

# SEQUOIA STAR

## Thursday, May 8th

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Today: SMS Orchestra's Spring Concert 6 – 7pm in the MU



A group of SMS students elated that CAASPP testing is over!

### Upcoming Events:

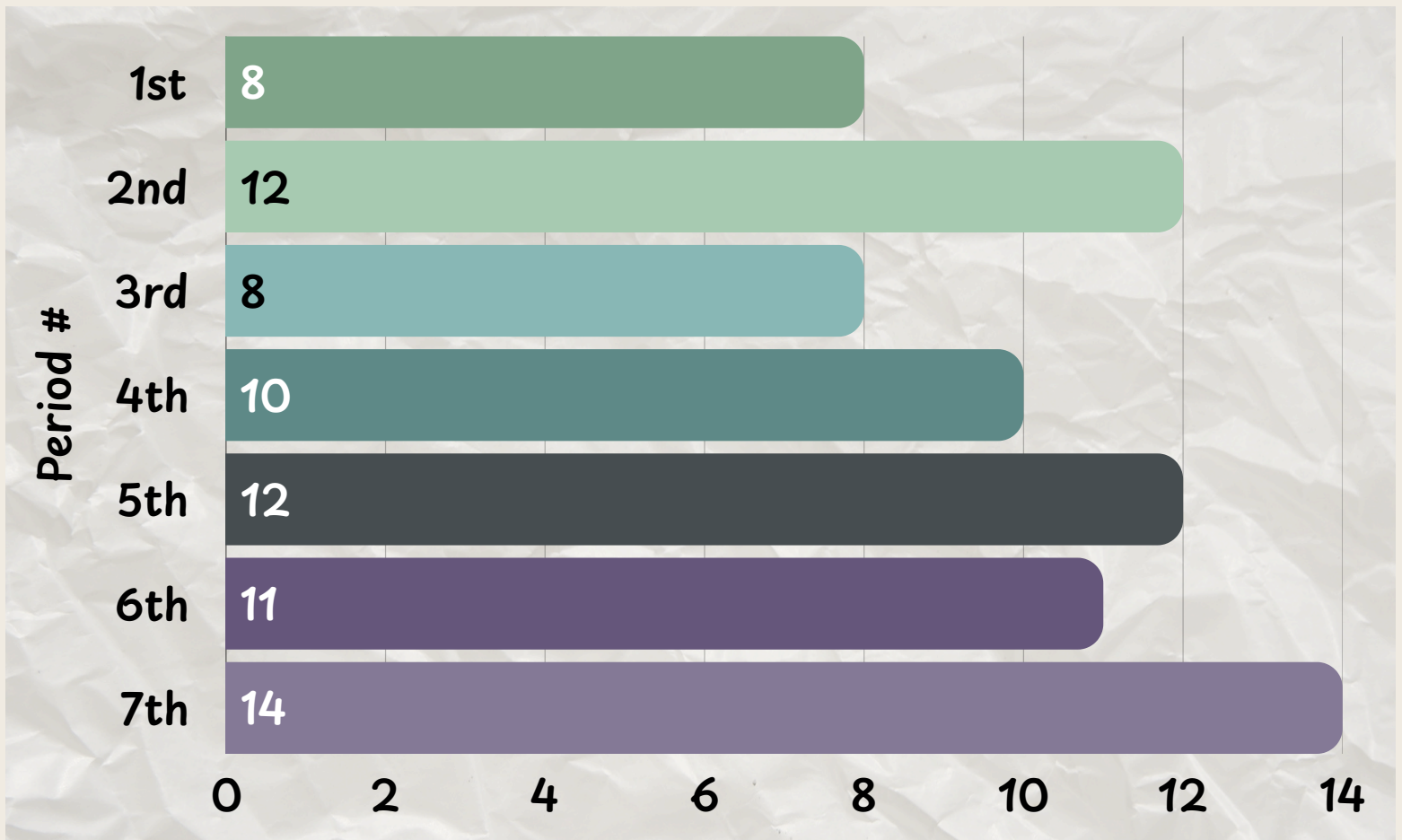
- Tomorrow, May 9<sup>th</sup> is the Spring Fling from 6 to 8 p.m. for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders only.
- May 14 is AVID/STEM Night from 6:45 to 9:00 p.m.
- May 16 is the 8<sup>th</sup> grade Clayton Bowling Party.
- Film Festival is also on the 16<sup>th</sup> from 3 to 4 p.m.

Today is the 4<sup>th</sup> day of Teacher's Appreciation Week. Be sure to say some words of thanks to your favorite teachers here at Sequoia!

How would you thank your favorite teachers?

- a) give them an apple
- b) turn in your homework from last quarter
- c) ask to bump up your grade
- d) nothing! i hate teachers >:(

# STUDENT POLL: What period do you have your favorite teacher?



"My favorite period is 6<sup>th</sup> because Ms. Conklin is really nice and patient." - Ava Vierra

"I like my my 1<sup>st</sup> period because I have math with Mr. Tong, which is really easy and fun." - Flora Peters

# SARCASTIC SEQUOIA

## IMPROPER COMPUTER USE?



Lately, many teachers have noticed a rise in the usage of computers in classrooms, but they aren't just being used for CAASPP testing...

Teachers at Sequoia are *so thrilled* that super responsible students are using their school-issued Chromebooks to play video games on disguised websites, loudly play music, and watch videos during class!

## WHY?

Local psychologists recently discovered that 1 in 3 Sequoia students in every period have had the urge to use their computer to play Google Snake and/or watch YouTube Shorts during a boring class.

It's understandable that a teacher lecturing on what will be on a test worth 50% of your grade is so unstimulating and *not at all important* to you, but we ask that students only use their Chromebooks for schoolwork.



## Bad Browsing Bob

*Expert at Playing Video Games During Class*

"Bro, all my teachers are busy being boring, so I better be spending the sweet billion seconds of second to seventh period by spamming the space button!"

# **SEQUOIA SPOTLIGHT**

## **Mr. Bergmann & Ms. Conklin**



**Q1. Mr. Bergmann, what was your favorite part of filming today's SequoiaCast?**

“Being with my friend, Ms. Conklin!”

**Q2. Ms. Conklin, what was your favorite part of filming today's SequoiaCast?**

“It's probably trying to keep a straight face when Mr. Bergmann couldn't pronounce some words.”

**Q3. Would you like to do this again, and if so, with which other teacher?**

Conklin: “With Ms. Enloe”

Bergmann: “Yes, with anyone.”

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## Friday, May 9th

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A group of students practicing volleyball after-school

### TODAY IS THE 7<sup>TH</sup> AND 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE SPRING FLING FROM 6 P. M. TO 8 P.M!

7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders, this is Sequoia's last Leadership event/social for the 2024-2025 school year. How do you feel about this school year inching to a close?

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- a) Finally! Can't wait to get out of this prison!
  - b) Already...? It's gone by so fast :(
  - c) School's still going on...? I'm mentally already done.
  - d) .....NOOOOOOOOOOOOOO!!!

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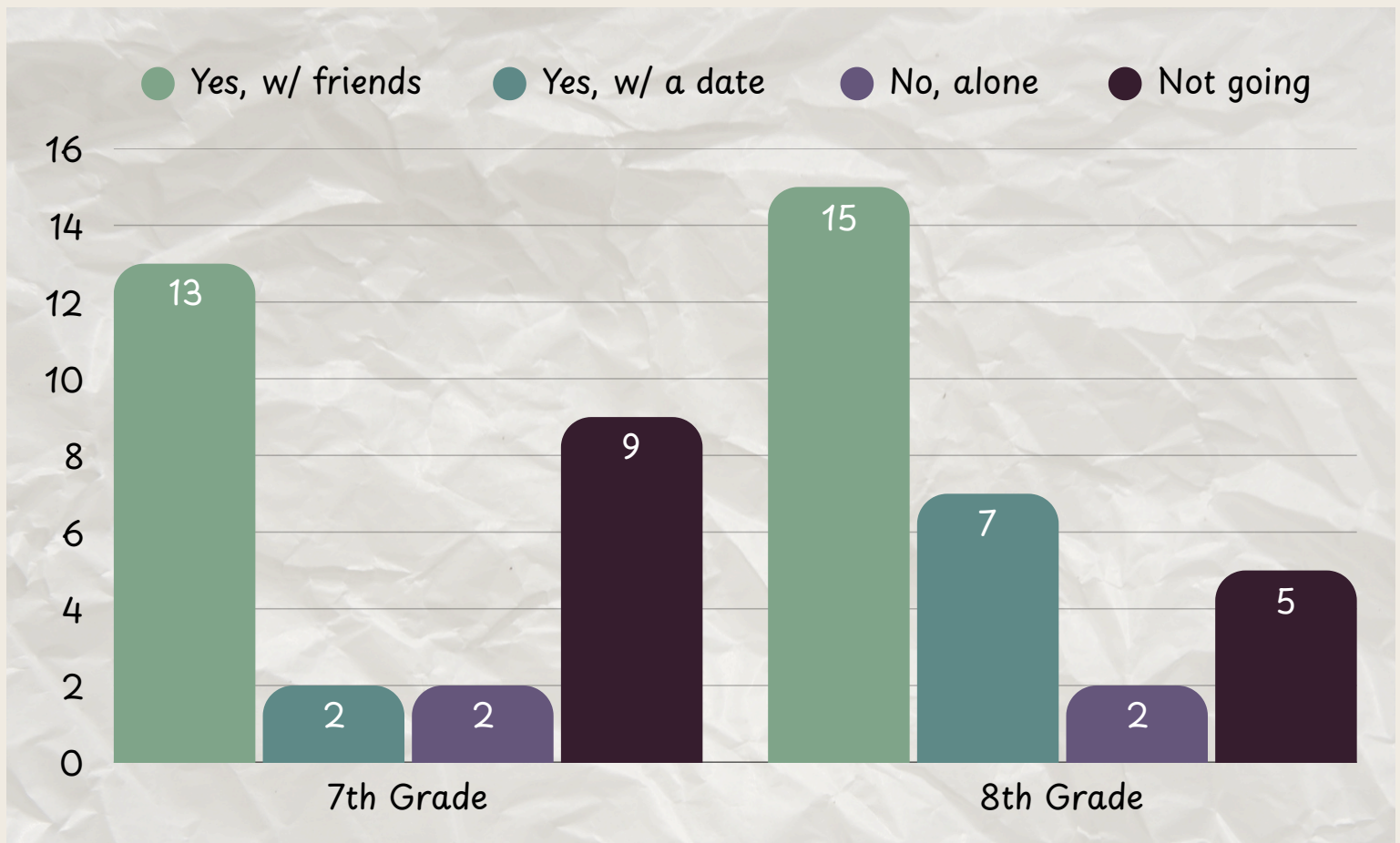
### Next Week is Spirit Week!

M. PJ Day  
T. Rhyme w/o A Reason  
W. Neon Day  
T. Tropical Vacation  
F. Anything But A Backpack Day

### GOLDEN DRUM OF DREAMS WINNERS

1. Mariana Langhammer
2. Mariah Fields
3. Sarean Pera
4. Samy Shalabi
5. Tiare Marie Caban
6. Ethan Plotnikoff
7. Alysa Anfimov

# STUDENT POLL: Are you going to the Spring Fling with someone?



"I'm going with a group of my friends."  
- Rio

"I'm going with friends, but I also have a date"  
- anonymous

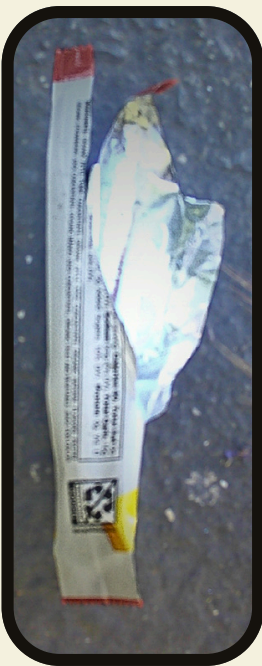
"I'm going alone since I'm in leadership."  
- multiple

"I wanna go, but I can't because I'm busy." - Arden

# SARCASTIC SEQUOIA

## WHY ARE STUDENTS EATING IN CLASS?

### THE PROBLEM



Students, such as yourself, may have noticed the recent rise of crumbs and crackers veiling the floors of our school's classroom. Whether it be a sugary drink spill on the carpet or a crushed bag of chips tainting the slightly shiny tiles, it's mysterious how they seem to appear at the end of the day. Even the all-knowing teachers are deeply confounded by this case. However, an anonymous group of students narrowed down the answer.

One of these students, which will remain unnamed, stated, "Dude, I don't know, but like... maybe kids are just eating in class...?" Such commendable insight! Research conducted after this claim shows that bugs and rats sneak into classrooms because of these crumbs. Now that we know this, students, please eat only during brunch, lunch, and passing periods. to prevent this tragedy!



### THE SOLUTION



**FOOD IS  
NOT  
ALLOWED  
IN THE  
LIBRARY**



"I know people are hungry, but you just gotta just be patient and wait it out."  
— Rylan Santos

"I guess it's alright as long as it doesn't spill."  
— Amber Kim

### WHAT THE PEOPLE ARE SAYING

# SEQUOIA SPOTLIGHT

## Mrs. Machado & Mrs. Randall



**Q1. Mrs. Machado, what was your favorite part of filming today's SequoiaCast?**

“Probably waving to imaginary people while walking the halls.”

**Q2. Mrs. Randall, what was your favorite part of filming today's SequoiaCast?**

“My favorite part was getting to hang out and interact with Mrs. Machado.”

**Q3. Would you like to do this again, and if so, with which other teacher?**

Machado: “Yes, with Mrs. Hurtado because together we make Hurchado.”

Randall: “Yes, absolutely. The list goes on, but I'd probably go with Ms. Montoya, Mrs. Mendoza, Mrs. Machado again, Mr. Lynch because it would be funny, and anyone in my department really.”

