

# Gator Growl

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## New Class Plants Gator Garden

There are a few new classes at W.H.S this year. One class that really interests students is agriculture. In the agriculture class the kids planted a garden on the 23rd of September, and are having a competition to see whose tomato plants grow the best.

The students planted a wide variety of plants. Some they planted in a container first, then transplanted them into the garden. Some, like the watermelons, were started directly in the garden. So far they have planted strawberries, greens, carrots, beans, pumpkins, and squash. The class has plans for storage sheds, greenhouse boxes, a compost bin, and even redoing the flower beds around the school.



Students planted a variety of plants to transport to the garden later on

## Gators Ready for the Road

Committed To Safety traveled to WHS on September 16 to speak to our students about the importance of not texting when you are driving. They showed video clips of things that have happened and how texting while driving can end someone's life. WHS would like to thank our wonderful principal, Jay Bidwell, our faculty and staff for allowing them to come out and speak to us at WHS.



A truck driver and state trooper talk to students about driving and texting safety

## Getting College Ready

On Friday, September 16, juniors and seniors at WHS had the chance to go to a college fair. The purpose of the college fair was to get juniors thinking about the process of finding a college. For seniors, it helped them to figure out which college would suit them best. They took two buses to Port St. Joe. When asked about how she felt about the college fair, Kathy Powell said that she thought it might benefit her in the long run.

## Germany Under Attack?

Germany is stepping up their security, at least in Dresden, after two bomb attacks. One of the attacks was on a mosque and the other at a conference center, on Monday, September 26. The attacks used two homemade devices. The attacks happened within minutes of each other, which makes police think that they are related.

It is unclear who is behind the attacks. Isn't it ironic that Germany's Unity Day was Monday too? Part of Dresden's Unity Day celebration was set to be held at the center.

# Sports

The coach and jv players take a timeout to discuss how their game is going



## Killin' it on the Court

Hey Gator fans! This has been a big week for our Lady Gators as they played our county rivals, Port St. Joe. All three of our teams played against them, representing our school, on Tuesday, September 20. The games started off with middle school and they ended up winning the game against the Sharks. After that our jv team starting warming up and went out there, playing the best they have played all season, and won their game as well. After the game they all celebrated. The varsity team played five sets against the Sharks, and after playing long and hard, unfortunately, lost the game. Don't be sad though, the girls are playing them again on October 10. That will also be the "pink out" game, were they show their love and support for people dealing with breast cancer. In the last week of September they played Rutherford on Monday, Altha on Tuesday, and Bethlehem on Thursday.

## Running our way to Victory

While our football team has been pushing others on the field, our cross-country team has been pushing themselves at every meet, for approximately 3 miles. On September 24th the team ran against several teams at Mosley and did extremely well. They ran again on Wednesday, September 28th in Blountstown and participated in a meet that took place in Sneads on Wednesday, October 5th. Keep up the good work ladies and gents, and know that we're cheering for you here at WHS.

Our lady's cross country team blasts off to a great start





The JV cheerleaders perform a dance at the home game against Sneads

## Varsity and JV are Football Fanatics

Our Wewa Gators have been busy during Thursday and Friday nights. JV football recently played against Sneads on Tuesday, September 22nd, and after a hard fight, sadly, lost with a score of 28-24. Our Varsity had better luck against Sneads, Friday September 16th, winning with a score of 34-33, and against North Bay Haven on September 22nd, bringing home a win with the score of 28-24. The Varsity played and lost to Vernon after a hard fight on September 29th with a score of 46-14. On October 7th, there was not a game, the boys got a chance to rest and prepare for the next game. The team and coaches have been busy gearing up to play the homecoming game on October 28th. These last few games have been so close and WHS is super proud of how hard our boys are fighting. Keep up the good work Gators!



Our varsity boys block, kick, and pass the ball to a win against North Bay Haven

# EDITORIAL

## How Does the Attendance Policy Got You Feelin'?

This week we'll be discussing our all new attendance policy here at Jewa High. If you haven't heard about it, then let me explain. A student must be present for 70% of the class period to be marked present. After a student misses too many days they can make no higher than a 59/F in the class. This doesn't count for doctor's excuses. For the first nine weeks you cannot have 10 or more unexcused absences, for the second nine weeks you cannot miss 18 or more, from the beginning of the school year, or 10 that grading period. The third nine weeks you cannot miss 26 or more days in all or 10 for that grading period, and for the fourth nine weeks, you cannot miss 34 or more days in all or 10 for that grading period. Once a student is placed under the penalty of the attendance policy, they cannot attend field trips or, if they're part of a sports team, they cannot play for the remainder of the nine weeks. We think the new attendance policy will be very good to keep students from missing too many days of school. If you play a sport, your coach, more than likely, won't be too happy if you are not able to participate in games for a whole nine weeks! If you want to go on a field trip this year, then you might want to come to school!

"You may say I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one. I hope someday you'll join us, and the world will live as one."

— John Lennon

## Word of the Week.

**Hamish** : Homey; cozy and unpretentious Example: The home had a hamish feel to it.

## These Seniors be Pop'n

This week's seniors are **Luke Lester** and **Kelly Watson**. They never fail to make people smile or brighten the day with their hilarious comments and amusing crazy actions; you never know what they have in mind! WHS is very thankful to have you two as part of our gator family, keep up the good work!



## Did you know?

Children laugh about 400 times a day, while adults laugh on average only 15 times a day.

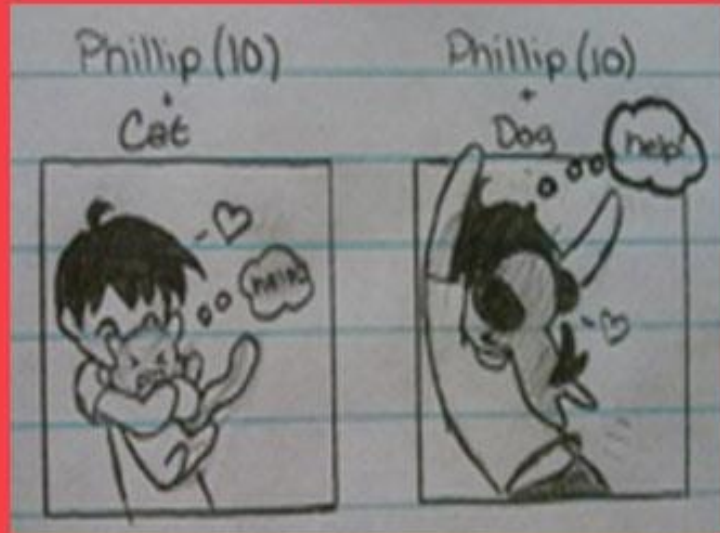
<p>2016 Freshmen Representatives Rebecca Steady Wesley Quinton</p> <p>2016 Sophomore Representatives Kaylee Noel Cody Lee</p> <p>2016 Junior Representatives Ernestia Hughes Jacobi Jones</p>		<p>Need a little extra practice on the ACT</p> <p>Join us on</p> <p>Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> 8:00am - 10:00am</p> <p>Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> 3:00pm - 5:00pm</p> <p>See Ms. Barlow or Ms. Gerber if you have questions!</p> <p>ACT Practice</p>
<p>See You At The Pole</p> <p>Wednesday, September 28th</p> <p>(before school)</p>		<p>2016 Senior Representatives</p> <p>Ireland Hamm      Brendan Crane Hope Owens      Blake Harrison Emily Peavy      Zeph Hess Samantha Pitts      Luke Lester Makena Taunton      Burley Parker Kelly Watson      Adam Strange Allison Young      Jackson Vines</p>

# Entertainment

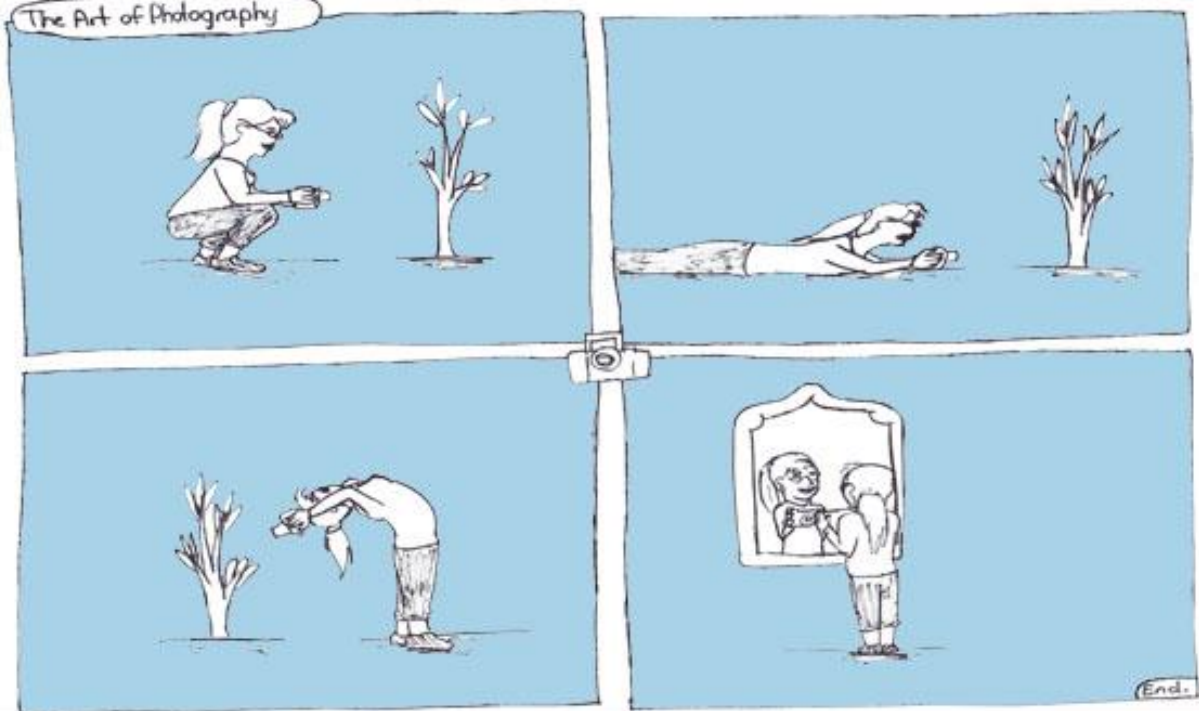
## Artist of the Week

Hey Gators! This week's artist of the week is the talented Lillian Maguadog. She is a junior here at WHS and enjoys painting and drawing various things. This is only her second year here at WHS, but she is fitting right in! When asked about what she enjoyed drawing she said "I really like drawing anime characters. Sometimes I just draw my favorites and other times I make them up myself."

## Artwork



## The Art of Photography



# Parking Pretty Y'all!!

**WHS seniors: you can pay Mrs. Paul in the front office to get your parking spot painted with your design. The cost is \$20, including your parking permit, if you want to paint it yourself. It's \$10 more for the painting class to do it for you. See Mrs. Paul and make your parking spot pretty y'all!**

**Harley Bailey**



**Kelsey Hayes**



**Haley Melvin**

