

Senior War Cry - 2020

Mycala Stapleton

What was the most challenging aspect of high school?

The most challenging aspect of high school was juggling homework, sports, clubs, and volunteer work. But a close second would be having to suffer through Matthew's Dad jokes during morning announcements.

Which teacher or teachers had a big impact on you?

Many of my teachers have had a big impact on my life. Mr. Hill and Mr. Hull have always challenged me to excel and Mr. Blake continues to encourage me in school and sports. Ms. Wilson has always been willing to lend an ear when I needed someone to talk to. Mr. Lineberry has taught me to have a broader viewpoint on life.

What are some of your favorite memories from high school?

Most of my favorite high school memories involved sports. Whether it was waking up at 5am for a wrestling tournament to find Sherry Lee almost breaking her finger in a door or being on the tennis courts playing doubles with Estrella, there were many treasured memories and humorous moments.

What class was the most difficult for you?

Out of all of the classes I've taken over the last four years,



Spanish class was the most difficult for me. I naturally gravitate towards mathematics so learning a new language was a challenge for me.

What would you like to say to the rest of the class of 2020?

I would like to encourage the class of 2020 to pursue their dreams and become productive members of society, dedicating themselves to what they set their hearts to.

In addition to accomplishing goals, we should all take the time to enjoy life and cherish the moments spent with family and friends.

What are your future plans?

My future plans include going to ASU and majoring in Biomedical Healthcare Informatics.

I plan to spend my career contributing to the healthcare delivery system.

A Message From the Principal

Dear Seniors:

You and I came into the building together in the fall of 2014, so I knew from experience that your last year in the building would be strangely unique and notable, but no one could have predicted you'd shut down the entire world!

Now, that's a prank for the ages!

Usually we get a chance to help our kids get ready for that final push out of the nest, but the pandemic robbed us our last couple of months together, so here are the rules I would have been teaching and reteaching during

Jayden Goss

What was the most challenging aspect of high school?

My most challenging aspect of school has to be time management.

With sports every day throughout all of my high school years, school came first. While I was practicing and playing every day, I was also getting my work done!

Which teacher or teachers had a big impact on you?

Every teacher that has taught me through high school has had an impact on me. The teachers with the most impact on me have to be Mrs. Schiefert and Mr. Vargas.

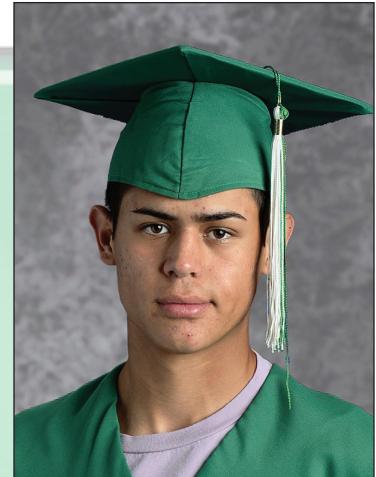
Mrs. Schiefert is my Computer Science teacher and has taught me many lessons that will travel on to my college career in Computer Science.

Mr. Vargas was not only just a teacher for me, but rather a mentor. He coached me throughout my high school basketball career. Even when I was injured, he still believed in my abilities to come back stronger.

What are some of your favorite memories from high school?

My favorite memories from high school have been hanging out with my friends and playing sports together with them.

This created friendships that



would last forever.

What class was the most difficult for you?

The most difficult class for me was English 101-102. English is not my strength.

The class had many writing assignments that were very long. I dreaded these assignments, but got through it, and I am glad I did so.

What would you like to say to the rest of the class of 2020?

I would like to say Thank You. You guys have made my high school career memorable and most of the time very fun.

What are your future plans?

My future plan is to attend Arizona State University this fall semester. I am majoring in Computer Science (software engineer).

* Nothing will get you further than gumption and scrappiness, and that's the Vandal Way.

Every year students ask if I'll miss them after graduation. You I'll miss. Go out and do the great things you're capable of doing.

Mr. Lineberry

Miami High School - Class of 2020



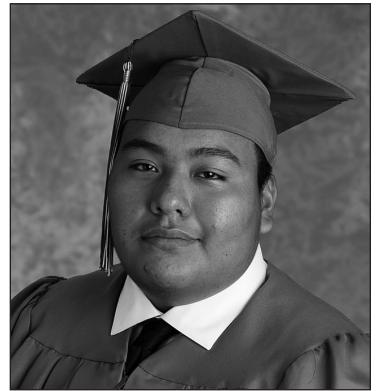
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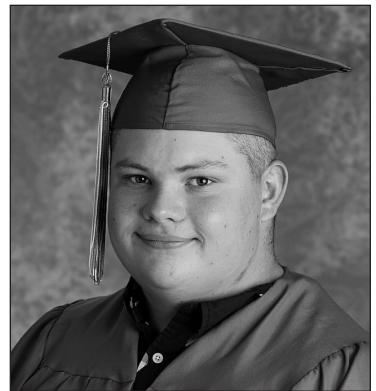
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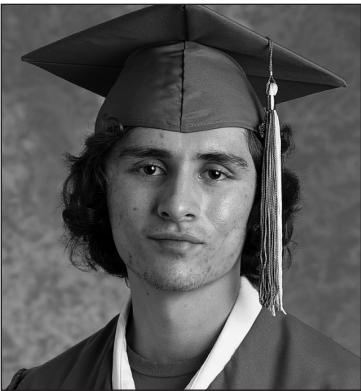
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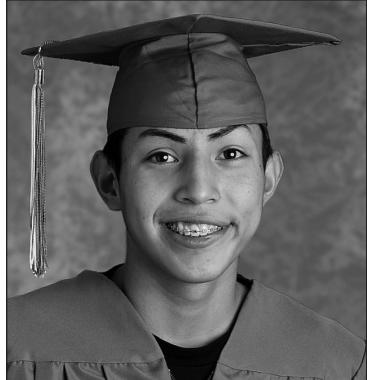
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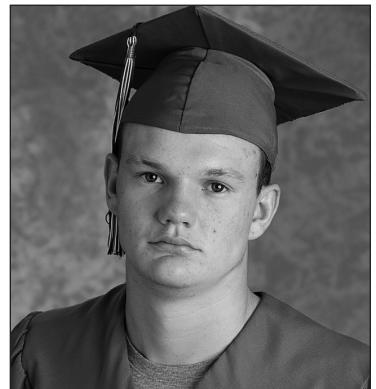
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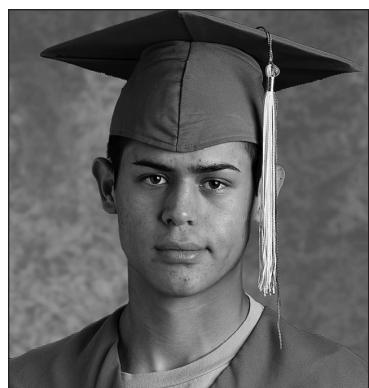
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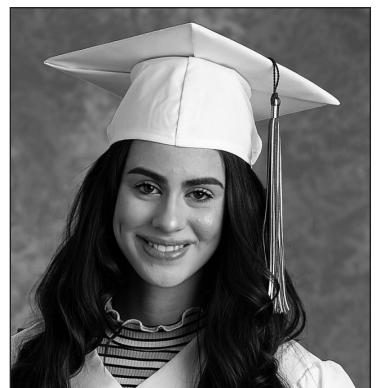
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Rayonna Hernandez



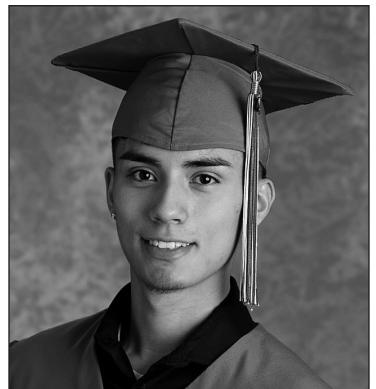
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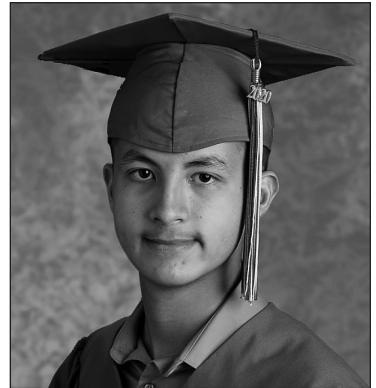
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Austin Mariscal

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Gina Moat



Damian Joseph Miranda



Troye Mowrey



Cassidy Olsen



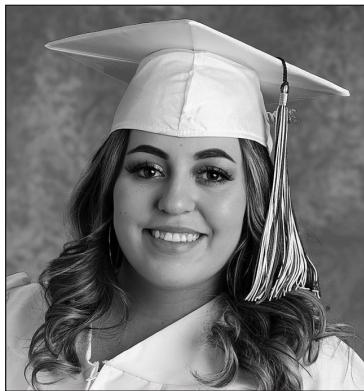
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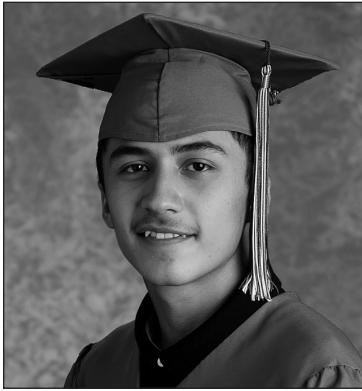
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Sonora Ramirez



Migdalia Ramos



Alex Renteria



Carina Rodriguez



Skylar Rogers



Jolene Saenz



Estrella Salazar



Logan Schminke

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William Shaw



Brent Skelly



Mycala Stapleton



Steven Stapleton



Anakah Stewart



Janaya Sullivan



Gabriella Talamantes



Michael Troglia



Remember When

Jezzmeray Sanchez Amado: Remember when Jezzmeray had a relationship our senior year? Yeah, I don't remember either. lol

Alex Angeles: Matt gave me a bloody nose from shadow boxing?

Brady Bartholomew: I won homecoming king. BEST HOMECOMING EVER!

Adam Bejarano: Someone prematurely burned the bonfire pile, but we managed to make an even bigger pile afterwards.

Gabriela Cabrera: Gina tried fighting Destiny in 6th grade?

Dominic Gonzales: Remember when Dominic stretched in the chair in economics and made the chair explode?

Natalie Harrison: Remember when Natalie wrecked her car in Poop Creek?

Obreona Horta: Me and Brady

actually stayed broken up. Yeah, us either.

Jackie Machado: Remember when most of the seniors didn't show up to school the last day before spring break?

Andie Martinez: Remember when we went back to school after spring break? Yeah, me either.

Austin Mariscal: Matthew ripped his sweats in first hour Spanish class during sophomore year.

Matt Marin: Logan ran into Mr. Marin's car.

Gina Moat: The senior class spent their last day of high school ditching at the river.

Damian Montolla: I remember my first day of school. From me going into kindergarten all the way until now. It will always amaze me how much my class has changed. I still have my best friend and I've made new friends. I keep to myself, but I'm happy that I have

my friends to yank me out.

Troye Mowrey: Most of the class left on Spring Break and it got extended.

Cassidy Olsen: Remember when Adam got sent to the office after asking for a privacy folder before a test in 3rd hour?

Madison Palmer: Mr. Lineberry dedicated an entire lecture to teaching us how to make PB&J's, and then the next day we walked into class with the supplies to make them.

Michael Paul: We all made PB and J's in Mr. Lineberry's class.

Mario Pierce: We had our last powderpuff game. I think we were in junior high, and Brady and I almost fought when he threw my quarter in the trash and I smacked his slushy out of his hand.

Migdalia Ramos: I was so scared of going to school the first day. Scared everyone was going to

make fun of me for being a two-year senior. Terrified I wouldn't be graduating on time this year.

Carina Rodriguez: Remember when I started Twitter drama about the class cause they didn't add everyone in a group chat?

Skylar Rogers: Remember when we thought senior year was going to be the hardest year?

Logan Schminke: I hit Mr. Marin's car. Oops!

William Shaw: Me, Alex and Jacob lit each other on fire in Mrs. Roberds'.

Brent Skelly: There was a time this year when the culinary class had a barbecue in the back of the school. And everyone thought we set off the fire alarm, when it was actually Damian.

Gabby Talamantes: Remember when Mr. Lineberry said the Coronavirus wouldn't ruin graduation?





I'm Going to Miss

Jezzmeray Sanchez Amado: None of you lol. Unless we were close.

Alex Angeles: I am definitely going to miss tennis. The major factors in what I am going to miss are my mentors and teachers.

Brady Bartholomew: Playing basketball for the Miami Vandals and all the teachers who helped me make it here, and most importantly I'm going to miss my class and Globe Miami week.

Adam Bejarano: The friends I've made throughout my years in high school.

Gabriela Cabrera: Mrs. O's advice and her Uno games.

Natalie Harrison: I'm going to miss Mr. Lineberry making fun of my broken pinky and for wrecking my car.

Obreona Horta: My daily talks with the woman who brings me the most peace: Mama Oldfield!

Jackie Machado: Seeing my friends

almost every day and ditching class. And making jokes with my favorite teachers.

Andie Martinez: Pregame talks with Jess. Vent sessions with Mrs. O for sure, and all the Disney fun we've had!

Austin Mariscal: Vargas, Lisa, Marin, Blake, Hill, Lineberry, Bickel, Yazzie, Joy and all of my friends I have met and known throughout high school.

Matt Marin: Telling my dad jokes, and telling people they smell like beef.

Gina Moat: Mr. Lineberry and all of his jokes that I never understood.

Damian Montolla: I'm going to miss walking into class and seeing one of my friends sitting in our spot, saying "hi" and also hearing what's new and what I should be looking forward to.

Troye Mowrey: Seeing everyone, seeing their faces all the time, because after our graduation, we

most likely will not see everyone in the same room again. It will be the end of a good generation of kids. School was a big part of why I came out, even if there was a very rough patch.

Cassidy Olsen: I'm going to miss the shenanigans in Mr. Lineberry's class, along with the always entertaining daily lunch trips with my friends.

Madison Palmer: Everything. I'm going to miss walking down the halls and seeing everyone's faces. I loved greeting the teachers and starting my day off with positivity. I'm going to miss my volleyball girls, watching hype basketball games, and playing softball. Most of all, I'm going to miss my amazing teachers.

Michael Paul: Messing around in Mr. Lineberry's class.

Mario Pierce: All the teachers and my friends, especially my last first hour period when I'm trying to go back to sleep, and I'm woken up by Gabi and Irma always arguing about the opening lock for the Chromebooks.

Migdalia Ramos: My teachers, my friends who I will be leaving behind after graduation. It's sad and scary how the day is slowly coming, and senior year is coming to an end.

Carina Rodriguez: I will miss the teachers and the underclassmen, especially most of the freshmen.

Skylar Rogers: I am going to miss all of my favorite teachers who pushed and believed in me when I didn't believe in myself.

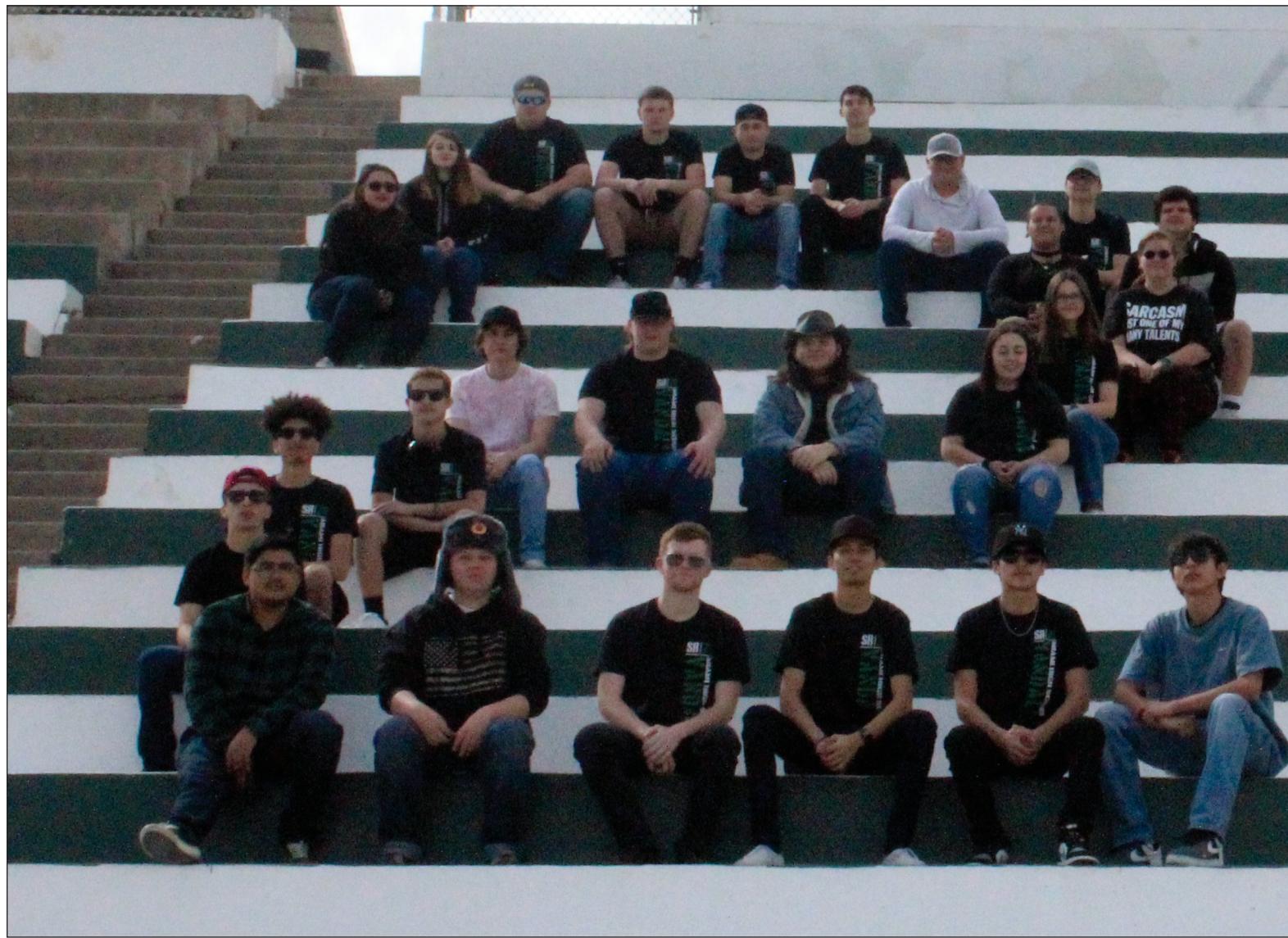
Estrella Salazar: I'm going to miss my supporting teachers always pushing me to do my best.

Logan Schminke: All of the fun adventures that started with someone asking "you want to ditch next hour?"

William Shaw: My friends.

Brent Skelly: I'm going to miss having the fun interactions with my friends and classmates.

Gabby Talamantes: I am going to miss falling asleep in class everyday.



Danielle Adams

Irma Aguilar

Jezzmeray Sanchez Amado

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Brady Bartholomew

Max Batista

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Osiris Cortie

Jacob Downey

Alexia Dutcher

Myles Foerster

Aleesia Garcia

Jessica Garcia

Aubree Gardner

Dominic Gonzales

Brian Goss

Jayden Goss

Emilee Harris

Natalie Harrison

Rayonna Hernandez

Austin Higginbotham

Brian Hopkins

Obreona Horta

Gabriel Licano

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Advice for Underclassmen

Jezzmeray Sanchez Amado: Don't be someone you aren't. Be who you are.

Alex Angeles: My advice to underclassmen would be to never slack on ANY school work, even if it is one problem. Because doing that will become a habit and next thing you know, you will be looking for a paper from two weeks ago.

Brady Bartholomew: Do the most you can while you still can, whether that be sports or Student Council. Just get involved; you won't regret it.

Adam Bejarano: The most stressful thing about senior year is realizing you're going to be graduating soon.

Gabriela Cabrera: Do not ruin your GPA, because once it is ruined, it never goes up and you will regret it your senior year.

Natalie Harrison: School really is over before you know it, so enjoy the little things.

Obreona Horta: If you have the answers for the assignment, don't be selfish. Send them to the group chat.

Jackie Machado: Take advantage and make the most of any opportunities presented to you, because you never know what could come from them.

Andie Martinez: Cherish your senior year, because there may be a pandemic that you won't see coming!

Austin Mariscal: "If you want to be successful in a particular field, perseverance is one of the key qualities." - George Lucas

Matt Marin: If people think your jokes aren't funny keep telling them, because either way they're talking about it.

Gina Moat: Don't spend all of high school ditching, but if you do make sure you make it worth it.

Damian Montolla: Never be afraid to try new things and learn new things. The more you know, the better you are in life.

Troye Mowrey: Just do your work; disrespecting teachers is really dumb, and have fun.

Cassidy Olsen: Don't take anything for granted. Enjoy all

of your events like you might not get another. Stay on top of your grades so you don't have to crunch last minute and hope you can graduate. But above all, enjoy high school while it lasts. You'll miss it.

Madison Palmer: Don't get caught up in drama. Your life will be sooo much better without it, I promise. Just be kind to people, and make memories. You only go to high school once! Stay on track with your grades, but make the most of it!

Michael Paul: Always cherish every moment. You never know if your year will be cut short like mine was.

Mario Pierce: Do what you love to do and want to do. Don't let anything stop you from doing what you want for yourself, and for those in Ms. Yazzie's class, remember to file-save as otherwise you will lose what is worth the most.

Migdalia Ramos: No matter what you, don't EVER take your junior year for granted. Never leave an assignment to the last minute – you will regret not doing it the day you got it.

Carina Rodriguez: Always stay on top of your work and never get behind, otherwise you'll regret it your senior year.

Skylar Rogers: My advice to underclassmen is don't take your senior year for granted, always participate in school activities with your class, and always stay on top of your work.

Estrella Salazar: Don't take anything for granted in high school, because before you realize it it's already over. But also don't forget to live in the moment and have fun.

Logan Schminke: Enjoy school while it lasts because you never know when it might end.

William Shaw: Don't do drugs.

Brent Skelly: The smallest amount of advice I could give the underclassmen is not to blow off a test in Mr. Hull's class. It will kill your grades.

Gabby Talamantes: My advice is to choose your friends very closely.

CLASS OF 2020



Say What?

Jezzmeray Sanchez Amado: "Get out of my chair!"

Alex Angeles: There will be a Skills meeting today at 1:15 in Ms. Yazzie's room.

Adam Bejarano: You're able to sleep in Mr. Lineberry's class, but only with your eyes open.

Gabriela Cabrera: Anything with the word pinche in it.

Obreona Horta: Are we gonna get food or go to class?

Andie Martinez: "You're dumb."

Austin Mariscal: The biggest lie I tell myself is "I don't need to write that down. I'll take a picture and remember it."

Matt Marin: Today's dad joke of the day is...

Damian Montolla: If there is one thing I can say is, focus on yourself and keep your future in mind.

Troye Mowrey: Everyone got a little mad that prom could be online. A lot of us paid a lot of money for it!

Cassidy Olsen: "Sarah, I thought you were gay." - Mr. Marin

Madison Palmer: "Wassup Maddi P!!" - literally everyone.

Michael Paul: You can only asleep in my class as long as your eyes are open.

Mario Pierce: Lisa's laugh: "ahhhahahaahhhhaahhhaha":) Love you Lisa.

Migdalia Ramos: I said "my eyes are sentimental" when I tried to say that they were sensitive.

Carina Rodriguez: "Top row's stupid huh."

Logan Schminke: Coronavirus sucks.

William Shaw: Matt's daily dad jokes.

Brent Skelly: Then there was the time when Mr. Lineberry was talking about how things were a lot more racist in the '60s (this was during American history last year). And he said, "it's always a cracker." It was the funniest thing I had ever heard a teacher say.



Last Will and Testament

Jezzmeray Sanchez Amado: I leave my seat in Lisa's classroom to Angel Mageno ... period!

Alex Angeles: I will my sweet tennis skills and lady skills to my son, Alex.

Adam Bejarano: For students in the class of 2021 who are taking welding to continue adding welds to my 40-pound practice plate.

Natalie Harrison: I will my ability to get out of anything to my little Emily Byington.

Obreona Horta: I will my ability to ditch any class without getting caught to Angel Pena and Bailee Castaneda.

Jackie Machado: I will my ditching skills to my younger brother, Angel.

Andie Martinez: I will my parking spot to Matthew Aguire. My Libero skills to Elizabeth Mathews. My ditching habits to my brother Manuel Martinez.

Austin Mariscal: I will my comic books and video games to my great friend, Devon Bishop.

Matt Marin: I will my hops to Jilliyn Marin so she can dunk soon, my good looks to Alex Castillo, and an extra sheet for Riley Guthrey.

Gina Moat: I will my ability to ditch to Samantha Gonzales.

Damian Montolla: To be better than when I first started. My last testament would be to make the future better.

Troye Mowrey: Be yourself, don't stay locked inside a closet and hide. Bust out, be free, have Pride.

Cassidy Olsen: I leave my sass

and sarcasm to Karrie, my "always there to help a friend" supportive system to Tammy, and my horrible jokes and crazy tea times to Ari.

Madison Palmer: I would like to say thank you to each and every one of my teachers, classmates and underclassmen who have made my years of high school, especially my senior year, unforgettable. To my underclassmen, you all are my motivation to be better every day. I love each and every one of you. I will my brother Stratton my grades, Jilliyn Marin my positivity and kindness, Mackenzie Anthony my style, and Brayden Kauers my dresses for Miss Miami.

Michael Paul: I leave my funny corner moments in Mr. Lineberry's to Devalcalamoin. Keep the corner funny.

Mario Pierce: I, Mario Pierce, will to Alex Castillo my confidence and skills of tennis to make it past senior year. I leave my basketball IQ to Tanner Peery, although he is four times better than me in basketball. Maybe this will give him confidence to guard the best player on the team instead of having me. Later, I'll never forget all the best and worst memories I had in school and will never forget those who stayed and helped me throughout my life. Thank you!

Carina Rodriguez: I will my good looks to Angel Pena ;) and my flying skills from cheer to my baby Emily.

Estrella Salazar: I will my appreciation and positive outlook on school to the upcoming seniors.

Logan Schminke: I leave my parking spot to the next great Cummins to come after mine!

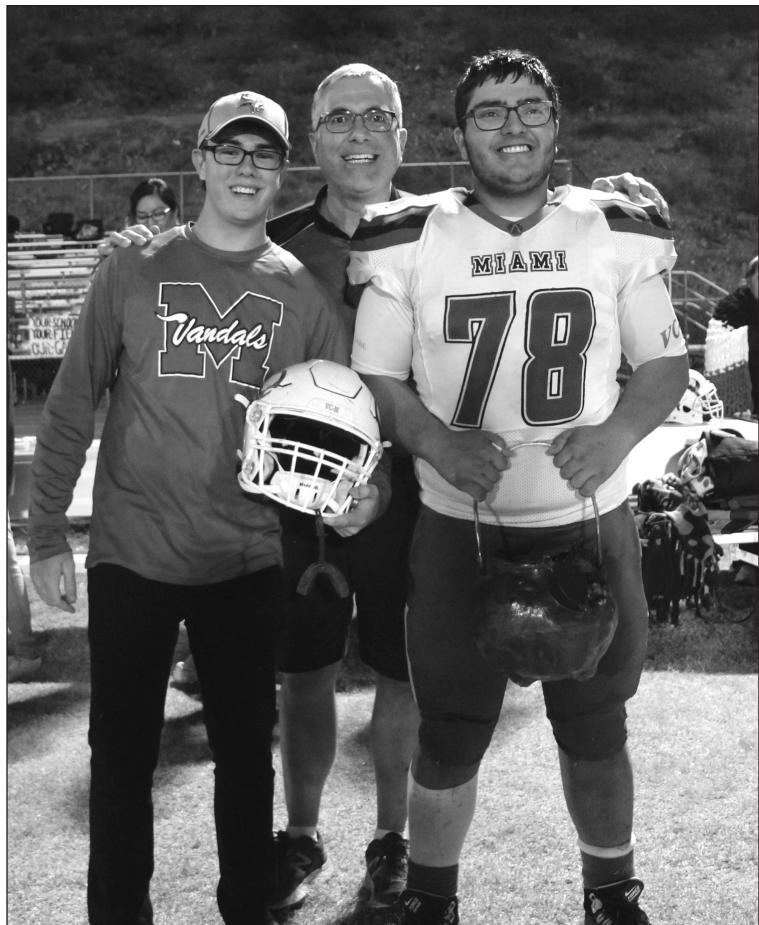
William Shaw: I will not leave

anything to anyone.

Brent Skelly: As my last will, I would've hoped to have a real graduation. But I assume that

may or may not be an option at this point.

Gabby Talamantes: I will my sleeping skills to Pricilla Falquez.





Plans for After Graduation

Jezzmeray Sanchez Amado: Move to Mesa, start my life, go to college, and live my best life with my daughter!

Alex Angeles: My plan after I graduate is to just have a stable life and work. With the encouragement of my friends and family, I will make it.

Brady Bartholomew: I am going to the Navy and then plan on getting into the business field.

Adam Bejarano: Go to college for informatics and applied sciences. And find a job in that field that I will enjoy.

Gabriela Cabrera: Getting my life together.

Natalie Harrison: I plan to keep working at Sonic and doing Cosmetology until I have enough money saved up to go to college to get a degree in Finance.

Obreona Horta: I plan on attending EAC for secondary

education, and then transferring to ASU to get my bachelor's. Who knows, maybe one day I'll have your kids in my class!

Jackie Machado: Go to college and become a registered nurse.

Andie Martinez: I plan on attending NAU to study Physical Therapy.

Austin Mariscal: Go to college, get a job, make money, buy a house, and start a family.

Matt Marin: I plan on attending Chandler Gilbert Community college, and I am going to study Business Administration.

Gina Moat: I plan to go to college and study something in health care.

Damian Montolla: I really want to jump into automotive. I might go to a college to understand more about cars.

Troye Mowrey: I plan to go to

UofA and work in the mental health adolescent programs.

Cassidy Olsen: After graduation I will be going to school to become a Nurse Practitioner. I am hoping to visit my buddies in California before they ship off for basic training in the summer.

Madison Palmer: Attending Grand Canyon University to study pre medicine.

Michael Paul: I plan to be a firefighter paramedic. Then go to nursing school.

Mario Pierce: Go to college, get a job, live life, and become successful and start a family.

Sonora Ramirez: Attending Grand Canyon University to study pre medicine.

Migdalia Ramos: Go into Gila Community College, and after that go into NAU if I am accepted there.

Carina Rodriguez: I plan to go to college at EAC or Pima medical to study something in the medical field.

Skylar Rogers: My plan for after graduation is to start focusing on my future and my career as a Nurse.

Estrella Salazar: After I graduate I plan to go to NAU. I'm not sure what I want to do yet, but I will figure it out along the way.

Logan Schminke: To prove everyone wrong.

William Shaw: Going into the Air Force as a firefighter.

Brent Skelly: My plan for after graduation is to go do an electrician apprenticeship, whenever there isn't a threat of getting sick.

Gabby Talamantes: My plan after graduation is to continue my education in the medical field and become an RN.

Athletics and Extracurriculars

Boys Basketball

Brady Bartholomew
Brian Goss
Jayden Goss
Matt Marin
Matt Troglia

Girls Basketball

Jessica Garcia
Madison Palmer
Estrella Salazar

Volleyball

Jessica Garcia
Madison Palmer
Estrella Salazar

Football

Brady Bartholomew
Austin Higginbotham
Brian Goss
Jayden Goss
Michael Paul
Alex Renteria
Michael Troglia

Baseball

Jayden Goss
Austin Higginbotham

Softball

Gina Moat
Skylar Rogers

Student Council

Danielle Adams
Gabriela Cabrera
Obreona Horta
Matt Marin
Estrella Salazar
Mycala Stapleton
Janaya Sullivan

Cheer

Aubree Gardner
Natalie Harrison
Obreona Horta
Carina Rodriguez

Cross Country

Mycala Stapleton

Wrestling

Austin Mariscal
Mycala Stapleton

Tennis

Alex Angeles
Emilee Harris
Cassidy Olsen
Mario Pierce
Estrella Salazar
Mycala Stapleton
Michael Troglia

Japanese Club

Troye Mowrey

SkillsUSA

Danielle Adams
Alex Angeles
Jayden Goss
Damian Joseph Miranda
Mario Pierce
Estrella Salazar
Janaya Sullivan
Michael Troglia

Journalism

Maya Batista

EdRising

Danielle Adams
Gabriela Cabrera
Obreona Horta
Andie Martinez
Gina Moat
Madison Palmer
Mario Pierce
Sonora Ramirez
Skylar Rogers
Janaya Sullivan
Gabby Talamantes
Michael Troglia

JSA

Matt Marin
Mycala Stapleton



Seniors 2K20

Sadie Hawkins



Notes From Your Teachers

Dear Students,

It seems such a short time ago that you were my 7th grade students. Now, unbelievably, you are ready to graduate and begin your adult life!

As the years passed, I was blessed to watch you grow in knowledge, resolve, and spirit, and you made me proud. You are incredible — you are the MJSW CLASS OF 2020!

Keeping the memories . . .

Mrs. Nowell

Dear Seniors,

The year 2020 will be remembered as the “Untouchable Lockdown” and “The Pandemic.”

But I want you to remember it as the time where you held your heads high and continued to strive through the unpredictable — as much of life will be like this. You will fail at times, but always remember that you have the ability to do what you can, with what you have, wherever you may be.

And always make the best of it — once you do, success won’t be too far behind. Congratulations Class of 2020. Best of luck to you all.

Suerte! Si Se Puede

Sra. Julia Crawford

My dear students,

“You cannot change your FUTURE, but you can change your HABITS, and surely your habits will change your FUTURE.”

Mr. M

To the senior class,

You all have left a lasting impression on me. Some I have known since you were babies, others only a few years, but I want you to know that you cross my mind often.

We have not always seen eye to eye, but the next day it doesn’t seem to matter. Just know that as you have always been welcomed into my room, and the offer still stands. I am here!

As you go out into the world to find and blaze your own path in life, don’t forget your roots. I am proud of you! Stay safe, healthy, and determined in life.

Sending lots of love,

Lisa Schiefert

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Notes From Your Teachers

To my Creative Writing Crew- Matthew, Troye, Irma, Jessica, Jacqueline and Madison:

You all were the best way to start out my day! We had so many laughs and laughed at Matt a bunch too.

Our restaurant review trip to Bloom was the highlight of the first semester — yummy food and even better company. We watched so many great '90s romantic comedies (and wrote reviews) — thank you for letting me relive my high school days. You six ARE the best of the best. You each will always hold a very special place in my heart.

Go out and do BIG things. Never settle. Believe in yourself. Explore. Dream. And for goodness sake — write about it, creatively of course.

Love,
Mrs. Alexander
AKA Sarah Medlin Class of '06

Dear Seniors,

The best words of encouragement that I can provide consist of those that have already been said:

"Continuous effort — not strength or intelligence — is the key to unlocking our potential." — Winston Churchill

"There is no [human] living who isn't capable of doing more than [they think they] can do." — Henry Ford

Jenn Walker Seniors 2020,

I wish you all the best for a bright future. "Everything will be okay in the end. If it's not okay, it's not the end."

The Class of 2020 is a group of survivors and have proved that they can take any situation and make the best of that situation. Remember, logic will get you from A to Z: imagination will get you everywhere! You're Vandals, go make a difference!

Ms. Yazzie

Class of 2020,

There are many memories in your life that will stand out to you, and I hope being a Vandal will be

a fond memory for you. Words cannot express how sorry I am that you missed out on a few this year, but if any class can make up for that, it's you.

Since you were freshmen, you have had a huge personality and an even bigger presence on campus. Day 1 of freshman year I thought, "Oh man, this class is going to be a handful!" after we had to deal with the hallway decorations war, which of course you won!

I've gotten to know many of you on the courts as well. Thank you for letting me coach you, girls and boys both. You always listened and took what I gave you. The courts won't be the same without you and you all leave a big hole to fill. All the summer volleyball trips, driving the basketball boys to games, and to the Tennis seniors who got their season cut short, thank you for all the fun times! You always made me laugh, you always made me proud, and you are all champs to me!

To the whole class ... Thank you for the smiles, the hugs, the heartfelt apologies, the jokes, and the Vandal Spirit! I leave you with a Disney quote, "You can't focus on what's going wrong. There's always a way to turn things around." — Joy, Inside Out.

Always remember as you head out into the world two very important things: Once a Vandal, Always a Vandal and all you need is Faith, Trust, and Pixie Dust!

Ms. Wilson

Class of 2020:

What a year it has been! Who knew at the beginning of the year that we were taking for granted the days we would have to spend with each other. This pandemic has given us an amazing blessing, which is the realization of how important people are to us.

While you have been stripped of many senior activities, the pandemic experience cannot take from you the pride you've earned in reaching this milestone. You have earned the diploma in circumstances not

seen in over a century — you faced adversity and triumphed. Continue to look for the bright side of things when you encounter adversity in the future.

As you continue into the next chapter of your lives, know that I will continue to be here to help you. I also expect the occasional visit along with a Pink Drink from Starbucks! You will forever be my kids. I love you and promise a hug the next time we meet!

Love,
Mrs. Oldfield (Mama O.)

Dear Seniors:

The Class of 2020 was special to me long before COVID-19 shut down school for fourth quarter. I will remember:

- * Brian's tattoo
- * Cassidy hanging out in Military Studies
- * Bonding over Motorhead with Damian
- * Troglia's legs
- * Emilee's hair
- * Aleesia giving me freebies at Taco Bell
- * Helping Coby with his Declaration of Independence essay
- * Carina complaining that my classroom smelled
- * Jolene never showing up for class

- * Matt's dad jokes
- * Anakah's singing
- * Troye giving me a book to read and me never finishing it
- * Austin Mariscal's love of Star Wars
- * Austin Higginbotham's mullet
- * Alex Renteria's and Jacob's fresh kicks
- * Alex Angeles's Jeopardy skills
- * My Thunder Buddy Sonora
- * Logan wrecking my car
- * Arguing with Jessica every single basketball timeout

- * Gabby and Skylar writing about me in their graduation speech assignments
- * Always forgetting about Gina's nut allergy
- * Joe's jokes and daily positivity
- * Adam looking like a zombie

because he played video games until 3 a.m.

* Wishing Danielle would have played basketball

* Irma being in my class for a whole week

* Madison's rebounding skills

* Estrella's incredible improvement in basketball

* Jayden stroking line drives all over the field

* Brady catching a touchdown pass right in front of me

* Jezzmeray's bandannas

* Jackie telling me about her job at El Ranchito

* Gabe being the only student I taught for my first three years as a teacher

* Ozzy's Mountain Dew

* Max designing a tattoo for me

* Mya's laugh

* Bailey never shutting up in class

* Edgar being the one senior whose name I didn't know

* Gabi jacking up threes at a record pace

* Seeing Aubree at the movie theater

* Mario and his brother nearly fighting at the open gyms

* Janaya making sandwiches for me at Subway

* Dominic's excuses

* Never having the chance to have a conversation with Brian

* Alexia and Sam hanging out in my room before school

* William and Michael Paul wrestling during fifth hour

* Obreona telling me that we would be best friends when she was a senior

* Confusing Brent with Colby Clauser

* Mycal's athletic excellence

* Never understanding what Andie's "libero" position meant

* Helping Natalie with her JFK speech assignment

* Trying to learn how to pronounce Migdalia's name

* The phone calls with Rayonna during the COVID-19 shutdown

I know all of you will do great things.

Mr. Marin