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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	31	1 B-Day Breakfast: Waffles Lunch: BBQ Chicken Romaine Salad	2 C-Day Breakfast: Bagel Lunch: Chicken Fajita Buffalo Chicken Sandwich	3 Prom Night 6:00 PM SAT Test Saturday School 9:30AM- 11:30
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The Seniors of 2017

June 6, 2017



T'Shoma Bourne
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Senior Pictures, Senior Trip, Prom, Graduation... there are so many things that get crammed into your senior year of high school: always something to do and always something to plan.

The first big event that seniors plan for are their senior pictures. Senior pictures are taken around the beginning of the school year in the months of October and November. Students take senior pictures as a way to see how much they have grown. The senior pictures are placed in the yearbook along with a baby picture of the senior's choice and a quote. Most seniors take their senior pictures very seriously because they get to show off their style and have their 15 minutes of fame.

Prom is another event that both juniors and seniors wait for all year long. Prom gives students a chance to dress up and wind down at the end of the school year. Many people go with dates while some just go with friends. It's a great way for all the students to spend time with each other. This year's theme was 'A Night in Morocco.' There was music playing all night long and nothing but fun. For most seniors it was the best night of their lives. It was definitely a night to remember.

The senior trip is another huge event for students. This end of the year trip is a way to have a big celebration one last time before every one splits and goes their own ways. It gives students a chance to be together with their friends, reminisce and spend quality time together. This year's senior trip was a picnic fun day held at Genesee Valley Park on June second. There were games of Freeze Tag and Duck Duck Goose. We did not have much but that did not matter because we had each other. We made fun out of what we had. It was a great day the 'Wilson Way.'

Last but not least, the moment seniors have been working towards for four long years is graduation. Graduation is the one day that every senior looks forward to as they embark on their last year of high school.

Students have many mixed emotions when it comes to graduation. Asyaa Davis, student here at Wilson, says, "I have worked so hard for this and I am happy that I finally get to say I did it." Graduation will be the most memorable event of them all.

Farewell to all of the Senior Class of 2017 as you all start the next chapter of your lives.

New Chapter

Memories dug deep into my skull:
time continues to tick on.
The loud bell rings in my ear
as I walk to class.

Vibrant memories continue to appear
leaving conflicted expressions.
It's with happy memories
which will be stored for a lifetime.

An endless amount of opportunities await,
Where will I go from here?
Understand that there is a completely new world to discover
as you take on the world in this brand new chapter.

The four years spent were a blast,
and I am finally here.
This is the time to say goodbye,
as I start a new beginning.

I look around one last time,
realizing that it is the final moment.
I take one last look
as I embark on a new chapter.

~ Joelee DiGiaccio

Life as Graduation

The world is you because you can conquer

Life can see that, just how you can struggle too

You push, you cry, oh give up, just in time

Get dragged down, stomped out but keep pushing

Now you are on the clouds looking at what could have been
you if you had given up

Don't see the negative in life, be happy

Take what is yours you deserve it

It is harder further beyond the surface

For it is only you that can only push to reach further beyond for
what is spoken

Granted, only you can do you, but life is in you

Be you, live life

You're the one who made it this far don't think twice

Own your degree, live a happy family

Kind to be the next galaxy

Of now you are awake, graduation is the stepping stone to
grow like an oak

Beautiful is in us

~ Joshua Sanks



Let's Be Real



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As a group of young adults, we must be real about what is going to come ahead of us and separate what are accessories in our lives from what is important.

We need to know how to support ourselves, without anyone else, because we will not have that support for much longer.

After high school, it is not all about how you got the new Jordans that just came out. No one cares about what you wear

in the real world.

They look at what kind of job you have. They would want to know if that job is good enough for you to support yourself. They want to see you have your own car that is all payed off with your own money. Parents want you to settle yourself in an apartment or house, hoping that you understand what is truly important in life.

The real world is not like our middle and high school years where all we thought about was how we looked at school. All we wanted to do was impress people by what we wear. Little did we know that all the clothes that we wore was from our parent's support, even those fancy name brands.

Name brand clothing is just an item that is considered luxurious for someone to get but not an item that is needed in the daily life. We can get the same item, without the name brand, made from the same material for 50%-75% off the name brand price.

The branding of your clothes does not show how much you succeeded and accomplished in life because it is just like a dead layer of skin: it will wash away eventually.

What shows that you are growing up and becoming an adult is a full-time job, a payed off car, and your own apartment or house.

You do not need to get every Jordan that comes out because no one looks at what is on your feet—they want to see a successful future ahead of you.

Asia Hicks, senior at Wilson, feels that most of our teenage lives are wasted on thinking about what we are wearing to impress instead of more important things. She believes that eventually teenagers come to understand what it is like as an adult, realizing how hard it is without a parent's or guardian's help.

Hicks says, "Students should consider thinking about their education, rather than being distracted by clothing." After high school, students will need money for college, to pay for books and living expenses... students need to be smart with their money once a lot of become a part of our lives.

We must change.

We need to figure out what is more important: getting Jordans or letting our parents see that their child has become a grown, responsible adult.

What do you want: Jordans or a successful future?

Congratulations Class of 2017

Congratulations, you did it
Falling asleep late just to wake up early
Writing essays in class like there scripts
Congratulations, you did it
You got through the test and the distractions
On the way, you've learned affirmative action
In a few months you'll be packing
On to your next chapter
In math learning factors
Congratulations, you did it
Four years sitting in classes
Asking for passes
Studying night and day like an addict
Making reasons why you're late
Through all the seasons
Finally, you graduate
College acceptance letters
Another cycle of school
Thinking of ways you could prepare better
Congratulations, you did it

~Ashian Smith



Monroe Community College

STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Never too Late

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Luckily Rochester is home to one of the top community colleges in the United States, Monroe Community College.

Some students have no plan to attend college in the upcoming fall due to various reasons. But, once they've seen their friends making their final decisions and plans for the upcoming fall, many will change their minds to continue their education as well.

Many view MCC as a college that students only go to when they were not accepted anywhere else. Mrs. Fabretti, a college counselor at MCC Upward Bound, says, "I highly recommend MCC

to my students for several reasons:

"1. They offer many programs in a variety of subjects for students to explore which is important because many students do not know exactly what they want to do in the future.

"2. MCC is extremely cost effective. Students can take excellent classes that transfer almost anywhere for a fraction of the cost they would spend at a private or state university.

"3. MCC has excellent teaching staff and the class sizes are small."

MCC is one of the few colleges in New York that you can still apply to attend for the upcoming year. All you have to do is just go to monroecc.edu and click on the apply button.

Sometimes many students believe that applying late will leave them without a seat in the fall classes, making them have to wait until the spring.

That is untrue. More often than not, there is still room in the fall classes. The only minor issue the student could face is not getting into their top pick of classes for that semester.

The sooner the application is completed the better chances the student has of getting into the classes they are interested in.

MCC is much cheaper than many colleges in the Rochester area. Full tuition at MCC is \$2,050 a semester for in-state residents. Compared to Nazareth (\$31,000), Brockport (\$16,000), Geneseo (\$7,000), and University of Rochester (\$50,000), MCC is thousands of dollars cheaper.

To be a full time student, estimated yearly costs are around \$6050 to commute and \$14,050 a year if you decide to live on campus.

How much college costs is a big factor for students on deciding what they are going to do after high school. Students can apply for the Tuition free degree program. If you receive the free tuition, at MCC it leaves you with paying only 4,000 or 12,000 a year. Students can also apply for FAFSA and TAP. This is federal/ government aid. The amount of aid you can receive from varies from student to student.

MCC also offers many scholarships you can obtain by going to monroecc.academicworks. The scholarships vary from \$100 to \$3,000 a year.

MCC offers different kinds of support for the students. They offer free tutoring, personal and cross-cultural counseling, academic, financial aid, and transfer advisement, college - survival workshops, testing accommodations, mentoring and much more. To see more information on all that MCC offers in terms of support you can go to the MCC website academicfoundations and click on the academic support services tab.

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Representing the Red, White & Blue

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Show your true American colors by representing Flag Day.

Flag Day commemorates the day our country adopted the American flag. And it also signifies America's birthday.

According to history.com, President Woodrow Wilson originated Flag Day on June 14 when he issued a proclamation officially establishing the holiday.

This day is also the official birthday for the United States Army. It is the day that congress officially adopted America's Continental Army.

Flag Day is not an official federal holiday—it was not included in the 1968 Uniform Holiday Act. Instead, it is the president's discretion to proclaim the observance of this day.

Celebrating Flag Day reminds us of some lesser-known facts about the stars and stripes.

The United States' flag is made up of thirteen stripes, seven red and six white, and (originally) thirteen white stars in a blue field that represents a new constellation. Centuries later, the American flag's blue union has evolved to fifty stars to signify all fifty states.

On top of this, in 1942 congress adopted the U.S. Flag Code that describes the protocols and decorum on how to properly display the flag.

The American flag must be flown on either side, the right or the left, of the front door outside of a house or building. When flagpoles are of equal height, it is expected that the U.S. flag should be flown in the spot of highest honor.

This also shows how the country honors its heroes and fallen by flying the flag at half-staff, symbolizing that the individuals commemorated are receiving the highest point of honor. Only the president and governors can order flags on government buildings to be flown at half-staff.

Csmonitor.com states the flag should never be used as apparel, bedding or drapery. The flag represents a living country and is itself considered a living thing.

Have you ever thought about celebrating Flag Day?

Maybe you should... it symbolizes our freedom!



Questions or Comments?

E-Mail them to Don.Burns@rcsdk12.org (please put letters to the editor in the subject line)

Your letter may end up in future editions of the *Wildcat Times*

This is a letter from Management,

Another year of the *Wildcat Times* has passed and it has been another great one.

First, I would like to thank Ms. Roselli—your trust and support has been instrumental in making this publication happen.

Thank you Mr. Passero—your support and ideas are always appreciated.

Thank you Mrs. Whelen and Mrs. Neil Adams—sorry for interrupting your classes so much for the camera.

Thank you to the Wilson staff—without your willingness to go above-and-beyond for our students with interviews, pictures... Wilson truly is a great place to be!

Thank you to the School-Based Planning Team for recognizing our students' work and pushing us all to continue to achieve at a high level.

Finally, and most importantly, thank you to our readers. You're the ones who drove us to put our best efforts forward each month and are the sole reason for our existence.

Thank You,
Thank You,
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The Wildcat Times