

DONIPHAN WEST HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT

Unified School Districts 425 & 433

May 17, 2008

2:00 p.m.

Processional

"Pomp and Circumstance"

Doniphan West High School Band

By Elgar

Welcome

Mr. Rex Bollinger

Doniphan West Swing Choir

Salutatory Address

Valedictory Addresses

Presentation of Flowers

Senior Class

Senior Slide Show

Selected Music

Presentation of the Class of 2008

Mr. Rex Bollinger

Mr. Joe Sailors

Presentation of Diplomas Awards and Scholarships

Mrs. Gerre Martin

Closing remarks

Mr. Joe Sailors

Recessional

Doniphan West High School Band

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Supplement to The Kansas Chief

Doniphan West High School Stands United!

By Class President Eric Simmons

I have been the class president for the Doniphan West High School class of 2008 for three years, and in those years I have noticed something miraculous—unity. When Doniphan West High School was born in August 2004, the Midway students were still Midway students, and the Highland students were still Highland students. Now, after four years of good and bad times we have truly become one—one class, one family, one Doniphan West Mustang. I would have never thought that my class would ever find any form of common ground or unity. I am glad to say that I was wrong.

My class has gone through some very difficult times, and it seems that no matter how complicated things get we still end up pushing through to find the light at the end of the tunnel. For instance, our class lost a very valuable asset this year, and that was a woman by the name of Janet Libel. She was an amazing woman who was dedicated to the students at D-West. It didn't matter what activity or what sport was going on, she was always there, no questions

The class of 2008 will be the first to graduate from Doniphan West High School after completing all four years as D-West students. In my mind this is a major accomplishment. For the past four years our class has taken every opportunity to create a stronger more unique bond with each other. Now, I truly believe we have accomplished what we came to do.

Many people said that this arrangement wouldn't work, and that the schools would split within a few years. Well, have I got news for them! We have done the impossible! We have proven that two rivals can become one. I have been more than proud of my fellow students during my time here at D-West. These have been some of the most amazing years of my life, and now looking back at the events of the past four years, I realize what we will all be leaving behind after graduation.



May 15, 2008

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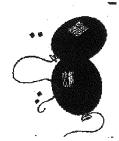
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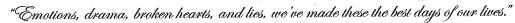








Class Motto:

















































Allison R. Thompson







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City of Highland **Governing Body** & Employees

Troy High School Graduation Exercises

Sunday, May 18, 2008 3:00 P.M.

Processional"Pomp and Circumstance" Troy High School Band	
Welcome Principal, Troy I	
Troy High School Mixed Chorus	"the Dance"
Presentation of Co-Valedictorian	Don Cash
Co-Valedictorian's Address	Jena Johnson
Presentation of Valedictorian	Don Cash
Co-Valedictorian's Address	Kaitlyn Jordan
Video Presentation	Troy High School
Dedication to Family	Senior Class
Presentation of the Class of 2007	Don Cash
Presentation of Diplomas	Hugh Kinsey President, Board of Education
Recessional	

Happy Traduation Day! Highland **Community College**



Best Wishes in the future grads!

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Don't forget the Memories of THS

By Class President Elizabeth Tharman

We are so close, so close to receiving our diplomas. We're ready to walk out the gym doors and begin the next chapter of our lives. We've all made future plans, and we're just waiting for the graduation ceremony to be over so that we can leave and never look back. But should we forget the people and memories that have made us who we are?

Of course, we've all had good days and bad days; those days are going to happen wherever we go. But to forget those days is to forget who we are. We have become who we are today because of those days:

Days of frustration when nothing seemed to be going our way. Days of excitement on game days, at art competitions, and at opening performances of the play. Days of anger when someone pushed our tempers to the limit. Days of laughter like the day Mr. Mc Norton told Jordan [Libel] and Kaitlyn [Jordan] they had eaten the lab's chemically covered M&Ms. Days of despair when we were certain there was absolutely no way to get everything finished in time. Days of content while debating in government class. And days of practical jokes.

When we "walk" at graduation, remember that the "walk" is symbolic of both the road taken and the journey yet to come.

While you're out in the world discovering new places and meeting new friends, remember Troy High School and the friends within. While you're making new mistakes, learn from the old ones. Then on a day in the future you can ask yourself, "Who am I today, because of yesterday's memories?"



Wishing you all the best in the future!

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Troy, KS

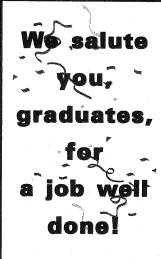


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Good Luck Grads! **City of Troy**

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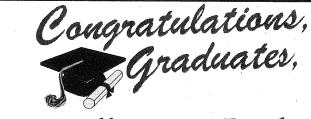
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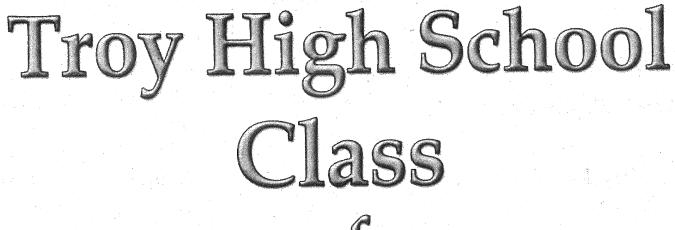


Our Best to All Grads!



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Class Motto

"You are never given a dream

without the power to make it come true."

Class Flower Blue Tipped Water Lily







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WHS Class of 2008: Champions

By Class President Janey Cluck

Congratulations Class of 2008! We've made it! The past twelve years together have been so rewarding and memorable. Let's take a couple of minutes to remember those rewarding moments and memories that will be instilled in our hearts and minds forever.

Our first three years of school were probably the easiest, although at the time we probably thought of them to be the hardest. In Kindergarten, we enjoyed learning how to count and cut straight lines. Super Kid Day was probably the highlight of every five and six year old in the classroom. Throughout 1st grade we began learning how to spell and read, which at the time seemed like the most difficult thing in the world! Mrs. Bauman and Mrs. Dalton were very patient with us and we enjoyed them as teachers. Second grade brought many memorable moments and good times. Ms. Derrick's class enjoyed comb ing and "picking" her hair during class, playing fun games, and listening to the record player.

In 3rd grade we began to learn the true meaning of responsibility and care when raising little chicks in an incubator. This was also the time when we all learned a little patience when practicing cursive. In 4th grade, we began learning tougher multiplication problems and learning how to research on computers. Our 5th grade year was definitely one to remember! Growing up, we enjoyed our last days of recess and were given the opportunity to express our feelings through music! Mrs. Schmidt recruited most of the class to play in band, which I believe solved a lot of anger problems and brought us closer together. Mrs. Slaughter and Mrs. Smith taught our 6th grade classes in the year 2001. Something most memorable about this year was the event of 9/11. Some of us were in art or gym or computers during the time of the event. Being a constant CNN television viewer, Mrs. Slaughter let us take the rest of the day off and watch the news.

Entering Junior High was a major milestone for most of our class. Our boys began suitin' up for football and our girls took on the challenge of "Bump, Set, Spike!" Richard Simmons always seemed to brighten our gloomy days in Mrs. Farrow's class, although for some it only made them gloomier. School dances were always exciting...watching the boys sweat as they courageously asked the girls to dance. Our class has always been dramatic and liked to hold the spotlight. Ms. Waggoner took on the task of directing us in two different plays this year, both of which were phenomenal! Our last year of Junior High was when our class realized how important we were to each other and how close we all became. Our trip to Washington, DC was a trip that brought many of us closer together and allowed us to interact with other students from New Jersey and Hawaii! Something our class will always be remembered for is our boycott against the lunchroom and cafeteria ladies our 8th grade year. Let this be a lesson to any person it may concern. Don't take away the salad bar from a bunch of hungry 8th graders, because they will take a stand and choose not to eat the school's food until they get that salad bar back! Or at least our class did.

Entering into high school was scary at first, but I think we adjusted well. We didn't fully earn respect until we won the float and hallway competition our freshman year. From this point on, our class was always competitive and known for working together. As Sophomores, we again won the float competition with our "Web the Bears" theme. Junior year, our class was probably the most spirited and known as the "rich class." Around prom time our class finally began to see that we only had one more year together and to make the best of our time left. Senior year has been a success and brought us to the fine young adults we have become. Our boys led us to so many tremendous victories through sports this year. Winning the District Championship in football and being runner-up in Sub-State Finals for basketball has been a fond memory. What can we say? We are the champions.

These past twelve years together have been filled with laughter, tears, joy, and sadness. The Wathena High School Class of 2008 has made a mark on it's school and made a positive impression to many students. We wish to thank our teachers, community, parents, family, and friends for supporting us all of these years and we hope we've made you proud. Your support has meant so much to our class and we hope that you will continue to support us, all the days of our lives.

Now, to the graduating WHS Class of 2008...we've made it through the good times and the bad. Another chapter of our lives is about to end, and a new one is going to begin. Although we may not see each other everyday next school year, we can look back on these precious times we have had in high school and remember the fun we had together. Good luck in all you do, Seniors! We ARE the Champions.



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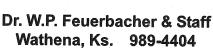
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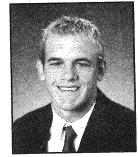
Elizabeth Ashley Elder



Alyssa Lynn Foley



Benjamin Roger Gingery



Nicholas John Haedt



Justin Craig Hawkins

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Class of



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Skye Morgan Pepper



Katelyn Leigh Pitman



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Ashley Rae Richey



Ashley Nicole Rickel



Colby Brent Rohde



Hillary Erin



Adam John Sawyer



Corbin Michael Schultz



Leslie Ann Shaw



Ashley Nicole Stephens



Michael Dwain Thomas



Jordan Raelee West



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Wathena High School Commencement Exercises Sunday, May 18, 5:00 p.m.

*Processional"Pomp and Circumstance"Elgar Concert Band **Opening Comments** Commencement Speaker.....Paul Coffman "A Mother's Prayer".....Sager/Foster Mixed Chorus Salutatorian Address Valedictorian Address Presentation of Senior Awards......Robert W. Blair, Principal Jerry Burks, Counselor Senior Video "And Wherever You Go"......Wagner Heidi Blair, Neil Clarkson, Elizabeth Douglas Presentation of Class......Robert W. Blair, Principal Presentation of Diplomas......Michael Newman, Superintendent Gregg Lewis, USD 406 Board Member Paul Rohde, USD 406 Board Member Joyce Simpson, USD 406 Board Member Reading of Class Roll......Janey Cluck Closing Remarks *Recessional "Tannhauser March"......Wagner Henderson

l "Tannhauser March"......Wagner Henderson Concert Band



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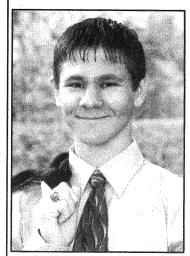
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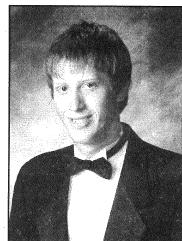
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Two Doniphan County residents will graduate from Bishop LeBlond Catholic High School in St. Joseph







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Kathryn Lee Jeffery Hiawatha, KS Laura Danielle Johnson Manhattan, KS Damika LeShon Kimbrough Manhattan, KS Jennifer Marie King Topeka, KS Ashleigh Paige Neel Kohler Wamego, KS Curtanya Bell Lambert Atchison, KS Kayla Lynn Lassiter Valley Falls, KS Rita Wendolyn Latimer Olathe, KS Neil Frank Lednicky Horton, KS Tyler E Lehmkuhl Hiawatha, KS Dustin Wade Libel Denton, KS Gabriel Katerina Lierz Hiawatha, KS Kody Wade Livengood Sabetha, KS Johnna Ashley Long Carbondale, KS Melissa Nicole Looper Blaine, KS Derek William Losson Troy, KS Coulter Ferguson Lucas Hiawatha, KS Holly Marie Luck Manhattan, KS Pollyanna Kristine Lundy Effingham, KS Bryce A Marrs Manhattan, KS Jason Ryan Martell Alma, KS Jacqueline Clare Martin Highland, KS Rachel Leah McCall Topeka, KS Rae Nell Brasher McCool Oskaloosa, KS Amanda Anne Mellies Netawaka, KS Kimberly Anne Gentry Miller McFarland, KS Bryan Mokeski Charlotte, NC Brittney Nicole Monaghan Hiawatha, KS Erin Marie Rathbun Murphy Manhattan, KS Brett William Naylor Manhattan, KSJohn Matthew Niehues Havensville, KS Sandra Lynn Eisenbarth Patterson Wetmore, KS Pamela Ann Stutzman Parker Wamego, KS Lois J Pierson Pelton Holton, KS Ryan Scott Peterson Savage, MN Ronni Jo Poston St Joseph, MO Annie Jo Ragsdale Topeka, KS Angelina C Reynolds Atchison, KS Lori Ann Lovell Robinson Maquokata, Iowa Casandra Dawn Roscovius Wamego, KS Curtis J Ross Horton, KS Troy Jeremiah Schmidt Manhattan, KS Jason Patrick Scott Manhattan, KS Aaron Christopher Shaad Horton, KS Derek Bernard Shaw Holton, KS Jason Douglas Showman Seneca, KS Paige Renee Smith Highland, KS John Randall Sneegas Lawrence, KS Stephanie Ann Meredith Snow Hoyt, KS Jared Levi Sunderman Clarinda, IA Brandy Nichole Talkington Fairbury, NESusan Sarah Tangen Sabetha, KS Neal Curtis Tapp St Joseph, MO

Melissa Dawn Toburen Manhattan, KS
Addison Marie Vertin Wathena, KS
Krista Marie Vieselmeyer Seneca, KS
Melissa S Wagner Wamego, KS
Kristin Marie Eisenbarth Watkins Whiting, KS
Terra Rene Weiland Highland, KS
Sheyenne Nicole Werner Horton, KS
Erin Grae Whitlow Lansing, KS
Stephanie Jo Wilburn Highland, KS
Douglas Robert Williams Waverly, KS
Callie JoAnn Williams Olsburg, KS
John Michael Williams Hiawatha, KS
Shayle Lanee Williams McPherson, KS
DeWayne A Wright Ft Riley, KS
Amanda Nicole Yenzer St George, KS

Associate in Science

Jennifer Lynn Abbott Savannah, MO Shawna Layne Adkins Rossville, KS LaJoyce Elizabeth Allen Atchison, KS JuanCarlos Tamayo Arana Marysville, KS April Dawn Aufenkamp Brownville, NE Stacy Erin Barnes Powhattan, KS Michaela Dawn Berg Logan, KS Cherika Melinda Boyd Kansas City, KS Bradley James Brunkow Onaga, KS Brian James Clark St Marys, KS Amanda Michelle Covert Hiawatha, KS Paula Elaine Downing-Johnson Atchison, KS Samantha A Durr Topeka, KS Tad Stephan Eubanks Ottawa, KS Jordan R Faller Falls City, NE Colt Ray Forney Denton, KS Stacey Deanne Dunkin Topeka, KS Timothy Justin Fowler Wichita, KS Rebecca Louise Mills Griffitts McLouth, KS Monica Anne Kretschmer St Marys, KS Rita Wendolyn Latimer Olathe, KS Brandon Lee Leander Hiawatha, KS Johnna Ashley Long Carbondale, KS Allison Danielle Maddox Marion, KS Donna McNulty McCulloch Wathena, KS Amanda Anne Mellies Netawaka, KS Lindsey Crawford Mills Topeka, KS Marcus Allen Murrow Manhattan, KS Brett William Naylor Manhattan, KS Nicole Guse' Perryman McPhersen, KS Nolan Andrew Putnam Perry, KS Mandy Holthaus Rengstorf Marysville, KS Archie Jack Smith Palmyra, NE

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Associate in **Applied Science**

Allison N Anderson Auburn, NE Tyler William Bolt Jennings, KS Bradley Charles Brockhoff Fairview, KS Kristina Marie Love Callahan Louisville, KS Stepheni Schockey Chamberlin Topeka, KS Carla Diane Clark Mayetta, KS Solenne Donna-M. A. Donker Wamego, KS Benjamin Theophil Frohman Atchison, KS Paula Elaine Downing-Johnson Atchison, KS Benjamin Scott Emery Atchison, KS Jessica Nicole List Hampton Manhattan, KS Blair Louise Haverkamp Home, KS Cheryl Ann Bell Johnson Alma, KS Adam Christian Kennedy Roeland Park, KS Valissa Rebecca Kraus St Joseph, MO Susanne Weisbrich Littrell Topeka, KS Ted Lynn McCoy Muscotah, KS Darryl Lee Meng Troy, KS Kevin Lewis Muehlbach St Joseph, MO

Aaron Yale Ogle Atchison, KS Kathleen Elizabeth Pyle Hiawatha, KS Angelina C Reynolds Atchison, KS Stephanie Marie Sanchez Topeka, KS Dana Frances White-Swearingen Blue Rapids, KS Sterling Sage Wist Hiawatha, KS Jamee Lynne Yost Manhattan, KS

Associate in **General Studies**

Michael Jon Amaral Lansing, KS Micheal Clay Brissett Troy, KS David Leroy Burggraf Lawrence, KS Karen Elizabeth Chmidling Topeka, KS Keith Alan Croze Mayetta, KS Jason Todd Davis ElDorado Springs, MO Larry Michael Edwards St Louis, MO Susan G Eisenbarth Circleville, KS Shawn Michael Flott Topeka, KS April Nicole Gillilan Chillicothe, MO Evan Joseph Hawkins Quenemo, KS Amy Michelle Kiker Wamego, KS Jacob Wayne Maybrier Edgerton, KS Kole Michael McCauley Leona, KS Lance Robert Nelson Gower, MO Nicole Elizabeth Olson Hiawatha, KS Jessica Rose Perdue Atchison, KS Nikki Lynn Rinkes Holton, KS Ronald Anthony Staten Kansas City, MO Sean Michael Vernon Bendena, KS Kelsey Lea Wohletz Denton, KS

Humorous Graduation Quotes

"Graduation day is tough for adults. They go to the ceremony as parents. They come home as contemporaries. After twenty-two years of child-raising, they are unemployed." ~ by Erma Bombeck

"A graduation ceremony is an event where the commencement speaker tells thousands of students dressed in identical caps and gowns that "individuality" is the key to success." ~ by Robert Orben

"People will frighten you about a graduation.... They use words you don't hear often: 'And we wish you Godspeed.' It is a warning, Godspeed. It means you are no longer welcome here at these prices." ~ by Bill Cosby

Inspirational Graduation Quotes "Sooner or later we all discover that the important moments in life are not the advertised ones, not the birthdays, the graduations, the weddings, not the great goals achieved. The real milestones are less prepossessing. They come to the door of memory unannounced, stray dogs that amble in, sniff around a bit and simply never leave. Our lives are measured by these." ~ by Susan B. Anthony

'There is a good reason they call these ceremonies 'commencement exercises'. Graduation is not the end; it's the beginning." ~ by Orrin Hatch

"All that stands between the graduate and the top of the ladder is the ladder." ~ by Author Unknown

"Graduation is only a concept. In real life every day you graduate. Graduation is a process that goes on until the last day of your life. If you can grasp that, you'll make a difference." ~ by Arie Pencovici

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself in any direction you choose. You're on your own. And you know what you know. You are the guy who'll decide where to go." ~ by Dr. Seuss

"Just about a month from now I'm set adrift, with a diploma for a sail and lots of nerve for oars." ~ by Richard Halliburton

"The man who graduates today and stops learning tomorrow is uneducated the day after." ~ by Newton D. Baker

Words of Wisdom

"When the choice is to be right or to be kind, always make the choice that brings peace."

Dr. Wayne Dyer

HAPPINESS

"Happiness is neither virtue nor pleasure nor this thing nor that but simply growth. We are happy when we are growing."

William Butler Yeats

"If you have it, you don't need to have anything else, and if you don't have it, it doesn't matter what else you

Sir James M. Barrie

FAITH

"All that I have seen teaches me to trust the Creator for all I have not seen."

Ralph Waldo Emerson

WISDOM

"He that walketh with wise men shall be wise...." Proverbs 13:20

"Any fact facing us is not as important as our attitude toward it, for that determines our success or failure." Norman Vincent Peale

CHOICE

"You are the sum total of all of your choices up to now." Dr. Wayne Dyer

VISION

"Far away there in the sunshine are my highest aspirations. I may not reach them, but I can look up and see their beauty, believe in them, and try to follow where they lead." Louisa May Alcott

"Goals are dreams we convert to plans and take action to fulfill."

Zig Ziglar

MOTIVATION

"People are always blaming circumstances for what they are. I don't believe in circumstances. The people who get on in this world are the people who get up and look for the circumstances they want and if they can't find them, make them."

George Bernard Shaw

PERSISTENCE

"Nothing in the world can take the place of persistence. Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful men with talent. Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb. Education will not; the world is full of educated derelicts. Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent."

Calvin Coolidge

SUCCESS

"If one advances confidently in the direction of his dreams and endeavors to live the life which he has imagined, he will meet with a success unexpected in common hours." Henry David Thoreau

GIVING

"One man gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want." Proverbs 11:24

GIVING

"The high destiny of the individual is to serve rather Albert Einstein than to rule"

EHS Commencement Monday, May 19, 2008 7:00 p.m. Processional - "Pomp & Circumstance"

Heather Hagstrom

Welcome-- Michael Newman, Superintendent Salutatorian Address

Valedictorian Address Presentation of Speaker-- Steve Taylor, Principal Address - Jeff Murphy, President of the Board of Education

Presentation of Awards and Scholarships -- Steve

Taylor, Princ. Presentation of the Class of 2008 -- Steve Taylor,

Principal

Presentation of Diplomas -- Jeff Murphy, President Bobby Hall, Board Member

Memories of the Class of 2008 Video Presentation Closing Remarks -- Steve Taylor, Principal Recessional - "Pomp & Circumstance" Elgar Heather Hagstrom

Elwood Senior Class of 2008 By Class President Jordan Griswold

The 2008 senior class of Elwood High School could be described as a close knit group. We participated in many activities and sporting events without leaving anyone out. Most of the class have been together since kindergarten. A few of us can even say we survived the devastating Flood

At this point most of the seniors have decided what the next step of their life holds for them. We have a few, however, who are still undecided. The class valedictorian will be attending Baker University in the fall. We also have approximately seven students that plan to attend Highland Community College. There is one student that will be joining the Army after graduation and another that is considering the Navy Reserves. At this point in time, there are any variations in pathways as we try to find the right future for ourselves.

We have a senior class of 22 students. We are a very close class, as was mentioned earlier. We spend time together during the school week, but even weekends find us at the park playing basketball or just catching up with what has happened. If you miss a day of school, one of the fellow seniors would catch you up on what went on in government class. We had

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the "No Senior Left Behind Policy" and we used it well.

The class will continue to meet with each other following graduation to learn about adult life and play a game of basketball. Sports are a big part of many of their lives. They played hard all season long and had the honor of putting a 2008 Sub State basketball banner on the gym wall. That was a great accomplishment that will live within the senior's memories for the long years to come.

The teachers will all remember the senior class anytime they hear the question, "can we get extra credit?" Our class has chosen cobalt blue and mellow yellow for our class colors. Our flower is a Lily and our song is still undecided. The motto is "In order to know where you're going, you have to know where you have been." All our seniors would agree they are proud to know they came from Elwood High School and they will use that "motto" wherever they go.













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