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This vear has been so difficult from the start. Not being able to have our summer camp and not being able to meet besides on facetime or in an empty parking lot 6 feet away from each other. A lot of texting back and forth trying to figure out what the heck we were going to do this year, how we were going to get content and how we were ever going to get it all done ontime. As editors this year we really had to contribute just as much as the rest of the staff in order to get everything done by the deadlines. Coming in early, coming in during our lunch time, and staying late became a regular thing we all had to do. Despite all the challenges we faced it really made us closer as a team and helped us realize how much we needed each other to finish this book. From my freshman year when I took intro I wanted to be an editor. I wanted to see the book come together and be a part of it. I made it a priority to be on staff for yearbook every year and give my all everyday. Being a part of making the book every year is so much fun and it is something I will never forget, it has inspired what I want to do after high school. I appreciate everyone's hard work and positive attitudes this year. We really needed to stay positive and keep pushing each other to do better everyday. I would like to thank my co-editor Shonda for putting up with my crazy self and our writing editor Kathy for putting up with both mine and Shonda's craziness, and of course a big thanks to Mrs. Choate for being there to guide, help, and motivate us from the start. There is a lot that goes unnoticed while you're in highschool but this year and this book will not go unnoticed. This year especially has proven that no matter what we can overcome everything and anything that is thrown at us. I am so grateful for this book and everyone that helped put it together. It's definitely not the year we were planning on but it was a year we will never forget.

Even though this is not the perfect senior year I had looked forward to, I am so thankful that Yearbook was a part of it, I was only in Yearbook Lab for one term last year, but since then, I've met and made so many new friends because of it, Ironically. being the Writing Editor. I feel that I cannot express through words how grateful I am to have been able to work with fellow editors, Shonda and Grace, the rest of the yearbook staff, and of course, our Adviser, Mrs. Choate to create this nostalgic book that students will look back on in the future. Yearbook has impacted my life tremendously, and I am glad to have been able to surround myself with so many creative, understanding, and most importantly, hardworking peers. It has reminded me that there are many people who genuinely care about each other and taught me the importance of taking the time to celebrate even

the smallest achievements together. We've all put so much dedication and extra free time in order to make this book possible, and I am so proud of everyone for making it work. This was truly a unique experience and I will take the lessons I've learned from Yearbook with me for the rest of my life. I hope you enjoy this book as much as we have enjoyed making it!

O my fellow Senior Falcons.

This year wasn't the senior year we anticipated, but here we are. After the long hard four years of high school we are finally about to leave this all behind and become adults. I can't help but to think of all the things we missed out on this year. We lost out on the many small moments that create a larger experience that defines our senior year. All things considered, this is for Cory Williams, one of the best principals you'll ever meet. She made our last year as memorable as she could. Thank you, Mrs. Williams. Now, this is the part where I say my goodbye. The opportunities of making the perfect book were endless. I am beyond proud of my partner, Editor Grace Trimble for all the long night talks of what we could do to make this book the best out of all 60. In addition, I can't forget our genius in the class, Writing Editor Kathy Truong, one of the smartest and sweetest humans ever to exist. She is our top writer and this book wouldn't be as perfect without her help. Ultimately, this book wouldn't be in your hands if it wasn't for our absolutely amazing Adviser Katie Choate. She is our warrior and she will be one of the many people to never leave my mind. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for being the person that you are and for believing in me. Being an editor was the highlight of my senior year. You're an amazing teacher, mother and friend never forget that ChoatyB. I can't say I'm sad to be leaving, however, I'm mostly devastated to be leaving my staff. You all have a special place in my heart and thank you for always being dedicated every day. It's been a blast,

but it's time to leave it all behind. Here's to the Class of 2021!





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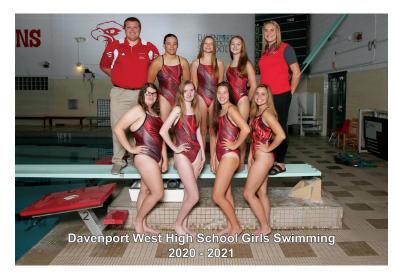


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