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## MDT Students perform the hit musical: 'Amélie: Teen Edition'!

Sarah Fullmer

The Riverton High MDT class has been preparing for the last six months for their annual MDT show. The first in the state of Utah to perform this show, Riverton High excelled in portraying the whimsical nature of the musical.

Based on the 2001 movie of the same name, 'Amelie' is a coming of age story about a young woman who discovers joy in how she can improve the lives of others. Set in the 1990's, this vibrant musical has themes of romance, self discovery, and imagination. "My favorite song is 'When The Booth Goes Bright' because I got to do a little dance duet with Brock during the song!" Bridgette Madsen, who played the character of Sylvie, remarked on her favorite scene of the show. "It was so cute and I love the movement and storytelling of it!"

"I wanted to do a romantic comedy because we haven't done a

romantic comedy in MDT for a long time. It also gives a lot of fun little solos and different parts for everyone in the class." Director Clin Eaton, shared. He also offered insight into how he directs his piece. "I really like creating stage pictures and I really like storytelling. So when I direct something, I want to be sure that the audience can follow along with the story. Amelie is a tricky story to tell because it's kind of all over the place, but hopefully everyone still enjoys it and has a good time. But, my philosophy is try to tell the story as cleanly as possible and give the audience a variety of things to look at." Cade Snarr, a Senior who plays Amelie's father: Raphael Poulain, said that; "[MDT] is a great opportunity to be surrounded by talented people who support your growth." When asked about

any advice for people wanting to do theatre, he offered; "Do it. Theater teaches many life skills like communication and creative thinking, and it's a lot of fun."

Riverton High's theatre department held their annual banquet, and are excited to announce their shows next year: It has been a good year of theatre at RHS and we are looking forward to next year's shows.



Avery Rindlsbach as Amelie and Emma Tyson as Elton John create a dance party with the cast of 'Amelie'.

Photo courtesy of RHS Journalism Staff

## Savoring Skills Mastering Prostart

Shelby Martinez

Prostart is a nationwide high school program that teaches culinary arts and restaurant management skills.

Megan Spiker and Mckayla Ferre are both members of Prostart. Megan, a senior, was inspired to take Prostart after hearing positive things from her co-worker. Megan joined also to improve her baking and cooking skills. Megan learned that in Prostart, communication and teamwork was the most important for her restaurant day to go smoothly. Through Prostart, Megan gained skills in organization, techniques, and collaboration. She encountered the most growth when it was her restaurant day and it has helped her be able to work with everyone in the class and have effective communication skills.

Megan still plans to work at a Market but she could see herself working in a bakery from the skills she has developed.

Megan described Prostart as a fun and valuable experience. "Some things were challenging," she says, "but 90% of the time was filled with fun. It was a great way to develop skills, techniques, and knowledge." She recommends it to anyone who enjoys cooking or baking. Mckayla Ferre, a senior, her friends and Mrs. Maxfield inspired her to join Prostart.

Though Kayla usually prefers working alone, this class has taught her the value of trust and working with others. Prostart has gone on trips to Harmons, PF Chang's, and SLCC, she has learned how to analyze recipes, problem solve, and when to try again if things don't go right the first time. Kayla said, "I really enjoy cooking and I wanted some life skills and to earn certificates doing the things I love."

The Prostart class cooks almost everyday. Some days they do catering, other days they run the silver diner, but they are always trying out new recipes.



Prostart class practices their skills  
Photo Courtesy of Mckayla Ferre



Senior Megan Spiker loved taking Prostart

Photo Courtesy of Megan Spiker



## Riverton Students Celebrate Prom 2025

Lily Clark

On April 12, Riverton High students celebrated prom at the Utah State Capitol in Salt Lake City. The historic building provided the perfect setting for the night, with plenty of space for dancing, taking photos, and hanging out with friends. Many students started off the day with “day dates,” a long-standing Riverton tradition. “My group went to the zoo for our day date, which was a fun way to start the day off,” said senior Daisy Clark. After going to dinner, students arrived at the Capitol (many fashionably late) ready for a night they wouldn’t forget. Taking pictures with friends and dates in color coordinated outfits was a major highlight of the night. Many students shared moments from the evening on Instagram and TikTok, showing off their outfits, dates, and dance moves. Inside, colorful lights and music kept every-

one on their feet. There was a mix of slow songs and upbeat tracks played, plus line dancing, a conga line, and even a mosh pit in the middle of the dance floor. “My favorite part of the night was getting dressed up and having fun with my friends,” Daisy said. At the end of the night, students were given sunglasses labeled “Prom ‘25” as a small souvenir to wrap up a memorable night.



*RHS Seniors pose for photos before prom 2025*

*Photo by Lily Clark*

## Wolf Buddies Holds A Separate Prom

Aliyah Peña

Wolf Buddies are a group of special ed students who meet in room 2506/2509. The purpose of Wolf Buddies and their class is to create a safe space for the students. A lot of the regular activities aren’t suitable for them and don’t match their needs, so by creating a separate environment, they are able to have what they need and have a good time. As an example of that, they held a separate Prom on Apr 25. Regular Prom can typically be way too overstimulating, loud, and doesn’t accommodate for special ed. This was a privately held event to uphold this safety, so it was by specific invitation to students in the Jordan School District, held here at Riverton High School. Carter stated he was happy about the opportunity for special education students to have a separate prom that’s a lot calmer. However, even though it was

calm, that doesn’t mean that it wasn’t exciting. The small gym was decorated with an ocean theme for the attendees. Aubrey tells us she loved the ocean team, however they were not required to dress according to the theme. Aubrey said that she had a lot of fun and her favorite part was being able to hang out with her peers. Wolf buddies got to mingle with our groups from other schools and meet new friends in their community.



*Wolf Buddies pose for photos at their prom*

*Photo courtesy of J. Adair*

## Hope You Didn’t Miss this Year’s MORP: Into The Bayou

Ella Weed



*Students wrapping up the end of the dance, MORP, after having a great time*

*Photo courtesy of London Young*

Riverton High School closed the school year with a final dance for everyone: MORP. MORP, also known as prom backwards, is a fun event to close up the year. The idea of it is supposed to be the op-

posite of prom. Prom is the most formal dance Riverton High School has all year, so oppositely, they have a very casual dance. Continuing with the idea, instead of it being a boys ask (which is what prom is), it is a girls ask.

One of the biggest parts of MORP is the theme. This year was Into The Bayou.

A bayou is just a fancier word for swamp. So in other words, the theme this year was anything related to “The Swamp”. It was also encouraged for people to theme their outfits around the Disney movie, Princess and the Frog, because of the setting being the bayou in Louisiana.

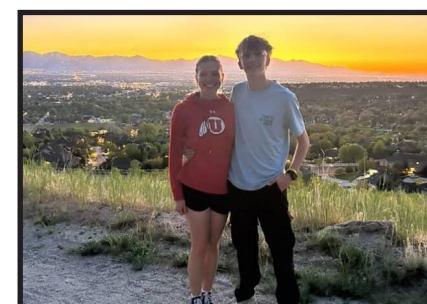


Many people dressed up in green outfits, outfits related to the city New Orleans, Tiana and Prince Naveen, cowboys, swamp animals, and more.

*Photo courtesy of Cora Porter*

MORP was a great experience for everyone who went because of the diverse selection of various outfits and the

environment of the dance. Overall, MORP has, and always will be, one of the most fun dances you will experience in high school. Everyone who went will highly recommend you go to one in your high school years!



*Sophomores Cora Porter and Brock Belcher getting ready to make the best out of Morp*

*Photo courtesy of Cora Porter*



## Riverton Voices Rise to the Occasion at this Year's Region Choir Festivals

Jason Barton

Fourth quarter is Festival season for our Riverton High Choirs! Festival is an event where all of the high schools in our region bring their choirs to perform in front of judges. There are a few separate festivals (depending on what choir they are having judged), we sent all of our choirs to go and compete. Mens choir, Cadence, Mixed choir, Acapella,

la, and Madrigals all worked for months to prepare pieces for these events, and when it came time to perform they gave it their all!

The songs they chose are very hard to master, they are very technical and they need to be near perfect in order to receive a good score from the three judges. This year we prepared a wide variety of songs across our

5 different choirs, including songs in Spanish and even Latin.

Only one of our choirs qualified for state festival for the first time since 2019!



*Acapella choir Performs Amor de mi Alma for judges at large choir festival*

Photo courtesy of Colin Corbett

## Taming the Tulips

Etano Johnson

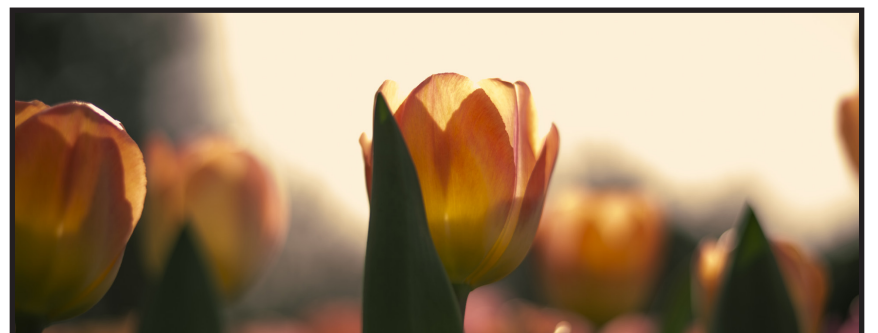
On April 8th, Mrs. Riley and her group of artists visited the Ashton Gardens at Thanksgiving Point, focusing their cameras on the vibrant fields of blooming flowers and the elegantly adorned pavilions. Their goal was to apply the skills they had learned in class to future projects.

"At first it was just a busortwo", said Mrs. Riley, "But now I have to cap it." This year, over 80 students from the photography, calligraphy, and drawing classes attended the Tulip Festival. The trip is an opportunity for students to gain a headstart on their rolls

of film, which they'll use throughout the year in the darkroom and on Adobe Photoshop to experiment with photo manipulation.

Although arena scheduling has already closed, film classes are still an option for students to express themselves and gain a sense of fulfillment from seeing their work pan out. Next year the class will be shortened to just one class a semester, so slots are limited.

"There's always the magic (that) everyone wants to be in the dark room," said Mrs. Riley, "You see that magic up here, picture up here. That's my favorite thing."

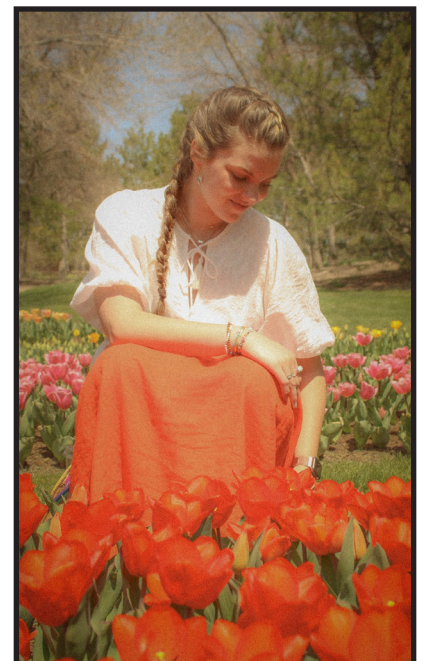


*(Above) Spencer Cameron isolates one Didier's or garden tulip from the field.*

Photo Courtesy of Mrs. Riley

*(Right) Lillian Martin enjoys beautiful flowers at Ashton Gardens.*

Photo Courtesy of Kaya Monson





## Instrumental Music Students Take A Dive into History in Boston!

Sarah Fullmer

This year, the Instrumental music students went to Boston, Massachusetts. Students were able to compete in National Competitions against schools from around the United States and Canada.

"We will be going on different tours; learning about Boston and the [Boston] tea party. There will be a boat dinner, and I'm super excited to go on the Duck Tour." Said Junior Molly Hammond.

The Duck Tour is a tour of Boston's beautiful landmarks. However, using specially designed boats, this tour bus can actually go into the water

and give Riverton's instrumental department the best view of the city. On the tour, they saw famous sites such as the Boston Public Library, the Holocaust Memorial, and MIT.

In addition to famous historical landmarks, Boston is known for its music scene. With many popular bands such as 'Aerosmith', 'Til Tuesday', and the 'Pixies' getting their start in the city, it's no wonder that this competition is held in Boston.

"There are a lot of great outcomes from travelling together." Instrumental Music teacher, Jason Weimer, con-

tinues; "We get to learn from clinicians not local to our area, appreciate music making from other groups, experience things we haven't done before and of course eat foods we haven't tasted before. We also get the experience of playing

for and competing with groups from all over!" The Instrumental Music group was able to be in Boston for four days. In their competitions they placed 1st in the nation! Riverton High is so proud of our amazing musicians!



*Riverton High Instrumental Music Students partying on Boston Tour*

Photo Courtesy of Molly Hammond

## Riverton FFA Fights Hard At State Competitions This Year

Kayden Devore

On April 22-23 Riverton High School sent their FFA teams up to Logan to compete at the Utah state competitions. During these competitions they worked hard testing their knowledge of animals. They did things like grading animals and products that were present in the different topics. For example, in the horse competition they looked at live horses and graded them from worse to best. After they finished competing, they

gathered with the Utah chapters of FFA to eat lunch and de-stress after the long competitions.

They had burgers and got to do fun things like bracelet making and even practicing catching cattle. After waiting for ranks to be announced Riverton FFA was able to see that they placed well in each competition. With the highest rank they got being rank 16 in milk quality.

Overall, the River-

ton FFA Chapter got to have a great overall experience this year at state

and looks forward to next year's competition.



*Riverton High School FFA Chapter anxiously await the awards ceremony*

Photo courtesy of Mrs. Simperts, Riverton FFA Leader

Color by number

Etano Jonhson

1-Gray

2-Yellow

3-Black

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Options After Graduation

Lukas Clevenger

Graduation is right around the corner and seniors are gearing up for the rest of their lives. With many different options to choose from after high school graduation, it may seem overwhelming to some. Here are a few of the major ones.



Furthering Education

Numerous jobs require higher education so sometimes going back to school is a necessary commitment. Some education options are trade colleges, universities, community colleges, and in-state and out of state colleges. Going to college can be expensive so taking advantage of scholarships and grants is beneficial to everyone. Even if you think you won't get it, always apply for them just in case. Going to community colleges can be cheaper and you are taking the same classes you would be in some more expensive colleges.

Entering the Workforce

While education can be beneficial, sometimes getting right into the workforce is the right way to go. Depending on what career you would like to pursue, you may not need a further education. Internships and job shadowing can help you decide and pursue the career you may want to get into.

Gap Year

Gap years aren't for everyone but can be exciting and freeing for many. These can be used for working, relaxing, or traveling. One important thing is that gap years should preferably be used to further yourself. Graduation is right around the corner so figuring out what you want to do after is a necessary decision you must make now. There are many options to choose from but remember to always select the option that fits best for you.



## How Are We Feeling About Graduation?

By: Jacob Evans

Seniors at RHS have varying plans for after graduation. Many wish to go to college and university, some wish to go to the military, the most popular branch being the Army. There are also a handful of students who wish to go to trade school such as Tyson Bailey, who wishes to be a car mechanic. Even though there are a lot of options for new graduates, a concerning handful of students are lost and don't know where to go.

A few students have been so stressed in the present, working on school assignments and working part time. Although it's different for everybody, this might explain how some Riverton High School seniors are unprepared for post graduation life. When asked about what he will do after graduation, Jaxon Staufer said, "I don't know what I'll do. I might get a job stocking shelves or work at FatCats. I'm mostly worried about paying bills and making ends meet." Being suddenly thrust into adulthood is not easy, it's only normal that anybody needs time to adjust.

On the other hand, many students are shooting for college and university or at the very least a plan. Asher Patilo plans to go to Salt Lake Community College (SLCC) this summer and continue their college career from that point to eventually work as a radiologist. Although it's good that students like them have a plan, there are still major obstacles to overcome. The cost of living has only increased compared to when our graduating seniors were only children. "Things have just gotten expensive, it's bad." One student said. Some people attribute this struggle to a low federal

minimum wage, high interest rates, etc. It is hard not to blame these aforementioned factors or wealth inequality for the emotions seniors will have when they eventually have to truly become adults. The cost of living is one concern, but finances and retirement is also an affair. Although RHS offers classes such as Financial Literacy and Math and Personal Finance, it can be sometimes difficult for students to grasp investing and retirement. Economics alone is an extremely complex subject with highly debated topics; it is even its own college major. Although sometimes confusing, a good amount of students do have plans for investing and retirement savings. Joshua Evans, a sophomore, has a brother whose portfolio copies the investments of politicians. It's great that Financial Literacy is required so students have at least some idea for investing stocks and bonds along with knowledge about insurance.

Some generous students might also want to join the Peace Corps, a US agency that sends American citizens to nations in need to promote world peace. Let's wish our seniors luck for what they'll embark upon once they can ditch the cap and gown.



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## Getting to Know YOUR Future SBOs!

By: Garrick Bowers

Q: What do you want the student body to know?

**Seth Christensen (11)**

"You are loved! We love you so much! If you ever need a friend, talk to us. Most of us don't bite."



**Hailey Scott (11)**

"Every activity you go to, know it is for you. There is so much coming!"

**Rockwell Babcock (11)**

"We are here for you and anybody who needs a friend, we gotchu. Go wolves!"



**Sariah Adams (11)**

"I cannot wait to be your SBO! I love Riverton and I love each and every one of you so much! I'm so excited to see what we can do together to make Riverton an even better palace. Go Silverwolves!"

**Mosiah (Mosi) Angeles (11)**

"I wanted to be like the SBOs I had seen the year before, and I have already grown so much! Pick the one person that you admire the most and try to be like them. I promise that you will see a change in your life, a great change."





## Riverton Boys Soccer Wraps Up Great Season with a Strong Playoff Run

Mariana Gomez

The Riverton Boys Soccer team wrapped up one of its most impressive seasons this year, ending it with a 13-4 record and earning second place in their region. The team advanced to the state playoffs, facing Salt Lake Academy at RHS on May 13th, a matchup that capped a memorable year for the Silverwolves.

This season, the squad played two games a week since March, building teamwork and resilience. Their offense has been led by top goal scorers, sophomore Lincoln Wunderli and senior team captain Lincoln Payne. Senior Heber MacPherson was the leading playmaker, assisting on nine goals, and senior goalkeep-

er Porter McInnes anchored the defense, tying for the 6A lead with six shutouts.

Team captains Payne, MacPherson, Seth Glover, and McInnes provided leadership on and off the field, guiding teammates through

challenges and victories. Off the pitch, seniors Parker Nielson and Carter Nelson earned Academic All-State honors, showing excellence in the classroom as well.

With 13 wins (the third most in school history) the



*RHS soccer match in action*

Photo courtesy of Amanda Glover



*RHS player performing a blocking maneuver on opposing team member*

Photo courtesy of Amanda Glover

Silverwolves inspired pride in the Riverton community. Their season reflected not just victories, but their effort, teamwork, and growth. Go Silverwolves!

## Riverton Men's Volleyball Ending the School Year on a Win

Ella Weed

Riverton's High School men's volleyball team has just completed their season. Coming off of a great year last year, they were hoping for success with another year.

There were some big games that happened this season. For example, the Riverton Silverwolves played the Herriman Mustangs away on May 2nd, after a big loss at home. Speaking of rivalries, the Riverton Silverwolves took on the Bingham Miners at home on April 24th, unfor-

tunately ending in a loss, but played Copper Hills at home with a 3-0 win.

Last year the Riverton Silverwolves ended their season with 25 wins and only 6 losses. They finished ranking 5th in Utah, and 3rd in the 6A Utah division. Although this season does not look to shape up like that, they still ended their season with a 14 win and 14 loss record.

In region they are 2 win to a 8 loss ratio, which is not great, especially compared to last

year. They are sitting 5th in region and 16th in Utah. In terms of Utah 6A divi-

sion Riverton High School is 11th right in between Farmington and Skyridge.



*Riverton Men's Varsity Volleyball team finally done with the 2025 season*

Photo Courtesy of Yearbook staff 2024-2025



## High Hopes For The Girls Golfing Team

Shelby Martinez

Mr. Fong is the girls golf coach for Riverton High. Coach Fong said, "I love helping them learn and grow within the sport of golf." Mr. Fong loves to see his students succeed and mainly to have fun.

Mr. Fong's personal inspiration was his dad. His dad was the one that taught him golf when he was 3 years old. Ever since then he has loved the sport. Mr. Fong started coaching golf for Riverton last season as the assistant coach. This is his second year with the program and the 1st year as the head coach. The final state tournament was held at Meadbrook Golf Course in

Taylorsville this year. A week before the upcoming tournament, they go to play a practice round at the course where the tournament is going to be played at, so the girls can have an idea and plan out a strategy.

In between that, they hit balls at the driving range, putt, and chip. It makes the team work out any problems they are struggling with. Getting to teach and coach the game for these students has been really fun for him. And Coach Fong is feeling confident for this upcoming tournament this year. The team improves everyday and is a great group to teach.



*Girls golf team posing with their coach as they are at practice for the tournament*  
Photo courtesy of Peter Fong

## RHS Track Team Shines With State Qualifiers

Mariana Gomez

This season, our school's track team has achieved remarkable success, driven by hard work

and dedication under Coach Marcus Dickson's guidance. Practicing 5 to 6 days a week, the team is setting new stan-

dards and breaking records.

Each event group focuses on specific skills to excel. Sprinters work on explosive starts and speed endurance, while jumpers and throwers build strength. The distance team impressively runs up to 10-15 miles per session, showcasing their stamina and commitment.

The team's talent is evident with an impressive number of state qualifiers this season. Senior Ty Warnick set a new 6A state record in the long jump, a feat never before achieved in 6A. Junior Reese Lewis qualified for the 100m and 200m, anchoring relays with speed and precision. Senior Chloe Swain set a school record

in the 1600. Meanwhile, junior Luke Palmer and freshman Taylor Freeland excel in javelin throws.

Coach Dickson highlights the athletes' resilience, noting their ability to learn from failures and grow stronger. The team's positive attitude is reflected not only in their performances but also in their sportsmanship and support for one another.

It's been an incredible season, with athletes elevating themselves and their peers to new heights. The entire school community is proud of their achievements and looks forward to more success at the state competitions!



*State qualifiers posing with their medals*  
Photo courtesy of Janel Warren



## Chris Crowe's Haiku Masterpiece, "Death Coming Up The Hill."

Garrick Bowers

"He snapped  
his fingers. 'That's half of  
all the residents of Tempe.  
Dead.' He snapped

his fingers again.  
'Gone. The loss is crushing,  
but  
It doesn't even

Include civilians, POWs, or  
those missing in action—

And we can't even begin to  
calculate what we've suf-  
fered at home."

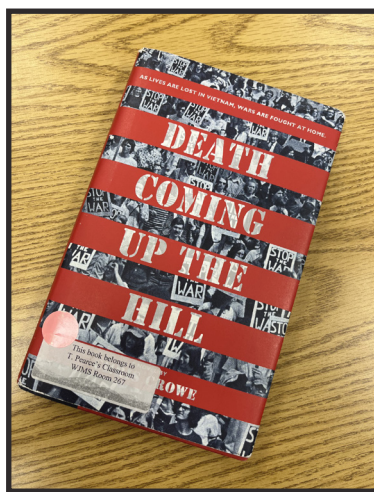
Author, Chris Crowe,  
was intrigued with the year  
1968, as there were signifi-  
cantly more American sol-  
dier deaths during the Viet-  
nam war that year. Crowe  
researched statistics for

each of the weeks and brought  
forward a book written solely  
in haikus. Each of the sylla-  
bles in the book represent one  
soldier who died in the war.

The story, spoken from  
the perspective of a 17 year  
old boy, Ashe, takes place  
during the Vietnam War.  
While Ashe sees his family  
and friends affected by the  
devastation from the war, he  
dreads returning home every  
day after school, only to fight  
a whole new war at home.  
As his parents' contentious  
marriage continues to strug-  
gle, Ashe comes to a choice  
that he never hoped to make.

I really enjoyed read-  
ing this book. The author did  
a fantastic job constructing  
the haikus while telling an  
engaging story. It is an easy  
read for people who struggle

with long 500+ page novels. I  
was able to read it in two days  
and four sittings. I would rec-  
ommend this book to anyone  
who enjoys reading about  
the family aspect of war, es-  
pecially the war at home.



*Death Coming Up the Hill  
offers a beautiful meaning of  
fighting wars at home.*

Photo by Garrick Bowers



*Like in the book, many  
assembled to protest the  
war in Vietnam.*

Photo courtesy of Bernard Gottfryd

## A Minecraft Movie Review

Jacob Evans

A *Minecraft Movie* is more  
of a joke than a film with  
thought behind it. While that  
might not mean much to  
some people, it does to many  
others. People want quality  
cinema whether they know  
it or not. Some of the best  
movies made are thought  
provoking and emotional;  
however, some can just be  
well made and entertaining  
because of their production  
value and cinematography.

A *Minecraft Movie*  
does not do any of these  
things; the story is cliché,  
the characters are boring  
and offer no substance, and  
the filmography itself looks  
absolutely terrible. For a  
movie where the source ma-  
terial thrives on the playbase  
and community thriving on  
a sandbox of things to do, it's

quite a lazy story that many  
people watching have already  
seen in other children's films.  
Minecraft works as both a  
survival game and a sandbox  
game so it's not surprising that  
some people initially found  
the first trailer disrespectful,  
cringy, and of course, cliché.

Despite the film's  
shortcomings, many people  
would agree that it was fun  
to watch. Similar to the 2003  
film *The Room*, the film is  
praised for being bad and sil-  
ly as a form of appreciation.  
Sophomore Joshua Evans said,  
"The experience of watching  
the movie was better than  
the actual movie itself." An-  
other student said, "It's so  
bad it's good and you have to  
watch it". It would seem that  
the movie was able to gar-  
ner a following that brings

people together and that is  
by no means a bad thing.

This is further bol-  
stered by multiple videos  
of audience members giv-  
ing standing ovations to the  
actor, Jack Black, saying  
"Chicken Jockey" and his lava  
chicken song along with a vi-  
ral video of someone bringing  
a live chicken to the theater.  
It's also become a trend to for  
the audience to yell, scream,  
throw popcorn and general-  
ly just misbehave. Although  
it might be funny on first  
glance, it's important to bring  
up that this creates messes for  
the theater workers who have  
to clean up the theater after  
each showing. As of recently  
it seems that people are be-  
ing more respectful without  
creating a mess in the cinema.

Although the movie is

mediocre at best as a legiti-  
mate form of art, it is a piece of  
media that should be remem-  
bered for its contribution to  
pop culture and the experi-  
ence of viewing it in a cine-  
ma. Like *The Room*, it's likely  
people will get together and  
watch this movie in private  
theaters so everyone can say  
"Chicken Jockey" in unison.



*The Infamous Chicken Jockey  
captivates audiences*

Courtesy of The New York Times



## The Girls in the Shadows

Aubrey Drussel

In schools across the country, the crowd goes wild as he kicks the ball, throws it, punts it. The scoreboard comes to life, one moment in time freezes as everyone waits with bated breath. Score! The audience roars so loud you can't even hear yourself think. The next day, the girls have a very different experience. In the same stadium, only their closest friends and family are scattered around. Scores are met with sparse applause, phenomenal moves with halfhearted cheers. The emptiness is palpable, where is the crowd?

Across schools, talents, and sports many female athletes face a lack of funding and attention. In recent years, though, long strides have been made towards equality in sports. Women's sports media coverage tripled from 2019 to 2022<sup>1</sup>. The FIFA Women's World Cup in 2023 was the most viewed women's

sporting event in history, with nearly 2 billion viewers<sup>2</sup>. This, however, isn't even half of the estimated 5 billion spectators of the 2022 men's World Cup. Sports media coverage did triple, but it jumped from only 5 percent to a meager 16 percent. According to UN Women, the number one draft pick for the WNBA, as of 2024, was Caitlan Clark who was guaranteed \$76,000 in her first year. The number 1 NBA draft pick that year, Zaccharie Risacher, got over \$10 million in his contract. We've certainly gotten farther as a society, but there are still obvious gender disparities in sports. So how do we fix it?

This problem in women's sports won't be fixed until we have a mindset change. An RHS male athlete who chose to remain anonymous claims "not every disparity needs to be fixed" while another states that "women's sports

are less interesting." This, though, is not the case.

Yes, men's and women's sports are different, that's what makes them exciting. Both sports give people a new, thrilling experience, but the girls rarely have an audience to show that. Ava Catron, RHS Volleyball Captain and Track runner suggests to "change [your] expectations... they're completely different sports"

Another criticism that advocates for women's sports receives is that this difference isn't a problem, it doesn't really matter. However, youth sports are shown to help kid's mental and physical health, educational success, discipline, and much more<sup>3</sup>. Not to mention the amazing comradery that surrounds many teams, as Lacrosse player Paisley Young commented "it's just one big community". Are we really going to take these sisterhoods and developmental opportunities away

from girls, and make it so they get paid 1% what their male counterparts are<sup>4</sup>?

This all may be well and good, how does this affect you? One single high school student can't change the entirety of society. And while that may seem true, one small change can inspire an entire community. We can change how the girls in Riverton High School feel. Many RHS female athletes who were interviewed agreed that only friends and family go to their games. Although attendance differs from sport to sport, the male games seem to receive much more attention, at least from what the girls see.

Riverton Silverwolves are supposed to be members of a pack, but part of that pack isn't being included. So take a little time, check when the next girls game is, and go support our Silverwolves. Even one small cheer can help make a tiny ripple, one ripple that changes the entire school.



*Go support this years hardworking RHS's girl's teams including Varsity Lacrosse and Softball!*

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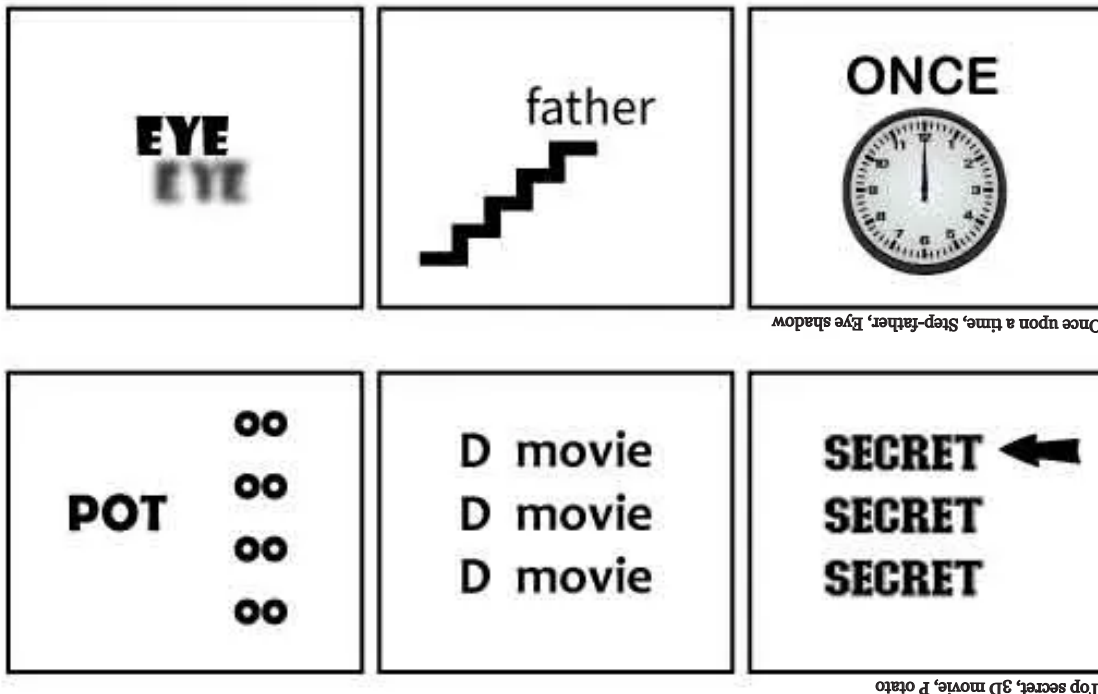
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SilverScribe Word Search



Find the following words in the puzzle.  
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SILVER SCREEN  
SILVER SCRIBE  
SUMMER BREAK  
THE HOWL

TULIP FESTIVAL  
VOLLEYBALL  
WOLF BUDDIES  
YEARBOOK

RHS's Talented Seniors  
Take Drama in a Whole  
New Direction  
Aubrey Drussel

The annual centerstage showcase (or Centerstage) at RHS helps students find fun, new ways to act and shows off the directing capabilities of Theatre 4 students. The centerstage performances were May 9 and 12th this year, and they were phenomenal.

Theatre 4 seniors worked for months on choosing, cutting, and bringing shows to life. Their talented teacher, Ms. McGuire, walked them through every step of the directing process from reading through plays to casting actors to putting on an amazing performance.

The seniors don't have all the fun though, many of the actors in centerstage were fellow drama students, excited to perform a more relaxing show after a tiring year. Centerstage auditions are open to all River-ton students each year, and most everyone who auditions gets cast.

From sophomores to seniors, everyone in centerstage has a blast making these productions truly their own and this really showed through the performances this past month. The shows were fun, goofy, emotional, and dramatic and each had their own flairs to make them unique. Next May, make sure to look into center-stage auditions to have fun.



Carlos (right) slapping a mysterious student (left).  
Photo courtesy of RHS Drama Club.

Have a Great Summer!

