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Monthly Calendar

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POP CULTURE

By: Jeremy Jamison-Gunn

August of 2019 was a big month for pop culture with movies such as the film "Good Boys", "Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark", and "My Spy". Artists like Khalid, Zara Larsson, Volbeat, and many others all released popular new music while music by artist Lil Tecca, and songs like Zeze remain on top charts months after their initial release. If you're in the mood for a cute feel good movie about dogs go see "The Art of Racing in The Rain".



Get to know our new staff! For those of you who don't know Harlan is one of the new bearded English teachers. Since you can't tell the difference between them here are some questions to help you out a little.  
Q: How are you liking MCAA so far?  
A: I love MCAA it's phenomenal and I'm not goofing around when I say this, every day I'm very happy to be driving here and back because I know that I'm lucky. This



Hey, Dragons! For the 2019-20 school year, we got some new teachers! Some of you may have spotted a beard, or three. You may even wonder if beards are a new English teaching requirement? If so, are Barrera and Ramirez next? Nevertheless, I got a chance to ask one of them some questions, he's most identifiable as "the tall one". Interviewing Mr. Husse, I learned that sometimes it may take

MEET MR. HUSSE

By: Dixie Rivera

well over an hour to get a joke and that some people would like a pig as a housepet. Who knew?  
"How long have you been teaching?"  
"This would be the start of my second year."  
"How did you get into teaching?"  
"The one semester where I didn't take English at the junior college level is the one where I realised that's what I really wanted to study. I don't have a good reason why that was, I just had a gut feeling."  
"Milk or cereal first?"  
"It was always cereal first, cereal then milk and then, if there's milk left over, then more cereal."  
"What's your greatest ac-

complishment today?"  
"Honestly, getting married to my wife, 100 percent my greatest accomplishment."  
"Dogs or cats?"  
"Dog, if not dog, pig, my family would like a pig."  
"When you were younger did you predict teaching as your future career? If not, then what did you have in mind?"  
"No, architecture and engineering."  
"Who do you think your celebrity doppelgänger is?"  
"Rhett, you know from Rhett and Link, or the McGregor version of Obi-Wan."  
"What's your general vibe as a teacher? Laidback, crazy strict or you're basically a student trapped in

a teacher's body?"  
"A little all the above."  
"What's your deepest darkest secret?"  
"I went to an old quarry mineshaft, it's secretive and really hard to get to, really dark and deep underground. The kind of dark you couldn't see your hand in front of your face."  
"In all seriousness, do you think you have the best beard at charter?"  
"I think there's room for improvement, I really do. I think it could be longer, it could be fuller. It's not as full as I like it to be. I actually like Fridrich's because of how it sticks out away from his face, it has this strength to it."

GET TO KNOW MR. HARLAN

By: Lucey Magaña

place is awesome, I came from a good place that I thought was the cream of the crop...nuh-uh.  
Q: How many years have been teaching?  
A: This is my first year officially teaching, I graduated a year ago but I was unable to find gainful employment immediately so I subbed for a year but got lucky and was able to do long term sub situations.  
Q: Why did you choose to major in teaching English?  
A: I was never the best student, and I was talking to my counselor at Chico State. I was in academic danger, at the time I was majoring in biology. She asked me why I was a bio major, I couldn't give her a good answer that made sense to me. She suggested English; it was like

that moment. I was doing everything for the wrong reasons. If you don't do something for the right reasons you're not going to be successful.  
Q: Who is better: Bill Nye or Mrs. Frizzle?  
A: Well Mrs. Frizzle has been doing it longer at that level and Bill Nye pulls off a white lab coat. So I'm gonna call it a push.  
Q: How would your teachers describe you as a student?  
A: Pleasant, and fun individual, unfortunately, spend most of his time sitting outside so he is not to disturb students.  
Q: What's the most embarrassing thing that happened to you in class?  
A: My first day as a student-teacher I was unbelievably nervous. I was

super prepared and it was not even a big deal, I was having them draw some vocab words. I had all of the art stuff out. As the bell rang I asked for them to pay attention. As they look up I stepped on a piece of paper, I'm not kidding you I almost died! My foot slipped up but I managed to catch myself. I hit the table with the art supplies knocking everything over. I was able to catch the container of scissors though.  
Q: What five things would you take with you during the zombie apocalypse and why?  
A: This is something I have given a fair amount of thought...freshwater, blunt force instrument to protect yourself in close range combat, flashlight, preferably one you can wear on

your noggin, friends, family, loved ones and medicine.  
Q: If you could have picked one of your teachers when you were in school, who would it be and why?  
A: Let's go with Freddie Mercury, and I would have him as a math teacher. I couldn't stand math, he's an entertaining dude maybe he could have made math a lot more interesting instead of not being able to divide fractions.



# 2020 UPCOMING MUSICAL

By: Karina Mendoza

Ms. Marks, what's the upcoming play?  
*Oklahoma.* The musical's main focus is on a cowboy named Curly and the girl he wants to marry, named Laurey. But someone else wants to marry Laurey, too and that someone is Jud Fry, a coarse fellow who lives in a smokehouse. He doesn't stand a chance with Laurey, but he's got his heart set on her, and there's pretty much nothing he won't do to claim her. Another point of interest involves a boy-crazy woman named Ado Annie. She's engaged to one man, who doesn't want to marry her, while another man, Will Parker, does. Everything comes together at a big party in town. An auction for a picnic basket of food prepared by Laurey becomes an aggressive

showdown between Curly and Jud. I can't share what happens next so come watch the show to find out! Do you have a lead chosen?  
 Yes! Macy Rose will be playing the lead role of Laurey while Gannon will play the cowboy. What are you most excited for students to see this play?  
 I'm most excited for everyone to see how innocence and naivety can lead you to make some astonishing decisions. Is there anything else you want everyone to know?  
 This year we are having two casts. One cast will be made up of the intermediate class and the other will be the advanced class. They will each have two performances. So make sure to come and see it!

# CHARTER TALES COMICS

By: Carissa Pestana

Charter Tales/Summer Never Lasts Long Enough



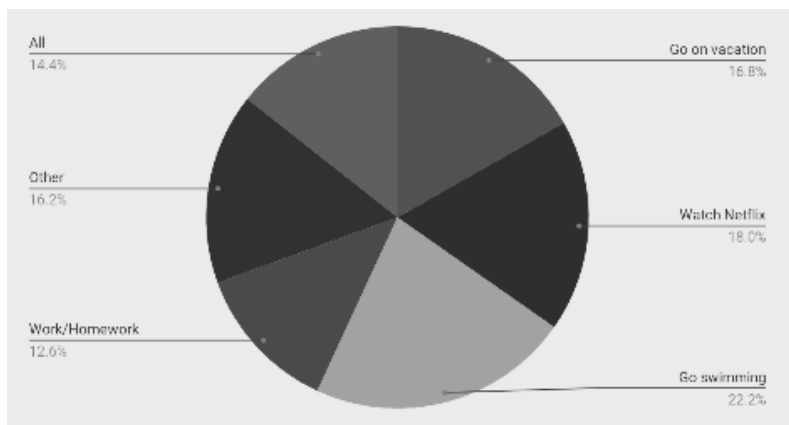
# MCAA CLUBS

By: Miranda Xiong

MCAA, as many of you new students may know now, MCAA has clubs that you can sign up for and jump right into at anytime. Be aware of what MCAA has to offer in the club's department. Our school has a club for just about everyone, unless you don't want to be part of a club, but that's okay! From Tech Club to Fashion Club to Poetry Club; there's always a place for you. Some of our newer clubs that were accepted this year are the Art History Club, Book Club, and Friendship Club. And a few of our more popular clubs you might want to try out are the GSA club, Japanese club, and Tech club. These 3 clubs just listed are a few of our more active clubs, meaning that they're going to be doing a lot more stuff and have more consistent meetings according to our school schedule. As all of you would know by now we had our club signing on the 29th of August, but you can always jump into a club to try it out, I'm sure they won't mind if you do. So do consider joining a club here, you never know the friend's you'll make.

# WHAT DID YOU DO THIS SUMMER?

By: Nikki Martin

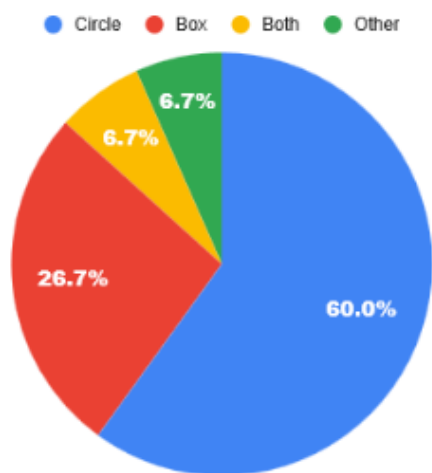


# CORRECT WAY TO SHOW YOUR ANSWER?

By: Cristina Barriga

What is the proper way to show an answer: boxing or circling? In an ongoing debate, the question was taken to dozens of staff and students of various grades as to whether they circle or box their answers. The majority of those who were interviewed circled their answers with over half doing so, while only about a quarter boxed their answers. Those who did both and did something else (such as underlining or doing nothing to the answer at all) were tied for last place. So, what really is the correct way to show an answer?

## How do You Show Your Answers?



Selected Memes chosen by Gredin Martin.



When you finish a school presentation and it was terrible



# BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT 2019

By: Cristina Barriga

Rhythmic music and singing voices filled quad in the summer evening at Marysville Charter Academy for the Arts' "Back to School Night" for the 2019-2020 school year. The night kicked off with Mrs. Brown's choir singing the *Star Spangled Banner* as well as *We are Family*, leaving the audience in awe and full of joy. Mr. Harmon's advanced drumline



Mrs. Brown and the Choir

soon followed with playing X-1. As the bell rang, students and their parents went through their schedules meeting and greeting their teachers. With a friendly and energetic leadership team, there was always a helping hand or a friendly conversation close by. With staff just as friendly and en-

thusiastic about what they do, there is always a sense of a warm welcome to the school, for parents and new and returning dragons alike. With yearbook staff present for presales, as well as the American Indian Education Program of Marysville at the event, there was always something to look into for everyone. As the night came to a close, the school year was only just getting started with the *Back to School Night* being one of many events to come.



The Leadership Team (left to right): Carlota Day, Karina Mendoza, Jacob West, Bella Zucco, Brielle Finch, Cassidy Bolley

# BACK TO SCHOOL DANCE

By: Ashlynn Furgeson

The back to school dance was super fun, but super hot, and there were slushies for a dollar. Also there was great music. At dusk, a menacing line of people stood still in the quad for an unusual amount of time, but after they were done, things went back to normal and the dance was as intense as ever. The senior class all joined in during the dance competition and began it with slow motion dancing then ended it with a mosh pit. Like every dance, the snack bar was 50% off for the last 30 minutes. Sadly it ended at 10:00 pm and everyone was either heading home or cleaning up. Great job Leadership students, the dance was a great one! If you missed it put it on your calendar for next year.