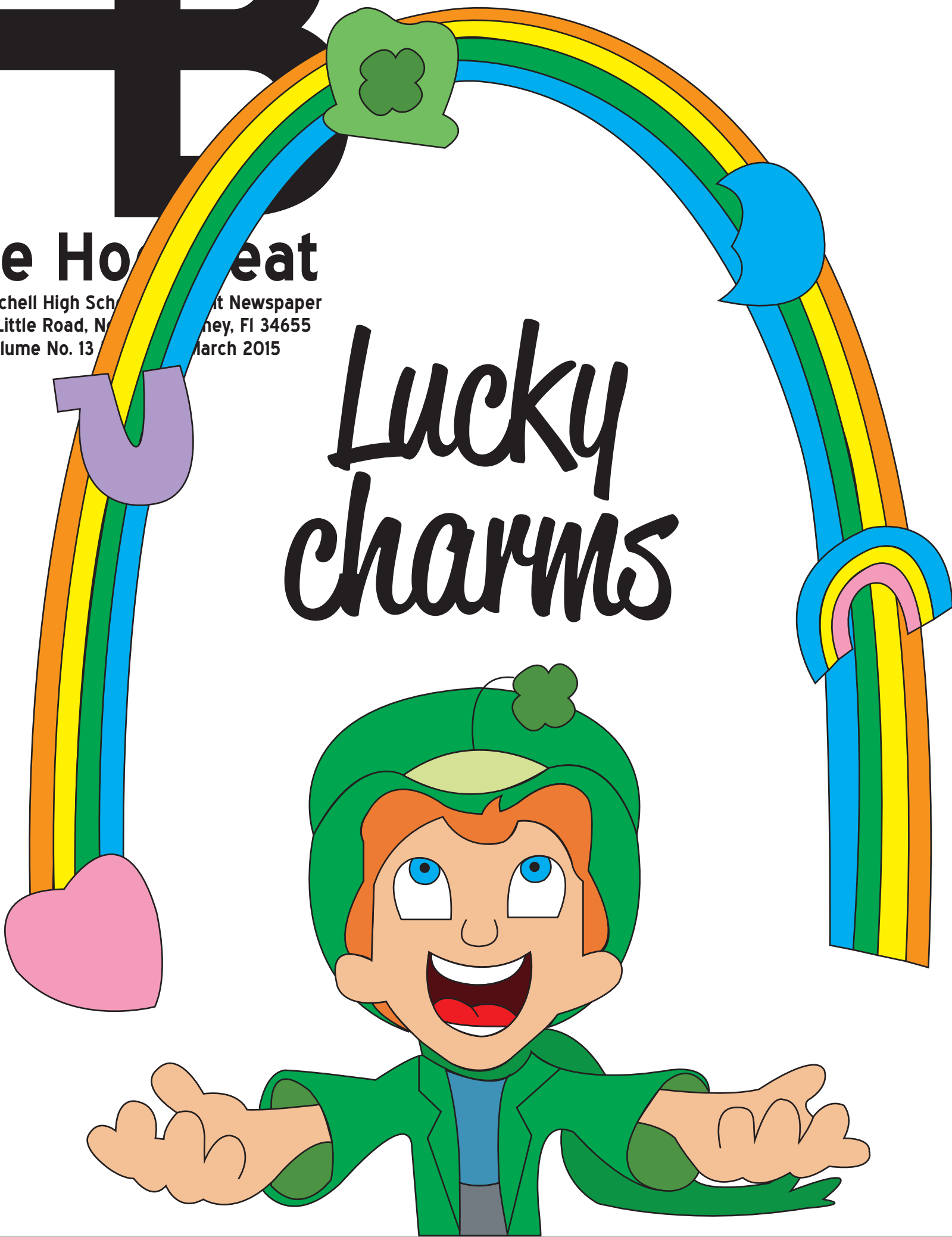


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Lucky charms



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Staff Reporter

Good luck comes in many forms. For some people, that includes wearing certain clothing, carrying specific items, or performing precise rituals to bring them luck. “My good luck charm is my purple sliders. They are special because some of the other girls on the team have the same ones, so when we wear them in a game, we tend to be better connected with each other during plays,” Kacie Patterson (‘16) said. Patterson plays on

the girls’ varsity soccer team and shares this belief with many other athletes, including Michael Jordan with his national championship winning shorts from his college days. “If you believe in good luck charms or even have one, it can help bring up your spirits if you’re sad. They aren’t just for doing better at some sort of task; they help you feel better about yourself, even if you’re not in a bad mood,” Patterson said. Good luck charms change

a person’s outlook on things as well as affect the way they live in a positive way. “It is important for some people to have a good luck charm because that item acts as support and pushes them towards their goal further than they would go without it,” Patterson said. Superstitions also play a part in the way people do things and feel about certain events, or just life in general. “I feel like I have to do everything the same way for every single game all

the way from what I eat before the game down to what I wear during the game. I think I might have developed it from playing good for a while under these specific conditions. So, after I just started to feel like if I didn’t to these things then I wouldn’t play as well,” Lawrence Watt (‘15) said. Since the belief in superstitions and good luck charms varies with different people, the importance varies as well. “I don’t think that good luck charms or superstitions

are that important or have a big impact. Instead I think that they give people a more comfortable state of mind than without them,” Watt said. Whether or not people believe in good luck charms or superstitions, they play a part in someone’s life. Thought of as myths to some and as reality to others, they influence the way people view life and allow people to feel better about themselves and their lives.

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Sophie Sajecki
Staff Reporter

"We used to include the Prom Fashion Show [during the day], but this year it will be a separate night event. There's going to be a talent show, a karaoke/lip sync activity, and it would be in the format of the last period

Activities:

- Bobbing for apples
- Jousting
- Dunk tank
- Corn hole
- Music

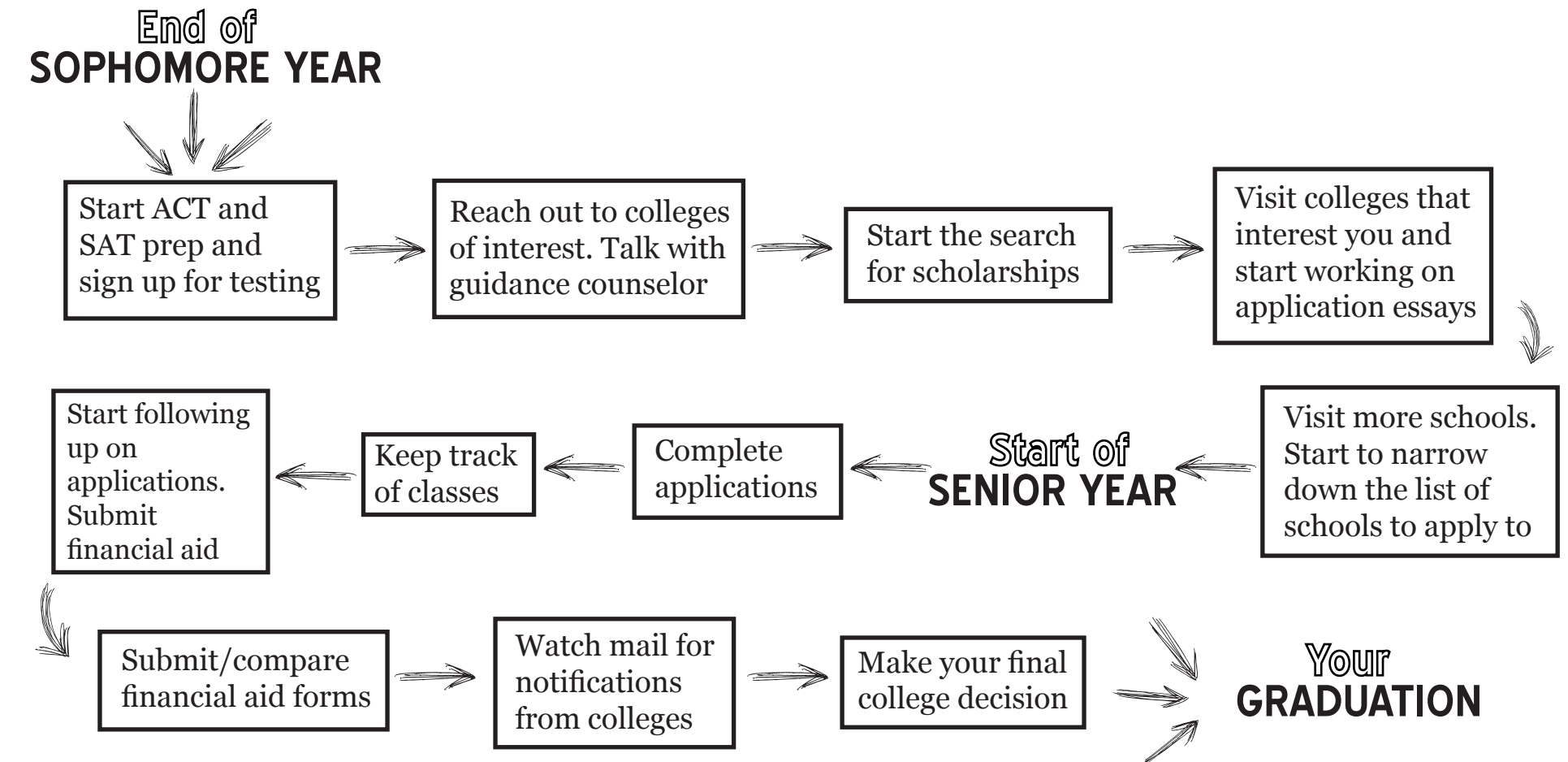


The Prom Fashion Show was held March 4 and raised money for scholorahips

Photos by Susan McNulty

“The appropriate time to start looking at colleges is when you enter your freshman year. It’s always good to make a plan and start thinking about where you want to go.”

- Michelle Chamberlin (FAC)



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Coldstone

*TCBY is too modern;
Coldstone has more of
a home environment
and it's less busy."*

- Christian Duran ('18)

TCBY

*"I like TCBY better
because they have
more toppings and
you can do it
yourself."*

- Mallori Page ('18)

Starbucks

*"I prefer Starbucks
because Dunkin'
Donuts has no flavor
in their coffee."*

- Hannah Bruegger ('18)

Dunkin' Donuts

*"I prefer Dunkin'
coffee because
Charbucks - I mean
Starbucks - coffee
tastes like the pot
was burned."*

- Ms. Shauan (FAC)

This

VS

THAT

Jersey Mike's

*"The juice they use is
just so different. I don't
know what they put in it, but
it's delicious. I like going in
there because they have all of
the pictures and it's like home.
It's comforting to me."*

- Ms. Jewell (FAC)

Publix

*"I'm pretty sure Publix
subs are unbeatable.
Their bread is really
fresh and the meat is
always tasty. Usually
they leave me pretty
full, satisfied, and
wanting more."*

- Jake Fowler ('15)

Chipotle

*"The burritos are
very large, which
gives you more for
your money. The hot
sauces, which I love,
are also very tasty."*

- Mario Bennetti ('17)

Moe's

*"Everyone is so friendly
and you can put
whatever you want in
your quesadilla or taco
unlike other places that
have a standard way
of making their food."*

- Kelsie Howell ('15)

Amanda Garcia
Staff Reporter

Emily Fowler
Staff Reporter

Kelsea Vanderveer ('16) focuses on hitting the ball to get runners on base to score.

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"When pitching I just focus on throwing strikes and focus on what I'm doing, trying to get the batter out," Jake Fowler ('15) said.

Photo by Amanda Garcia

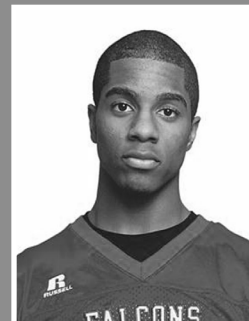
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4.97 40 yard dash
28.5" vertical jump
16/16 on passes



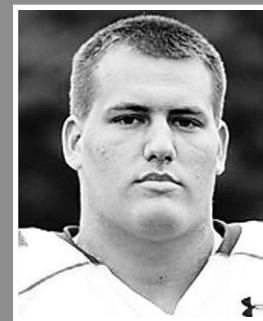
Bryon Jones
DB Connecticut

**147" broad jump
(world record)
44.5" vertical jump
10.98 60 yard
shuttle**



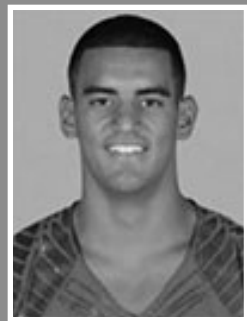
Vic Beasley
DL Clemson

4.53 40 yard dash
35 bench presses
41" vertical jump



Ali Marpet
OL Hobart

4.98 40 yard dash
30 bench presses
30.5" vertical jump



Marcus Mariota
QB Oregon

4.52 40 yard dash
36" vertical jump
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The heart wants live-action over animation

Alyssa Magilligan
Staff Reporter

Over the past years, Disney created live-action movies, producing fewer popular animated films. Movies like *Maleficent* brought in five hundred million dollars, outnumbering animated phenomenon *Big Hero 6* by \$443.8 million, according to the International Movie Database.

Mirror Mirror, a Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs spin-off, only imitated major parts of the original sequence as more unnecessary scenes add on to make extra minutes

for the movie.

Live-action movies could solve the problem of obtaining a larger audience. Teenagers and young adults generally find live-action films more appealing than animated films.

Personally, transitioning to more live-action movies provides a way to attract a larger audience. More viewers bring in more money, and Disney productions possibly made more money a goal for the business.

Hollywood promises more

live-action movies in the future. *Cinderella*, a live-action version of the animated favorite plans a release date on March 13th. Another Disney favorite, *Beauty and the Beast*, currently exists as the newest movie in the works in the Disney community. Emma Watson recently announced that she received the part of Belle. *Beauty and the Beast* possesses no release date at the moment, but according to Disney fans and creators, positive feedback is expected from the audience.

The live-action movie, *Alice in Wonderland*, starring Johnny Depp, received both good and bad reviews. Bad views of the film considered the remake too similar to the classic favorite. Others, however, thought the producers recreated the original version in the perfect way, and that every detail greatly supported the first movie.

Disney productions and producers believe that the decision to create a majority of live-action movies rather

than animated movies holds a broad impact on the company. Producers consider that live-action spin-offs of original and beloved classics relate to creating successful movies, and quite possibly bringing in a higher budget and higher publicity for Disney films and business.

Making more live-action movies generally would be a good idea if Disney productions know the best path for their company.

All tangled up in Disney conspiracies

Kaitlyn Klein

Staff Reporter

Disney fans love the creativity their films contain. This creativity inspired some fans to use their own imagination and think of conspiracies by connecting almost all animated Disney movies to one another. The conspiracies may remain as just theories, but many people firmly believe in them.

Some conspiracies contain legitimate proof backing them up. The conspiracy connecting *Frozen* and *Tangled* uses the fact that Rapunzel appears in *Frozen*, even if only for

a split second. The theory says that Anna and Elsa's parents traveled to Rapunzel and Flynn's wedding before their ship crashed. Evidence supports this conspiracy because Rapunzel appeared in the scene watching Elsa's coronation.

The theory between *Hercules* and *The Little Mermaid* also provides evidence, since the movies base their facts on Greek mythology. Hercules' dad, Zeus, had a brother named Poseidon. Poseidon had a son named Triton, who

had a daughter named Ariel. So technically, Hercules and Ariel share a common ancestor, making them first cousins, once removed.

Some theories, however, contain no evidence to back them up. For example, a popular conspiracy says Anna and Elsa's parents from Frozen actually become Tarzan's parents, too. No real evidence backs up this one, except for another theory saying that the Arendelle king and queen survived the wreck in Frozen and escaped.

to an island, where they became parents to a son, then later died by being attacked and eaten by a leopard.

The theory connecting *Tarzan* and *Beauty and the Beast* also uses little evidence. That conspiracy states that Belle and the beast became Jane's parents. The theory uses only the physical similarities between Belle and Jane to back it up, and the fact that Jane could talk to Tarzan like Belle talked to beast.

Disney conspiracies may

stay unconfirmed and remain just speculations forever. When questioned, Disney headquarters said that they plan not to release any validation of the theories. The conspiracies may never grow greater than unconfirmed theories, but people continue to believe in them.

America's College Promise in question

Chrissy Couture

Staff Reporter

Graduation looms right around the corner for some, yet for others the milestone remains three and a half years away. Regardless, the infamous question, "What will you do after high school?" weighs heavily on students' shoulders. Many students hope to attend a college or university, but attached to every book, class, and dorm, an enormous price tag follows in close pursuit.

In January, President Obama announced a plan to alleviate that headache during his State of the Union address to the nation. America's College Promise Proposal

gives a student two free years of community college. Based off of the Tennessee Promise program that provides free community college, Obama's plan offers students not a blank check, but a world of opportunity.

Some people worry that the proposal gives students a free ride into college, when in fact they must be enrolled at least part time and maintain a 2.5 GPA. Others fear that families making six figures might claim eligibility for the free tuition, but the fine print says otherwise; families with an adjusted gross income of over \$200,000 will not be

eligible for America's College Promise. Considering the average household income in American falls slightly below \$52,500, only 2.7% of college students who depend on their parents will not qualify for the assistance, and for good reason – they do not need it.

Other opponents challenge America's College Promise Proposal finding it unnecessary. They believe working a part-time job, in addition to a full schedule of classes, generates enough money to make the tuition payments. In reality, part-time jobs keep the electric on and the water flowing,

leaving little left for these hard working individuals to tackle tuition and fees. With the College Promise, about 9 million students would reap the benefits, as well as supporting the colleges they attend.

The community colleges would need to update their course offerings to become more competitive and expand their degree and certificate programs. The transition from community college into the working world can be difficult, so along with reformed and high quality education, the future of that shift looks smoother.

Education is the future. It opens up opportunities that break the cycle of poverty and leave brighter futures for the generations to come. America's College Promise makes higher education a reality for every student regardless of his or her parents' background or socioeconomic status. According to President Obama, "education cannot be a privilege. It's a right for everybody who's willing to work for it."




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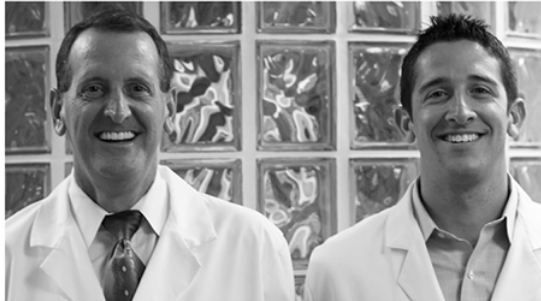
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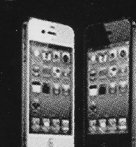
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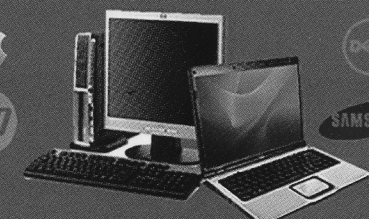
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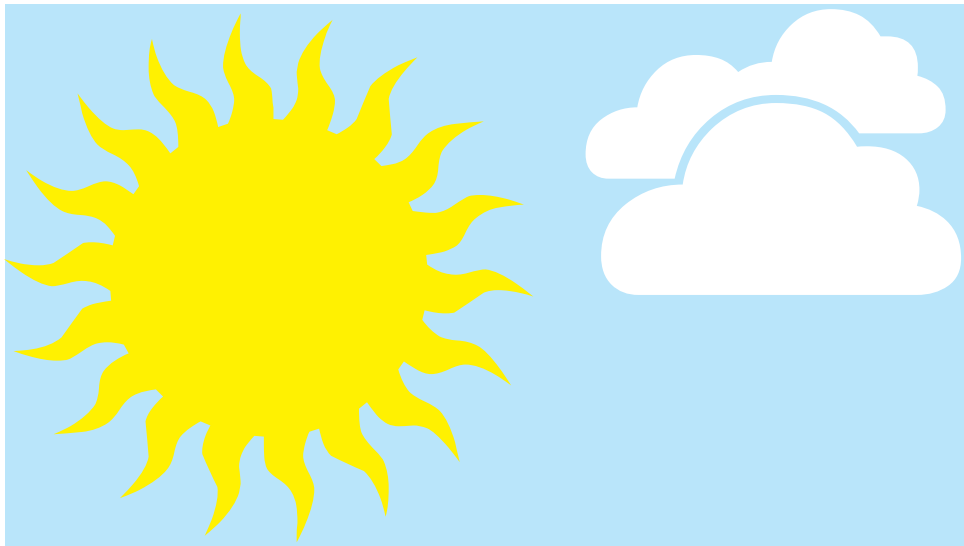


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Do we make *OUR LUCK*

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Throughout multiple generations, people continue to believe in luck. However, as something thought of as rewards by unknown forces, the existence of luck lacks evidence. Miracles, lucky charms, and other signs of good luck remain unexplained. Some find the thought that a strange force gifts everyday luck in life absurd; they believe instead that they create their own luck in life.

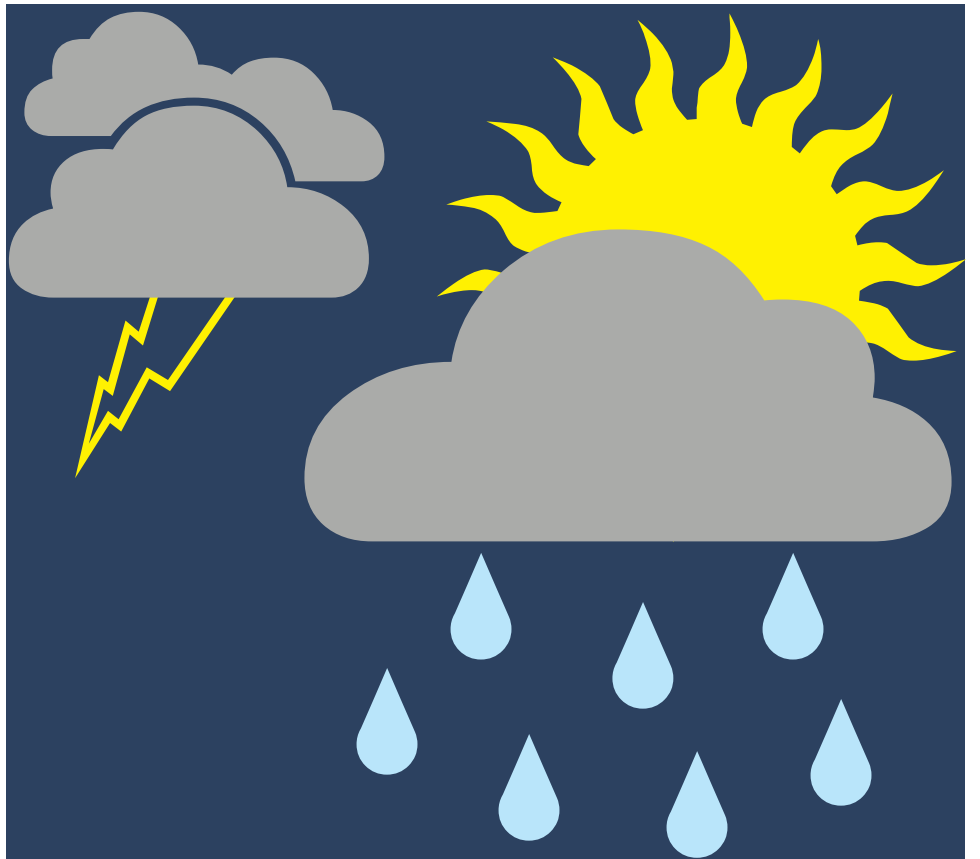
The actions and decisions a person makes every day create and determine the path of life, allowing an easier explanation for what one may believe an act of luck. The result of every choice a person makes on a daily basis determines their amount of success. A failed test or low grade occur as not the result of bad luck, but the product of poor choices. Studying a bit longer allows a person better results on a test. The choice to watch a good show on Netflix over studying, result in a failing grade, which remains a foreseeable consequences.

A person may consider every bad experience a result of bad luck, while others may consider

it a part of life. Luck creates life's scapegoat, allowing people to blame everyday bad happenings on a sudden lack of luck.

Howard Schultz presents an example of self-created luck. Schultz came from a poor family, living in a house thanks to the New York City Housing Authority. His love of sports led to an athletic scholarship to Northern Michigan University, where he became the first person in his family to go to college. Using his bachelor's degree in business he visited a coffee-bean shop in Seattle called Starbucks Coffee Company. The company's knowledge of coffee beans lead him to the decision to work with them in the future, and in 2008 he became the CEO of Starbucks. He created his own luck, which brought him to a net worth of \$2.5 billion as of 2015.

A person that works hard enough finds self-created luck a possibility, and may find great success in life. Working hard in classes, being the best possible person, and striving for excellence only promises good things in life.



or is it *DESTINY?*

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Opinions Layout Designer

A rare force of nature runs through the veins of people everywhere. It scores the winning shot at the last second, aces the difficult exam, and at times, even brings about millions of dollars. This mysterious force? Luck: a force thought to happen by unknown means. No one knows how or why, but luck knows and it always seems to appear at the most opportune moments. Not the result of a fairy godmother or genie, the unexplainable force arrives and leaves as it pleases.

Legends throughout the years managed to convince people that luck resides in various objects such as a rabbit's foot, four leaf clovers, animals, charms, coins, and pendants. People get invested in the myths and stories that surround luck and hope to use it to their own advantage. Even unwashed jerseys serve as lucky charms to the sports players who religiously believe that luck contributes to their numerous wins. Whether or not these small items actually contain luck causes

controversy. For those who think that one makes their own luck, these items are useless, to others, these precious knick-knacks hold all of their beliefs together.

However, not all luck helps solve problems. Certain people, cursed with bad luck, experience trouble with even the smallest daily activities, like walking, playing sports, and occasionally not even moving. These people consider themselves extremely unlucky and often wonder how they offended a higher force. The correct answer to that question usually tends to come up as not a single thing. However, even people with bad luck sometimes become lucky. As famous author Cormac McCarthy wrote in his book *No Country for Old Men*, "You never know what worse luck your bad luck has saved you from."

So while the luck in the world may not always appear helpful or lucky, its presence strongly influences how people see the world.

