

What's your favorite dress up day?



"I really liked the Generation Day because we were bringing back things that were worn years ago."

- Jacque Murray `16

"I liked the Classy vs. Cowboy day because it was fun to go all out and out-class everyone in the school."

- Joseph Godfrey `15



"My favorite dress up day was Cowboy vs. Classy day. I liked this day because you could see what people preferred and their perspectives."

- Elizabeth Wade `14

"I didn't like any of the dress up days. They were garbage."

- Tristan Wirfs `17



Senior Whitney Woods celebrates after a Mustang touchdown during the homecoming game on Oct. 3. Photo by Hannah Wieditz.

First dance for exchange students

By **Laura Deininger**

The foreign exchange students got a better taste of what it's like to be an American teenager on Oct. 7 at the Homecoming Dance. After a busy week filled with homecoming activities, Saturday came around quickly. Foreign exchange student **Fanelly BidonPeltier's** day was filled with all sorts of new things: getting ready for the dance, taking pictures, and going out to eat at Bata in Cedar Rapids. "This is different than France because we organize parties at home and we invite as many people as possible, or we go out to clubs. Generally it does not end until 5 or 6 in the morning.

8 There are no dances," said Fanelly.

Lene Gurvig, the foreign exchange student from Denmark, and her group went out to eat at Oyama, a Japanese Steakhouse, after their plan to go to Granite City fell through. At her private school in Denmark, they have talent shows before the dances instead of dinner. "I didn't like the food at Oyama because it was a sushi place and I don't like seafood, but the people I was with made it better," said Lene. After dinner, her group traveled to Planet X to play a few games of girls vs. boys laser tag, with the girls winning the first game and the boys capturing the win in the second. "Laser tag was really fun but the boys cheated. They held us so we weren't able to shoot them."

Kira Blumentritt, the foreign exchange

student from Germany said, "We usually don't have a lot of stuff that is organized by the school. People just have to organize parties or other entertainment stuff on their own," said Kira.

DJ, senior **Mitch Wirfs**, changed things up with the final 7 minutes of the dance being a mashup of songs each about 10-15 seconds in length. "The dance was my favorite part for sure. I had so much fun! The music was loud and really good, I liked it," said Fanelly. "We don't have dances back at home and it's too bad. French schools are too serious."

Kira was also a fan of the dance and the music: "I like how you can wear those cute dresses and the dance. It was so much fun."

HOME COMING



1. Students look on as seniors Charlie Babcock, Brandon Wolrab, Jacob Steele, and Sonny Krob break it down in the middle of a dance circle at Homecoming Oct. 5.

2. Sophomores Matt Hermsen White, Lily Dahlstrom, and Bryce Cox cast a spell in Mrs. Massey's class Oct. 3 for homecoming week. Although there was no Harry Potter Day, the three still supported their favorite movie.

3. The Homecoming Court: *Front Row:* Maddy Ebel, Gabby Kolker, Miranda Chapman, Hannah Whitley, and Hannah Wieditz. *Back Row:* Sean Herrmann, Mitch Wirfs, Trey Ryan, Eric Dunford, and Cory Brannaman Sept. 26.

4. Mr. Searce's Honors Calculus class rep their favorite team on Rep Your Team Day Oct. 1.

5. The homecoming queen and king, Hannah Whitley and Trey Ryan pose for a picture at coronation on Oct. 3.

6. The freshman/junior Minion powderpuff team take a break from warming up for the game to take a quick team picture Oct. 3.

7. The sophomore/senior Monsters powderpuff team show some claws before the parade Oct. 3. The Monsters got the seniors their first win, 14-0, in four years.



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By the Numbers

2 hours - Average time taken by a female to get ready for the dance

Points scored by the seniors in all four years of powderpuff - **14**

\$11.50 - Average price of a boutonniere from Blooming Acres

Amount raised by the - **\$1,500** homecoming dance



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