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Lowry High School Bids Farewell to the Class of 2025



By Olivia Espinola, Allison Green,
Kelcey Kramer, and Emily Valdez

As we reach the school year's finale, it becomes harder to imagine all the changes and differences that will sprout as the Class of 2025 makes their official debut into the adult world. We all began somewhere: Grammar, Sonoma, Grass Valley, or from a town far, far away. We all came together in the end as Buckaroos.

Class advisors have noticed the hard work and effort that this senior class has put in.

"The 2025 senior class has worked hard to get to where they are," said Ms. Virginia Parker. "I have watched many of them grow and mature over the past four years. They have come a long way and have matured into young adults who are ready to take on new challenges. I

cannot wait to see what they all accomplish.

"I became an advisor because I wanted to be there to support students during an important milestone," said Senior Class Advisor Miranda Santos. "I know that senior year can be a mix of emotions, and I wanted to help them navigate that, and feel confident as they move on to what's next.

What I will miss most about this year's senior class are the relationships they built, the steady focus they brought, and how they showed appreciation and care for one another.

Whether you dedicated yourself to sports, the arts,

clubs, or studies, we have all taken part in shaping each other in one way or another. Through experiences, friendships, and differences, we have all impacted our lives and created a connection that only the Class of 2025 can appreciate.

So as this chapter closes and another opens, the Class of 2025 can reminisce on the last decade and more on all that has prepared us for the future years to come.

Senior Aireona Jolliff shares her plans for after graduation, as well as many things that new students tend to face when coming into a new school.

"I see myself in the future as a teacher," said Jolliff. "Also, one of the biggest obstacles I've overcome was having no friends when I first came here, and gaining some throughout high school."

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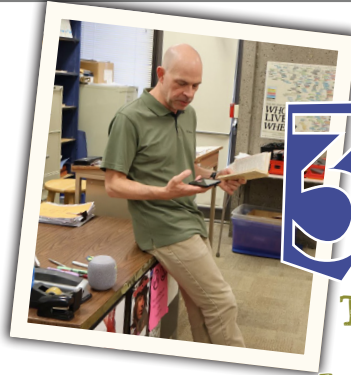
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Seniors from page 1

The class of 2025 has many athletes, artists, musicians, academic competitors, and club leaders who have dedicated their time to make this year special. The Lady Bucks basketball teams earned the title of being 3-peat champions during the 2021-2023 season, as our wrestling team, which has been represented by senior Jhett Harber, who is also a 3-time state champion. Overall, Lowry athletics has always been something to watch as well as join in, as incoming students tend to follow in others' footsteps.

Senior Brennan Long has been a part of another event that many CTE

dents have the ability to participate in. This is known as Skills USA, and many different trades are represented around the country. He also shares his opinion about the class of 2025 and what makes them so special.

"My favorite memory from my high school career was when I got second place in Skills USA in Reno, sophomore year," said Long. "I would describe the class of 2025 as unhinged and goofy, really, but they're always a good

crowd to be around."

Another senior, Brooklyn Swensen, has also been a part of Lowry athletics and could train and gain friendships along the way.

"I will miss my friends and my teachers, my favorite memory from high school is winning state for track," said Swensen.

Not only do sports teach life lessons, but they also teach in the classroom. Senior Dominick Figueroa shares with incoming students not to take anything for granted and to take all of the opportunities that are available to them.

"The biggest lesson that I've learned from high school is that no one is there to push you or make you get your work done, it's all up to you," said Figueroa.

Some advice that I'd give for incoming freshmen is to just try and stay ahead and keep your grades up because in the end it just gets harder and it pushes you back and makes the year "way harder than it needs to be."

Santos says that the senior class had grown very well, and learned how to be an adult throughout High school.

"This senior class had a calm determination that carried them through their senior year," said Ms. Miranda Santos. "They approached challenges with maturity and always found ways to support each other. I'm so proud of everything they've achieved together."

Many seniors are taking different routes



Kayleigh Marshall and Aidan Peters attend an FFA event. / Ron Espinola - The Brand



Regelio Hernandez and Justin Loofer attend class. / Ron Espinola - The Brand



Victor Cruz and Zaquary Growcock smile together. / Ron Espinola - The Brand



Allison Green, Karyn Morton, Matenna Garcia, Vanessa Lott, and Olivia Espino finish cleaning the softball field. / Ron Espinola - The Brand

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heading into universities, the workforce, the military, and trade schools. Several students received honors and scholarships for working hard throughout their high school careers. The emotional weight of leaving hasn't been lost on seniors.

"The thing I'm most nervous about graduating would have to be leaving the house and not having that safety net with my parents," said Jonas. "I would describe the class of 2025 as very ambitious and very outgoing as a class, as a whole and the individuals themselves."

Not only has the feeling of not knowing what to do after high school occurred to those, but so have new possibilities. Jaqueline Ojendiz is a senior at Lowry who is eager to see what is to come after high school.

"In the future, I see myself accomplishing all of the things that I've been wanting to do and just living life," said Ojendiz. "I'm grateful for all the friendships that I've had and all the teachers that were there for me."

Some reflected on how their experiences shaped them as individuals. Audrey Doyal shares how everything is possible when you put your mind to it, no matter how things are at that time.

"The best piece of advice that I can give the underclassmen is to not let other people bring you down and to just do what you want to do because nothing's going to change that," said Doyal. "The things I will miss most about

high school would have to be the Friday night lights and just hanging out with everybody on Friday."

Others pointed to smaller moments that made big differences.

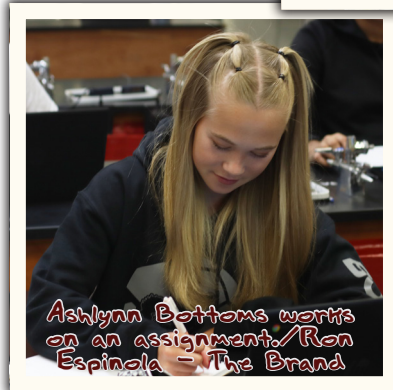
"One thing I want to give the future underclassmen is to try your best and not to wait on turning in your late work," said Leon. "And just try your best and push yourself the hardest. My favorite memory would have to be hanging out with my friends, meeting new people, and ditching class and just being ourselves."

Teachers, too, are feeling the bittersweet moment when students whom

they've taught over the years finally leave.

As the Class of 2025 prepares to walk across the stage at graduation, their mark on Lowry High School remains clear.

"I hope the underclassmen see what we've done and feel inspired," said Sarah Arrien. "We didn't just go through high school — we built something here."



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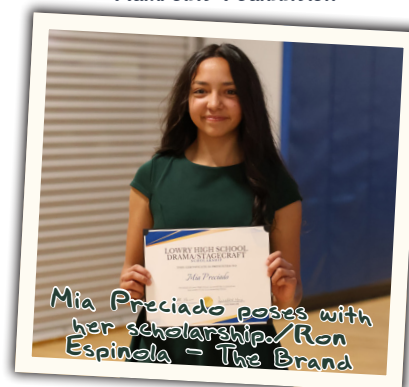
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Most embarrassing moments for the Class of 2025

By Alexa Toscano

The end of the high school era is coming to an end for the Lowry class of 2025. However, with the end of their school year approaching, it calls for a walk down memory lane for their most embarrassing moments throughout all four years of high school.

For most, their most embarrassing moment might be falling down the steps or accidentally waving at the wrong person. However, for this year's graduating class, they're a bit more eventful than accidentally walking into the wrong classroom.

For senior Hunter Fears, his moment took place during his junior year in the dirt parking lot. His moment involved both him and his friend, Logan Smith. They were going out to lunch like usual when Fears all of a sudden slammed on his brakes super hard. Smith, unfortunately,

had already taken off his seatbelt.

"His head just went right through the windshield, shattered it completely," said Fears.

Thankfully, Smith was perfectly okay, and they laughed about it later on. Not only does Fears have one moment to share, but he has two. This one happened with his other friend, Trevor Crawford. They had a miscommunication that took place on the dirt lot, which resulted in them throwing rocks at each other.

"He hit my car with rocks when he was driving so I decided to throw rocks back at him," said Crawford.

For senior Joao Pedro Lyra Lisboa, his moment came from the ultimate betrayal of all time.

He was a senior assassin, and he put his trust in the hands of the wrong people.

"Karyn lied to me about who her target was," said Lyra Lisboa.

Karyn Morton asked for his help in getting her target when, in the end, she turned around and got Lyra Lisboa instead.

For Senior Ella Ronan's moment was what most of us hoped would not happen. She had an essay due in her English class. She was working on it and turned it in. It was not till after she submitted it that she realized she did the entire essay on a completely different book.

"I was reading a book about the essay but when it came time to turn it in I realized I did it on the wrong book," said Ronan.



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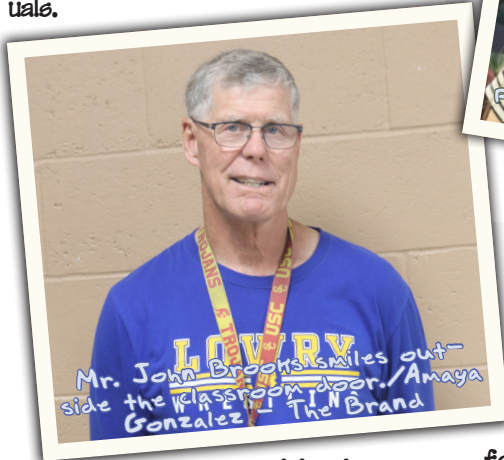
By Amaya Gonzalez

As the school year draws to a close, Lowry High School faces a season of change, filled with both sadness and excitement. Several beloved teachers are bidding farewell to the school, while new educators are stepping in to continue the tradition of excellence in teaching that Lowry is known for.

For many, the news of the teachers leaving has been a moment of reflection. Whether it's a retirement after decades of service or a move to new opportunities, these educators have made an indelible mark on the lives of countless students. Their influence extends beyond the classroom, fostering an environment where learning is not just about books but about growing as individuals.

"I will certainly miss coaching, but the team will be left in good hands," said Brooks. "I have not made too many plans for when I'm done. I guess I had better do that. Haha. My time here at Lowry has been awesome because of all the new things I learned. I had to refresh all my Math skills," said Brooks.

His enthusiasm and joking personality have made his classroom a favorite.



Mr. John Brooks smiles outside the classroom door. Amaya Gonzalez - The Brand

Mr. John Brooks, a fixture in the math and wrestling programs, is retiring this year. Their legacy includes the countless students they inspired to do and excel in their love for wrestling, leading the school to many state wins.



Ms. Jessica Lindsay smiles inside her classroom with her plants. Amaya Gonzalez - The Brand

Ms. Jessica Lindsay, who teaches in the science department, is also leaving Lowry this year. She finds her departure bittersweet, but is excited for this new chapter in her teaching career.

"It really is a bittersweet feeling leaving Lowry," attribution goes here. "I love the students and the staff, and I will miss them, but I'm excited for this new chapter in my life."

Lindsay is excited to teach a new grade, but is grateful she will be teaching the subject she likes and is

familiar with

"I'm going to be teaching earth science, and that's a subject I enjoy attribution goes here. It's going to be different teaching, eighth grade, but I'm excited for it."

Mr. Jeff Setzer, an English teacher at Lowry for 30 years, is also saying goodbye to Lowry High School. Setzer hopes he will inspire many students to continue their education and future outside of his classroom.

"Same as all teachers, I think. I just hope that I've helped as many students as possible to get something out of high school and move on to the next stage of their lives. Like anyone, I just hope that my work over the years mattered in some way and amounted to something good," said Setzer.

Setzer is also planning on traveling year-round and not just during the summer.

"After leaving, I don't have any grand plans so far. I look forward to traveling in the fall and the spring instead of just the summer, and I'm just curious to see how it all plays out. I'm ready for something different, and I'm excited for it," said Setzer.

While farewells are never easy, Lowry is also excited to introduce a new group of educators who are eager to continue the school's legacy of excellence. The incoming teachers bring fresh perspectives, new ideas, and a wealth of experience to the school community.

Mrs. Serah Iroz, who will be joining the history department, is already

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hope to continue to build bonds, foster relationships, and create success with as many students as we can. Mr. Myers said. I have been waiting to get my foot in the door at Lowry, and now that it is my time to shine.

The incoming staff also includes math additions. Ms. Nicole Angus has years of experience supporting students learning and understanding of math.

"I am most excited about seeing some of the students I have already had and potentially getting the opportunity to help them grow even more academically, said Angus.

I am also excited to be teaching at a higher level than previously and, therefore, growing as an educator. Achievements I would like to accomplish at Lowry include guiding students to grow in their mathematical skills as well as expanding upon my teaching skills at the secondary level.

Even with most of the new faces, Lowry will gain a familiar one.

Mr. Taylor Corak will be officially joining the Lowry staff as a new addition to the math department and as an assistant coach for wrestling.

"I'm excited to be officially on the Lowry staff. I know math is a tough subject, but I hope to be able to understand it and give them a

positive experience here at Lowry," said Corak.

Corak is also excited to take up the assistant wrestling coach position at Lowry.



"I hope to hopefully get the team back on top for the state championships and take home more state wins for Lowry, said Corak.

As Lowry School transitions into this new chapter, it is clear that the spirit of community remains strong. The dedication of outgoing teachers and the enthusiasm of the incoming staff ensure that students will continue to receive the guidance, support, and education they need to succeed.

making waves with her vibrant energy and excitement for the new school and students she will see again.

"I am going to be teaching sophomore World History at Lowry. I am excited to teach new and interesting material, as well as see previous students from throughout the years, and experience the high school culture from the teaching perspective, said Iroz. Iroz is also excited to get new experiences.

"I hope to make it through the year as smoothly as possible, but also to be a little more involved in new and challenging things, said Iroz.

Mr. Brian Myers will be teaching in the English department. Mr. Myers taught at Winnemucca Junior High for many years, also teaching English. Mr. Myers is excited to continue teaching at Lowry.

"I'm excited about everything! I



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Year in Sports

Varsity boy's golf ends the season with Maddex Hislop going to state

By Stella Hammargren

This boy's golf season had many ups and downs, but overall, the season went great.

"I'll call it a useful and young team," said Coach Andrew Meyer. "Driving for improvement that we eventually saw towards the end."



Many players, such as Edward Jones, had a good season and ended with some improvement.

"I improved on my overall technique, and I had a good season with some of my friends and teammates," said Jones.

Maddex Hislop, a player who went to state last year as well, also believes that his season went well and that there was improvement.

"My season went good, I improved on my game a lot and made it to state again," said Hislop.

Overall, the season went better than last year, and Meyer says he hopes to

be more competitive next season.

"I like to believe that we have improved from last year," said Meyer. "We're going to be competitive next year, hopefully."

Lowry Swim ends the season with positivity

By Stella Hammargren

Coach Cassandra Jenkins had a great time coaching her swimmers this season. Jenkins is very proud of her team and looks forward to future seasons.

"It was a pleasure coaching this group of swimmers this season," said Jenkins. "Overall, the season went really well."

After the hard work they put in, the team placed 3rd and 4th in their relay events. Jenkins had high hopes that her swimmers would qualify at regionals if they maintained their determination to win.

"All of the swimmers showed so much growth not only in stroke technique but in physical endurance and mental toughness," said Jenkins. "I look forward to next season and hope that they all return and continue to swim and condition throughout the off-season."

Kael Sisley, a freshman, enjoyed



watching his team make many great accomplishments.

"We went to the meets, put in hard work, and tried our best to win," said Sisley.

Maygan Robinson, a senior on the swim team, was pleased with the improvements she and her teammates had made.

"I feel like I made big improvements throughout the years, and so did my teammates," said Robinson.

Makenna Toland, Steven Camacho, Tanner Hatch, Iris Ramirez, Lizzie Harmon, Aidan Peters, and Easton Goodell all qualified for state at regionals. The boys placed 8th for the 200-yard medley relay, 8th for the 200-yard IM, 7th for the 500-yard freestyle, and 7th for the 100-yard backstroke. The girls placed 7th for the 200-yard IM, 6th for the 500-yard freestyle, and 7th for the 400-yard freestyle relay.

Seniors: Tanner Hatch, Alora McClure, Aidan Peters, Maygan Robinson, and Evie Morgan.

Varsity Softball season ends with loss to Fernley at Regional tournament

By Macy Whitted

Each year, Lowry softball gets closer to winning the state title. The girls were short in the 2023-2024 season, finishing fourth in the Northern 3A.

However, the girls have made their mark this season, hoping to end at the top. The 2024-2025 season has been a cruise for the girls, with a league record of 14-1 and an overall record of 26-8. The season ended in a regional loss against Fernley, knocking the girls off the state ticket. Although they lost their chance at state, the girls ended first in the Northern 3A.



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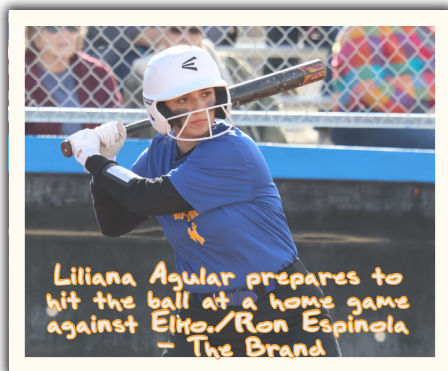
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Lilliana Aguilar prepares to hit the ball at a home game against Elko/Ron Espinola - The Brand

Senior Lilliana Aguilar has enjoyed playing softball since she was little.

"I'll miss playing with these girls since I've played with them since I was seven," said Aguilar.

Senior Crisselyn Rodriguez is grateful for the experiences she went through with her teammates over her four years playing Lowry softball.

"My teammates were hardworking and always pushed each other to improve," which made playing fun and competitive, said Rodriguez.

Rodriguez is also grateful for the coaching staff.

"Our coaches did an amazing job leading us and helping us grow to learn new things," said Rodriguez. My favorite memory would be the transit rides with Peters and Maga, they were definitely something I enjoyed and were always fun, especially the roundabouts.

Coach Megan Maga thinks the girls had a good season overall.

"Overall, I think we had a very impressive season and there's no reason for the team to hang their heads," said Maga.

Maga is proud of how far the girls have come and she can't wait to see what the future holds for the softball program.

"I'm so proud of all 13 girls on our team because it took every one of them

to get to the regional tournament," said Maga. I'm fortunate for our three seniors who helped create the foundation that we can continue to build upon, and I'm looking forward to the years we have ahead with the rest of the squad.

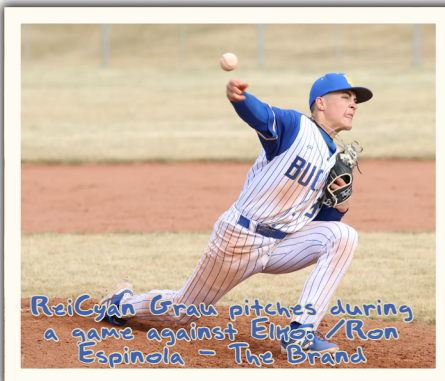
Seniors: Crisselyn Rodriguez, Lilliana Aguilar, and Dana Micone.

Varsity baseball makes regionals with successful record

By Caitlyn Peters

Varsity baseball has had a successful season with 14 wins. They pushed through the hard losses and celebrated the wins with pride. Coach Brent Riemerema has coached for eight years, two on the varsity, and is dedicated to the team doing as much as he can as a coach to help his athletes get better.

"I started coaching because I love baseball," said Riemerema. I think it is



ReiCyan Grau pitches during a game against Elko/Ron Espinola - The Brand

one of the hardest sports to play and be good at.

The team's dedication is evident. The baseball team made it to regionals for the first time in many years. Gabriel Lange has been on the team for four years and has played baseball since childhood.

"This year we've felt closer," said Lange. We all came in with a positive attitude, and I think that's what got us to regionals.

Coach Riemerema believes it was the leadership of the student-athletes that got the team through this season.

"We just had the right guys for the team this year," said Riemerema. Having Connor, Tre, and Gabe to help lead the team

makes my job a little easier."

Senior Angus Boyles was second in 3A state-wide in the number of batters struck out, with 70 in the season. Junior Erick Valencia is ranked twenty-fifth statewide in runs with 41 this season.

Seniors: Trevor Crawford, ReiCyan Grau, Zaq Growcock, Aidan Tregellas, Jayce Casalez, Kayd Garner, Gabriel Lange, Angus Boyles, Caleb Sanders, and Matthew Casalez.

A winning year for varsity track

By Raegan Terry

For the Lowry track, the team has made a lot of progress. Vanessa Lott, a senior, shows her hard work and dedication to the love of the sport.

"I like being able to spend time with my friends," said Lott. Our girls team is really good and has a good chance at state, which is exciting.

For the girls, they ended up getting a new PR, placing second at regionals with a time of 50.24 in the 4x100m Relay (Tariana Weatherspoon, Kaitlin Messmer, Kapa Hilbich, Britain Backus), letting them advance to state. Coach Tyrell Lucas is overwhelmed with the dedication and success the girls team had overall this year.

"I'm proud of the girls overall for their dedication and hard work to achieve what they set their minds to," said Lucas.

Shane Gilliland, who had been stuck at a height of 11'6" in pole vault for the past year, put his hard work and dedication to progress this season.

"I figured out that putting myself first and putting in my best effort every day had to show something," said Gilliland.

Seniors: Lillie Altman, Britain Back-

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Adajah Milan focuses on the finish line at the track meet in Fallon/Ron Espinola - The Brand

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Katelyn Cassinelli tees off during the home tournament. / Juliana Blatchem - The Brand

Girls' golf finishes with strong showing at state

By Lainey Novacek

The girls' golf team had an amazing season this year. The girls finished second in the northern region and qualified for state. Senior Katelyn Cassinelli placed third individually with an overall score of 163 (79 on day one and 84 on the second), and the team placed fifth with a score of 826.

"The tournament in Elko was hard to play through, said Jordyn Medicine Cloud. It was pouring outside, but we kept going. I was really sad but also relieved when the coaches called us in after, the rain didn't lighten up after an hour.

Seniors: Katelyn Cassinelli, Presley Hayee, Jordyn Medicine Cloud, and Kailani Rodriguez Urban.

Girls varsity Soccer hosts



Kepa Hilbich runs the ball down the field. / Ron Espinola - The Brand

playoff game to cap Season

By Ava Hollon

The varsity girls' soccer team has had a great season and won 16 games. Coach Chris Entwistle saw a lot of growth in the girls and loves seeing how well they work together.

Senior Damiana Mentaberry has enjoyed getting to know the other girls on the team and has gotten along well with the other girls.

"My team is so strong individually and even stronger when we play together, we have all created such strong relationships and a great environment for this season, said Mentaberry. The worst part of my season was it coming to an end, this season has been so full of support and love from all the girls.

Seniors: Cleo Fowler, Britain Backus, Damiana Mentaberry, and Kepa Hilbich.

Varsity boy's soccer ends the season with goal-tastic memories

By Stella Hammargren

Overall the boys showed and demonstrated mass amounts of improvement and ended the season with a 9-15-2



Rogelio Hernandez passes the ball to his teammate. / Ron Espinola - The Brand

record.

Juan Alvarez, a senior on the team says that even though they didn't make it to playoffs, they still did good and he is still happy with the season.

"In the end, we fell short a few games but we still did good and played our hardest so that's all that matters, said Alvarez.

Seniors: Eric Quirarte, Jovanni Renteria, Juan Alvarez, Joao Lisboa, Rogelio Hernandez, Damian Valdovinos, Brennen Galarza, Carlos Valdez, Erik Rutz, Jonathan Prado, Bernardo Estrada, and Victor Cruz.

Varsity football season ends with playoff loss to Fallon

By Brooke Aebury and Ron Espinola

This season for the varsity football team ended with excitement, happiness, and memories. The team finished with a record of 2-8. The importance of being an athlete is not always about winning championships but the memories the athletes make. Senior wide receiver Anthony Monroy scored five touchdowns and averaged 68 yards per game.

"This season was one of the best I've ever been a part of, said Monroy.

The friends and teammates made practices and games fun every day.

Seniors: Anthony Monroy, Matthew Casalez, Brandon Cardenas, Sebastian Garcia, Jaden Jimenez, Anthony Martinez, Logan Jung, Gabriel Lange, Logan Jonas, Levi Sheperdeon, and



Anthony Monroy punts the ball. / Olivia Espinola - The Brand

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David Caldera.

Lowry varsity volleyball faces bumpy season

By Jocelyn Escobedo

The varsity volleyball team ended their season with an 11-15 record. The team had a lot of fun and got to play together as a team.

"My favorite part of the season was getting to play with all of my best friends," said Vanessa Lott, a setter.

Lott also had 49 kills on the season as an opposite hitter while totaling 154 assists.

Setter and hitter Allison Green was third on the team with 21 aces and enjoyed the time with her teammates.

"It went really well," said Green, a setter. We had an amazing group of girls that always know how to have fun and motivate one another.

Seniors: Karyn Morton, Elma Jimenez, Olivia Espinola, Vanessa Lott, Makenna Garcia, and Allison Green.

Varsity boy's basketball makes impact on Lowry's basketball program

By Macy Whitted

The varsity boys basketball record of 7-15 was not a true indicator of the success they had this year.



Matthew Casalez was happy he got to end the season on a good note, playing with his teammates.

"My favorite part of the season was being around my teammates I've played with since I was a little kid and getting to play with them one last time," said Casalez.

Seniors: Angus Boyles, Matthew Casalez, Trevor Crawford, Kayd Garner, Jaden Jimenez, Conner Nelson, Gabriel Lange, Austin White

Varsity girls' basketball comes up short but makes the most of season

By Macy Whitted

The varsity girls basketball team has gone 15-8 overall and 7-3 in league games.



Khloe Shorey shoots free throw. / Ron Espinola - The Brand

Britain Backus (29.1 ppg) led the team in scoring, while Natalee Formby (6.1 ppg) was the second leading scorer of this season, and she feels this season went well.

"I feel the season went very well, and we all worked together and hard the whole season," said Formby. My favorite part would have to be all the jokes and laughs at practices and games.

Senior Khloe Shorey is grateful for the years she played at Lowry, ending on a highlight.

"This year's team was truly amazing in so many ways and gave me the best last year I could have asked for, and I couldn't be more thankful for that," said Shorey.

Seniors: Britain Backus, Natalee Formby, Allison Green, Khloe Shorey

Wrestling finishes the season as second in the state

By Madalynn Tagle

The Lowry wrestling team had many accomplishments during the 2024-2025 season, including two individual state champions.

This year, the state championship was held in Fallon, Nevada, where Pete Bengochea and Jhett Harber both won state titles. Bengochea won a title in the 106-pound weight class, and Harber won his title in the 175-pound weight class. Coach John Brooks was satisfied with the results from the season, even with the slight worries that came along the way.

Harber, a senior, won his third state championship and appreciates all the support he has gotten from those around him. The support from his family and friends is what has motivated him to get to where he is now. These are so memorable to him when it comes to wrestling.

"My favorite memory these past years is spending time with my friends and family, through wrestling," said Harber. I know that each and every one of them molded me and helped me reach the accomplishments I have today.

Seniors: Jakob Bauman, Jhett Harber, Logan Jonas



Logan Jonas looks for half nelson. / Eli Long - The Brand



Allison Green cheers for her team after they get a point. / Kelsey Kramer - The Brand

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College bound athletes

By Kelsey Kramer
and Juliana Blatzheim



Olivia Espanola signs with Columbia College to further her volleyball career/ Courtesy: Tony Erquiaga

All the hard work, long practices, and away games have paid off for these athletes. After four years of high school, these students have been noticed for their dedication. Natalie Formby, Vanessa Lott, Katelyn Casanelli, Britain Backus, Lennox Zebroeki, Olivia Espanola, Crisselyn Rodriguez, and Jett Harber have signed.

Lennox Zebroeki plans to attend Bushnell University after high school to further his cross country career.

"As a runner, it is in Eugene, and Eugene is the running capital of the world, said Zebroeki.

Many athletes have carefully considered which college fits them the most and aligns with their values.

Overall, it was the best fit for me, academically, athletically, and spiritually, said Zebroeki. I find it is a gift from God and can glorify God through expressing myself through my sport.

Vanessa Lott has played volleyball at Lowry all four years of high school, where she grew as an athlete and met some of her greatest friends. Lott signed with Lassen

Community College and is looking forward to making more lifelong friends within the team.

"While I was picking a college, LCC stood out to me because of the welcoming nature of the team, said Lott. What keeps me motivated the most as an athlete is my drive and love for the sport I play. During college, I hope to become a better athlete and person.

Lott has been dedicated to her sport since she began her freshman year and will miss playing with her Lowry team.

"I'm so blessed to have been a part of Lowry's volleyball team, said Lott. Volleyball has taught me many things about myself.

Another senior signing with a college for her athletics is Natalie Formby, who made her way onto the varsity basketball team her junior year, where the team won at state. Formby has chosen to sign with the place that fits her most.

"I chose Feather River College because it felt like the perfect place for me to grow both academically and athletically, said Formby. The coaching staff and environment really stood out, and I knew I'd get the support I need to improve my game.

Formby hopes to continue improving in basketball, as it has been one of her most memorable parts of high school.

"My plans for basketball in the future are to keep pushing myself, develop my skills, and hopefully contribute to my team's success while working towards transferring to a four-year program, said Formby. Throughout high school, what kept me motivated was my love for the game and the encouragement from my coaches, teammates, and family.

Another senior dedicated to her sport is Olivia Espanola, who began her love for athletics at a young age. Espanola has signed with Columbia College and will be continuing her journey there.

"I got asked to play volleyball there and I thought it would be a really good idea to pursue and continue my love and dedication to the sport, said Olivia Espanola. I started in French Ford, I didn't really think I would do it in high school because I was more set on soccer, but I tried volleyball out and then I just kept doing it throughout the years.

Espanola has built unforgettable mem-

ories within her team, playing on varsity since her sophomore year.

After officially committing to UNR women's basketball, Britain Backus shared her enthusiasm about the opportunity ahead.

"I am super excited and grateful for the opportunity I have to play at the next level. I'm even more excited to continue playing in front of my home crowd, said Backus.

Her love for the game runs deep, rooted in years of dedication and passion.

"I've loved playing basketball for as long as I can remember, said Backus. It is one of my favorite things to do. It's fun, it's intense, it's competitive, and that's why I love playing so much.

When it came time to choose a school, Backus said the decision was clear.

"I picked Nevada because of the coaching staff, said Backus. They took the time to get to know me on a personal level. It was a place I felt like I would genuinely be cared for as a person and not just a basketball player. They are so dedicated, have the drive, and want to win and that was exactly what I was looking for in a program.

Crisselyn Rodriguez is headed to Porterville College to play softball. She's been encouraged in her softball career by her mother.

"My mom pushed me and helped me throughout my life to make the player I am, said Rodriguez. I chose to continue to get better and to meet new people and see a new place in life.

Rodriguez has enjoyed her time with Lowry softball and is looking forward to continuing her career.

"Porterville reached out to me wanting me to go and play, although I debated on going, I decided I wanted to go, said



Crisselyn Rodriguez signs with Bushnell Beacons to further her softball career/ Ron Espanola. The Brand



Vanessa Lott signs with Lassen College to further her volleyball career/ Ron Espanola. The Brand

Coach of the Year: John Brooks

By Yocelyn Perez

After years of dedication and leadership, John Brooks has been named Lowry's 2024 Coach of the Year. Brooks, who has coached both football and wrestling, is known for his intense work ethic and commitment to building not just strong athletes but strong individuals.

"When done right, coaching can be a lot of work," said

set the record for team points scored at a state tournament, but most memorable because they were such a great bunch of young men," said Brooks.

Although his coaching style hasn't drastically changed, Brooks's recognition of new athletes has not gone unnoticed. Previous wrestling student Gabriel Hogue also had something to say.

"I'll always remember the way he teaches, he makes it interactive and fun in a way you won't forget," said Hogue.

Wrestling is known as one of the most demanding sports, and Brooks doesn't shy away from that reality.

"The biggest challenge is keeping kids coming back each year because when they do, that's when champions are made," said Brooks.

When his athletes face tough times, Brooks encourages them to embrace the struggle.

"I want the wrestlers to know that the tough times and disappointments are all part of it, just wrestle through it," said Brooks.

His values as an athlete reflected his team-first mentality.

"I value someone who is coachable and open to ideas for improvement; I want someone who is a good teammate," said Brooks.

Handling wins and losses is another key part of his approach.

"Winning is fun; however, when you do lose,

learn from it," said Brooks.

This



John Brooks celebrates Lowry's wrestling win with the trophy. / Yocelyn Escobedo. The Brand

season, Brooks was especially proud of his young roster.

"We were a very young team, with several freshmen in our varsity lineup. I'm proud that they wrestled like age did not matter," said Brooks.

Building team culture is essential in his program.

"When people accomplish hard things together, like a Lowry wrestling practice, it creates a bond, a brotherhood," said Brooks.

As a coach, his ultimate goal goes beyond medals.

"They need to know that hard work does pay off, and it will in all their future endeavors," said Brooks.

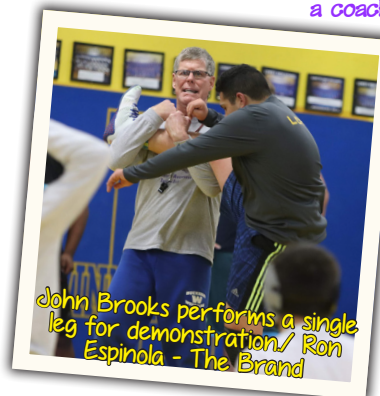
Vice Principal Mr. Mayo reflected on his personal experience with Brooks as both a former athlete and current colleague.

"I had the pleasure of being coached by Coach Brooks for all four years in my high school wrestling experience. He was an assistant, and then he was my head coach," said Mayo.

Mayo also spoke about Brooks's character and coaching style.

"He's the epitome of what you want in a coach. He's fair, consistent, and

always challenged every kid—whether they had been wrestling their whole life or if Lowry was their first experience," with the sport," said Mayo.



John Brooks performs a single leg for demonstration. / Ron Espinola - The Brand



John Brooks shouts encouragement to his athlete. / Ron Espinola - The Brand

Brooks.

Brooks has been involved in coaching for nearly three decades.

"I think I have been coaching for 27 years, with 20 years as a head coach," said Brooks.

His experience has shaped the program into one of the most respected in the state.

"So, it feels good to be recognized for your efforts," said Brooks.

Reflecting on past seasons, Brooks said one year stands out.

"The 2011-12 season, I believe we

Rodriguez. "I was not ready to stop playing. I'm gonna continue my journey for two more years and see where life takes me.

Katelyn Cassinelli has connected deeply to her teammates on the Lowry girls golf team, but she is thrilled to meet new people at Simpson University.

"I am most excited about all the new friends that I will make," said Cassinelli. "I'm also super excited to see how far my golf game can progress and just how much better I can get. What I will miss most about high school sports are the friendships that I have made with other teammates. I am forever grateful

for those friendships."

Jhett Harber has signed with a military academy, the United States Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point in New York.

"I've always had a drive to wrestle," said Jhett Harber. "I love to win, but my losses ultimately motivate me to keep going."

Harber has been participating in wrestling since his sophomore year. Harber was successful in winning a title at state not once, but twice, in his junior and senior years.

"I love the reward from wrestling, you get exactly what you put in," said Harber.

Senior Plans

By Juliana Blatzheim and Eli Long

Peyton Abrego...Moving to Clarkston, Washington.

Carlos Aguayo ValdezGetting M2 mechanic degree.

Liliana AguilarMy plans after graduation is to go to college and get a degree in Sonography.

Anthony Alanis...I plan to get my Associate's degree and learn a trade.

Allyssa AlgerPlans not submitted.

Tyler Allen Barrett.....After Graduation I intend on working full time at Source Too Machine Inc and finish paying off my house.

Juan Alvarez.....I plan on continuing school at GBC to get my degree in electrical systems to better prepare me to become an electrician.

MaCaela Anderson.....Work to save up for a good college so I can become a mechanic.

Yukari Arechiga...Plans not submitted.

George Arellano Gonzalez...I plan on going to Mexico after graduation and furthering my learning. I want to successfully write a book with the help of friends.

Sarah Arrien.....Attend cosmetology school in Reno, NV.

Kalani Arriola.....My plan after graduation is to move to Elko and attend AM Beauty Institute, where I will pursue my career as a cosmetologist.

Paige Asbury I would like to study phlebotomy after obtaining my CNA license.

Britain Backus...Plans not submitted.

Connor Baird Plans not submitted.

Hailey Ballard.....Plans not submitted.

Jakob Bauman....I plan to fish and work during the summer then attend the University of Idaho.

Tristen Bennett.....Plans not



Rachel Fernandez.
/Cripps Photo

submitted.

Corbin Berezay Plans not submitted.

Chantel Bernal Planning on going to Elko to start college and a new chapter.

Mariah Bill.....My plans after high school are probably to work more and enjoy life. I also wanna start my own business of a floral shop.

Amberlyn Blendell.....Going to ISU Idaho for radiology!

Hannah Botkin...Plans not submitted.

Ashlyn Bottoms.....This summer, I will be working at the airbase for BLM and land firefighting. I will then get my real estate license in the Fall, and take life day by day.

Samuel Boyer...Plans not submitted.

Angus Boyles.....Plans not submitted.

Ileavella Bradshaw.....To live life at its fullest.

David Caldera.....Plans not submitted.

Brandon Cardenas.....Attend GBC to certificate of Electrical Systems and instrumentation.

Dylan Cardenas...Plans not submitted.

Julianna Carrillo...To move to Elko and continue my studies there.

Jayce Casalez.....Plans not submitted.

Marcus Casalez My plans after high school graduation are to attend Arizona State University to obtain my bachelor's in Political Science. After that, I plan on either attending law school or finding a job in the political realm.

Matthew Casalez.....Plans not submitted.

Katelyn Cassinelli.....I plan on attending Simpson University. Where I will study pre-vet medicine, where I will also play on their golf team. I will then start my path to becoming a veterinarian.

Crystal Castillo My plan after high

school is to go to community college and get a degree in criminal justice then later on become a detective and move to a big city!

Tony Cervantes Plans not submitted.

Thomas Chavez...Plans not submitted.

Tyler Cholico.....To attend UNR and graduate with a B.S. in psychology.

Nicole Christy...Plans not submitted.

Danica Colman.....After I graduate I'll be moving to Las Vegas to go into cosmetology school.

McKenzie Connolly.....To travel and train in EMT and firefighting.

Trevor Crawford.....Plans not submitted.

Victor Cruz.....Attend UNR and study electrical engineering.

Jacqueline Cuevas.....My plans are to move to Cali and go to cosmetology school.

Areli Diaz.....Plans not submitted.

Sophia Diaz...Plans not submitted.

Yoselyn Diaz-Ruiz My plans after high school are to go to Reno to study for an Ultrasound Technician and work my way up there.

Martin Dockter Pursue a career in music, attend music school at UNR.

Audrey Doyal....I plan to move to Portland and go to school to become a traveling nurse.

Aydan Egger.....Plans not submitted.

Bailey Elordi.....Plans not submitted.

Trey Emery.....Plans not submitted.

Olivia Espinola...Move to California and play volleyball at a college and get a bachelor's of Social Work.

Joseph Esquivel Plans not submitted.

Rigoberto Esquivel.....My plans after high school is to work with my



Jason Sage.
/Cripps Photo

dad in his welding business.



Tyler Chelico. / Cripps Photo

Bernardo Estrada-Baltazar....I plan on going to college and studying to become an electrician hoping that I finish and end up working as underground electrician.

Makenna Fabor...I plan on getting certified in phlebotomy and later furthering my education in the medical field.

Kevin Farias.....Kevin F go to the Army work in there and train for boxing or MMA and get a career.

Hunter Fears....I am going to college through GBC in Elko and working with Marigold as a Diesel mechanic.

Rachel Fernandez.....After graduating with my Associate's degree, I plan to take a year off to work. I also got a summer job at BLM to get started.

Branden Ferns....Plans not submitted.

Bailey Fetterly.Plans not submitted.

Dominick Figueroa.....Help out the people I love the most, spend time working on myself, and building connections. Get a job, travel, and start a family.

Natalee Formby.Attend Feather River College to play basketball and get my associate's degree in Kinesiology and furthermore to get my doctorate degree in Physical Therapy.

Cecilia Fregoso Rivas.....My plans after high school are to see where life will take me.

Ava Frey.....My plans after high school graduation are to attend the equine dental academy in Idaho and certify in being an equine dentist.

Anna Frye.....Plans not submitted.

Brennen Galarza.....Plans not submitted.

Judith Garcia....My plans are to attend college at GBC in Elko to pursue a degree in sonography.

Makenna GarciaAfter high school graduation, I plan to attend UNR and become super rich one way or another.

Sebastian Garcia.....Plans not submitted.

Kayd Garner.....Plans not submitted.

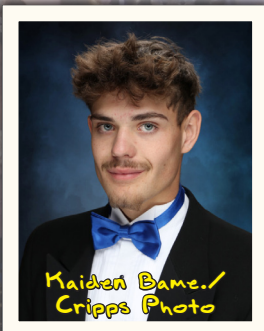
Mia Gerhard.....After high school graduation, I will be working for the local ambulance barn as an EMT. Once the summer is over, I will be headed to Butte, Montana, to attend the nursing program at Montana Technological University to become a certified nurse.

Sara Giegerich..Study at a /Cripps Photo or university to eventually own my own bakery.

Shane Gilliland...Plans not submitted.

Javier GonzalezI plan to leave the country for a month, then come back and get into real estate.

ReiCyan Grau.....Plans not submitted.



Kaiden Bame. / Cripps Photo

Allison Green.....After high school, I plan to earn my associate's degree through Great Basin College while going through an internship program here at one of the local mines. After that, I plan to transfer to the University of Reno, Nevada, to further my education in geological science while earning my bachelor's.

Zaquery GrowcockPlans not submitted.

Wilbert Guerrero.....My plan is to hopefully move out of town, have a good job or company, and live life.

Zackary Guilbert.....Move to Montana.

Alexis Guzman-Podgornik. My plan after graduation is to buy a nice truck and choose my future career.

Caleb Hales.....Following graduation from high school, I plan to serve a mission for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. I will serve in the Australia, Perth Mission. Upon completion of my two-year missionary service, I plan to attend Brigham Young University and pursue a bachelor's in accounting, master's in accounting, and a juris doctor degree.

Shayne Hampton.....Plans not submitted.

Jhett Harber....Plans not submitted.

Sheryl Hart.....Find out what job I could get and have a good life, the best I can.



Kailynn Nesham. /Cripps Photo

Tanner Hatch....I plan to move to Reno to attend UNR and major in mechanical engineering. While attending UNR, I will be employed at

Teela. Following my collegiate education, I plan to marry rich and be a house husband.

Preeley Hayes...Plans not submitted.

Marina Hernandez.....Plans not submitted.

Rogello Hernandez Rutz...Go to college at GBC in Elko for the diesel program and start a business later on.

Kepa Hilbich.....Plans not submitted.

Grace Hill.....Plans not submitted.

Ryan Holmes.....Plans not submitted.

Nevaeh JacksonPlans not submitted.

Elma Jimenez....Plans not submitted.

Jaden Jimenez...My plans are to attend Boise State University and go to school to become an athletic trainer or sports nutritionist.

Donovan Johnson.....Plans not submitted.

Aireona Jolliff I'm going to UNR to pursue a Bachelors Degree in English. My plan is to be a teacher and/or perhaps a writer.

Zoe Jolliff Go to GBC and become a forensic artist.



Alora McClure. / Cripps Photo

Logan Jonas My plan after graduation is to go to Boise State to study engineering.

Myla Jones....I plan to move to Reno and study Kinesiology at UNR.

see SENIOR PLANS on page 20

Student Life

Senior Plans

Logan Jung.....I plan on going to Kinross Gold Mine to pursue my dream of being a welder.

Natalie Keating..Plans not submitted.

Alisha Kenison....I prefer not to say.

Kelaeey Kramer I plan to move to Elko and pursue the career path of a Graphic Designer after adequate education.

Yadira Lane.....Attend classes at GBC and work toward a career in sonography.

Gabriel Lange.....Plans not submitted.

Cameron Leavell Plans not submitted.

Mariah Leon.....My plans for after is to go to cosmetology school and become a hairstylist and make money from there.

Shelby Lewis Joining the Army, becoming Military police.

Brennan Long I plan to get my AA in diesel technology from GBC. Afterwards, looking for a mechanical position at the mines.

Luis Lopez Hernandez..Plans not submitted.

Vanessa LottPlans not submitted.

Cesareo Loyola Benitez..Plans not submitted.

Johnny Lozano-Chavez.....My plans are to continue improving my skills, grow, and help.

Joao Pedro Lyra Lisboa...Going to UNR and majoring in kinesiology, and in the future work on the main doctor in the NBA.

Augustine Maldonado...Plans not submitted.



submitted.

Paul Marley-Huaman ..Plans not submitted.

Kayleigh Marshall After high school I plan on attending GBC to pursue nursing.

Alicia Martin...Plans not



of the MTC scholarship for diesel.

Alora McClure...I will be attending Northern Arizona University to obtain a degree in elementary education.

Fallon McNeill.....Plans to attend Oklahoma State horsehoeing school.

Jordyn Medicine Cloud.....My plans are to stay here until I have some money saved up to go to UNR.

Damiena Mentaberry.....Plans not submitted.

Dana Micone.....Go to college in Virginia to play softball and study criminal justice..

Adajah MilanUNR.

Cody Milligan.....To play video games.

Kevin Mojica UmanaPlans not submitted.

Anthony Monroy Torres..My plans are to go work.

Jaemin Moran-Gonzalez...Plans not submitted.

Jayden Moraeh. Plans not submitted.

Evangeline Morgan..... Plans not submitted.

Natalie Mori.....Pursue a business degree and continue working to become a professional reined cow horse trainer.

Karyn Morton.....Attend cosmetology school in Elko and got my license in a different area, then create my own business.

Azlyn Muchow...Plans not submitted.

Jesse James Neilson..To work for Nevada Gold Mines.

Conner Nelson.... Attend the University of Idaho to study exercise science to become an athletic trainer.

Natacha Martin.....Plans not submitted.

Anthony Martinez.....Plans not submitted.

Jace McArthur My plans after high school is to attend Great Basin College for diesel tech as well as be part

Kailynn Neahem..I plan on going to the mines, and saving up to get a 2014 Camaro.

Trea Northrup..... Plans not submitted.

Savannah Noyes..... After I graduate high school, I plan to attend Dental Hygiene school to become a Dental Hygienist.

Sky O'Neil.....Wanna take a year off to save for college to become a multiple myeloma dr.

Jacqueline Ojendiz.....Stay for a year, then move to Reno or Elko for cosmetology school.

Justin Orr.....Plans not submitted.

Kadence Owen...I am going to get my business degree and become a loan officer.

Natalie Pacheco Taking the CNA class and then going into nursing school.

Jhett Paulsen.....I plan to attend Idaho State University to pursue nuclear engineering.

Bianca PerezPlans not submitted.

Aidan PetersI plan on joining the United States Navy and attending Texas A and M University.

Mikyla Peterson Plans not submitted.

Keidra Foat Plans not submitted.

Jonathan Prado..Go to the GBC for electrical, then after work.

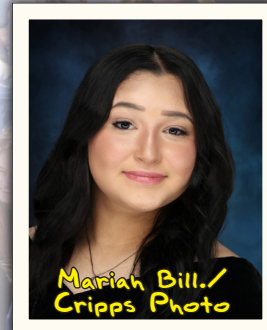
Mia Preciado.....I plan on taking classes at the GBC and then from there seeing where life takes me.

Camila Preciado Villalobos Plan on becoming a CNA and then getting my associates at GBC and then going on to pursue Sonography.

James Putvain...My plan after graduation is to go be a miner, make good money, and retire early.

Eric QuirarteGo to the GBC to study electric systems

Irydiana Ramirez..I plan to stay here in my hometown to continue my education at Great Basin College. I will be going through the MAPE program at GBC and get my certification



while completing the rest of my prerequisites for nursing school, I will also be planning to work as a CNA for HGH while doing school. After getting my ASN at GBC, I plan to transfer to UNR to obtain my BSN. By the end, I hope to become an OR



nurse or a NICU/PICU nurse.

Weely Ramirez-Hernandez Working at a bakery.

Jovanni Rente-ria.....Plans not submitted.

Logan Ricci.....Plans not submitted.

Maygan Robinson.....I plan to attend UNR and earn my bachelor's in elementary teaching, I will be teaching abroad during my time in college.

Criselyn Rodriguez After High School I plan on going to Porterville, CA, for 2 years to play softball then transferring to UNR to get my master's degree in social work.

Kailani Rodriguez Urban....Plans not submitted.

Alizea Romero....Plans not submitted.

Ella Ronan.....Plan to go full-time at my job till I get enough money to move back to my old state.

Bailey Rorex.....I plan to go to UNR and then attend law school. Afterwards, I hope to work as a Lawyer before ultimately running to be a Senator for Nevada.

Jose Rosas.....Plans not submitted.

Izac Rubio.....I plan on going straight to work somewhere.

Erik Ruiz.....Do the electrical program and do electrical at Marigold mines.

Madleen Ryan....Plans not submitted.

Victoria Salgado.....Move to Carson City, go to cosmetology school.

Caleb Sanders...Heading to UNR in the fall to study mechanical engineering.

Yeeshua Sanoval.Continue studying at the university.

Delta Sandvig.....Attending University of Montana and majoring in public health.

Ezekiel Schroeder.....Move to Reno and become famous.

Danielle Scott.....I will be attending Utah Tech University to earn my Bachelor of Science in nursing. From there, I will work to become a surgical nurse, and later surgical nurse practitioner. Damian Shaarda.Plans not submitted.

Levi Shepardon.....Plans not submitted.

Khloe Shorey.....I will be attending the University of New Haven, Connecticut to study Forensic Chemistry.

Oliver Siebert.....I'm moving to my father's in South Dakota.

Logan Smith.....Plans not submitted.

Walker Smith....My plans for after graduation are to become a diesel mechanic and work for Cummins.

Sarah Sorrell.Plans not submitted.

Clarissa Stewart To earn enough to finally go back to Las Vegas, live with my best friend, and study being either an art student or a therapist.

Brooklyn Swensen After graduation, I plan to attend Brigham Young University-Idaho.

Darryl Swim.....Plans not submitted.

Rebecca Tangaro Kent.....I plan to go wherever my soul takes me. I've always been one to travel & that is what I tend to do while following through with my dream of being a therapist.

Hayleyawna Thomas.....I want to work and save money.

Nathan Thompeon.....Plans not submitted.

Rylan Thompeon I'm going to do the MTC program.

Nevaeh Thornton.....After graduation, I plan to attend Oregon Tech and get my Bachelor's of Science in business and IT.

Alexa Toscano Ramirez....Attend the University of Nevada, Reno.

Nathan Tourney Plans not submitted.

Aidan Tre-gellas.....To work for my dad at A-1 Towing for the summer, then go to Swan Mountain Wilderness Guide School in Swan Lake, Montana, to become a hunting and fishing guide.

Vicente Trigueros.....Move to Arizona.

Jose Urtiz Flores.....Going to a trade school to get my Mechanic degree.

Emily Valdez.....My plans are to study at UNLV and enjoy life as it comes.

Arnoldo Valdovinos-Carrillo....My plans after graduation are to attend GBC and then UNR to complete a degree in electrical engineering.

Hali Van Liew....My plan after high school is to go to college to become a teacher for math or music. I would like to teach all grades.

Hailey Vandemark.....I plan to attend GBC until I finish my associate's degree, then transfer to either UNR or UNLV to achieve my accounting bachelor's degree.

Elia Vasquez.....After graduation, I plan to get an associate's degree in nursing.

Jimena Vazquez-Lara..Going to Las Vegas for a while with my aunt.

Alexandra Villaseñor....Go to Great Basin College to become a CNA Nurse.

Makya Westmoreland.Boise State for my Bachelor's in Elementary Education.

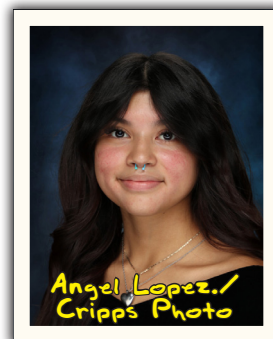
Austin White Plans not submitted.

Nikki Wiggins..I'm moving to Louisiana

Travis Woodcock Plans not submitted.

Demitri Wright Be a garbage man.

Lennox Zebroski Gain a bachelor's degree in kinesiology at Bushnell University and later become a Physical



Therapist.

Athlete of the Year: Jaden Jimenez

By Raegan Terry

Jaden Jimenez played many seasons throughout his time at Lowry. Jimenez participated in football, basketball, and is on the track team this year, as well as many after-school activities and extracurriculars.

Lowry Sports holds and has built memories for students, and that's exactly what it did for Jimenez.

"What I will miss most about high school sports will be all the memories it has created for me, all the tournaments and games, said Jimenez. Running out for a home game, but most of all being able to play with my brother.

Jimenez spends his time gaining strength and knowledge in basketball, both on and off the season.

"What I do for fun outside of sports is probably play more sports, said Jimenez. That goes after the first sentence I play basketball any chance I get, whether picking up games or just going to shoot, I keep playing the sport.

With Jimenez being a dedicated player, he stands out to his teammates and, most of all, his coaches.

"Jaden is a natural leader," said Lucas. "He leads by example, not only does Jaden excel in his sports, he's also dedicated to his academics."

Jimenez takes his hard work to his teammates and is someone you can rely on.

"He is someone you can rely on to get a job done, and takes pride in his work, said Lucas. It has been my privilege to work with him in the classroom as well as the athletic arena, in which he excels at both.

After high school, Jaden plans to attend Boise State University and study Kinesiology.

"My plans for after high school are to attend

Boise State University and go into kinesiology and become an athletic trainer or a sports nutritionist, said Jimenez.

Jimenez works hard and shows his dedication on and off the court and field.

Outside of school and sports, Jimenez likes to spend his time working out and going out with friends.

I also like to go to the gym to work out and on the weekends, I like to go fishing with friends, ride dirt bikes, or even go and play golf, said Jimenez.

Even with out-of-school activities, Jimenez stays consistent in his sports career.

"Jaden has put together a great 4-year career of sports, all capped off with an exceptional Senior year, said Lucas. He was a main contributor to our football team, a true leader and captain on the basketball court, and has worked extremely hard in track, ultimately earning an opportunity to compete at the Regional Meet.

Overall, Jaden's coaches were surprised by his hard work and dedication to the game.

"I never expected Jaden to play football, said his football coach, Tava Cabatbat. Jaden was a little behind as far as knowing the fundamentals of football, but his work ethic and openness to learn and to get better every day were truly amazing to see.

Jaden made sure to keep his dedication to not only the game but also his teammates.

Jaden was not only a smart, hard-working student-athlete, but he was a caring teammate who wanted to see everybody succeed, said Cabatbat.

I believe his mindset, attention to detail, and team-first attitude are why he was able to gain the trust of his team-



Jaden Jimenez pushes past his opponent in the 100m to the finish line. / Ron Espinola - The Brand

mates and also be a big contributor for us on the football field."

The teammates of Jimenez all loved having him as a captain and a reliable teammate.

Jimenez's little brother, Byron Jimenez, loved being able to live out the dream of playing with his brother for his first and last year.

"I mean, we grew up fighting, playing a lot, and competing, said Byron Jimenez. So just being able to share the court together was pretty special.

The ups and downs of knowing it was Jimenez's last year at the high school level meant a lot for his brother to play with him.

"My favorite memory was probably our last game in Dayton, it was really emotional, but it was a pretty competitive game, and we just had fun because we knew it was probably his last game, said Byron Jimenez.

Jimenez will leave Lowry High School with an incredible lasting memory of his coaches and teachers as he moves on to bigger things.

"Jaden was a blessing for me as a Coach, said Cabatbat.



Jaden Jimenez on the line. / Ron Espinola - The Brand

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Athlete of the Year: Britain Backus

By Natalie Sevon



Britain Backus fights for the rebound. Ron Espinola - The Brand

Backus dedicated much of her skill to basketball, so much so that she is going to play for the University of Nevada Reno Basketball team. She expresses her feelings about going to Division 1.

"I'm super excited and grateful for the opportunity to play at the next level," said Backus.

I'm excited to play for my new coaches and, alongside my new teammates.

Backus also enjoys the beach, boating, and snowmobiling. Anything involving the outdoors appeals to her. She also loves to engage in physical activity outside of sports. Running is a good outlet for her.

"She has brought a level of competition to our team that has helped to raise the level and make us better as a team," said her track coach Tyrell Lucas. She always shows up with a good attitude and is willing to put in the work required to not only better herself but those around her as well. Britain is someone that you can count on to give it her all. When she commits to something, she gives it her best effort.

Coach Lucas appreciates and applauds the efforts Backus makes in her track career, although this is the sport she is least known in, she continues to put all her effort into her performance, no matter the level of competition.

"Being Brit's teammate not only gave me a friend, but also another coach in a way," said Backus's teammate, Kapa Hilbish. She always helped me improve when I was struggling and never let me get down on myself.

Backus is a competitive person, but she never lets that get in the way of



Britain Backus brings the ball up the court. Ron Espinola - The Brand

her on-team friendships. She sees her teammates as an opportunity to grow individually to help her team rise above the competition.

Britain Backus has repeatedly shown her skills in soccer, track, and especially basketball. Almost anyone would agree that Backus is an excellent athlete and continues to strive in other areas of her life. She is a good student and friend. Backus hopes to continue her strive in her college career. All these qualities have earned her a spot as Athlete of the Year.



Backus races to the finish. Ron Espinola - The Brand

Britain Backus is a Lowry senior with ambition and goals. Throughout her high school years, she has dominated the field, court, and track with her athleticism. She has proven herself through soccer, basketball, and track, and continues to prove herself in other ways, too.

"I will just miss being able to play with my best friends, I'll miss our endless laughs and unforgettable memories," said Backus.

As a multi-talented athlete, Backus is rewarded with various playing opportunities on the field and the court. Backus played soccer for all four years of high school. She was offered spots on many college soccer teams but decided to go with basketball.

"On the court, her dedication and skill set her apart, consistently delivering outstanding performances," said Backus's basketball coach, Alyssa Jones.

As a teammate, Britain's unwavering support and leadership create passion and excitement, making her a cornerstone of unity and motivation.

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SUMMER ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE FOR LOWRY ATHLETES

By Olivia Espinola

With sports ending this school year, coaches will schedule camps, workouts, drills, conditioning, practices, and other activities during the summer. Information will be provided to let athletes plan accordingly to attend.

BOYS SOCCER

Summer conditioning will start on June 17. It will be held every Tuesday and Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. at the boys baseball field.



Jonathan Prado takes a shot on goal. / Ron Espinola - The Brand

Tryouts will be August 2nd at 6:30 a.m., August 4-6 from 6:30-8:30 a.m.

BASEBALL

June 18-25, Little League will be using the varsity baseball field and JV baseball field from June 18-25 for All-Stars.

Practices are TBD. Most likely in the evenings once school ends.



ReiCyan Grau comes seth. / Ron Espinola - The Brand

CROSS COUNTRY

Summer Conditioning:

Officially starts Tuesday, July 15, at

2 p.m.

Meet at the high school track

It will take place every Tuesday and Thursday

Cross Country Season 2025:

Official first day of practice Monday, August 4th at 3:15 p.m.

Hydrate

Meet at the high school track

Coaches Information:

Head Coach- Sergio Cabada

Assistant Coach- Larry Renteria

Email- lrenteria@hcsdny.com

Activate (formerly known as Register My Athlete):

You must complete your online registration and physical prior to the first official day of practice. Otherwise, you are ineligible to participate.

Grades

Stay on your grades, grades must be kept up to stay eligible

VOLLEYBALL

May 19 open gym was cancelled due to the band concert, and hopefully moved to Wednesday, May 21.

Camp is 6/12-13 from 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. And then tryouts are August 2nd and August 4th, time TBD.

CHEER

Open gym is on Monday, May 19, and Tuesday, May 20, 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm in the New Gym

Tryouts are on Wednesday, May 21, at 2:00 p.m. in the new gym

Mandatory parent meeting Tuesday, May 27- 6:00 p.m.

Camp at California State University, Sacramento, Thursday, July 31, 2025 - Saturday, August 2, 2025. Thursday 12 - 6 p.m., Friday and Saturday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Summer practice and conditioning, Monday-Friday 7 a.m. - 10 a.m. June 9 - June 12 (Thursday), June 23 - July 3 (Thursday). Monday-Friday 7 - 10 a.m., July 15 - July 31, August 1 - August 18.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Youth Camp



Kailani Rodriguez hits a wedge. / Ron Espinola - The Brand

June 16-18

7th and 8th Graders: 8 a.m.-10 a.m.

5th and 6th Graders: 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

3rd and 4th Graders: 1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.

Open Gyms

Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 6-8 p.m. (New Gym)

Summer Tournaments (all in Reno)

May 24-25

May 31

June 28-29

July 12-13

July 26-27

FOOTBALL

June 10-13, 17-20, and 24-27 Practice 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

July 1-2 will be practice from 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

EOU camp July 8-11, time is TBA

Open Weight Room 4 p.m. July 15-18, and 22-25

GIRLS SOCCER

Summer Conditioning: June 23 - July 25, 2025, Tuesday & Thursday 6 - 8:00 p.m.

Tryouts: Saturday, Aug 2 - 7 - 8:00 a.m., Monday, Aug 4 - Thursday, Aug 7.

7:00 - 8:00 a.m. & 6 - 8:00 p.m.

Girls Soccer Meeting at LHS on Tuesday, May 20, at Lunch.



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SPORTS

Where are they now? The class of 2024

By Yocelyn Perez

For many students, life after high school brings new beginnings and big decisions. Whether it's college, a career, or figuring it out along the way, everyone's path looks different. A few of Lowry's 2024 graduates have already started building lives they're proud of.

Katlyn Esquivel and Angel Lopez, a couple since high school, took a leap and moved to Elko together after graduation. They've made their own home, and both are pursuing their dreams. Angel is attending Great Basin College to further his education, while Katlyn is chasing her passion by starting her own small business.

Melene Nye has been balancing a busy schedule since graduation. She's been taking online college classes while also working and pursuing a real estate career.

"Since high school, I have been taking online college classes as well as working and pursuing a real estate career," said Nye.

Despite her packed routine, she still finds time to enjoy herself.

"I have also been traveling and taking advantage of free time," said Nye.

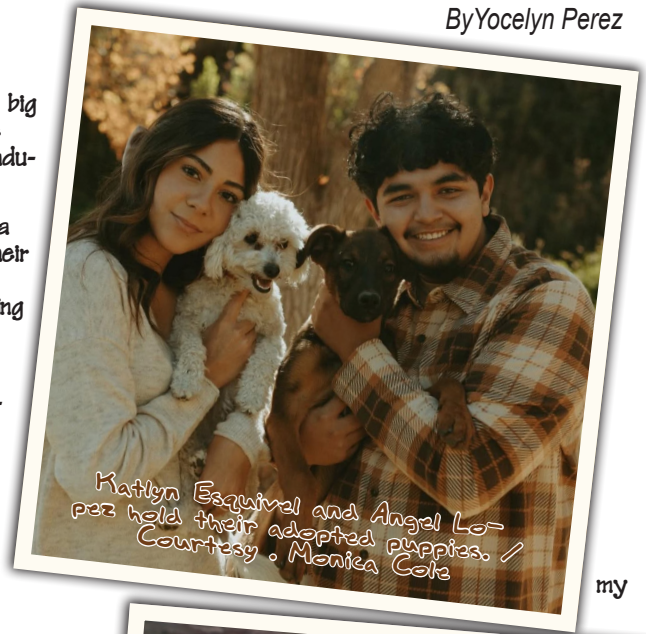
David Walker took his talents to North Dakota, where he's now a full-time student-athlete at the University of Jamestown.

"Football is officially Division 2 now, and the pressure has never been more exciting," said Walker.

After completing his first year of classes, he recently made the decision to switch his major from nursing to engineering.

"Football has been tons of fun and the University is an amazing place," said Walker.

Whether it's school, work, or something in between, these former Lowry students are making the most of their lives after high school, each in their own way.



Katlyn Esquivel and Angel Lopez hold their adopted puppies. / Courtesy: Monica Cole

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David Walker proudly stands next to the university he's attending's sign. / Courtesy: David Walker



Melene Nye poses in a field for a photoshoot. / Courtesy: Melene Nye

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Senior Vocies

By Maria Patino



"I will miss the community, being able to see all my friends in one place every day."
- Ashlyn Bottoms



"When I graduate, I will miss going to lunch with my friends and walking to class with my friends."
- Tony Cervantes



"When I graduate, I will miss the small and fun moments with my friends."
- Sara Giegerich



"I will miss my friends the most when I graduate."
- Izac Rubio

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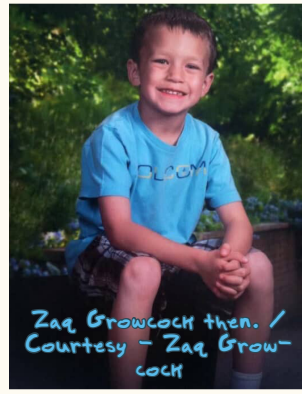
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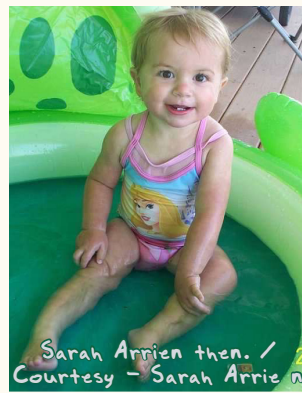
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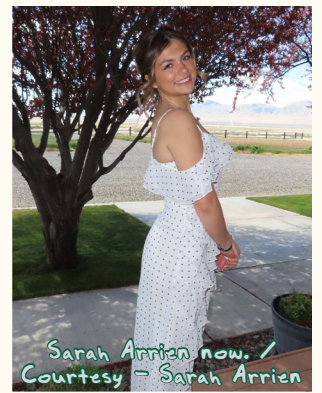
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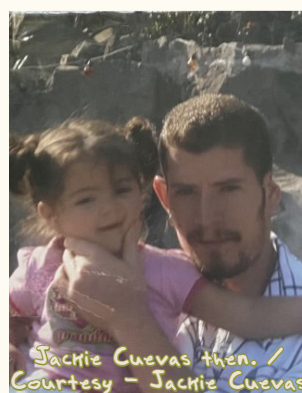
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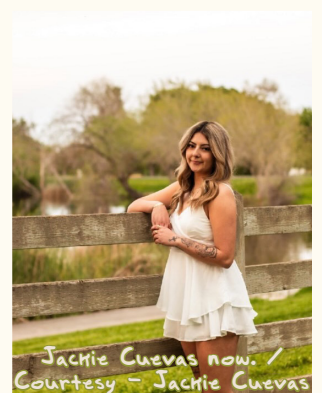
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Courtesy - Jackie Cuevas



Yoselyn Ruiz then. /
Courtesy - Yoselyn Ruiz



Yoselyn Ruiz now. /
Courtesy - Yoselyn Ruiz



Victor Cruz then. /Cour-
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Victor Cruz now. /Cour-
tesy - Victor Cruz

Martin Dockter takes center stage for his musical talents

By Lainey Novacek

Throughout Dockter's time at Lowry, his favorite piece he performed was Adoration by Florence Price.

"My favorite piece that we performed was Adoration by Florence Price," said Dockter. It has a lot of technique involved in it and is super fun to play.

Along with Dockter's achievements at the school, he was the only person at Lowry to perform at the All-State music concert. Dockter was picked to be the 7th chair for the trumpet section. It was an amazing experience for Dockter and challenged him to become better at his craft.

"All-state was really amazing," said Dockter. It was challenging in all the best ways, and I met a lot of really amazing people.

Dockter's favorite part of All-State was meeting Tris Imboden and attending a class he taught on the UNLV campus.

"My favorite part was probably meeting Tris Imboden, one of Chicago's former drummers, and attending his masterclass on the UNLV campus," said Dockter.

Mr. Munk also went with Dockter to All-State and had a great time with Dockter.

"He was the first person in 35 years in the band to go to All-State," said Munk. He has also been a gung-ho among the students and stood out among his competition.

Dockter also enjoys doing other activities besides music. During his free time, Dockter loves to write, be outside, and go to local thrift shops.

"Outside of music, I spend most of my time writing, being outside, and thrifting," said Dockter. I feel connecting with myself during these activities helps me mentally.

Martin Dockter poses for a photo before performing as the 7th chair in the trumpet section at the Nevada All-State concert. / Courtesy David Munk

Martin Dockter plays the cello at the band's winter performance in the gymnasium. / Juliana Blatzheim The Brand

Martin Dockter plays his trumpet at the winter concert. / Madalynn Tangle The Brand

pushed him to be better and connect with music in his developmental years.

"I've always just been drawn to music and it's become a founding part of my life," said Dockter. My dad is a big driving factor to my musical career.

Mr. David Munk, Lowry's music teacher, has been a part of Dockter's music career for the past four years and has seen the improvement coming from Dockter.

"When Martin first joined band, I knew he was going to achieve a lot," said Munk. He has proven my suspicion correct with everything he has achieved in his four years here.

Martin Dockter has been picked as the performer of this 2024-2025 school year for his dedication to music, and his major accomplishments in the past four years. Dockter has been playing music since he was a child, and it has become a huge part of his life.

"Music is really important to me for so many reasons, it's always been a huge part of my life," said Dockter. It's a spiritual release, expression, and discovery all at once.

Along with this, Dockter's father has


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Artist of the Year: Mia Preciado



Ms. Julia Topholm selected Mira Preciado as Artist of the Year for 2025. Preciado has been dedicated to all forms of art provided here at Lowry since her freshman year. Her enthusiasm for Art has branched out into her

other classes, and the skills she has developed have served her well in stagecraft.

"Mia has been in the art program since her freshman year," said Topholm. "She has taken every single Art class she possibly could and has transitioned her production not only to pieces for Advanced Art 2 but also Stagecraft. She has showcased her artistic abilities in both classrooms."

Art offers Preciado an outlet for her creative imagination. Her intricate ideas can be translated into whatever material she is using.

"I like art because I am able to create anything I want out of my imagination," said Preciado. "I am able to put it on paper, and that's pretty cool."

Preciado has been an active member of Lowry's Art Club for the past four years, and she has proven to be a student who always strives to improve and try things out of her comfort zone.

"She has been a four-year member of our art club, and she is just an overall willing student to learn, grow, and challenge herself," said Topholm.

Preciado is graduating this year, so she is looking for her future career. She is intrigued by cinematography and has plans to pursue a career in it.

"I am thinking about going into cinematography because that would be interesting," said Preciado.

By Madalynn Tagle

One of Preciado's artistic accomplishments is the mural she completed above the auditorium. Every year, Advanced Art students complete murals around the school that showcase their skills and talent. The murals she has completed help the school look more vibrant and unique.

"She has completed murals for the campus to help make it more beautiful," said Topholm.

Since the mural is located above the auditorium, Preciado wanted to capture all the things that make up drama and stagecraft. Preciado is involved in both and brought her knowledge to create a cartoon mural.

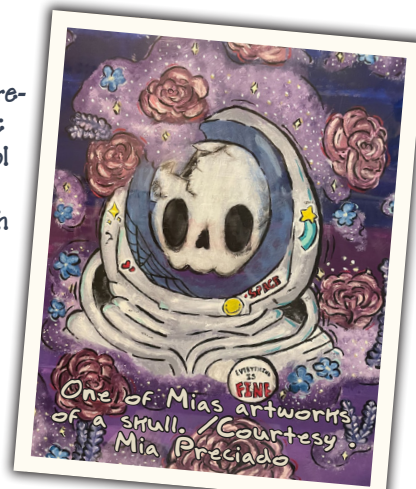
"I did a really cartoony design with the mural," said Preciado. "I wanted something that encapsulated drama and stagecraft since I do both of them."

Preciado has many traits that shine and show her dedicated personality. Throughout the years, she has always been willing to try anything that is given to her. When Topholm introduces something new, Preciado always tries her absolute best in it.

"She is one of those kids who, if you ask her to do something, she's not scared to try," said Topholm.

All the memories that Preciado has made throughout the entirety of high school are important to her. She will miss all aspects of high school, including seeing her friends, going to class, and being involved.

"I am going to miss everything," said Preciado. "Being able to come here every day."




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Who knows you with Martin Dockter

By Caitlyn Peters

Tanner Hatch

1. What is something Martin can't live without? Coffee and Soul food.
2. If Martin were stuck on an island, what are three things he would take? Trumpet, coffee, and African pride shampoo (Martin's favorite).
3. What is Martin's favorite TV Show? "Seinfeld".
4. Who is Martin's celebrity crush? Joe Dirt.
5. What is Martin's favorite soda? Dr. Pepp.
6. What is Martin's biggest fear? Women.
7. What is Martin's favorite season of the year? Spring.
8. What is Martin's favorite pizza? Pepperoni.
9. Is Martin a dog or cat person? Cat.
10. What is Martin's dream vacation? Going on a road trip to a bunch of concerts.

Martin's answers:

1. Black coffee and music.
2. Upright bass, trumpet, and acoustic guitar.
3. The Grand Tour.
4. Ally Sheedy.
5. Cherry Coke O.
6. When people stop caring about the arts.
7. Autumn.
8. Hawaiian.
9. Cat 100%.
10. A couple of years in Australia.

Caleb Hales

1. What is something Martin can't live without? Music.
2. If Martin were stuck on an island, what are three things he would take? A linen suit, an upright bass, and a canteen.
3. What is Martin's favorite TV Show? "Seinfeld".
4. Who is Martin's celebrity crush? Monica Martin.
5. What is Martin's favorite soda? Cranberry Sprite.
6. What is Martin's biggest fear? Women.
7. What is Martin's favorite season of the year? Fall.
8. What is Martin's favorite pizza? Pepperoni.
9. Is Martin a dog or cat person? Cat.
10. What is Martin's dream vacation? To follow Vulpeck on tour.

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Lowry's honor band stands for a snapshot. /Courtesy - David Munn

Students shine in All State and Honor Band and Choir

By Robert Cassady

to see new places," said Honor Choir and All-State Choir Attendee Trinity Green.

Participating in All-State and Honor ensembles is not just about showcasing musical talents; it's also about building community and making lifelong friendships.

"Honestly, it was fun. I got to meet new people, and it was an experience I'll never forget," said Honor Choir attendee Aria Casteel.

Many students perceive these events as opportunities to excel in their craft, following their love of music.

"I auditioned because of the love I have for band and music," said Honor Band attendee Presley Hoyt.

Munk, the band director, noted, "Honor and all-state ensembles are a great way for students in rural Nevada to participate in larger ensembles that they normally wouldn't get to perform with. He explained that these groups require an audition, so you generally get the top music students from the region involved.

He also highlighted the advantages of mentorship in these programs.

"Students get to work with top-notch conductors, often referred to as clinicians, who can provide high-level training for the select students that often is unavailable at home," said Munk.

Munk highlighted the collaborative aspect of these events

"Students get to perform with students from across the region or state in a concert at the



Lowry's honor choir stands for a snapshot. /Courtesy - David Munn

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Lowry High School's art program showcases year's work at CTE Art Show

By Robert Cassidy

On May 29, 2025, Lowry High School hosted the CTE Art Show, drawing art enthusiasts from Winnemucca. From 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., attendees enjoyed a showcase of vibrant paintings, sculptures, and multimedia installations created by students.

As attendees wandered through the colorful displays, the atmosphere buzzed with excitement and creativity. Students such as Audrey Quinn proudly explained their projects, highlighting their artistic processes and inspirations.

"I love making art and showcasing my creativity and passion for it in my art pieces," said Audrey Quinn. "I enjoy the time I have to do art with my friends in my art classes and club. It provides many fond memories."

The CTE Art Show not only celebrates artistic achievement but also highlights the importance of art education in fostering critical thinking, collaboration, and self-expression among young people.



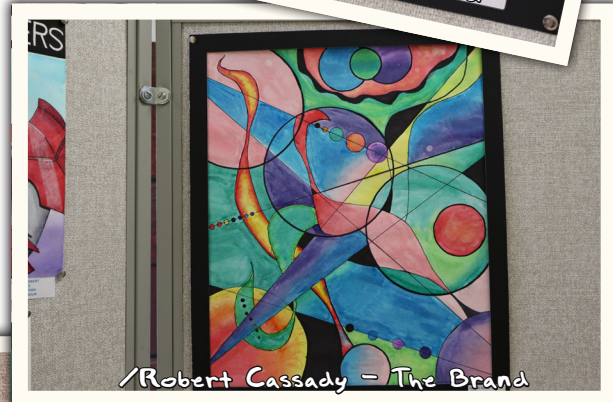
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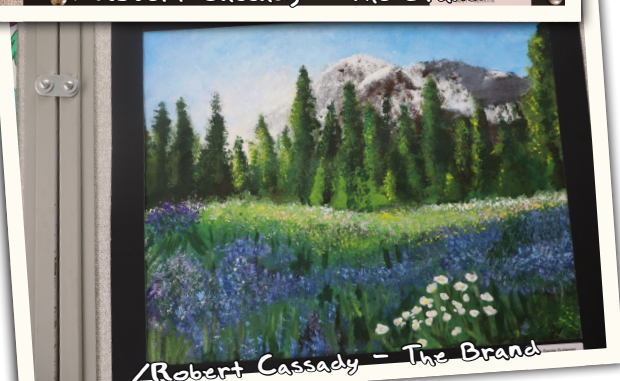
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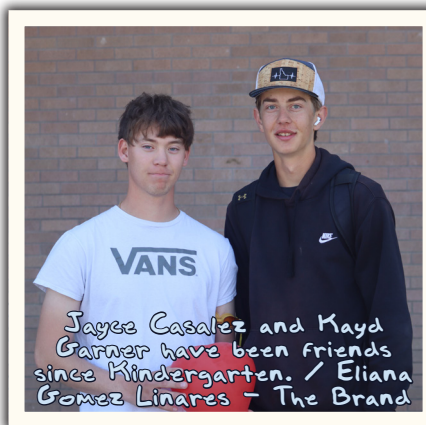
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Friends Since...

Throughout the years of school, whether elementary, middle school, junior high, or even junior year, so many unbreakable bonds have been made and have lasted.

Jayce Casalez and Kayd Garner have been friends since elementary school; they met in third grade and have been friends ever since.

"We've been good friends for a long time," said Casalez.



Jayce Casalez and Kayd Garner have been friends since Kindergarten. / Eliana Gomez Linares - The Brand

We were in the same class, and we played baseball together.



Danielle Scott and Grace Hill have been friends since seventh grade. / Courtesy - Danielle Scott

they were in the seventh grade.

"Grace and I have been friends since 7th grade," said Scott. My favorite memory would be when we would get snacks and play tennis or just go wander around Walmart.

Since then, they have been close friends, and they trust each other very much, and that is one of their favorite things about each other.

"My favorite thing about our friendship is our trust," said Hill.

Victor Cruz and Eric Quirarte have been friends since the fifth grade. They have gone on many adventures together and stayed close.

"My favorite memory was traveling for soccer," said Cruz. It was fun, especially after we won games.

Boyer's favorite thing about his and Tregellas' friendship is how often they hang out and how close they are.

"We hang out all the time," said Quirarte. "We don't have to be doing anything special, we have fun just talking and driving around sometimes."

Allison Green and Olivia Espinola have been best friends since they were in 4th grade. Ever since they met, they have been inseparable.

"My favorite memory with her definitely has to be all the trips her family has included me in," said Green. They've given me opportunities

to go to baseball games and have fun with people I never thought I'd meet.

Espinola's favorite thing about their friendship is how they can find light in any situation and how much they laugh.

"The way we laugh about anything and everything," said Espinola. "We can always find fun in anything we do, and we are always connected and can talk about anything with each other."

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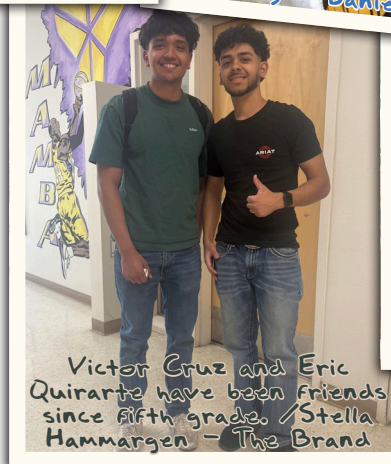
After that, they started talking more and became the closest friends, but they lost contact with each other until junior year.

"During junior year, we were both on varsity baseball, and we just kind of picked off where we left off and became friends again," said Garner. "We just grew up and stopped talking, but we're glad we're close again."

"Something we have in common is probably that we both play baseball," said Casalez.

A big part of their friendship is centered around baseball, and they credit that to how close they are now.

Danielle Scott and Grace Hill have been friends since



Victor Cruz and Eric Quirarte have been friends since fifth grade. / Stella Hammargren - The Brand



Allison Green and Olivia Espinola have been best friends since fourth grade. / Courtesy - Allison Green

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The few protecting the many

By Eli Long

Lewis is going to be a military police officer; she signed on March 11 and is set to leave August 4. Another senior who is going into the Military is Zaquary Growcock, a variety baseball player.

"The reason that I wanted to go into the Military is because of the benefits I can get for my education after," said Growcock.

Growcock has not enlisted yet but is looking to go into the Military. Similar to Growcock, Aiden Peters, a swim player and FFA member, is choosing to serve our country for educational benefits.

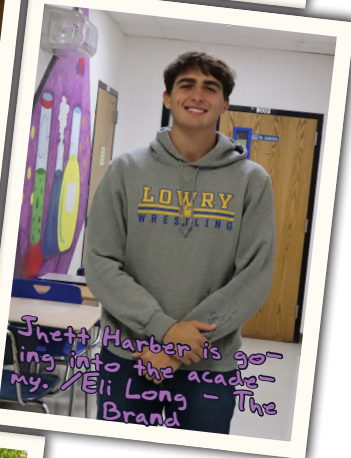
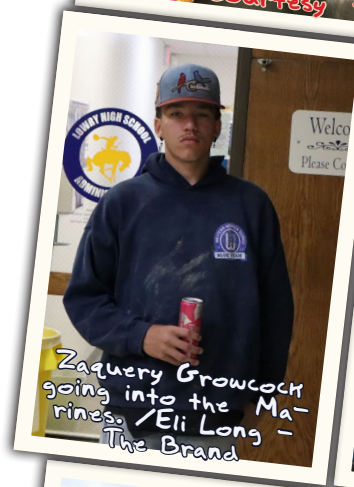
"I am going into the United States Navy," said Peters. "I decided to join the Navy for many reasons. There are lots of benefits, such as education. My dream school is Texas A&M, and the Navy will pay for my schooling.

Peters is not only going to help make the world a better place, but also to see the world.

"Another reason is I love to travel, and in the Navy, you are able to see the country as well as many other countries across the world," said Peters. The Navy has lots to offer and I am very excited to join.

Jhett Harber, who has been one of Lowry's most successful wrestlers, is one of the seniors going into a Military Academy.

"I want to join to obtain my pilot's license and further my career as a private contractor," said Harber.



Aiden Peters has a few seniors who have chosen to commit to serve their nation.

Shelby Lewis is one of the seniors who has committed. Lewis is a part of the Lowry's Band and a member of Drama. She is seeking the chance to grow and experience the world.

"What drove me to join the military was a combination of wanting to see the world and earn respect," said Lewis. Not just from others, but also for myself. I've always admired the discipline and pride that comes with serving, and I wanted to be part of something bigger than myself. The military offered a path that would challenge me, help me grow, and allow me to travel and experience life beyond my hometown.

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Senior Horror-Scope: The Stars Have Favorites (and It's Cancer)

By Yocelyn Perez

Aries (March 21 – April 19)

You said you were gonna “go crazy” after graduation, but we all know you’ll be back in town working at Big R and pretending that wasn’t your plan all along. You move fast, but decision-making? Not your strong suit. Cancer would’ve already found the job, negotiated the pay, and decorated their desk.

Taurus (April 20 – May 20)

You’ve had the same order at Taco Bell for four years and refused to try anything new. You’ll either end up owning a side-by-side or marrying someone who does. You’re stable, sure, but no one ever asked you for playlist recommendations like they do Cancer.

Gemini (May 21 – June 20)

You had beef with someone in every class and somehow still showed up to every senior event like you were everyone’s bestie. You’ll take a gap year and start six new hobbies that end up in your private story on Snapchat. Do you know whose private story was better? Cancer’s.

Cancer (June 21 – July 22)

You have carried this class since your freshman year. You probably balanced AP Lit, drama in the parking lot, and being super social without breaking a sweat. You’ll probably be the first to leave Winnemucca and the first to romanticize it from afar. You’re probably always so involved

that you’ve lost your AirPods every week. But at least your Spotify playlist was pure perfection, just like your energy. You’re the one everyone is going to miss when they graduate, whether they want to admit it or not.

Leo (July 23 – August 22)

You were the loudest person at every pep rally and never let us forget it. Your Instagram captions are basically TED Talks. You’ll go into communications or just communicate for a living—either way, Cancer already did it better with half the volume.

Virgo (August 23 – September 22)

You took senior projects way too seriously and judged everyone who didn’t. You’ll probably run for grocery outlet manager by 25. People trusted you with group work, but loved Cancer for how they made group work feel tolerable.

Libra (September 23 – October 22)

You flirted your way out of every deadline and somehow got away with it. You’ll still be undecided by your second year of college, but at least the pictures you took will look decent. Cancer, on the other hand, has already picked a path and made it Pinterest-worthy.

Scorpio (October 23 – November 21)

You acted like nothing bothered you, but you remembered every single group chat betrayal from sophomore year. You’ll probably vanish for six months and pop back up in Vegas with a sleeve tattoo selling fake IDs. Cancer is already well-known and loved by your tattoo artist, btw.

Sagittarius (November 22 – December 21)

You said you were “done with this town more times than you showed up to class. You’ll book a one-way flight, then come back for Runnamucca as if nothing happened. Cancer would’ve booked the trip and remembered to pack snacks for the plane.

Capricorn (December 22 – January 19)

You were more stressed than the admin during a senior prank. You’ll own a house before 25, but probably won’t know how to relax in it. You were the planner. Cancer was the reason the plan didn’t suck, and their house is probably bigger.

Aquarius (January 20 – February 18)

You started every sentence with “hot take” and ended it with just saying. You’ll be the person starting a conspiracy podcast while growing your own herbs. Cancer will be booked and busy, not spiraling in a Reddit thread.

Pisces (February 19 – March 20)

You almost matched Cancer’s overall intelligence, but then you fell for someone who snapped you twice. You’ll end up writing poetry about it and selling it as NFTs. Cancer already processed, healed, and moved on—with class.

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The UNWRITTEN rules of Lowry: The secrets of high school life

By Ava Hollon

High school is filled with unspoken rules learned through everyday experiences. Students share how these norms shape their lives, from dealing with slow walkers in the hallways to navigating lunch line etiquette. Though all of these are important, which ones are seen as the most significant?

Senior Cesareo Loyola shared his perspective on the slow walkers in the hallways and how it can be difficult to get to class. Loyola thinks it is frustrating to be behind slow walkers, especially if they are in groups.

"You see all these people just taking their time, and it's like we need to get to class," said Loyola. "It's annoying. What happens when you have to go from the art building to the English hallway? If everyone is just slow, you're not going to make it in time. Sometimes you just want to push them out of the way, but you can't."

Freshman Josue Barajas thinks people should not be cutting in the lunch lines. Barajas says people ways cut in the

lunch lines, and it can be infuriating, especially when you're just about to get lunch.

"Say you're next and you're starving and someone just cuts in front of you," said Barajas. "It just infuriates me."

Sophomore Juliana Jimenez says that gossiping should be kept to a minimum. Jimenez believes that it can be hurtful to the people who are being talked about.

"Sometimes people just gossip about things that aren't even important," said Jimenez. "It makes me feel bad, too, because the people don't know they are being talked about."

Junior Pete Bengochea believes that an unwritten rule is not to be standing in the way of the halls when you're on your phone and not to make out in the hallways.

"When people are on their phones in the hallways, standing in the way, or like when people low-key be making out in the hallways," said Bengochea. "It just makes me uncomfortable."



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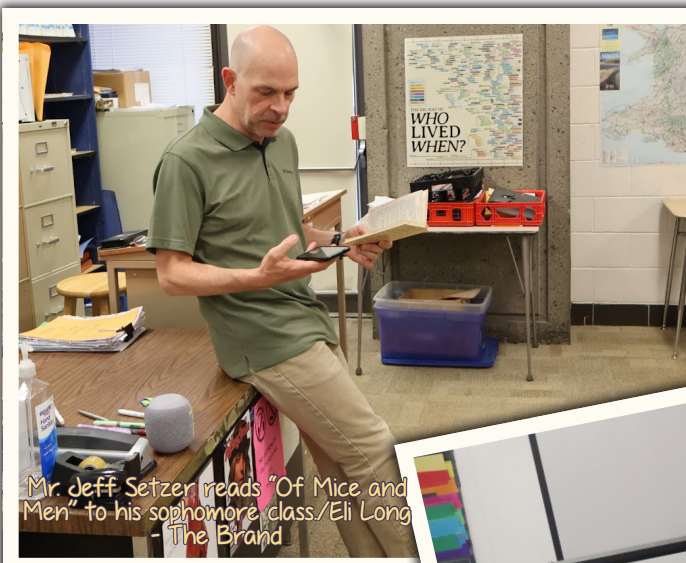
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Mr. Jeff Setzer reads "Of Mice and Men" to his sophomore class/Eli Long - The Brand

Teacher of the Year: Mr. Jeff Setzer gets recognized in his last year

By Macy Whitted

that used to take place.

"I don't know how to choose a favorite memory, but lately I've been remembering early in my career when I used to take students to Washington, DC each year, said Setzer. I used to love that trip each time, especially since it was the first big trip for most of those students."

Setzer's leaving

Lowry will impact many.

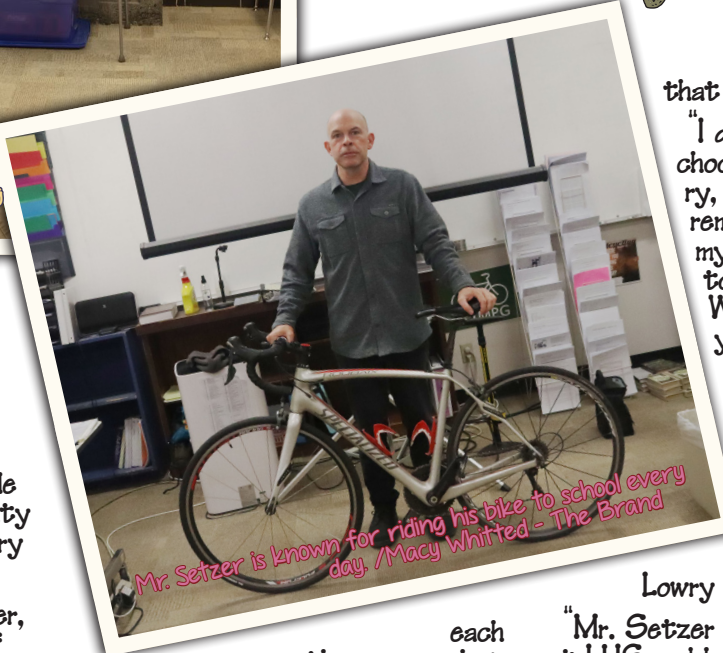
"Mr. Setzer will truly be missed at LHS and has left a lasting impact on all those he served in the classroom and as a colleague, said Taylor.

Junior, Athena Chiaratti, enjoys Setzer's class because it is a good learning environment.

"His class can be challenging, but he explains things very well, said Chiaratti.

Students appreciate that Setzer is always willing to help.

"Setzer always helps when someone needs help, said Chiaratti.



Mr. Setzer is known for riding his bike to school every day /Macy Whitted - The Brand

Mr. Jeff Setzer was the top pick for Teacher of the Year for the 2024-25 school year. He has made a difference for students throughout his teaching career.

"Mr. Setzer has had an incredible impact on the school and community while teaching at LHS, said Lowry Principal Shaun Taylor.

The award is an honor for Setzer, knowing he has dedicated most of his life to Lowry.

"I feel honored to be picked," said Setzer. I've been doing this for more than half of my life, so it's nice to be chosen for teacher of the year.

Setzer is retiring after this year and will miss seeing and bonding with his students every day.

"I'll just miss the daily back-and-forth with students the most, said Setzer. Teaching has many difficult aspects, but just getting to know students all year and talking to

each other as people is always good. That's especially true when I have the same students two or even three years in a row.

Not only is it good to maintain a good bond with students, but colleagues as well.

"Mr. Setzer is a tremendous human being, said Taylor. He can show tremendous empathy while maintaining high expectations for his students.

Working at Lowry has created countless memories for Setzer, he has recently remembered a trip



Diana Mejia is named Staff Member of the Year for her neverending efforts

By Jocelyn Escobedo

This year, all the Lowry High staff members chose who they thought deserved the recognition as Staff Member of the Year. This year, Diana Mejia was chosen as the Staff Member of the Year.

"Our staff votes on both the certified, which are teachers, and then the classified, which can be our instructional aides, our paraprofessionals, custodians, and our secretaries, said principal Shaun Taylor.

Ms. Mejia is an in-house paraprofessional and helps with other things around the school.

"She serves as our in-house paraprofessional right now, said Taylor. She handles our tardies here, so she monitors all the students tardies for us and handles lunch detention. She also runs in-house for kids and handles assigning Saturday school for us as well. She fills in for our PE department quite frequently if a teacher is out, and she is great with all the kids. So the staff as a whole feels like Ms. Mejia just does an outstanding job.

Staff member Ms. Nadine Meade says Mejia deserves this award for how nice and respectful she is to everyone.

"My favorite thing about Diana is she keeps it real always, she works very hard for her in-house students to ensure they succeed, said Meade. She treated everyone the same, no matter what is going on. She is always positive, kind, and caring always.

A freshman, Giovanni Leon, feels like Ms. Mejia does a great job at what she does and can be a good person to

talk to.

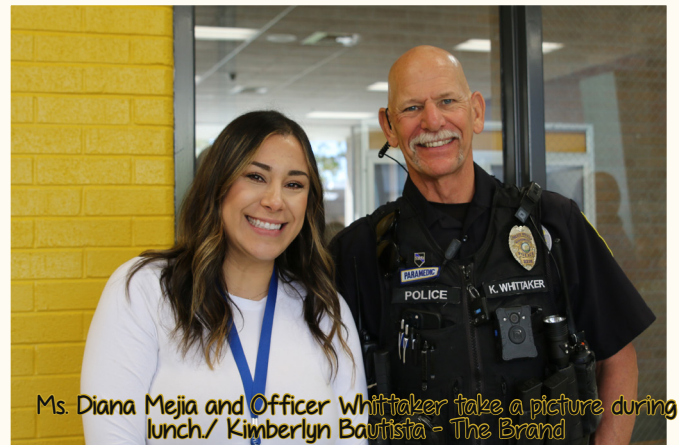
"I like talking to her, she's very nice, and can be fun and easy to talk to, said Leon. She's always there when you need her to talk, and she's fun to mess around with.

Another Freshman, Ixia Hernandez, likes that she's nice to everyone and makes people feel their best.

"You can tell that she cares about all her kids and she's really fun to talk to, she's not a scary person to talk to even if you've never talked to her, and you start talking to her she treats you with respect and she's really nice and friendly, said Hernandez.

Ms. Mejia enjoys her job and is glad for the recognition she got at Lowry High.

"I feel happy, I enjoy my role at Lowry because students learn accountability and consistency, said Mejia. The best part is seeing them appreciate something they didn't initially find important.



Ms. Diana Mejia and Officer Whitaker take a picture during lunch/ Kimberlyn Bautista - The Brand

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