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HANK YOU for picking up, probably out of boredom, the first issue of the official magazine of the Henderson High School Chess Club: 64 Squares. This is my very first venture into the world of magazines and editing magazines, so, if you have any suggestions, compliments, or, of course, just want to complain, please use the contact details at the bottom of this letter to do so.

64 Squares is intended for beginner- and intermediate-level chess players. There is only one advanced player at our school, and this magazine needs circulation, so this magazine has been designed with a heavy emphasis on catering to beginner-level players, and a lighter emphasis on catering to intermediate-level players.

I have really enjoyed creating this magazine, as it has given me excuses to do what I love doing: designing, writing, and photographing. This entire magazine has been created for a school assessment, and I can tell you right now that this is the most fun and interesting aspect of my education yet.

This magazine encouraged me to pull my camera out of my wardrobe and actually use it, to take some very beautiful photos. These are featured in the pages following this one, and as part of the various articles and other miscellaneous features in this magazine.

In addition, I have had the opportunity to challenge myself: writing in an engaging yet at least semi-formal manner is not my strong point, and, for a magazine, that engaging yet semi-formal language is vital for professionalism and entertainment.

Finally, my graphic design skills have developed considerably through learning how to use Adobe InDesign, Adobe Illustrator, and Adobe Photoshop to achieve the aesthetics I desired for each individual page, and to supplement my sometimes below-average writing skills.

This has been, most certainly, an interesting journey, and let me wholeheartedly assure you that more issues are on the way.

Yours,
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