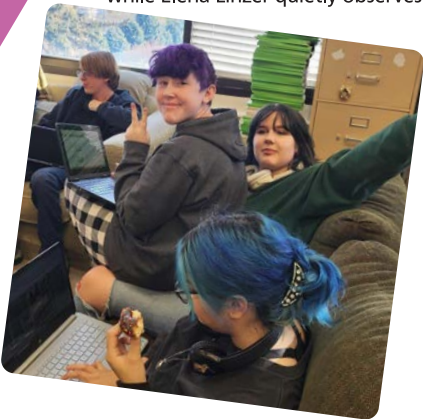


ANOTHER YEAR FOR THE BOOKS!

In Yearbook; staffers and editors came together to make memories for generations to come. They gathered photos and quotes from important clubs, sports and social gatherings such as school dances. With their home base in room 428, Yearbookers worked hard to produce a high-quality book filled with memories and Panthers. As Aerik Pierce (9) remarked, "Yearbook was an amazing experience, filled with wonderful people who accepted me with open arms, and made me feel welcome. This yearbook was a truly unforgettable experience, and I'll keep it with me for the rest of my life."



Claire Stormont and Evelyn Gonzalez enjoy working on the cozy couches.



Everyone has their own way of being productive. Jax McNeese and Maya Lyra Worden squish together, while Elena Linzer quietly observes.

MEET THE EDITORS



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**a.k.a., the editor who saves our butts every time*



"Yearbook has been a great opportunity for me to learn about teamwork and good work ethic. I think it teaches you a lot of useful things that apply to real life. Everyone is so kind and hard-working. I'm glad that I tried it out and am grateful to have had this experience." - Ariana Young (11)



LETTER FROM THE ADVISER



"The beautiful refinement of yearbook class from the 23/24 year has never seen more beauty [sic] than we had created. Everyone loves each other!" Samuel Thomas (11)



ELPers Ethan and Shreyan problem solve when there aren't enough chairs in the room.



DEAR PANTHERS,

What a year! With the graduation of many of our most experienced editors last year, Yearbook was a new frontier, with new students in charge who had a fresh vision. This year's book is primarily the brainchild of Hanxiao Shi (12), who rose from being a new staffer two years ago, to Body Copy Editor last year, to this year becoming one of the greatest editors in chief I've ever been privileged to work with. Hanxiao's dedication to the book this year has been nothing short of super-human, and whoever is in her job next year will have some very big shoes to fill. I can't possibly thank you enough, Hanxiao. You are the epitome of the kind of "nuclear-powered overachiever" that every Yearbook adviser dreams of being able to give the top job to.

But even the greatest editors in chief can't make this book happen alone, and Hanxiao was ably assisted this year by amazing students such as Justice Porter (12), who started on this book helping us make the 2021 issue entirely on Zoom, and who has since risen to become Assistant Editor in Chief and one of the hardest-working yearbookers I've ever seen. Our Photography Editor, Evelyn Gonzalez (12), has been on the book for three years, and during that time has helped to set the standard for what a photography editor should be, taking literally thousands of the photos that a yearbook depends on, and managing her staff to get the rest. Yearbook heroes this year also included editors and staffers such as Liam Harrison-Stewart, Elena Linzer, Claire Stormont, Isabelle Atwood, Jax McNeese, Julie Gruhot, Noah Bagnall, Sam Thomas and Ariana Young, who all went above and beyond the call of duty to help Hanxiao bring her vision to life. They were assisted by many other first-year and half-year staffers who are Yearbook heroes in training.

I would also like to thank all the administrators, teachers, parents and students who went out of their way to help the Panther Yearbook do what we needed to do to document this school year. Thank you for your patience with our endless interview requests, emails, texts and intrusions. Without your school-wide, consistent help, we would never be able to do this. I would especially like to thank our new athletic director, Justin Thompson, for his assistance and advice in helping Yearbook solve some long-standing challenges we've faced in figuring out how to best coordinate team photos. Justin's out-of-the-box solutions are going to help us ensure happier teams and parents in the years to come.

And finally, thank you to ALL of you who are in this book! It's your school spirit, energy, enthusiasm and overall awesomeness that makes this book so fun to create every year. It is YOU who make this book worth having, and YOU are what this book is all about!

Jefferson Packer
Yearbook Adviser since 2017

