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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | 1 A-Day Breakfast: Bagel Lunch: Buffalo chicken Sandwich Early Dismissal School Activities: Boys & Girls V & JV Basketball | 2 |
| 3 | 4 B-Day Breakfast: Maple Waffle Lunch: Chicken Parmesan Sandwich | 5 C-Day Breakfast: Sausage & Cheese on Muffin Lunch: Cheese Burger School Activities: Boys & Girls V & JV Basketball V Bowling | 6 D-Day Breakfast: French Toast Sticks Lunch: Chicken & Cheese Flat Bread School Activities: V Bowling Boys V & JV Basketball | 7 A-Day Breakfast: Turkey Ham & Egg on Roll Lunch: Pasta & Meatball School Activities: Girls JV Basketball | 8 B-Day Breakfast: Yogurt Parfait Lunch: Soft Tacos School Activities: Boys V & JV Basketball | 9 ACT WPTSO Meeting at Teen Emp. School Activities: Step Jam |
| College Application Week 4 th -8 th | | | | | | |
| 10 | 11 C-Day Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast Lunch: Chicken Nuggets School Activities: Girls V & JV Basketball | 12 D-Day Breakfast: Mini Pancakes Lunch: Turkey & Beef Pepperoni Sandwich School Activities: V Bowling V & JV Basketball | 13 A-Day Breakfast: Sausage, Egg & Cheese Sandwich Lunch: Stuffed Shells School Activities: V Bowling Girls JV & V Basketball | 14 B-Day Breakfast: Maple Waffle Lunch: Pizza School Activities: Girls V & JV Basketball Boys F Basketball | 15 C-Day Breakfast: Bagel with Cream Cheese Lunch: Buffalo Chicken Sandwich | 16 |
| 17 | 18 D-Day Breakfast: Maple Waffle Lunch: Taco Bean Salad | 19 A-Day Breakfast: Sausage, Egg & Cheese on Roll Lunch: Turkey, Ham & Cheese Sandwich School Activities: Boys & Girls V & JV Basketball V Bowling | 20 B-Day Breakfast: Mini Pancakes Lunch: Chicken Chili School Activities: V Bowling Blood Drive | 21 C-Day Breakfast: French Toast Sticks Lunch: Grilled Cheese Sandwich School Activities: Boys & Girls V & JV Basketball | 22 D-Day Breakfast: Yogurt Parfait Lunch: Soft Tacos | 23 |
| 24 | 25 Christmas Day | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| | Winter Break | | | | | |
| | | | School Activities: Boys V & JV Basketball | School Activities: Girls & Boys V & JV Basketball | | |
| New Year's Eve 31 | | | | | | |

December Monthly Horoscope



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Aries (March 21- April 19)

Holiday excitement puts stress on relationships. It may be time to call it off before you have to buy them a present. Take this time to reconnect with family or friends you have neglected.

Taurus (April 20- May 20)

Bring out the best in yourself as we enter the Holiday break. Continue to help the ones you love, stay on top of your work (that's always important), and if you don't have anything nice to say—keep it to yourself.

Gemini (May 21- June)

Should focus more on yourself, more on your priorities before getting socially active with lots of people, it can throw you off the real thing. Find something that keeps you calm before when you think you're getting upset, because upset is not always the solution. Have fun on break don't let anything ruin it.

Cancer (June 21-July 22)

Stay positive over break don't let your emotions get the best of you smile and have fun. Don't get to attach to anyone right stay minded on just having fun and enjoying your life.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Spend lots of time with your family over this break. Make everything inviting for everyone to enjoy their presents over break and don't let anything bring out negative vibes. Stay happy and positive.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Keep staying in your zone don't let anyone take you out of you as you get easily distracted by others. The winter time is a harsh time but you will always get through enjoy the time you have over break.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

You are very good at keeping out of confrontations which helps you succeed more as a person. Keep being a leader, never a follower, and life will be better every day.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

You have a lot of courage but sometimes it gets you into situations you don't like to be in. Think more about you and your future. Don't worry about relationships—you have a lot of time for that.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You want to travel the world and live life—it takes hard work so you have to work for it and it's not going to come easy. Use your open-mindset to help guide you through all your time throughout life.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You love to help others but that causes you to mess up your own focus. Over the break, get yourself together before you decide to take on the responsibilities of others. Enjoy yourself, find more of yourself and see what make you better.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Do your work first before going to use all your energy on something else because once it's done, you can enjoy everything over break without worrying about it. Don't do anything that will get you in to trouble and be positive.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Always keep trying to improve yourself as a person every day. Stay focused on your goals, enjoy the break but don't let it stop you from working. Try to be around people who keep you positive and not the ones who would bring you down.



IB Inducted

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The IB induction is a special event for future college students to be introduced to promising colleges. These colleges could help them accomplish their goals that will better society.

With two weeks of hard preparation by the IB coordinator, Mrs. Sarkis-Kruse, the night turned out amazing for college representatives, students and their loved ones.

On the night of November 9th, 36 bright and innovative students were welcomed into the elite IB program.

Brief introductions were given by Sarkis-Kruse, along with Wilson's principal Mrs. Vanderwater, before the guest speakers took over the stage.

Covered in black, silk robes, in alphabetical order, the students walked the stage to speak about the quilts they had created that help translate their passions in life as-well-as their hopes and dreams for the future. They enjoyed going up there and having fun with the situation.

Aside from the fun, the event was taken seriously. Colleges attended to see who the students really are.

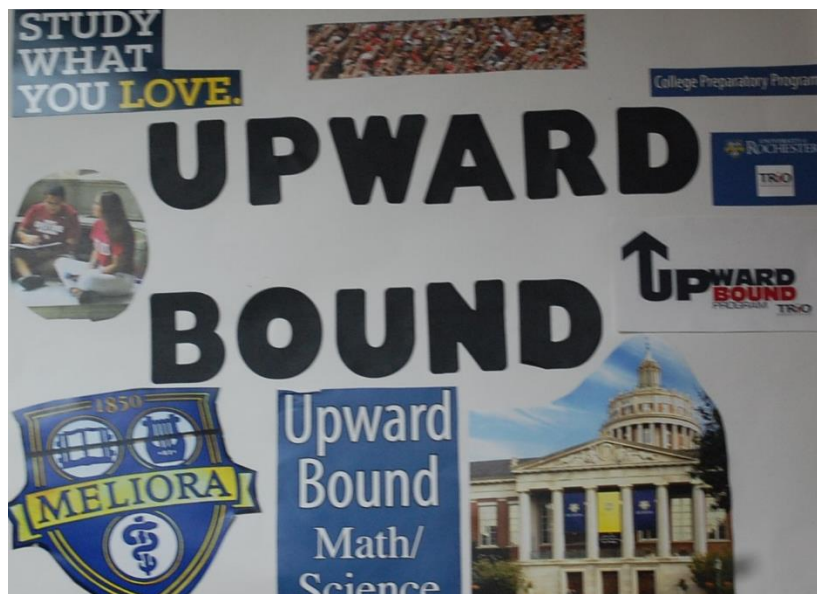
One of the highlights from the night, before the students took control, was a speech by Datwan Dickson. Dickson recounted his journey from being a Joseph C. Wilson student to being a college graduate—the journey that helped him get to a career at Xerox and through his own struggles in life.

He struggled through high school and college with his GPA until he finally pulled himself together. Even with these struggles, many colleges reached out to him and were still willing to have him at their school with his IB diploma.

Chief of schools, Toyia Wilson, also talked about her struggles about being a child of a teenage mother. She wasn't as privileged as everyone else and soon found it difficult to get food on the table. And, like the first speaker, she an alumna of Joseph C. Wilson who struggled in school.

After all the students walked across the stage and took the IB oath, officially making them a part of the IB family, they and their families were able to go in the main hallway where the school had tables for colleges such as U of R and RIT to interview them.

All around, it was a successful night for Wilson's newest IB inductees.



Save Your Education



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President Trump proposed funding cuts to education programs across the country earlier this year.

Hundreds of students are at risk of losing out because the programs they attend could be getting budget cuts or even shut down. Upward Bound is one such program that could face these cuts.

The purpose of Upward Bound is to provide tutoring services, academic guidance, SAT/ACT preparation and much more. Upward Bound also has a six week summer program where high school students take math, science and language courses, learning from professors at the institution or graduate students.

At the end of the six weeks the program hosts an academic showcase where the students present what they have learned in their classes. Some students even have the chance to participate in an internship where they may also present what they have learned.

Students are taken on college trips and have the opportunity to speak to administrators to find out what colleges are looking for in prospective students.

Wilson, Monroe, East and Franklin are the only four high schools that house the Upward Bound program. Upward Bound is meant to help first generation college students on their transition from high school to a university.

Trump proposed that there be a \$193 million dollar budget cut for TRIO which houses the Upward Bound along with many other programs for children in low income households.

The budget cuts for TRIO would only affect programs that are not showing effectiveness for the students. Based on student retention rate, graduation rates and the number of students that enroll in college afterwards, about forty Upward Bound programs have received budget cuts.

Luckily, students at the University of Rochester and Monroe Community College campuses have yet to receive any major budget cuts that could jeopardize their programs from continuing.

To the students currently in any TRIO program, the recent budget cuts should be fuel to work harder and keep the programs alive for the future generations of Upward Bound students.

To learn more about how you can become a part of the academic movement, the Upward Bound office is located in room 21. The Academic Advisor, Gina Ignatti, will guide you on the process of becoming a member of the TRIO family.