



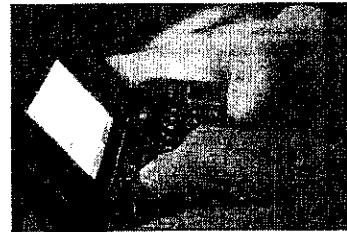
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R U TEXTING? BY: ALISON RYDELL

Editor's Note:

Students' writing is becoming influenced by the language used in texting. Students need to realize that while abbreviating their words and language when texting, it is not acceptable to do the same thing in classroom writing. One common abbreviation is not capitalizing "I" when used as a pronoun and also using "u" to stand for "you". Students—remember texting is your own language, but do not carry it over into your school work and writing!



Texting! It's grown in popularity among teens today. It has replaced calling people. It is quieter than calling and also more private.

Texting sounds good, right? **WRONG!** You can't always know who you're texting for sure, after all, you can't hear their voice, so how do you know?

"Text talk" isn't all good, either. You can get so used to using "text talk" that it can become part of your every day writing style, especially at school. They are shortcuts. Yes, I use them, I'll admit. They're quicker. For example, "4" instead of "four" and "ppi" instead of "people". Sometimes I do want to use them in my school writing, but I know my limitations.

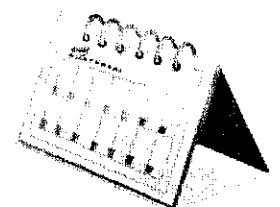
Don't let your "text talk" get into your writing at school. It's as plain and simple as that.

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Important Dates to Remember

- March 2—11 ISAT Testing
- March 19 Teacher Inservice Middle School Dismissal 11:20 11:30
- March 19 End of Third Quarter
- March 26 Third Quarter Report Cards



EIGHTH GRADE CAREER CONFERENCE BY: SARA MELCHIOR

This year was the 19th Career Conference that was held at the Savoy 16 Theaters. It was held January 1-21, and St. Joseph Middle School eighth graders attended the conference on January 20. All of the students took a Kuder test to show interests they may have in areas of study and work. The top two areas of interests were then the two seminars that each student attended.

The choices of seminars included: Human Services, Art/Communication, Business Management and Technology, Health Services, Engineering and Industrial Technology, Agriculture, and Natural Resources.

Each seminar had a few people that gave up their day at work to

talk to the eighth grade students. The students were able to explore different careers, and also they were able to ask questions about various job. After the conference the eighth graders were off to Market Place Mall to the food court for lunch!

Everyone had a great time, while hopefully learning a little about their career choice for the future.

ARTISTS OF THE MONTH

FIFTH GRADE

Ben Albrecht	Colonial self portrait
Lauren Jenkins	Colonial self portrait

SIXTH GRADE

Matthew Knipfer	Clay tablet
Allison Cramer	Clay tablet

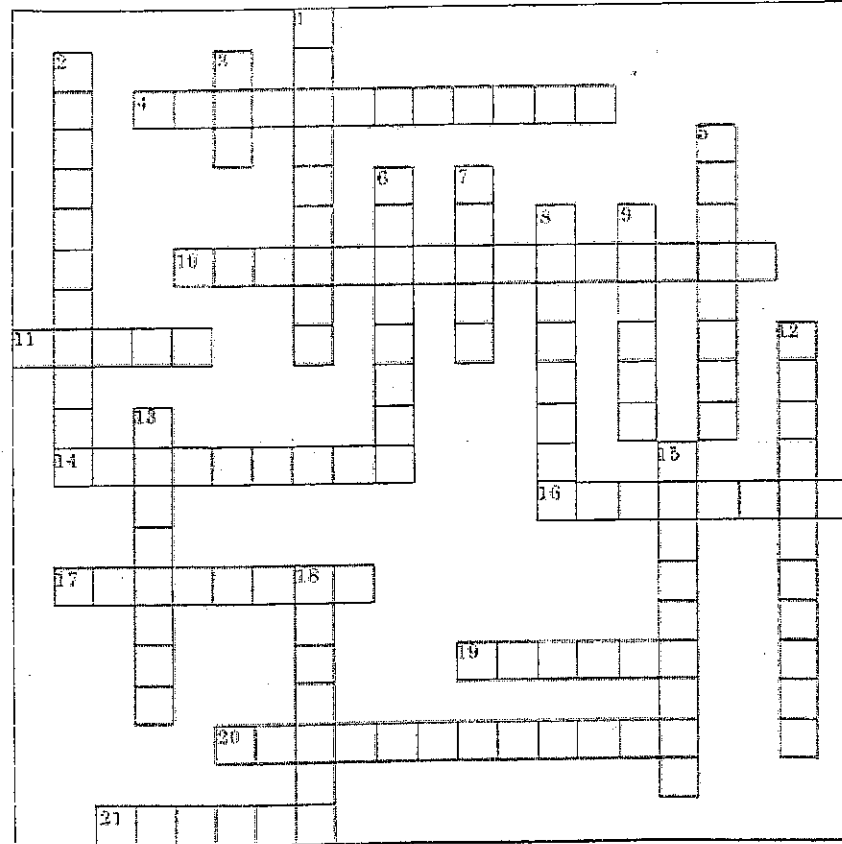
SEVENTH GRADE

Elyssa Rahn	GYOTAKU
Connor Janes	GYOTAKU
Abby Fisher	GYOTAKU
Jessie Johnson	Tessellation
Riley Patton	Tessellation
Elizabeth Paap	Ceramics
Rachel Fewell	Ceramics

EIGHTH GRADE

Matthew Meltzer	Spheres
Loren Brooks	Spheres
Adria Slater	Ceramics
R.J. Zufall	Ceramics
Jon Artega	Oil pastels
Natalie Helregel	Oil pastels

Happy St. Patrick's Day!



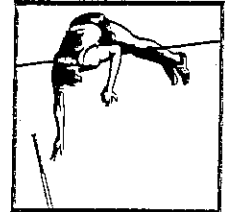
Leprechauns	brogue	pot of gold
March	green	good luck
Irish eyes	corn beef	Emerald Isle
Faerie	Saint Patrick	shamrocks
Blarneystone	Catholic	potatoes
Dannyboy	jig	
Fourleaf	cabbage	
Top of the morning	snakes	

TRACK AND FIELD 2010

BY: JARED HILL

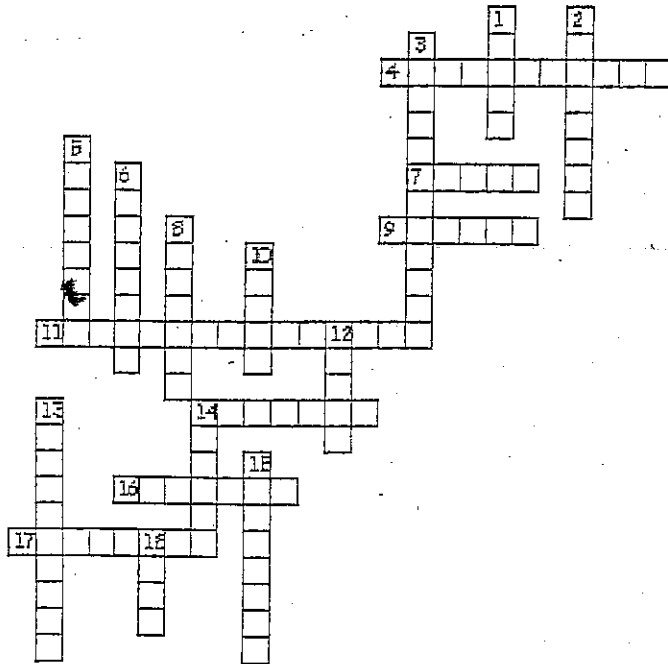
You have all probably seen the sign-up sheets for track and field, but if you've been in track and field for a few years you'd probably know this year is going to be a little different. One of the main differences is going to be our coach. Coach McDannald won't be coaching this year. Stepping into his shoes is Mr. Steele. But if you're new to track and are wondering rather you should or shouldn't do track, jut do it

even if you're not the best runner. Track will make you better. This writer has been in track and field for three years and has improved a lot. So if it's your thin—sign up, if it's not at least come out and cheer us on!



Valentine's Day

Abigayle Gawthrop



- ACROSS
4. another word for card
 7. _____ and kisses
 9. you give people these
 11. February 14
 14. two people together
 16. Valentine's Saying
 17. roses, lillys, violets, and ect.
- DOWN
1. the color of pigs you see the color all the time around valentine,s day
 2. you light these
 3. eatable hearts with sayings
 5. smooch
 6. a synonym for love
 8. a shape you see on valentine's day
 10. I _____ you!
 12. you go to a place with your mate
 13. a sweet gift
 14. valentine's day angel
 15. the month of valentine's day
 18. the color of roses you see it all the time around valentine,s day

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 e i k P i s r A k u v r k r i h o s i a s P o b
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 s o a d g n E t s b n d a J J a K o g i i M t a
 s a h J g n T r e A o a e s c c k R n c R e h M
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Jackie Robinson
 Harriet Tubman
 Hank Aaron
 Crispus Attucks
 Black Panthers
 Frederick Douglass
 Bob Gibson
 Reggie Jackson
 Ervin Johnson
 Ozzie Smith

Goerge Washington Carver
 Mary Mcleod Bethune
 Henry Armstrong
 Barack Obama
 lil' Bow Wow
 Jean Baptiste Point Du Sable
 Ken Griffey
 Michael Jackson
 Quincy Jones

Martin Luther King
 Alice Coachman
 Louis Armstrong
 Tyra Banks
 Harrison Dillard
 Evan Forde
 Jr.
 LeBron James
 Rosa Parks