sure to place those bottles in a larger Ziplock bag. This trick prevents any spills from getting on the rest of the contents within your luggage. Other items to put in these plastic bags include toothpaste, hairspray, face care, etc. Another option for toiletries is a travel size bag that you can use to store your toothbrush, hairbrush, and deodorant. Hopefully, these tips will help you save space and make packing easier!

## The results are in! Your favorite Thanksgiving foods





# Xbox Series X; released just in time for Christmas

BY GAVIN JACOBSON

Coming this December, a new generation of consoles are ready for Santa to deliver to your homes.

The new consoles being released are more powerful than ever before. The most significant console is the Xbox Series X. This is the most powerful Xbox created to date. The console allows up to 4k output to have the best picture quality available. The ability of this console is astounding. The Series X is the fastest Xbox ever created and allows you to load even the largest of games within seconds. The frame output, how good the picture quality can become, is up to 120 frames per second.

The new console also boasts the largest collection of games for any Xbox console. This is due to the ability of extended backwards compatibility that is present in the newer consoles. This allows you to play any game that has ever been available on any Xbox console.

There are many more features that have yet to be announced so be sure to stay updated!

## Your favorite holiday traditions!

Waking up Christmas morning  
to presents and coffee cake

Making popcorn  
balls

*Going to see the trees at the Capitol*

Baking and eating  
Christmas cookies

**Looking at Christmas  
lights around town**

Playing card games  
with family

*Decorating the Christmas tree*

**SLEDDING ON CHRISTMAS EVE**

*Goose hunting with  
family and friends*

**Going to Mass on  
Christmas Eve**

**WATCHING CHRISTMAS MOVIES WITH  
POPCORN AND HOT CHOCOLATE**

## Celebrating Christmas around the world

BY NATIA MCHEDLIDZE

Amidst one of the most loved times of the year, people around the globe are celebrating the Christmas season in a variety of ways.

While many Americans celebrate by exchanging white elephant gifts, decorating their homes, and going to Midnight Mass, others around the world celebrate Christmas in their own unique ways.

Numerous Christmas traditions revolve around special foods eaten only during the Christmas season. In Finland, families traditionally eat rice pudding with a hidden almond in it. Whoever finds the almond will have a lucky year. In Japan, thousands of buckets of Kentucky Fried Chicken (KFC) are sold every Christmas. A marketing campaign that started in the 1970s popularized the yearly Christmas feast of KFC among the Japanese

population. In Lithuania, 12 different dishes (representing the 12 disciples) are prepared for Christmas Eve. There is nothing with red meat or dairy in the dishes, however. The dishes only consist of fish, bread, and vegetables.

Christmas wouldn't be Christmas without Santa Claus, right? That's true, but many countries around the world also have their own characters that show up around Christmas. In Iceland, Jóltíde Lads, which are little elves, visit homes and cause mischief, sometimes leaving presents in shoes. In Austria, a terrifying monster known as Krampus visits the homes of bad children on Christmas. In Russia, Santa is believed to be accompanied by his granddaughter, named Snegourachka.

One of the most important parts of Christmas is the Christmas tree! Different countries have

varied ways of decorating their Christmas trees. In France, Christmas trees are decorated with red apples and other fruits. In Sweden, families like to decorate their trees with little elf ornaments, called Nisse. In the Netherlands, many decorate their trees with wreath-shaped cookies and biscuits. The "wreaths" are usually covered in almonds or chocolate.

As we are nearing the holiday season, it's always fun to participate in old family traditions. Some of these traditions can be traced to different countries and cultures across the globe. This year, learn more about your family history by asking your relatives about the origin of your holiday traditions! Have a safe and happy holiday season Riggs!

# Govs win State Championship for the fourth year in a row

BY PAIGE POLLREIZ

As the three-time reigning state championship football team took to the field to prepare for their battle against the number one ranked Brookings Bobcats, proud Governor fans flocked to the Dakota Dome in Vermillion. Neither masks nor social distancing could kill the excitement in the arena on Friday, November 13, 2020.

The game was off to a slow start with no score on the board until the end of the first quarter as well as several penalty calls on the Governors. However, the Govs found their sea legs and put down the first touchdown of the game with Carston Miller bringing in the first, but certainly not the last, extra point for the Govs. The Bobcats quickly followed the Governors' lead with their first and only touchdown of the game. Unable to tie it up, the Bobcats trailed the Governors 6-7.

Regan Bollweg dodged Bobcat defenders and got the ball in the endzone for the first touchdown of the second quarter. The Governor defensive line came to fight in the second quarter, allowing minimum yardage and pushing the Bobcat offensive line back. Sophomore Lincoln Kienholz picked off the ball and ran it to the 15-yard line which led to a quick touchdown early in the second quarter. A holding call on the Governors called back the touchdown but the team wasted no time proving they could do it again. The Governor spirit filled the stadium as the team gained confidence with a 15-point lead. The Govs recovered a fumble and marched it down the field for the last touchdown of the second quarter leaving the score 28-6 at the end of the first half.

The Brookings Bobcats started off the third quarter at their own 17-yard line. The Bobcat offense couldn't break through the Governor defensive line and were unable to score. Neither team were able to make progress in the third quarter and the score remained 28-6 with Governors leading at the start of the fourth quarter.



Governor football team wins State for the fourth year in a row  
(Photo Credits: @pierre-governor-football on Facebook)

Maguire Raske picked off a Bobcat pass early in the fourth quarter, leading to the first score of the quarter- a 32-yard field goal by Carston Miller- for a score of 31-6. The Bobcats tried to recover only to receive a facemask penalty on the next play. They were unable to score and turned it over to the Governors once again. The Bobcats called on an encroachment call that resulted in a Governor first down as the Governors quickly moved down the field. The Bobcats couldn't hold back Maguire Raske from running the ball into the endzone for a Governor lead 38-6. The score remained stagnant and the Governors would win their fourth state championship in a row and their fifth overall title. The Govs were the first 11AA team to win four consecutive state titles.

The Governors' persistence was matched only by their sportsmanship on the field. Senior Preston Taylor was awarded the Outstanding Lineman award, senior Maguire Raske was awarded Outstanding Back, and sophomore Lincoln Kienholz was the Joe Robbie MVP.

## Wrestling

**Last match:** 1st place at Rapid Invitational  
**Next match:** December 17 vs. Aberdeen

## Girls' Basketball

**Last game:** 72-71 loss against Huron  
**Next game:** December 18 vs. Sturgis

## Boys' Basketball

**Last game:** 49-48 loss against Watertown  
**Next game:** December 18 vs. Douglas

## Gymnastics

**Last Competition:** December 12 at Aberdeen  
**Next Competition:** December 19 at Mitchell

## Girls' Hockey

**Last game:** 3-4 loss against Huron  
**Next game:** December 18 vs. Brookings

## Boys' Hockey

**Last game:** 8-2 win against Huron  
**Next game:** December 19 vs. Yankton



## Sibling rivalry continues

COLLECTED BY OLIVIA SWENSON

Caitlyn (10) and Cay (9) Schaetzle

**Q: Who's the favorite of the family?**

CN: Definitely Cay he's the youngest

CY: Definitely me

**Q: How would you describe your sibling?**

CN: He can be very annoying, funny, or mean depending on his mood

CY: Either nice or very mean, never just one

**Q: What do you like most about your sibling?**

CN: I like when he doesn't get mad at me for bugging him when I'm bored

CY: She has to drive me around

**Q: What do you hate the most?**

CN: When he screams from his room or texts me to get off the wifi because his game is lagging.

CY: She always using all of the Wifi.

**Q: What's the dumbest thing your sibling has ever done?**

CN: He spent over \$1,000 on 2k for his ps4 (which was later hacked by

someone from Iraq) and had to ask me for money because he spent all of his

CY: She put her head into a ceiling fan and cut her head open

## Get ready to layer up, Riggs!

BY MAEGAN WALSH

It's that time of year again! Even colder than autumn comes winter, bringing Sherpas and warm, cozy clothes with it.

Let's dive right in and explore this winter's color trends. Like fall, winter colors include velvet red, fresh orange, and lively greens. This winter, however, sports its own new set of colors, like classic blue, rose tan, sandstone, peach, and magenta. These colors will definitely make you stand out next to the white snow that is soon to come!

All seasons come with certain, perfect-for-the-job accessories. Winter supplies us with beautiful, fun accessories like bulky scarves, fuzzy earmuffs, vests, icy earrings, warm sweaters, and hats with pom poms! We live in a state with extreme weather during the winter months, so these fantastic, winter-ready accessories will keep you warm and fashionable this season.

So, break out your "tis the season" wardrobe and embrace the chilly weather with cute outfits! Don't forget, winter-themed masks are also available on any website or store, such as Old Navy. Stay festive and fashionable Riggs!

## Bachelorette of the month

COLLECTED BY OLIVIA SWENSON

**How would you describe yourself in one word?**

Outgoing

**What do you look for in a significant other?**

Their sense of humor and personality

**What's your biggest pet peeve?**

Loud and open-mouthed chewing



Miah Keinholz, 12

**If you could travel somewhere, where would you go?**

Bali

**What movie could you watch over and over again?**

*The Perks of Being a Wallflower*

**What's your favorite pickup line?**

"Do you believe in love at first sight or should I walk by again?"

**How would you describe your perfect date?**

Booking an all-inclusive trip somewhere tropical

**Where do you see yourself in five years?**

Doing something successful, I do not know what yet

**If you could describe yourself with a song, what song would it be and why?**

"Miss Independent" by Ne-Yo because I like being by myself

## Bachelor of the month

COLLECTED BY OLIVIA SWENSON

**How would you describe yourself in one word?**

Seasoned

**What do you look for in a significant other?**

Someone I can have fun with

**What's your pet peeve?**

The friend-zone

**What's your favorite pickup line?**

"If I could rearrange the alphabet I would put U and I together."

**How would you describe your perfect date?**

Taking a girl skating

**Where do you see yourself in five years?**

A college graduate with a degree in engineering

**If you could describe yourself with a song, what song would it be and why?**

"Short Kings Anthem" by TMG ft. Blackbear; Do I need to explain?



Raef Briggs, 12

**If you could travel somewhere, where would you go?**

Somewhere I can wear a fedora

**What movie could you watch over and over again?**

*Miracle*