



Mary Virginia Stacey

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Mary Virginia Stacey, affectionately known as “The Hornet,” “MV,” and “Virgie,” passed away at the age of 15 on January 27, 2026, at Arkansas Children's Hospital-Northwest, leaving behind a world that is now quieter and missing a very special spark.

Born on March 31, 2010, Mary Virginia lived her life with purpose, humor, and heart. At just seven years old, she survived a medical crisis that nearly took her life, and from that moment on, everyone knew her for what she truly was: a fighter with an overcoming spirit and an unshakable joy. She didn't just survive—she thrived.

MV was fiercely proud to be a twin, a role she took seriously and lovingly. She “mothered” her twin brother, Whit, for as long as he would allow it (and sometimes a little longer). Their bond was one of her greatest joys, and being his twin was one of her favorite titles.

She never met a stranger. Friends and family were the most important thing in her world, and once you met her, you were firmly in her circle. She had a remarkable gift with children and animals, who were instantly drawn to her gentle confidence and genuine care. She dreamed of becoming a kindergarten teacher, hoping one day to follow in the footsteps of her beloved Ms. Mee—to love and guide children the way that came so natural to her. Tennis and golf were her favorite sports, and she was so proud of herself when she won the conference tennis singles title this past fall.

MV was able to live her dream of riding horses in Ireland with her sister, Annalise, when she was 12. Her love of horses started as early as she could speak. Mary Virginia was proud to receive the FIT Award (First Is Third) at Camp Ozark, an honor that perfectly reflected how she lived—putting God first, others second, and herself third. She always showed up with joy. Her confirmation saint was Saint Jude, the patron saint of impossible causes, a fitting choice for a girl who spent her life proving that impossible things can, and do, happen.



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She will be joyfully welcomed into heaven by her beloved dog, Caymus, her “Uncle” Jeff Johnson, her Pepaw John, and her baby cousin, Finn—a reunion her family imagines with smiles through tears.

MV is deeply loved and will be forever missed by her parents, her twin brother Whit, her big sister/best friend, Annalise, her little brother, Jack, and her many friends, all of whom carry her laughter, her strength, and her light with them every day. Her parents, Drs. Heath and Adriana Stacey, will miss her every day of their lives. She is also survived by her Nana and Papa (Robin and Joe Stacey) of Harrison, her Lala and Granddaddy (Lark and Robert Tommey) of Fayetteville, her aunts and uncles (Monty and Connie Lester, Terri Stacey and Julie Grant, Kyle and Amy Stacey, Chris and Ashley Menendez, John and Kelly Unger, Craig and Carri Tommey, Mat and Rebekah Ankney, and Jennifer Zoellner) and her cousins (Ethan and Eleanor Stacey, Kate, Olivia and Christopher Menendez, Lena and Gwendolyn Unger, Madison and Archie Tommey, and Henry Zoellner), and her great-grandmother, Mary Stacey. Her best friends, Elsie Stigge and Maria Montiel, were her greatest supporters. She is survived by too many other friends and family members to mention—she showed her entire family what one spunky little girl could accomplish. She was preceded in death by her grandfather, John Unger, her baby cousin, Finnegan Andrew Stacey, her great-grandfathers, William Lines, Bobby Parker, and Vernon Stacey, and her great-grandmothers, Leta Lines and Virginia Parker.

In true MV fashion, she would want to be remembered not with silence, but with stories, laughter, and love. And probably a little mischief—just enough to remind everyone she’s still near.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at her home parish, St. Joseph Catholic Church in Fayetteville, AR, at 11am on Saturday, January 31, 2026. A Rosary will be prayed before the Mass at 10:30am. There will be a reception to follow in the DeBriyn Center.

In her honor, the family invites you to share a funny MV story, wear orange in her honor, and spend some time caring for animals, children and each other—because that is exactly how Mary Virginia lived.

The family requests no flowers—in lieu of flowers, a donation may be made to the



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Mary Virginia Stacey Memorial Fund at First State Bank via the drive-thru or mail to: First State Bank, 3654 N Investment Drive #110, Fayetteville, AR 72703 or contribute online at <https://everloved.com/life-of/mary-virginia-stacey/> . Her parents and siblings will donate the funds to a number of charities that were important to Mary Virginia.

To sign the online guest book please visit <https://www.bernafuneralhomes.com>




Events


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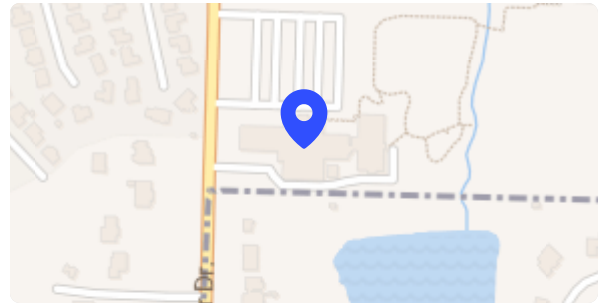
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Rosary


 **Saturday**, January 31, 2026


 10:30 AM CT


 **St. Joseph Catholic Church**
1722 North Starr Drive, Fayetteville AR

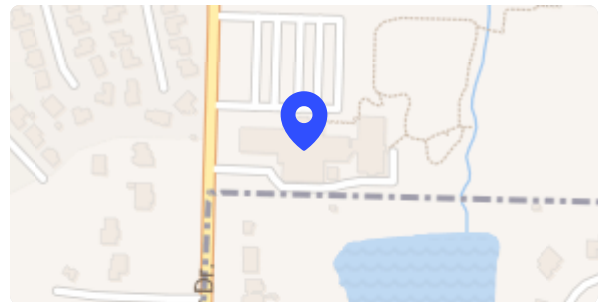


Funeral Mass

 **Saturday**, January 31, 2026

 11:00 AM CT

 **St. Joseph Catholic Church**
1722 North Starr Drive, Fayetteville AR





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? **Lora Whitacre** posted:

Sending prayers to the Stacey Family 🌸

March 2 at 5:56 PM



Chrispyosh@Aol.Com posted:

With love and prayers, Chris and Kira O'Shaughnessy

January 31 at 10:59 AM



Evelyn Billig-Petrich shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I had the privilege of growing up with Mary Virginia from 3rd through 8th grade. I'll always remember our group of eleven girls squeezed around the lunch table, laughing endlessly, usually because of one of her stories. She had a way of making everyday moments more fun and was friends with everyone. I loved cheering her on to shoot three-pointers during basketball games, as she had such a sharp shot. Whenever she made one, she'd wink at me with a smile. I'll always cherish the memories of our school years together, of us playing four-square at recess, laughing at lunch, and even dancing together with a street performer in DC. Being around her meant you would be laughing and happier than when you came. Rest easy, MV, you will always be loved.



January 28 at 6:56 PM



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Alesia Schaefer posted:

Nine years ago, I wrote a story on Mary Virginia. I sat at the kitchen table with her mother for several hours on a cold afternoon in January. I listened to her recount some dark days in October of 2017 when Mary Virginia had to be transported to Children's Hospital in Little Rock and spent several weeks battling for her life with what was eventually diagnosed as viral myocarditis. Meanwhile, this plucky seven-year-old, little sprite of a girl with giant eyes stared at me. I knew the welcome home cake on the kitchen counter was way more important to her than the story her mom was telling me. But, she seemed unfazed. She was a survivor. I was impressed with her fearlessness and her resiliency. How, despite her health, she was tackling each day with gusto. I was changed by her story as I hoped others would be when they read of this little girl with undaunted courage and a miraculous recovery. The truth is, anyone who knows Mary Virginia's story is changed. Her life was a testimony to living fearlessly and joyfully. My encounters with her since then have been brief, but I have watched her grow from that little girl, to the kid sister of Annalise, following her around, watching her in high school, until she herself became a beautiful young woman with an infectious smile. It's often said that people can be better for knowing someone. With Mary Virginia, we can all feel blessed for knowing her. Her time on earth feels brief, but in that time, she impacted a lifetime of people and spread love and hope to all she encountered. <https://arkansas-catholic.org/2018/01/30/healing-for-fayetteville-girl-called-gods-intervention/>

January 31 at 8:59 AM



Zoribel C. planted a grove of 3 Memorial Trees in honor of Mary.



January 30 at 11:41 PM



Seth Alvarez posted:

I remember a few years ago all of us were at the Stacey's house. Elsie drove a four-wheeler with Mary, Sam and me. We were trying to get away from Joseph, Brandon, and Whit because they were shooting at us with gel guns. It was a fun time that I'll always remember.

January 30 at 9:44 PM



Danny & Janie Worsham planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mary.



January 30 at 8:19 PM



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HP

House Of Praise planted a grove of 10 Memorial Trees in honor of Mary.



January 30 at 8:17 PM

CS

Christy Stigge posted:

Stories for a few of the pics I posted... the girls after buying fake ear cuffs/rings (whatever they called them) at Claire's, and MV was scared for me to send the pic to Adriana without saying j/k... she knew the look would not go over well, lol. A pic of a day at SDC when it was a torrential downpour and we were all cranky except for MV, she kept the lights on and spirits high, even better than us adults. A pic of MV and Elsie in matching dresses but they didn't want Nora to feel left out, so they picked one out of Nora's closet that was similar. Mary had a heart of gold and wanted everyone to feel special and joyful.

January 30 at 7:29 PM

K

Kahren Carlson posted:

Recently, she got to dance with the Sapphires at OCA for the pep rally because we were short on dancers. During the one practice she attended, there was not a single moment where nobody wasn't smiling or having fun. It was the most fun dance practice I got to enjoy. She always lit up the room and always shined.

January 30 at 3:46 PM

IO

Infectious Disease Of Nwa sent a Vivid Recollections to the Stacey family.



January 30 at 2:33 PM

IO

Infectious Disease Of Nwa planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mary.



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GR

Grace posted:

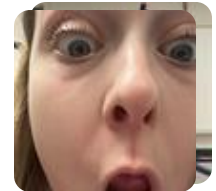
I have so many memories of Mary from growing up just across the street from each other and from getting to spend high school with her. My favorite memory overall has to be when I taught her how to pump gas her freshman year. We had some time before basketball so Mary Kinley and I went to get some gas for my car and a 7 brew drink. Mary was excited to learn and when she took the pump out of the car I forgot to tell her she had to release the handle and so the gas sprayed everywhere and Mary Kinley and I laughed for probably 10 min straight it was so funny but I will never forget her laugh it truly was the happiest sound. Fly high sweet Mary I will love you always ☐☐

January 30 at 1:10 PM

FS

Francesca S shared a photo and a video to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Sometimes when Mary went into the office last year she would pick up my phone, along with friends sometimes, and start taking selfies on my phone. I have so many of these photos spread throughout my camera roll now to remind me of her goofy and joyful personality, Thank you MV!

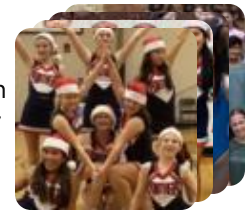


January 28 at 6:56 PM

EE

Erica Erck shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I had the most fun being Mary's cheerleading coach her seventh grade year when Liv was in eighth grade... they did a fabulous Christmas dance, where Liv and MV joined arms and made a diamond for the ending pose! I believe they had bonded over the mission trip the previous summer... which made my heart happy to see the two of them laugh and joke! I also remember a fun Saint Joseph ice-skating field trip where Liv led the "conga line" and MV in the middle and it eventually ended up in a giant pile up in the middle of the ice-skating rink! Mary Virginia always has such a great smile to light up the room - ready for fun and laughter, ready to help and maybe pull some pranks!! Whenever Mary Virginia's name has been mentioned in our house over the years, my husband lovingly in a dad joke way changes peoples names to be funny... She has often been Mary Kentucky, Mary Connecticut, Mary Indiana... It always makes us laugh!!!! 😊 MV touched so many lives. It may take a lifetime to find out all of them... We love you and we'll pray for you always - God bless Mary Alabama.



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SE

Stella Eikenberry shared 26 photos and 2 videos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Mary was a really good friend of mine, and I have so many amazing memories of her, but one of my favorite memories of Mary was when we were little and every year we would put together little dances for the talent show.

January 28 at 6:56 PM

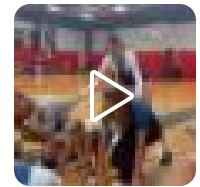


TW

Teisha Weisenfels shared a video to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Mary Virginia had the most joyful spirit and left a lasting mark on our family. My 4-year-old daughter, Madelyn, absolutely adored her. She was fun, full of energy, endlessly patient, and always made her feel special—like one of the big kids. I truly enjoyed watching them play, and am so grateful that we got to know her. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen. ❤️

January 30 at 1:33 AM

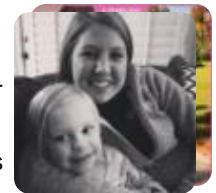


OH

Olivia Hurd shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Sweet Mary Virginia... a little BFF of mine anytime I came to visit her. I think I met her for all of 5 minutes the first time I met the Stacey family & came back a few weeks later and she sprinted up for a hug yelling "Olivia!" as I came through the door. God's greatest example of a pure & sweet soul. I will absolutely never forget the summer days visiting my sister, Abbie, and getting to see & hang out with MV and her siblings. So true when you say this girl never met a stranger. I saw Adriana's posts often of her looking for babysitting jobs and I think I would have moved to NWA just to have a babysitter like Mary Virginia. Her light will live on through her siblings and I hope she keeps a hand on my kiddos from heaven. She'll have a piece of my heart forever and ever. I love you MV!

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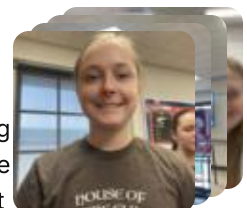


CE

Caroline Elser shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

It is hard to think of a memory of Mary Virginia without her smiling or laughing. She would come into the library with an up-to-no-good smile, laughing and talking about her classes, her family, her friends, her latest tennis match. She would leave behind drawings and notes. She often came in with a bag of cereal, confiding that she just ate the chocolate pieces and threw the rest away. She left an immeasurable mark on those around her, a joy and a blessing. She will be greatly missed. Thanks be to God for her life. 🙏

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CF

Canode Family sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Stacey family.

January 29 at 8:08 PM



CF

Canode Family planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mary.

January 29 at 8:08 PM



KF

Kaedon & Shannon Steinert Family sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Stacey family.

January 29 at 6:29 PM

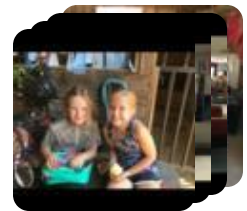


CC

Courtney Chaney shared 5 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

MV was one of Evies first friends at Deer Creek Farm! I am so thankful for the friendship and horse bond they got to share with the DCF crew ❤️

January 28 at 6:56 PM



VS

Valentina Salinas shared a video to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Mary Virginia would always light up the halls with her big smile and bright personality. We were so blessed to have her join our dance performance last week. May her soul rest in peace 🙏

January 29 at 6:09 PM



AB

Austin, Laura, Max, And Olivia Barrow sent a Small Garden Dish to the Stacey family.

January 29 at 5:34 PM





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Robin Stacey shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Our fun day at cooking school.

January 29 at 5:09 PM



Carroll Uithoven posted:

I did not know MV personally although I wish I had. Her mom and my daughter Jill were besties and roomies back in the day in Tuscaloosa. Adriana, we are so sorry for your loss. Love, Carroll and Mark Uithoven

January 29 at 4:38 PM



Robin Stacey posted:

Among so many good times, Mary Virginia and I had so much fun attending a cooking class weekend at the Keeter Center at College of the Ozarks. She was so joyful and fun. We'd cooked Saturday morning and with our afternoon off, we went to Springfield shopping. These memories are very special to me, along with so many more. It was a special time. Chef Strickland was so kind and moved his chair at lunch saying he wanted to sit by Mary Virginia. In the two short weekends he knew her, he recognized how special she is. They sat there all through the meal and had a private conversation at the end of the table. This is just a little time I got to share with her that I'll always have in my heart.

January 29 at 3:45 PM



Anonymous sent a Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet to the Stacey family.

January 29 at 3:05 PM



Chad And Lauren Abbott sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Stacey family.

January 29 at 2:17 PM





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CA

Chad And Lauren Abbott planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Mary.



January 29 at 2:17 PM

CH

Christina Harris lit a candle in honor of Mary.

I am struggling to find the right words because I know there aren't any that can truly meet a loss like this. Please just know that I am holding you and your family in my heart. I'm wishing you all the peace possible as you navigate these coming days

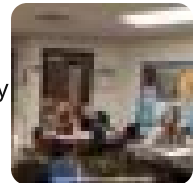


January 29 at 1:45 PM

JO

John Mark Otten shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Every day in the hallway, my homie would walk by and I would get my high five and my "How ARE you Mister Coach Otten??" And I would make sure my high five stung just enough so that she'd give me her MV sarcastic scold. When my wife helps me grade homework, she'd always know which one was MV's from the handwriting right away



January 29 at 12:36 PM

CS

Christy Stigge shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.



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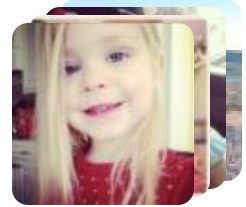
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AF

Abbie Forester shared 14 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I don't even know where to begin, MV! Being your nanny through my college years, and spending time with you and your siblings, was one of the highlights of my life! When I first met you, right around your 2nd birthday, your mom told me not to be bothered if you didn't like me right away. And when I first met your dad he said he was, "a little scared of you", this is also the first taste I got of his unique sense of humor! Which turns out, you ended up possessing. We had no issue, MV. From day one we were inseparable. You were my sweet little baby I carried around everywhere, rocked to sleep, filled hundreds of juice cups for, read to, sang with, took afternoon drives with. We also were roommates for every vacation, and this is when I learned you never slept. Like ever. Too much life to live, too much fun to be had. When I turned 21 and had to renew my ID, you asked your mom to find you an ID so you could join me on Dickson. Real talk, you were nuts and the life of the party. You and Whit were inseparable, and mischievous! Nothing deterred college boys more than the two car seats in the back of my car! You adored Annalise and trying to keep up with her in everything she did. My favorite memories are Halloween nights (the year you were spiders was my favorite!), Little Gym mornings, playing at Wilson Park, swimming all summer long, Rosemary trips, the list is endless. It was in the mundane, slow days that we really built our bond. I knew and loved everything about you and I know you did me as well. You loved to have your hair dried after your bath, and pull bows out of your hair. You were Whit's keeper and Annalise's best friend. As I grew up and became a mom myself, seeing you with my children was magical. You were everything good in this world, Mary, and I am just so thankful to have been a small part of it. There is no one like you. All the love and goodness and faithfulness that you stood for will be carried on through Annalise, Whitman, and Jack. May your soul rest in God's eternal, radiant presence. I will love and miss you forever and ever, my sweet little baby.



January 28 at 6:56 PM

CS

Christy Stigge shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Too many wonderful memories to count. Elsie loved living life with Mary and the support and love they shared was truly special and rare. We are forever grateful they had each other. Nora adored her like another big sister. Our entire family loved her like she was part of ours. Nothing will fill the void she has left, but her laughter, her smile, her gentle nature, will go with us for the rest of our lives. We cannot wait to hug her again someday. I know she'll catch me up on all the happenings like she always did, and we'll share a joke and a good laugh. We love you MV.



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Gabrielle Fendyan posted:

The day after state when we came home and cleaned Dr. Staceys windows terribly, but then we found a biker gang and Mary insisted we take photos with them.

January 29 at 11:51 AM



Alexander Smith shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

My first assignment as a priest with Saint Joseph's Catholic Church and School. I was grateful for kids like Mary who had a heart of Jesus and taught me and challenged me to be a better priest each day. I know Mary Virginia will continue to challenge me from above with the help of the Lord and our blessed Mother to be the priest I'm called to be each day. Thank you Mary for your example and your heart full of the Lord.



January 28 at 6:56 PM



Paula Grage shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

We will always cherish our time with sweet Mary Virginia. Thoughts and prayers, Paula and Caroline Grage

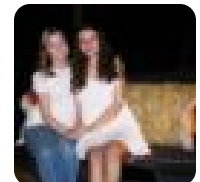


January 29 at 10:47 AM



Mia Partin Smith shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

On day 1, they became best friends! Brylee will always love you Mary Virginia. MV shared kindness, joy, and love that was infectious. When she slept over at our house last month, the story of her mom hitting the family of raccoons and needing her car towed was so unbelievably funny the way she told it! Lighting up the room was her gift. Mary Virginia, you will be greatly missed! ❤️🙏



January 29 at 7:43 AM



Keilee Hernandez posted:

With her positive attitude and the way God's love shined through her so beautifully. She always made everyone feel welcome and never failed to make us laugh☺️

January 28 at 11:56 PM



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AH

Addison Hickman shared 12 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Sweet sweet MV! My college years sure wouldn't been the same without you. You brought so much joy through your silliness and sweet spirit. The Stacey family was like a family to me and I'm forever grateful for them allowing me to watch over Annalise, Mary Virginia, Whit and Jack. I have way too many amazing memories to count with Mary Virginia but one of my favorites was taking her to her riding lessons. Getting to see her do something she loved so dearly was so much fun to me. I loved watching your excitement, cheering on your achievements and watching you light up once we arrived. The conversations we shared and the joy she carried are moments I will cherish for forever. I remember when you went from riding sweet Tater Tot, to graduating up to riding Freedom! I was just so proud of you!! When we would arrive, she couldn't wait to show me everything she has to do to get her horse ready for the lessons - I learned so much from her. It was such special moments that I got to share with MV and I never want to forget it. Every moment we had together shaped me in ways I didn't even realize at the time. She had a way of leaving a mark on everyone who knew her, and she certainly left one in my heart. I am forever grateful for the time we had together, you will always be loved MV ❤️



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LR

Leslie Reyes posted:

Mary and I weren't the closest, but every memory I have shared with her have been some of the best ones. She's always had just the biggest heart and is such an easy person to talk to. My favorite memory with her was when I was in the library because I was feeling terrible and Mary walks in and tried to cheer me up by showing me a dance. My little brother Liam was scared of everyone but he loved Mary and always ran up to her all excited.

January 28 at 11:12 PM

LR

Leslie Reyes shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.



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Turner Mccrea shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

MVI had the absolute honor to babysit Mary Virginia while I was in college a few years ago and I have always said I've never met a sweeter family in my entire life. They care. They encourage. They love. Mary Virginia truly LOVED others. I felt her love from the second I pulled up in her driveway and she would run outside to meet me at my car door and walk me in, excited to show me how she cleaned or redecorated her room. I will never ever forget the day she surprised me with the sweetest gift. She remembered that I told her how cute her Ugg slippers were one day and a few weeks later she surprised me with brand new hot pink Ugg slippers that she bought herself and saved up her allowance for... I will never forget her selflessness, love for others, courageous personality, love for her pets, and contagious laughter. I think I laughed the entire time I was with her! I will cherish those sweet memories with MV forever and ever. I will keep the entire Stacey family in my prayers as they go through the unimaginable. I love you forever MV and I will wear my hot pink Uggs everyday in honor of you! ☐☐



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Ashley Davis shared 64 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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Ashley Davis shared 62 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

She lit up every room she entered. Every day spent teaching MV was a joy. Many prayers

January 28 at 6:56 PM



Savannah Johnson posted:

The more I think about MV the more I realize that I don't have a single memory of her when she wasn't smiling. So many people have said that she could light up a room, and they are 100% right. I think MV was the definition of light up a room. Happy, bubbly, kind, always smiling, always making other people smile. I hope she knows how much she is loved. Fly high sweet girl ☐. Heaven is blessed to have you.

January 28 at 10:24 PM



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MC

Madeline Courser posted:

Mary made me smile every time I saw her. Because I am a senior, we never were in the same class but would talk in the halls or at lunch. We would always share a funny look or witty remark to make each other laugh. She was also one of my #1 supporters in Elk. Every time I was feeling like I wasn't being heard as House President she would make eye contact with me and nod her head in a teasing way and it always made me feel at ease and heard. Though I wasn't close with her, I will miss our small moments- they truly made my day better. I am glad I was even a small part of her life and I plan to continue to share the joy and light she gave me. ☐

January 28 at 10:23 PM

DC

Dominique Castillo shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

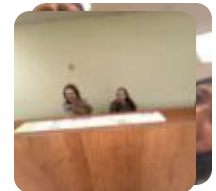


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DC

Dominique Castillo shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Mary was the most sweetest girl ever . I remember how we bonded during the mission trip last summer. I had so much fun being with her and getting to know her. I remember when we got back from the trip I gave her a hug and said " Omg this was so fun I wanna do this next year and you better be there." It was such an honor to be able to know her. The Family and Mary will always be in my prayers. Rest well sweet girl.



January 28 at 10:19 PM

AJ

Avalee Johnson posted:

Mary was always one of the cool older girls when we were at SJS but she was more than that too. Mary was always so kind to the younger kids and was so good at making sure everyone felt as if they belonged. My 7th grade year (Mary's 8th) we played on the same basketball team and during that season it always felt hard for me to connect with some of the other older girls but Mary never made it feel hard or awkward. She always had the biggest smile and the biggest heart and I am forever thankful for the kindness she has shown me my whole life. I love you so much Mary☐

January 28 at 10:19 PM



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Mary Virginia Stacey

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OH

Olivia Harbaugh posted:

One of my favorite memories of Mary Virginia is when we were on our way to tennis conference. We had an hour and half drive. And someone had generously supplied our tennis team with small orange juice bottles. I seriously think that she drank 4 or more bottles of orange juice before her match. That girl LOVED her orange juice. She never failed to put a smile on my face or make me laugh. I seriously have never met a more positive person in my life and I fear I'll never meet another. I regret never telling her that I actually cared about her. I wish I could've given her one last hug. I love you Mary Virginia and I'll never forget you.

January 28 at 10:16 PM

BL

Brynnlee Langford posted:

The first time I met Mary Virginia was at a tennis match. When I first saw her, I could tell she was fierce and confident, with a side of mischievousness. She never gave up in what she wanted. She fought till the very end of every single match she ever played. I know that she fought in every trial that was thrown her way. Glad I got to meet you, Mary Virginia!

January 28 at 10:14 PM

BM

Brynn Morgan shared 8 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Often times after people pass everyone usually says that person was really something special, but with Mary this truly is the case. I have had the absolute honor and privilege to be able to call MV one of my closest friends. She always knew how to put a smile on my face during the happiest and saddest times. She had a way of taking my mind off things without me even realizing. I remember it was our first basketball home game of the year and I was very upset with how everything went and MV was the first person to come up to me and cheer me up she told me "Brynn this is like your first basketball game ever why are you even crying it doesn't matter" and I remember standing there laughing because nothing was ever that serious with MV she didn't care if we won or lost as long as we had fun doing it. I will forever remember our car rides to practice and games where we talked about anything and everything. MV will always hold a very special place in my heart. I love you so much MV ❤️



January 28 at 6:56 PM

SJ

Savannah Johnson posted:

Mary always took care of my little sister Avalee by treating her with kindness and respect, which is something as an older sister I will never forget. Love you forever MV ☐

January 28 at 10:04 PM



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TP

Tina Pickett shared 18 photos and 2 videos to the **Tribute Wall** album.



January 28 at 6:56 PM

KS

Karianne O'shaughnessy posted:

She was genuinely the funniest girl I have ever known. People always say someone "lit up a room," but she truly did, any room, any day. She never failed to make me smile, and it was an absolute privilege to be her teammate. She was somehow even more brainrotted than me, and she said "6/7" more than anyone I knew. One of our running jokes was that I called her "gluten girl" because she had celiac, and I'd tease her with gluten every lunch, and she'd slap me every time! I wouldn't trade those moments for anything. I'll miss you so much, gluten girl!

January 28 at 9:40 PM

KM

Krissa Mentuis shared 4 photos and a video to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Thank you for giving us a reason to laugh and smile each day. Forever in our hearts. ❤️



January 28 at 6:56 PM

AR

Andrea Reyes posted:

I have known the Stacey family for a while now and it has given me the privilege to watch MV grow into a wonderful young woman. I remember us having small inside jokes and she was always there for anyone with a happy smile on her face. This past year, I have gotten to see her grow so fond of my little brother, Liam. She always took him with her at basketball games to play, grab some snacks, or even to give my mom a break. She would also play with him while she was in the middle of tennis practice and Liam loved it. Rest easy MV, you are so loved. ☐☐☐

January 28 at 9:28 PM

AR

Andrea Reyes shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.



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LE

Liv Erck shared 6 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

I don't have a specific memory I have with Mary, but she made my 8th grade year better. She always knew how to make me smile and laugh. Everytime I saw her she would lighten my day! I enjoyed playing basketball and being on the same cheer team as her. I loved our talks and laughs. Going on the mission trip in the summer was so much fun sitting with her on the bus and watching movies together. Painting the walls together and getting paint all over us was so much fun. She was one of the people I really missed seeing everyday after I graduated 8th grade at St Joseph. We were tight and I enjoyed how close our bond was. Mary Virginia will always have a special place in my heart and will be greatly missed forever.



January 28 at 6:56 PM

EA

Evelyn Allbright posted:

I too had the privilege of playing Mary Virginia in the conference tennis championship. It was such a close match, but Mary Virginia was better. After she won the match, we gave each other a great big hug because although we were opponents, she still treated me with kindness. At the end of the match, she told me that she couldn't wait for the next seasons match- that is a kindness that you don't find in an everyday tennis match. I wish you and your family the best! -Evelyn Allbright

January 28 at 9:17 PM

KW

Karina Wilhelm shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

MV was one of the strongest, sweetest, and funniest girls I ever met. She had a really beautiful friendship with my younger brother Lucas, which always lead to a bunch of "play dates" between Annalise, Whit, Mary Virginia, Lucas and I. For many years, MV was like the younger sister I never had and even when we weren't as close she would still always run up to me with the biggest hug and smile. I am forever grateful for every moment we shared together as they were always filled with so much laughter, joy, and love. Love you MV ☐☐☐



January 28 at 9:05 PM



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KP

Kenzie Peyton posted:

I had the privilege to play Mary Virginia this year in the conference tennis matches. She beat me by a good amount, but she played with great humility and kindness. I'm grateful that she won that day, because her hard work and passion absolutely deserved to be rewarded. She was a great opponent and spoke with kindness and strength. I loved and admired the confidence and grit she played with, yet she always was kind to me. I hope that one day I can play as hard and as passionately as Mary Virginia did every tennis match. -Kenzie Gordon

January 28 at 8:54 PM

LW

Lucas Wilhelm shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

remembering the days when I was in 1st grade and MV and I loved to go to the mall with my mom to ride the animatronics around the building and then get dippin dots. So blessed to have MV's friendship in my life & to have made great memories.



January 28 at 8:29 PM

SP

Stacy Pedersen posted:

I was the kindergarten aid for Ms. Mee when Mary Virginia was in kindergarten, and I remember that year so well, in part because of the joy Mary Virginia brought with her every day. She was always full of smiles and hugs ~ one day she jumped up in my lap and gave me a big hug around the neck and said, "Mrs. Pedersen, when I'm sitting her with you like this, it's like the best day ever!" What a dear heart and sweet soul. The world has been so blessed to have her in it!

January 28 at 8:10 PM

SJ

Samuel J posted:

Mary Virginia was always smiling. Whenever I was at their house visiting Jack she would always welcome me happily. She was the best, never said anything hurtful or unkind around me, just kindness, compassion and she just was the best. We will always be praying for her We will forever miss her Samuel

January 28 at 7:51 PM

SU

Sunday posted:

Mary made me smile by being so kind and welcoming on our Alive in You trip this summer.

January 28 at 7:37 PM



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Mary Virginia Stacey

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GC

Guadalupe Conduff shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Mary touched our family since she was little, Branden always made sure we brought gluten free items for Mary. He cared for her like a little sister, Mary will forever be in our hearts! We will miss you a bunch but we know you'll be smiling from above! 🍀



January 28 at 7:26 PM

EH

Evvie Humphreys posted:

Any time Mary Virginia would see me, she would smile so big, and give me the biggest hug, and get so excited whenever I was around. She never made me feel like a burden, or like someone who shouldn't be there. If MV was around, it automatically felt like home

January 28 at 7:01 PM

EH

Evvie Humphreys posted:

One day, at Alive in you, after singing and dancing for hours, it was finally time to go to bed, I would make jokes, and she would keep cracking up, and making me feel special and important, then, when we turned off the lights, a few minutes later I said goodnight, and she cracked up, truly one of the best people I've ever had the pleasure of knowing

January 28 at 7:00 PM

SH

Stephanie Humphreys posted:

She always had a smile on her face and a joke or snarky remark. The most recent conversation I had with her was at a SJCS home basketball game just over a week ago. She was sitting alone, away from the crowd. I asked her why she was over there by herself she replied, "Mrs. Humphreys, I'm aura farming. It's all good!" I had no clue what she was talking about, but somehow I knew, she was enjoying the game, being by herself, people watching, and waiting for her little brother Jack to be put in the game. She was always a light to me and everyone around her. She will be missed terribly until we join her in God's kingdom. See you again MV. I love you

January 28 at 6:59 PM

EH

Evvie Humphreys posted:

I would share something little but meaningful that happened to me in my day, and she always made it feel like it was the most important Thing she heard all day

January 28 at 6:58 PM



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Evvy Humphreys posted:

I learned to never be anything but confident and happy. She taught me that there's always going to be people who don't like what your doing, but listen to the people (like MV) who like you and love you for who you are

January 28 at 6:57 PM



Evvy Humphreys posted:

At alive in you, she made me feel so seen and happy, and she never failed y on make me feel happy and funny. My favorite memory is when I would make a joke to her, and she would never fail to crack up, I love you Mary Virginia, fly high

January 28 at 6:56 PM



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Evelyn Billig-Petrich shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

January 31 at 10:20 AM





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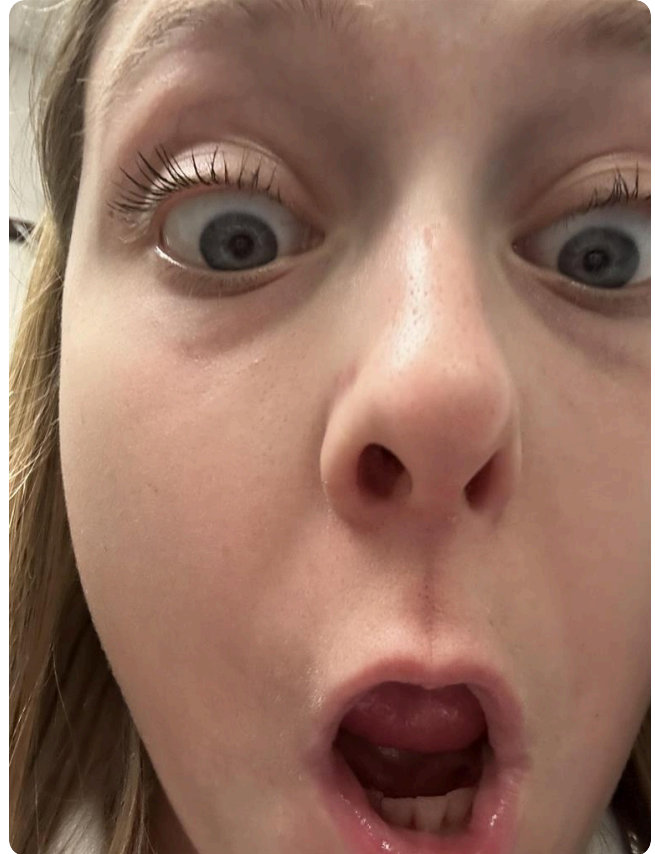
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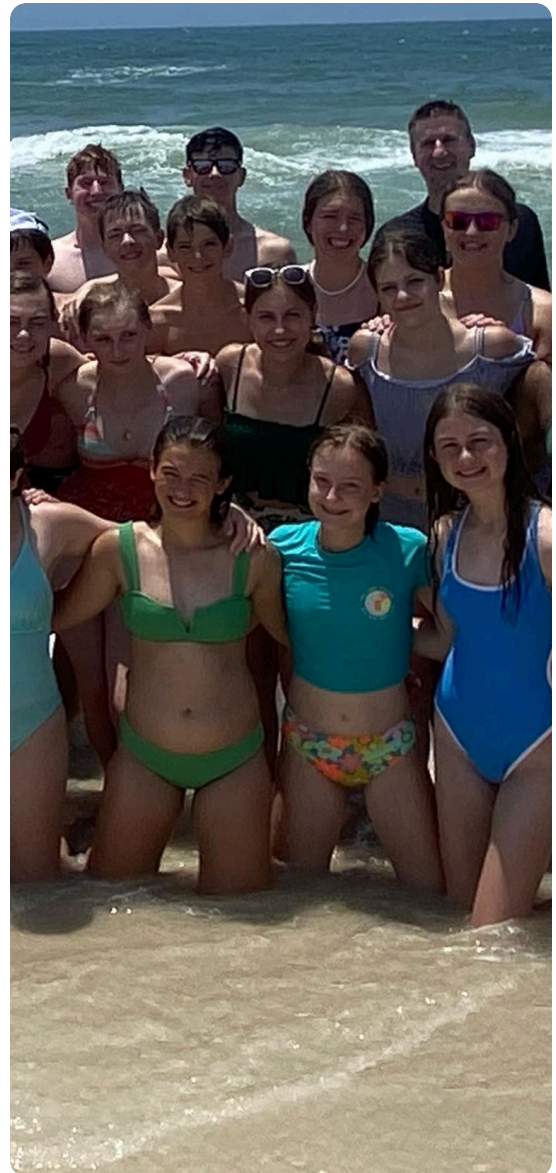
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Erica Erck shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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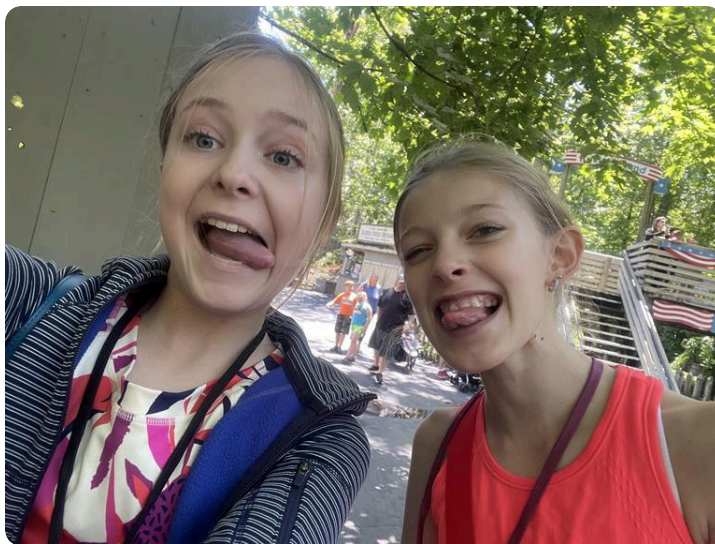
Stella Eikenberry shared 26 photos and 2 videos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

January 30 at 10:23 AM















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SE



TW

Teisha Weisenfels shared a video to the **Tribute Wall** album.

January 30 at 1:33 AM





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Olivia Hurd shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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CE

Caroline Elser shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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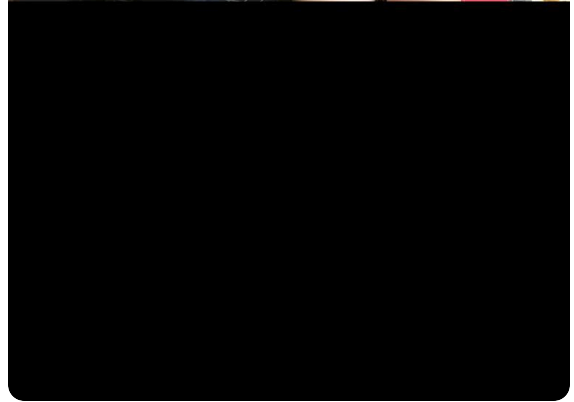
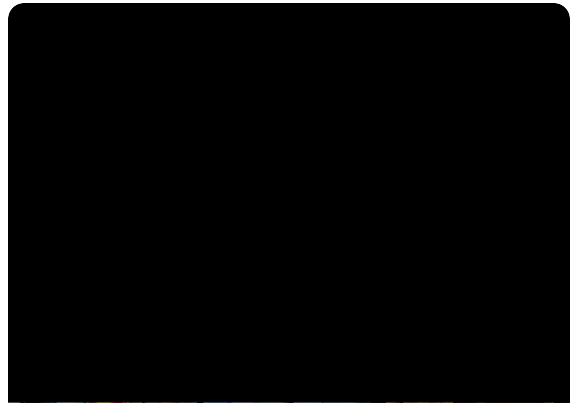
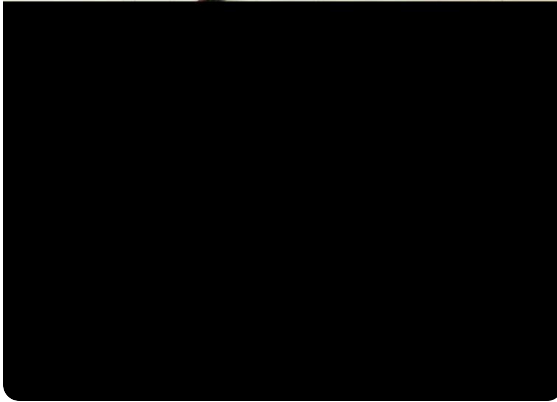
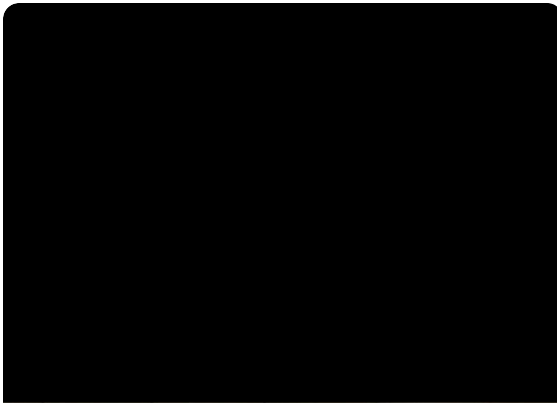




Courtney Chaney shared 5 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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Valentina Salinas shared a video to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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RS

Robin Stacey shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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JO

John Mark Otten shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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Christy Stigge shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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Abbie Forester shared 14 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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Happy happy birthday to our babble: we hope you have a great day! [Abbie Forester](#) (One of my favorite pictures- an oldie but goodie) 🎂🍷



Robin Parker Stacey and 14 others 4 Comments



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Christy Stigge shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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Alexander Smith shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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Paula Grage shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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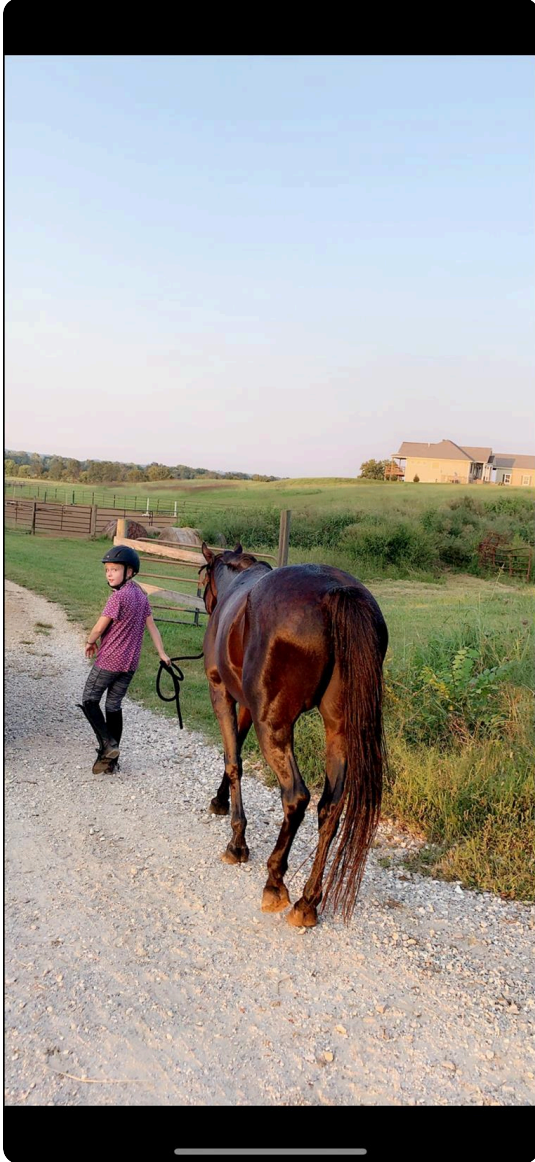
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Addison Hickman shared 12 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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Leslie Reyes shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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Turner Mccrea shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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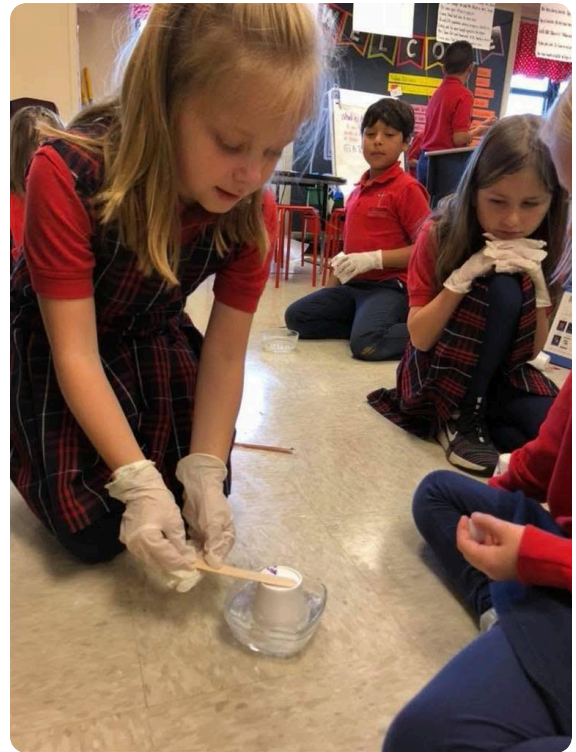




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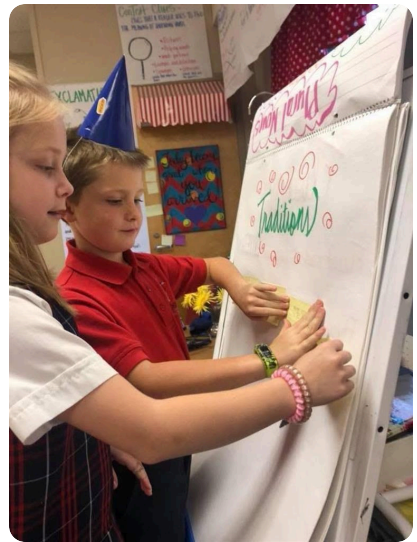
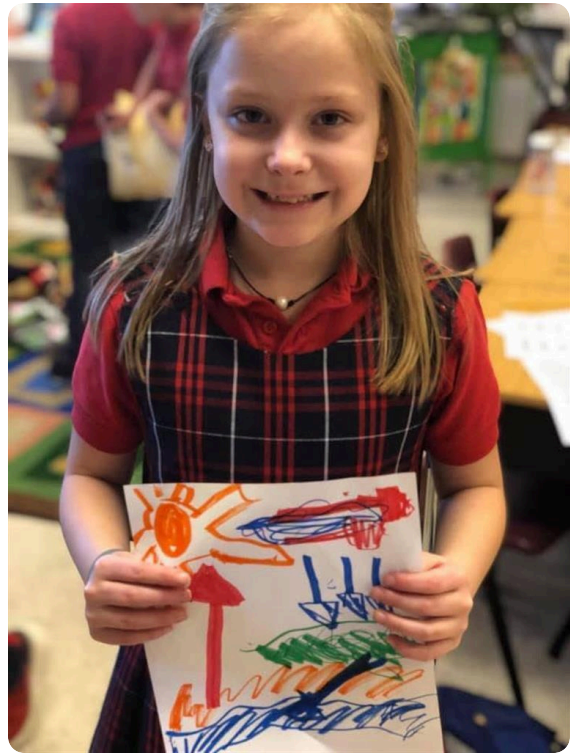








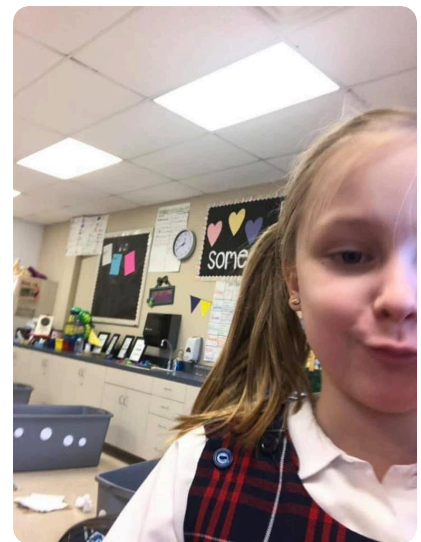
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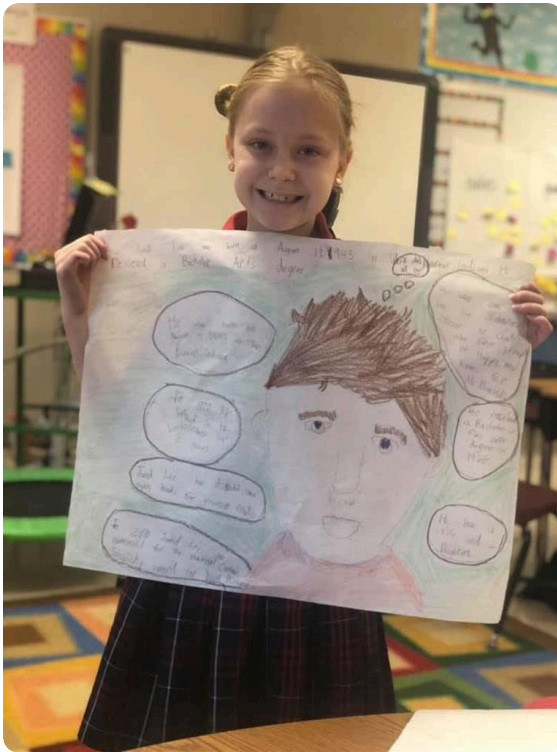


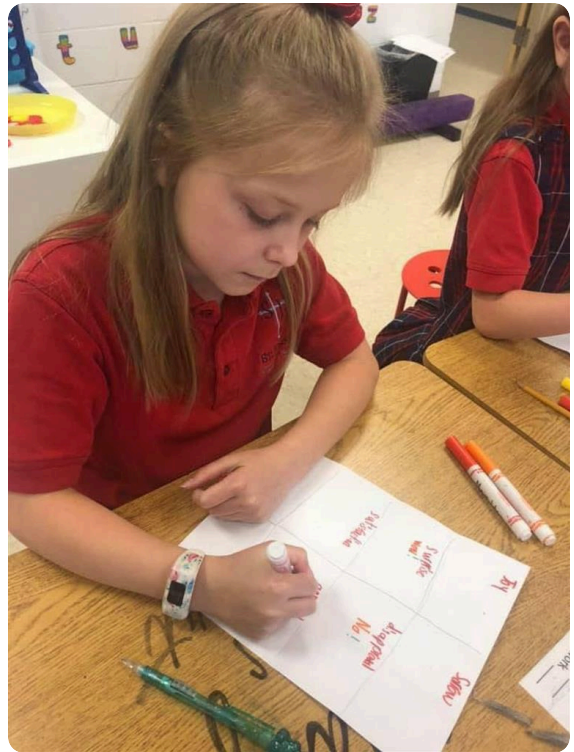






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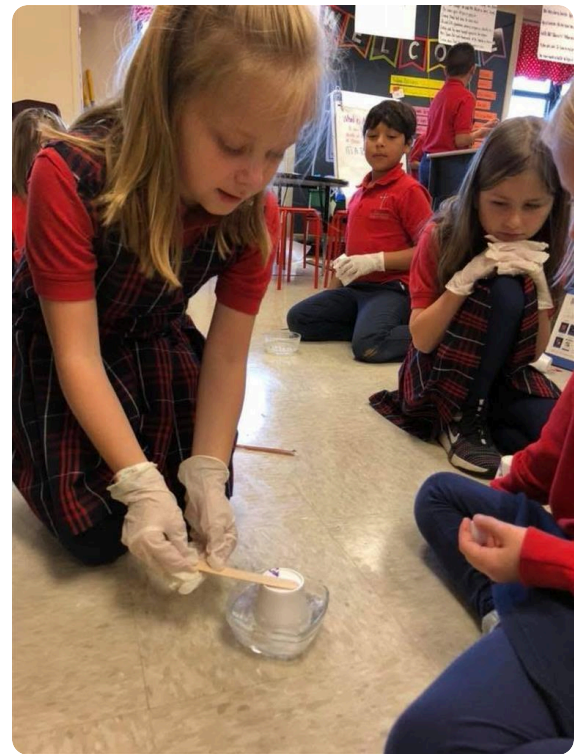


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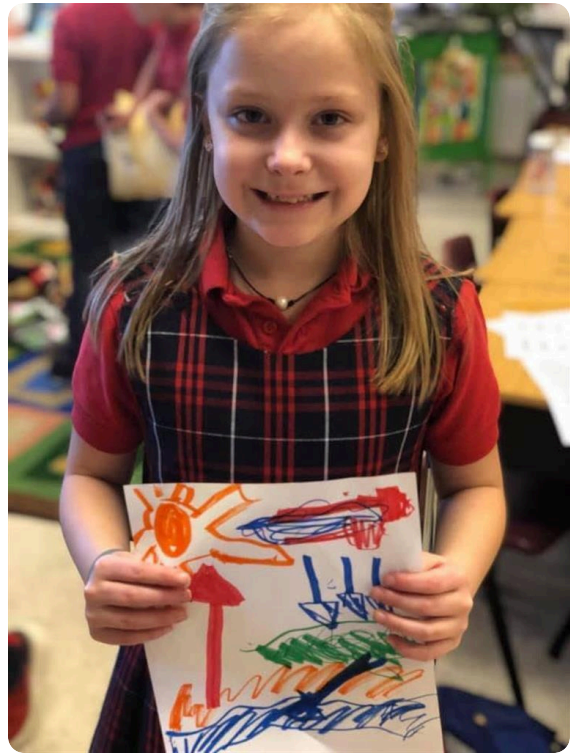
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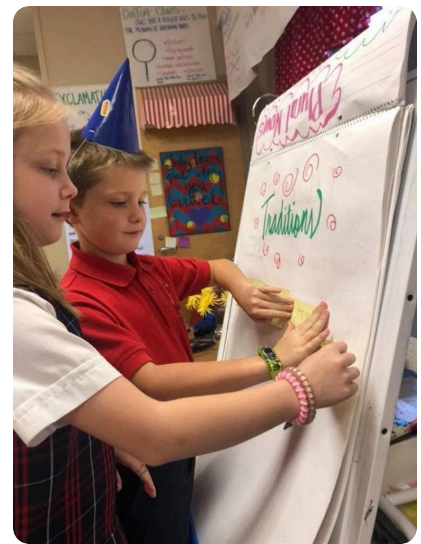






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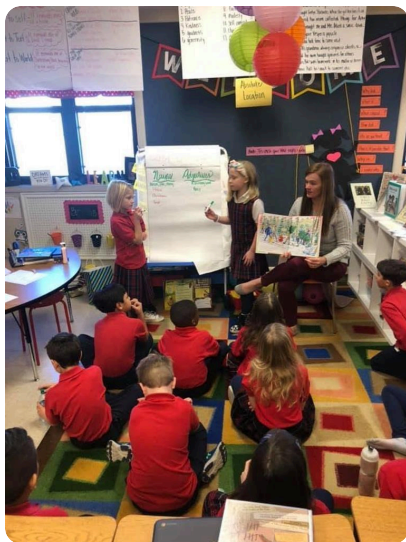






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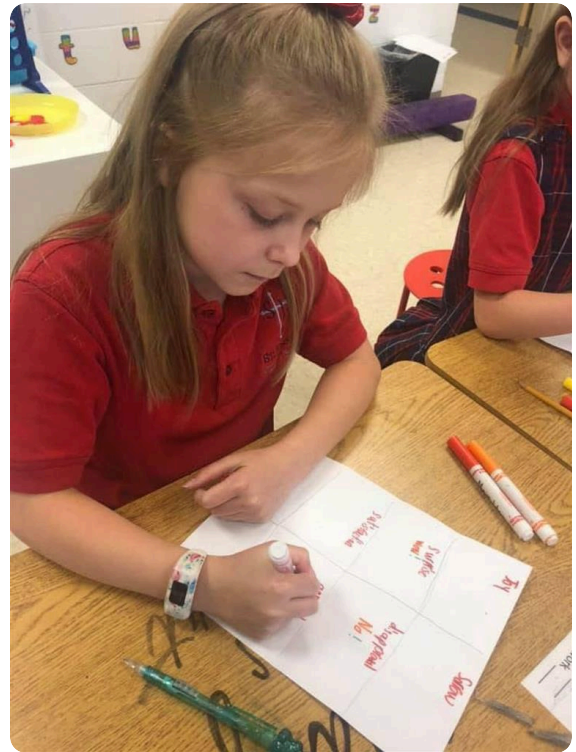
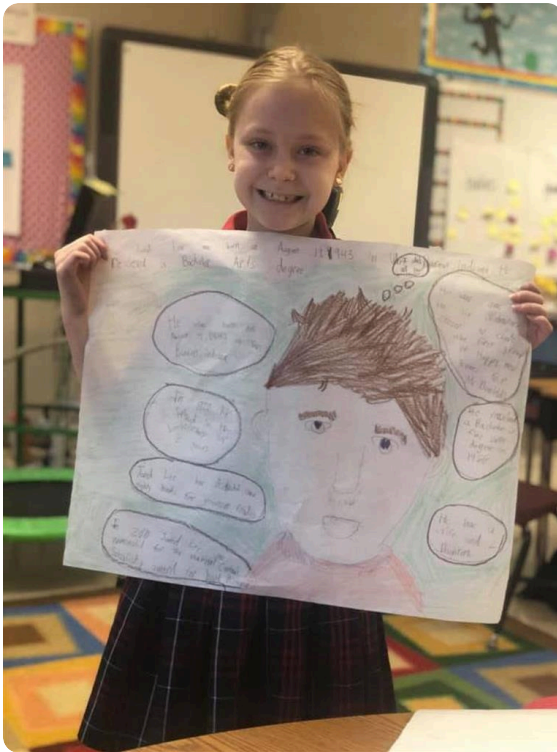


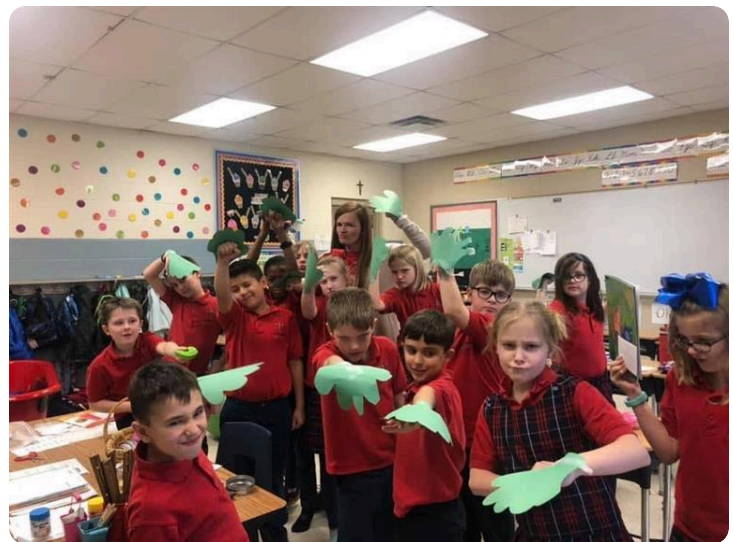
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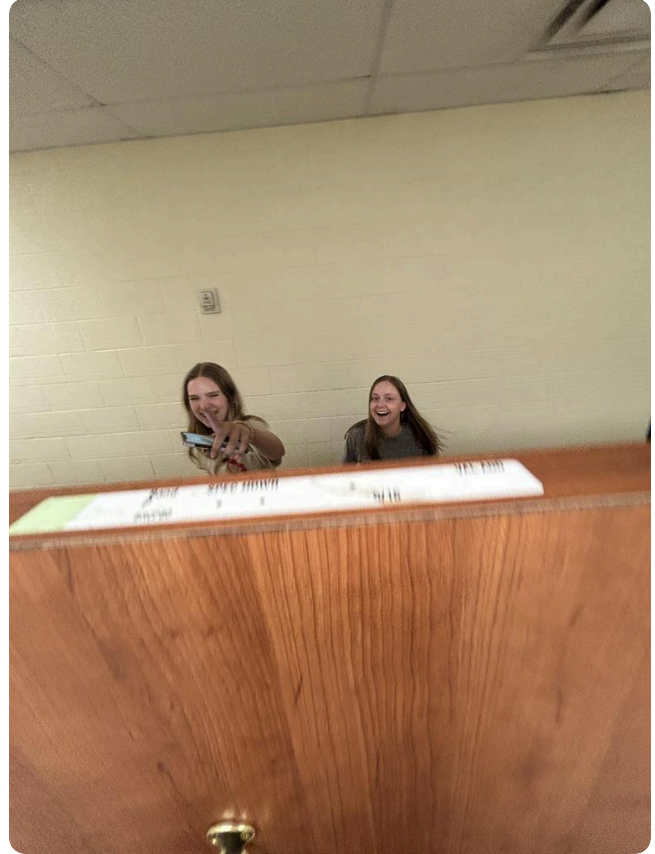
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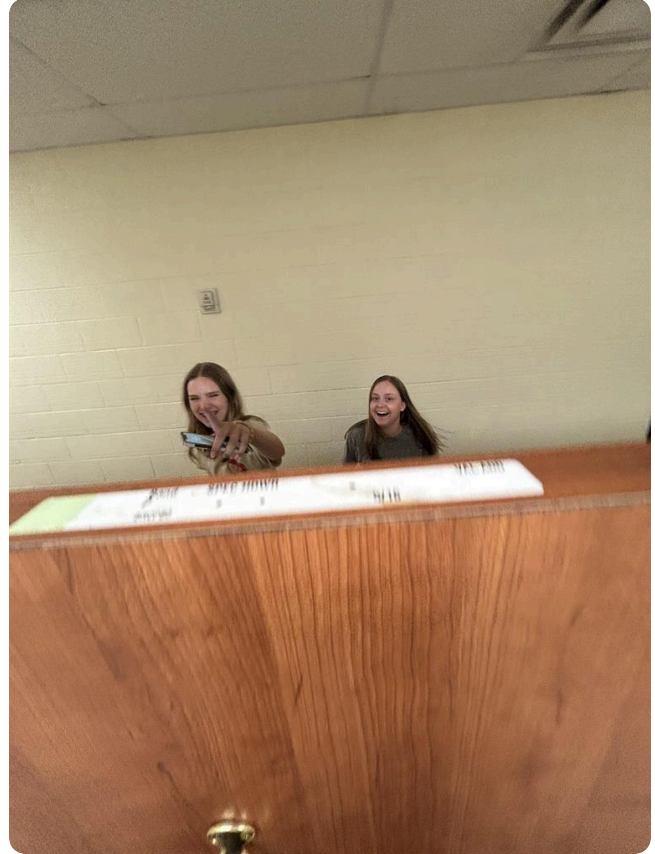
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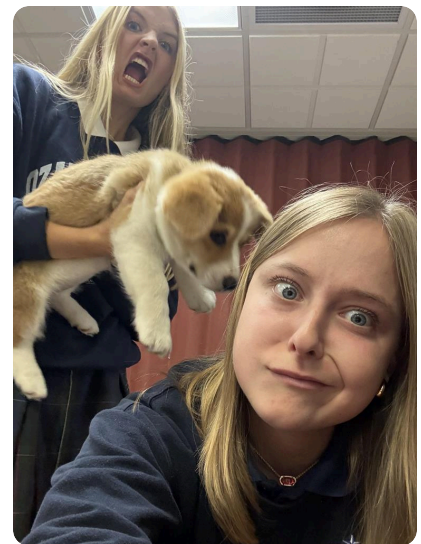
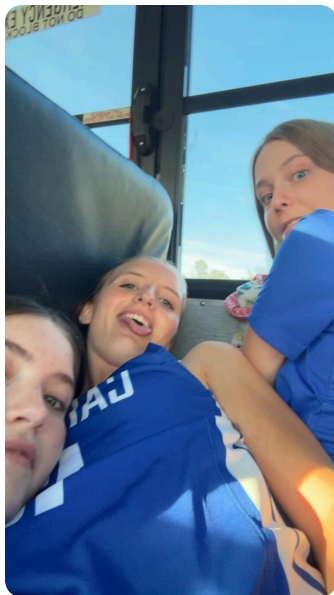




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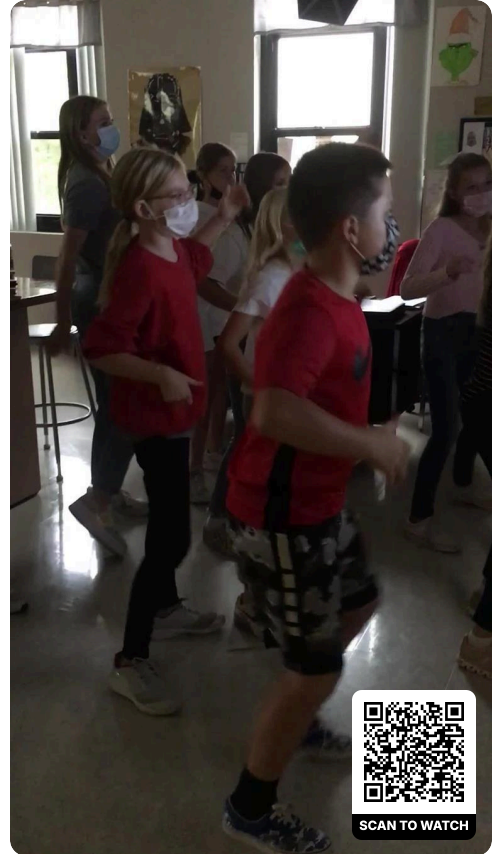
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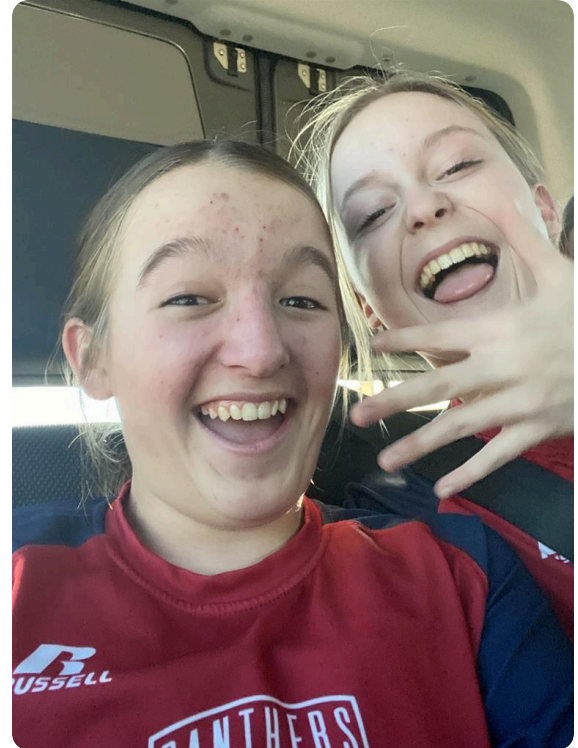
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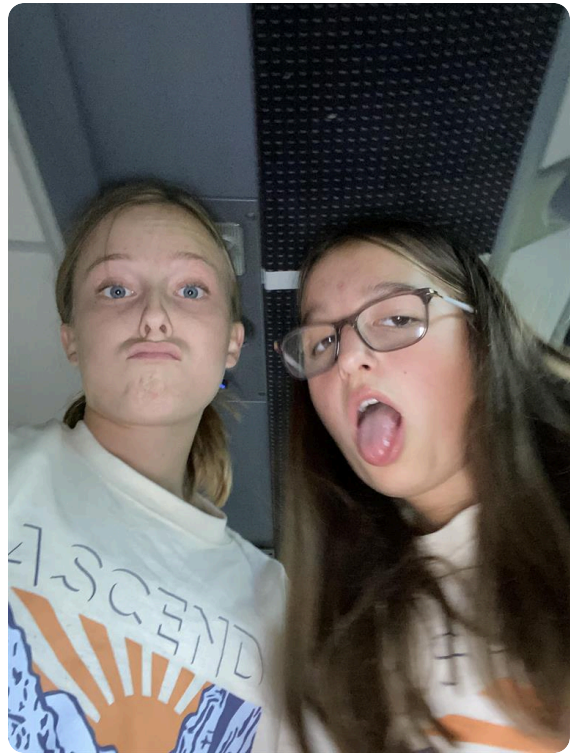


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