

I just like how [the drum line] always gets our student section ready for the second half. They have good rhythm and I guess it gets us pretty excited and fired up for the rest of the game.
Jake Anderson '18

**Student Section
Trojan Field
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It was extremely hot. Everyone felt like they needed a shower, but it was still super fun because we got to cheer on West.
Madi Barta '18

On a scale from one to ten, I'm a seven. I love representing our school and cheering the teams on.
Kate Vander Leest '17

The balloons really meant a lot to us because my friends and I were friends of Flash. Letting those balloons go was making us closer to Flash.
Colby Greene '18

I normally get ready with a friend before a game, then afterward we go have dinner and a sleepover. [During the game] I like just dancing along with the cheerleaders and the band.
Laudia Martinez '17

I think having the gold out game brings awareness to something to that is very close to many people's hearts, childhood cancer.
Abigail Arens '18



My favorite part about football games is how the energy from my classmates gets me even more pumped up. Hearing everyone around me cheering makes me want to cheer a little bit louder. The best thing about that first game was that I was finally a senior, and that meant that I had a responsibility to help lead the student section ...
Abbie Moore '16

I wanted to be able to show my support for [friends] in a way that enables me to be crazy and have fun ... I painted myself gold and in green I wrote 56 and "Blatz Blitz" ... to support my friend Chase Blatz. I want the players to see how passionate I am about them succeeding, so they can use it as motivation to get hyped and play their hardest.
Tommy Duffy '16

[When I hear West High football] I think of everyone packed into the student section and screaming the "I Believe" chant before each game.
August Nicklaus '16

Tommy Duffy and Tanner Lohaus are the two who would always want their whole bodies painted for the games, and they always asked me to do it so I was just helping them show their school spirit ... They always had a specific idea in mind so I just went with it.
Abbie Schuchard '16

[My] friends are in both [cheer-leading] squads, which makes it ten times more fun to cheer them and the team on.
Claudia Tait '16

[I remember] it was a great football game, but a much better time in the stands where it was full of spirit.
Austin Doak '16

Being a senior in the student section is awesome because we've waited ever since we were freshmen in the back row to be able to be in the front and lead the crowd. It makes the games way better and ... that much more lit ... Watching my friends play is the best thing about it.
Connor Gast '16

I [felt] bad for my friends [when West lost] because I know that they worked hard all summer and it must have been hard not seeing that work paying off. But I still had fun in the student section.
Bo Nock '16