

Speaking with Spartans

by Nick Stice '20



ANTHONY GREEN-12
TRACK & FIELD
What is your most embarrassing moment from high school?
"When I fell asleep in Boyd's class sophomore year and I was apparently snoring but she told everyone to let me sleep."

REESE FITZPATRICK-10
TRACK & FIELD
Which animal do you think would be the most polite and why?
"Probably a dog because they are so cute."



JOHN OVER-12
BASEBALL
If you had the power to shrink any one object and carry it with you in your pocket, which item would it be and why?
"I would shrink a refrigerator so I would never run out of food."

LAYLA MARTINEZ-11
SOFTBALL
What are some fun and interesting alternatives to war that countries could settle their differences with?
"They could avoid war and instead use dodge ball to settle their differences."



JOEY LAING 11,
TENNIS
If you could have dinner with anyone from history, who would it be and why?
"Alexander the Great, he knew how to get things done and take over. He nearly conquered the world, that's cool."

WHITNEY KORTH 11,
GIRLS TENNIS
What do you think is the greatest invention of all time and why?
"Airplanes: so you can travel and see the world."



ARNAV REDDY-12
BOYS GOLF
Who would play you in a movie of your life and why?
"Chadwick Boseman because we look pretty similar."

McKENNA HENDERSON-10
GIRLS GOLF
Would you rather win an Olympic medal, an Academy Award or the Nobel Peace prize and why?
"I'd rather win a Nobel prize... it means I did something that can change the world."



CHARLIE PAPE-11
BOYS LACROSSE
If you had to give up one thing you do everyday what would it be and why?
"If I had to give up one thing everyday it would be lunch. Lunch is so pointless."

ADJUSTING TO A NEW NORMAL



The senior hallway patiently awaits the return of students during the school hiatus. Photo by Andy Oldham

Students adapt to unfamiliar fourth quarter schedule

By Ben Morehouse '21

Marist has implemented a new remote learning schedule to finish the 2020 school year and provide a meaningful at-home learning experience for students knowing that replicating a traditional classroom online was not practical or sustainable.

One feature of the new schedule is not having classes on Wednesdays. "The goal was for students and teachers to adjust, breath, plan and connect," Assistant Principal of Academic Affairs Andrew Oldham said. The Wednesday "Spartan Schedule" also allows students to catch up on classwork work before Thursday and Friday's class/work time as most school work is due on Fridays.

"I like that the new schedule allows us to work at our own pace," junior Miles Manstrom said.

"The new schedule provides a flexible framework for students to schedule, focus, and prioritize their efforts but also gives them a certain amount of choice about what to work on and when," Oldham said.

But school is not always just about the work. Teachers were instructed that

their "first priority is to be a positive and understanding source of care, calm and confidence," Oldham said. Teachers were also encouraged to allow students to work at their own pace and to find ways for students to engage in collaborative learning.

Oldham hopes that "students turn to Marist as a source of stability, hope, and well-being grounded in a faith in a loving God," and that their "skill and knowledge development continues in a manner that serves their long-term goals and can be reported and recognized as achievement on their transcripts."

Another highlight of Marist's new remote learning schedule is the introduction of the Great Questions courses in lieu of traditional English and Theology classes for all grades.

"The ultimate goal of the [Great Questions] curriculum is to offer students an increased agency in their ability to engage with meaningful teaching and learning in quarter 4. We feel the structure of this curriculum can be shaped in a way that aligns with the best remote learning experiences," English teacher Bill Ferrari said.

Students were able to self-select into a discussion group of one of the many Great Questions courses ranging from the world of sports to theatre to history through popular books, movies, art and prayer. All students and staff were given the same options for courses so each course could have any combination of grade level, including staff participants. It seems to have been embraced well by many students.

"Classes combining to form Great Questions courses has been a great way to learn so far," Manstrom said.

"It's an experiment, for sure, but one we feel confident can lead to successful learning experiences that meet Marist expectations for both English and theology students (and beyond)," he continued.

No one planned to finish the school year like this. But students and staff are adjusting to the circumstances and are working hard to make fourth quarter learning count.

"[The new schedule] tries to take into account that learning from home during a pandemic is nothing like learning in a classroom during a normal time," Oldham said.

MAINTAINING COMMUNITY DURING ISOLATION

Student Council works hard to stay connected with student body while also holding elections for next year's officers

By Amanda Jewett '20

Even with the school being shut down and the student body dispersed throughout Eugene and Springfield, the Student Council is working hard to maintain our community spirit. They have been putting out instructional videos about how to behave online, which was quite funny, and even tried to have a spirit week by encouraging kids to dress up in theme and send pictures to the school's instagram.

But most of all, the Student Council wants to be a resource for the student body. Student Body President James Cross said "I would like to invite anyone who has a suggestion, comment, or concern to please reach out to your student council representatives because that's why we're here."

The only worry Cross has is "the uncertainty that we face ahead and how we will deal with events that have been affected." However, the Student Council is still functioning as a creative team and are working towards keeping normalcy but yet adapt-

ability in these unpredictable times.

One new idea that the officers have started working on is making fun tutorial videos for hobbies that would be easy to learn during quarantine. For example, this week Emmerine Helbling is releasing a tutorial on watercoloring. Helbling is an accomplished artist and her video is sure to be inspiring and easy to follow. They will be found on either instagram or Schoology.

As for the future of next year's council, new officers are currently running their campaigns. Their speeches were filmed and released on Schoology today.

Junior Mo Cavinee is running for president, junior Laina Chaves is running for vice president, junior Kate Carson is running for secretary, and sophomore Ryan Cary is running for Public Relations.

Although each officer is running uncontested, voting will still take place and announcements of officer positions will be made on Monday, April 27.



Sophomore Ryan Cary

Junior Mo Cavinee

Junior Laina Chaves

Junior Kate Carson

TALON'S TOP TAKE-OUT PICKS

By Talon Larson '22



Eugene is home to many kinds of small restaurants; some of which you may have been to or seen. I've reviewed a few that I think you should go to and, despite what my mom says, all of the articles I've read have said it's safe. The CDC website says that as long as you maintain a distance of 6 feet. Many of the articles have that it's even safer than going to the grocery store to get food.

The following is a list of my favorite places to eat when you just don't want to cook. Here are some of My Favorites That Are Still Open:

My 1st Choice: Da Nang Vietnamese Eatery is a food cart located on Lincoln street. The food is served very quickly. It serves sandwiches, noodles, and rice in a variety of different ways. My favorite thing on the menu is a Banh Mi sandwich with chicken and their fabulous house sauce. Normally they have an eating area, but during this time you can only order online and pick up your food. It ranked first on my overall list.

My 2nd Choice: The Dough Co. is a restaurant located near the U of O campus. The restaurant is known for calzones, cookies and ice cream. I went with a pepperoni calzone which was cooked to perfection and was big enough for one person. The cookies are baked perfectly with the outside edges being crispy and the inside being soft and melty. They are only doing delivery and take-out options at this time.

My 4th Choice: Pegasus Pizza has three locations one at the Oakway Mall, one by the U of O campus and the

last by Market of Choice on Willamette. Pegasus, like a lot of pizza places, is on the more expensive side but is worth it. The crust is amazing and they have enough options for the whole family but are known for their BBQ chicken. During this time they only have pick up and delivery options only.

My 6th Choice: Toxic Wings & Fries is a very clean and friendly place to eat. The burgers took a little longer to get but were delicious and their Veggie Hemp burger was spectacular and is locally sourced. The boneless wings were a little overcooked but still good. The wing sauces I got were a Pineapple jerk and a raspberry habanero. There are two locations: a drive thru on West 11th and a walk-in on River Road. They do have delivery thru DoorDash.

Some of my favorites places to eat but are closed due to Covid-19 - try them later:

My 3rd Choice: The Jail is a little Hawaiian eatery just off of Broadway. This restaurant is a very casual, very quick restaurant that serves common and traditional Hawaiian food. The restaurant is somewhat expensive but has very fresh, very good food. As of right now they're closed due to Covid 19.

My 5th Choice: Tacovore is a restaurant on Blair that serves Mexican food. This restaurant is very popular and if you don't come at the right time it can be very busy. It is pretty fast and the tacos are made perfectly. If you go I suggest getting two Old E tacos and a seafood special. As of right now they're closed due to Covid 19.

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