

Dalene Craig '92
Brian Craig '92

Ellie Craig '20

Janet
Peterson '88

Charlie
Pattinson '20



In 1992, senior Ellie Craig's parents graduated in a class of just over 100. Ellie's class of 2020 numbered just under 600. "Back then our class numbers were incredibly small compared to the hundreds of students in classes nowadays," Brian Craig said.

As classes got larger, the worlds of students got smaller. Ellie met senior Paige Kueper when they both attended the high school production of "The Wizard of Oz."

Ellie's mom, Dalene Craig said, "I knew Paige's mom in high school, but I would've never guessed that our daughters would've met so casually.

Ellie agreed. "She transferred to my elementary school, Horizon and we have been best friends ever since."

Senior Charlie Pattinson and his mother Janet Peterson cite music as the one thing they both shared in high school. "She was in show choir like I am now, that's definitely something that we share," Charlie said.

"It's brought us closer together," Janet said. "It's fun to see how the program has changed since I was at Johnston in the '80s."

Charlie thought Janet's enthusiasm helped with the chances of him going here. "She knew what to expect from the district, it was a lot different back then, I mean they only had one elementary school. It's fun to see how much it's changed."

100th CLASS WHERE WE

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Kasi
Bilbrey '96

Jaxon
Koehler '20

Jennifer
LaGrange '92

Paige
Kueper '20



Relationships can be formed at any moment throughout life, even at an elementary school playground. That is where Jaxon Koehler's Mom and Dad met in fourth grade. "We met on the merry-go-round," Kasi Koehler said. "He gave off a bad boy vibe, he was like six feet tall, he didn't look scary necessarily, just a lot older."

Jaxon said his dad switched schools late in his high school career. That can ruin many relationships, but not for these two. "She graduated at Johnston, my dad transferred after a couple of years though," Jaxon said.

He graduated from Ankeny. "All the children and myself are all Johnston Dragons, except for my husband who's the only Hawk in the house," Kasi said.

Teachers have a way of bringing generations together. This was true for Paige Kueper and her mother Jennifer LaGrange. "It's kind of crazy, the teachers that were once mine are now subbing for Paige," Jennifer said. "I guess it's pretty cool to see things evolve."

Paige agreed. "It's interesting for them to talk about having my mom as a student and my mom being able to tell me about that teacher that she had as well."

This is a point of conversation between Paige and Jennifer, bringing them together through just a few teachers.

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1920, 100 years ago, the first class of Johnston graduated. In celebration, the "Dragon" tracked down four seniors whose parents graduated from Johnston in the 1980s or 1990s.

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