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Sentinel staff report from State Capitol in Hartford



State Rep. Gary Holder-Winfield meets with Sentinel reporters.

When the session ends, which this year was on May 9, reporters in the Capitol Press Room try to throw a green and pink sparkly Hula-hoop from the fourth floor down to the statue of Nathan Hale.

Reporters from the *Celentano Sentinel* visited the Capitol in Hartford on Wednesday, April 25. We met with Senator Looney, who is the Senate Majority Leader, with Representative Gary Holder-Winfield, with Mr. Pazniokas, and with Jacqueline Rabe-Thomas of the *CT Mirror* and Christine Stuart, editor of *CT NewsJunkie*.

Our reporters said they felt “like business people” being in such a classy building where people were wearing suits. There were also statues and designs on the inside of the building in gold. The bathrooms are huge.

The Capitol is important because it is a place where people can say their opinions and it is where laws get made for the state. Senators and representatives also help figure out the budget. Each year the state spends about \$20 billion.

New Haven vs. New Canaan: Why the Test Gap?

BY BERKET TEWOLDE, GERELL NORMAN, AND DANNY SKINNER
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Students at Celentano Museum Academy plan to go to college. But will we get there?

Teachers are trying. Parents are trying. Students are trying. But is everyone working hard enough? Are we learning enough to reach our goals?

Starting in 3rd grade, students at Celentano take the Connecticut Mastery Tests (the CMT’s). Even though we take these tests every year, we only recently looked closely at our scores compared with other districts.

We were a bit flabbergasted by our findings when we compared New Haven’s scores to those of New Canaan, which is close to Stamford. We found that in New Haven, only 62

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Summertime=Fun time

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After 10 long months of school, kids are ready for summer!

It’s the time when you go outside and spend long days and nights enjoying the hot weather. And in summer, you don’t have to worry about homework.

So what *can* you do in summer? A lot of people like to go to fun places like amusement parks and the mall. People like to eat out. Many kids like to play sports.

The *Celentano Sentinel* survey showed that mostly all students—163 out of 192 who answered the survey—like amusement parks. It also showed that

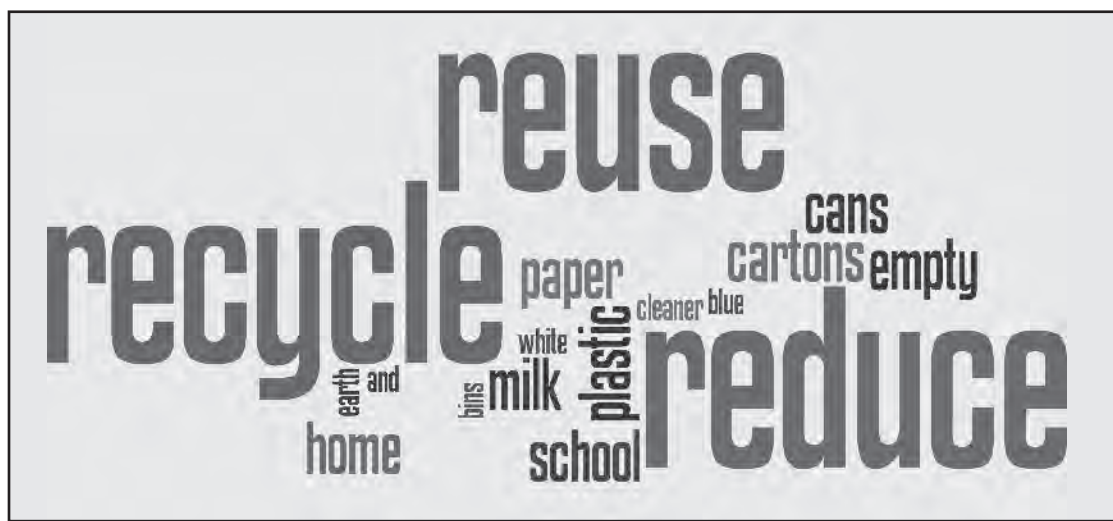
78 percent of students play sports in the summer.

Even grown-ups like amusement parks. Celentano Museum Academy Principal Mrs. Keisha Hannans says she “loves amusement parks and I enjoy riding roller coasters, water rides, eating funnel cakes and playing games.” During the summer she enjoys travelling, relaxing and enjoying time with family.

Machris Numbi is in second grade. His favorite place to go in the summer is Lake Compounce, an amusement park in Bristol, CT. His favorite amusement park is Six Flags. He also like to go to Chuck E Cheese for his birthday and likes to go to Daddy’s Xtreme Indoor Sports in West Haven with

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Does blue and white equal green?



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In many classrooms at Celentano Museum Academy, there are blue and white recycling bins. Some students use them—and some students don’t.

“I always recycle because it helps

the planet,” says Jahné Cari, who is in 7th grade. Juan Ayala, in 6th grade, says he doesn’t recycle a lot at school. “The bin is hard to reach because it is under the table. Very far under the table,” he says.

There are many ways to recycle. Eugene Claybourne, assistant manager

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Does blue and white equal green?

RECYCLING FROM PAGE 1

of custodial services, says that most everything can be recycled in the blue and white bins, except for food and juice.

"We recycle paper, plastic, cans, empty milk cartons," he says. Mr. Claybourne says all the different recyclable items are dumped into a single large container which is picked up by the city several times a week.

Teachers and students at Celentano think recycling is a good idea. Many people say it is good to recycle at home and at school because it helps the world be a cleaner and better place.

The Celentano Sentinel spring survey showed that 68 percent of students surveyed in grades 3-8 recycle at home. The survey also found that most students—88 percent—would recycle at school if there were more opportunities.

Celentano Museum School Principal Mrs. Keisha Hannans says she thinks "it would be great for Celentano students to organize a Recycling Committee to lead our recycling efforts."

There are many ways to recycle besides putting paper and plastics into blue and white bins. "I reuse the things that can be reused in my science class," says Mrs. Linda Malkin, a 8th grade science teacher. Mr. Eugene Foreman, 6th grade teacher, says he recycles "because I know it helps the world in many ways."

James Brennan, in 7th grade, does not always recycle at school because he is not sure that paper in the recycling bins are actually sent to be recycled. He worries they are just dumped into the trash. "I truly think we should recycle," he says.

Mr. Claybourne says that it may look like recycling is being put into the trash because the city does "single stream" recycling in which all recyclables are mixed together. He says it would be nice to have more recycling bins and have them in easy to find places. "As you come into the classroom, they should be two to three feet away from the door," he says. "They shouldn't be under anything because that makes them useless."

CELENTANO: LET'S RECYCLE!

Recycling does take effort, but it's important to help our planet. At Celentano, we need to take recycling more seriously. Here are some ideas:

- > We need more recycling bins (in places that are easy to get to)
- > We should talk more about recycling and why it matters
- > Celebrate Earth Day or have other activities that show how recycling can help the environment
- > Start a student recycling committee

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SCHOOL NEWS

Ready?! Jump up to High School

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Pep rallies. Big games. New kids. More kids. Maybe more drama. To many people, high school is fun and exciting, but high school is also challenging.

As Celentano students prepare to graduate, there are many emotions. Every single eighth grader who responded to the *Celentano Sentinel* spring survey said they were looking forward to high school, but most are expecting more work. Twenty-three percent think high school is going to be easier than middle school, but 77 percent think it will be more difficult.

“High school is fun if you make it fun and do the work,” says Aliyah Brogdon, 17, a senior at Career High School in New Haven. But, she says, “it’s a lot harder” than middle school.

Ms. Brogdon says she gets two to three hours of homework each night and has to take eight classes. Plus every day the schedule changes. “Sometimes you forget when your classes are,” she says.

Even though high school is exciting, Ms. Brogdon says she was scared before her first day. “I was so nervous going into high school. I actually cried the night before,” she says. “Looking back, the best advice is ‘Don’t try to be someone you’re not. Be yourself and your friends will come to you.’”

Orlando Algarin, an 8th grader at Celentano is planning to go to Hillhouse High because he did not get picked in the high school lottery for his top choice: Coop High School. “I feel disappointed because my grades are excellent,” he says. Mr. Algarin says he wants to go to Coop because “my future career will be in visual arts. Other kids just want to go there because their friends are going there.”

Whichever high school he ends up at, Mr. Algarin says high school will mean taking responsibility for your own future, “from teachers chasing you to come to class to ‘come if you want, it’s your education.’”

Mr. Algarin expects there will be “a lot of work due in a short amount of time.” He hopes to be a sculptor or an artist and says Coop High School would be a better fit. “I think it would be a good exposure to different talent,” he says. “It’s a step further towards a successful and passionate future.”

He is nervous about finding his way around a new school and meeting so many new students, but plans to work very hard. “I want to show up all the other kids and be in the high honor class,” he says.

Caprice Lewis, Celentano 8th grader, says she had hoped to attend a magnet school but didn’t get in. “So now I have to go to Hillhouse. I’m completely nervous because I’m going to be in a new environment where you have to fend for yourself and you won’t be babied like you are in elementary school.”

Malachi Campbell, an 8th grader at Celentano is not sure where he is going to high school next year. He says he is not nervous, but is also excited for high school. His goal for the future? “To play basketball and go to the N.B.A.”

Celentano 8th grader Casondra Hallifax is one of the lucky ones. She won the lottery to go to Coop High School and expects “more mature students” and “more serious” classmates. Ms. Hallifax plans to become an author and hopes to “learn more about writing books.” She is excited to go to high school, she says, “so I can get closer to college.”

Jamel Rosado is a Celentano 8th grader who will attend Wilbur Cross High School next fall. He is nervous about “big classes,” but sees it as a step toward adulthood and later plans to study electronics and business.

High school is a big step, says Rasheen Johnson, who graduated from Celentano last year and now attends Wilbur Cross, the biggest high school in the city. He recalled getting lost several times during the first few days of school.

“In middle school, they let you slide and give you chances. In high school, they’d just give you an F,” he says.

For Career freshman Jayla Manning, another Celentano graduate, a big adjustment was the move to block scheduling: instead of taking six or seven classes a day, like in middle school, Ms. Manning only takes four per day, for longer periods.

Ms. Brogdon, the Career High School senior, says teachers demand more in high school and there is more work, but it is also fun. She says there is “a family environment. I have friends in every grade.” There are a lot of activities and great people. She says the big challenge is learning how to balance everything.

“You have to have an ‘I can do it’ attitude,” she says.



WHICHEVER HIGH SCHOOL HE ENDS UP AT, ORLANDO ALGARIN SAYS HIGH SCHOOL WILL MEAN TAKING RESPONSIBILITY FOR YOUR OWN FUTURE.

MRS. HANNANS HAS YOUR BACK

Five things 8th graders can do after graduation to be ready to start high school:

1. Schedule a meeting with your parent and your new principal to discuss academic and behavioral expectations for the upcoming school year.
2. Meet with current students to discuss student life at the school.
3. Read books from your summer reading list.
4. Relax.
5. Have fun.



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COMMUNITY NEWS

Sentinal staff report from capitol



Sentinel reporters meet with CT Mirror Capitol Bureau Chief Mark Pazniokas in the press room.



State Senate President Martin Looney met with Sentinel reporters in the chambers minutes before the Senate session.

STATE CAPITOL FROM PAGE 1

Representative Holder-Winfield worked especially hard to take away the death penalty in Connecticut. The death penalty is when someone commits a horrible crime and the state kills them for it. Representative Holder-Winfield says he worked with people who disagreed with him.

“I actually got down and talked to my colleagues about why they were for or against it,” he says. Some of them changed their mind and voted to end it. So he got what he wanted and it made him successful.

Celentano Sentinel reporters also visited the Capitol Press Room. It looks like a junky room that a hurricane hit. There are a whole bunch of papers and soda cans on desks. People are working so hard.

We met with Ms. Stuart and Mr. Pazniokas. Both of them like their jobs. Ms. Stuart says that part of her job is “to figure out who’s telling the truth. There are usually three sides to every story.”

Mr. Pazniokas says he likes the variety of his job. “Every day is really different,” he says. “You get

to be a student forever. You just get to learn—and there are no tests.” He says he is not scared when he talks to the Governor, but when he was first starting and he asked his first question a former governor was strict with him.

“The first time I asked the governor a question, he laughed at me,” he says. The current governor, Gov. Dannel Malloy, “likes to mix it up with us. If he doesn’t like your question, he might push back.”

We also met with Senator Looney in the Senate chambers. It was a big

round room and a curious place. It had a big red soft fluffy carpet. He told us how bills were passed and said that in order to pass that 19 of 36 Senators had to vote for it. We asked other questions, including about the case of Trayvon Martin, the teenager who was killed recently in Florida.

“The Trayvon Martin case points out that we still have a tremendous amount of lack of understanding and trust,” says Senator Looney.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

New Haven vs. New Canaan test gap

CT MASTERY TEST FROM PAGE 1

percent of seventh graders scored at “goal” in reading but in New Canaan, 96 percent of seventh graders got that score.

In math, only 45 percent of New Haven students reached “goal” while 92 percent of students in New Canaan reach that level. At Celentano Museum Academy, 2011 test results show that 43 percent of 7th graders reached “goal” in reading and only 29 percent in math.

Rosa Curr, in 7th grade, says New Haven students are not trying hard enough. “There are a lot of smart kids, but they just believe the CMT’s are a waste of time,” she says. She says kids in other districts probably “have more money to get things to help you study. In New Haven, people are not rich and might not have reading material.”

Both cities start with the word “New” and are in the same small state of Connecticut, but there is a big difference in student scores. This is a problem that affects students at Celentano. Why are there such big differences?

“New Canaan is a community with a relatively rich population,” said Mr. Garth Harries, assistant superintendent of New Haven Public Schools. “Many students, when they start in a community like New Canaan, their parents have already taught them to read by kindergarten.”

Students in New Canaan have an advantage, but when Mr. Harries met with reporters from the Celentano Sentinel he said students in New Haven are just as smart. He said people should have the same high expectations for us as they do for students in New Canaan.

“Connecticut is a state where there are very wide disparities in terms of income and how much education parents have had,” he said. “I think in public schools we have not been creative enough, we haven’t invested enough, and been thoughtful enough to make sure schools can close that gap.”

Students at Celentano are not scoring as well on the CMT’s as students in New Canaan, but most students at Celentano don’t realize that.

According to the *Celentano Sentinel* spring survey, most students said the CMT’s were “easy” (28 percent) or “not that hard” (65 percent). Only seven percent of students said the tests were “hard” or “very hard.” Almost all students, 88 percent, said

they prepared for the CMT’s.

Celentano Museum Academy principal Mrs. Keisha Hannans says that some of the biggest challenges facing students on the CMT are “timed activities, low-interest content” and that “it only provides a snapshot of what students know at a specific time on a specific skill.”

Ms. Curr says she studied some for the CMT’s. She did not study for the reading part, but says she asked for help from a math teacher to get ready for the math questions. “I study occasionally when there is stuff I really need to work on,” she says.

Many kids don’t like taking the CMT’s. Senator Martin Looney says we have to have CMT’s because “under the federal law No Child Left Behind, we have to have testing.” Representative Gary Holder-Winfield said that even though some people don’t like the CMT’s “you need some tests to assess how you are doing.”

Rep. Holder-Winfield said the state needs to do a better job. “This state has done almost nothing to make sure you all could read by third grade,” he said when we met him near the Nathan Hale statue at the state Capitol.

“Education is the most important thing. Jobs are important, but you don’t have jobs without education,” he said.

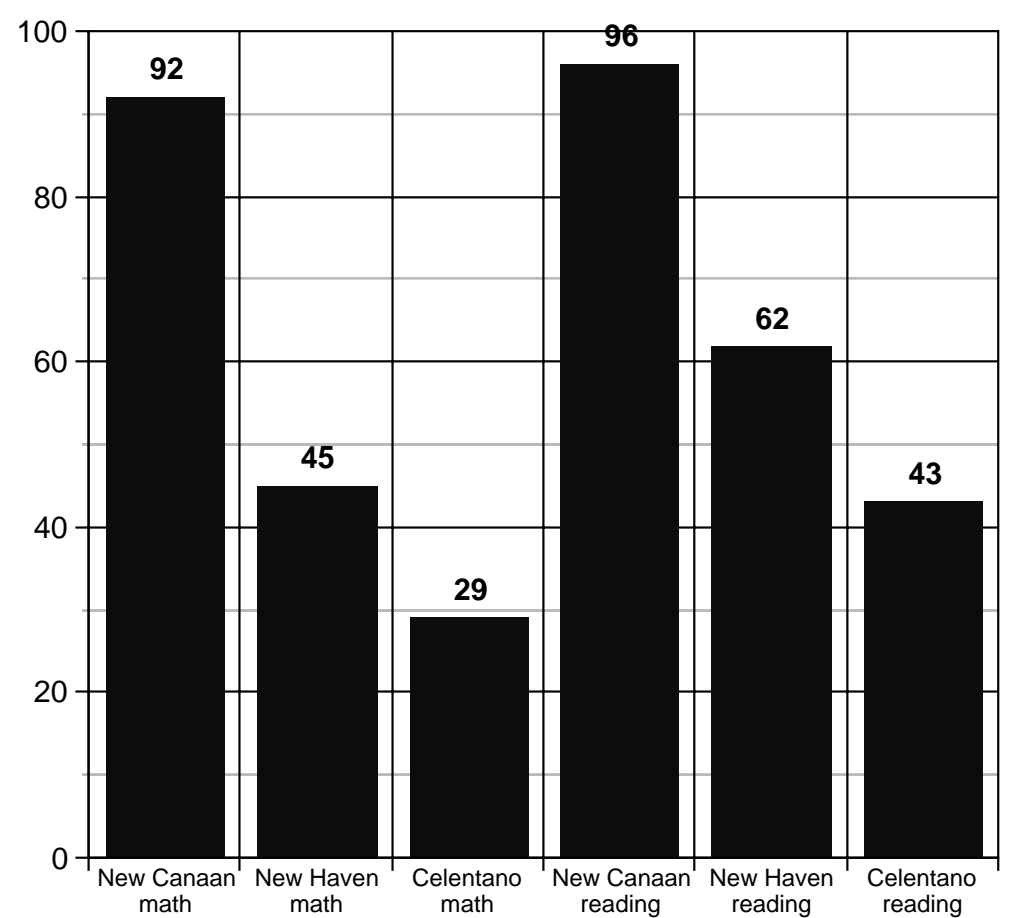
Mr. Harries also says that education matters a lot. “Education is the most important issue in our society,” he said. “I believe it is how we help people help themselves.”

One of the frustrating things for good students (like us) is that we get good grades and don’t want to be judged by the performance of our school system. It is important for students to work to get the best education they can get.

The question we ask ourselves is if students, teachers, and administrators in New Haven think that education is so important, why is it that there are such big differences in the test scores between New Haven and New Canaan? How can it be fixed?

Does it matter if we fix it? If we don’t fix it, many kids might end up homeless or on the street selling drugs. That might be the reason we have so much crime. We know we are going to college because we are smart students who try hard, but we also care about our friends who might not be doing so well.

7TH GRADE CMT GOAL SCORES: MATH AND READING



Garth Harries, assistant superintendent of New Haven schools, holds a press conference for Sentinel reporters.



Seventh grader Gerell Norman speaks with Mr. Harries before the press conference.

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FOOD & HEALTH

Fast food is tasty but trouble!



Jennifer Brackett of Cornell Scott-Hill Health Center says it's hard to eat right all the time, but students should eat more fresh fruits.



Yale-New Haven Hospital's nurse Daniel Antell and Dr. Jay Mathur say fast food can hurt your health.

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Cheeseburgers with bacon, milkshakes, hot apple pie, fried chicken with gobs of fries. Like a lot of students at Celentano, Vanyann Vera, a 7th grader, loves fast food.

"Wendy's, McDonald's and KFC are blazin'!" she says. Is it really so bad?

The nutrition guides published by fast food restaurants show that some choices have a lot of fat. A McDonald's Double Quarter Pounder with Cheese has 740 calories. A Crispy Twister sandwich from Kentucky Fried Chicken has 610 calories. Popeye's Large Cajun Fries have 770 calories.

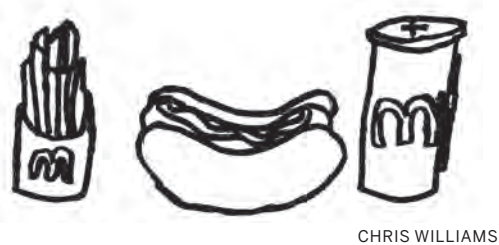
Ms. Vera says she does not eat fast food every day. That is a good thing.

"Eating all fast food on a regular basis probably isn't healthy for you," says Jennifer Brackett, Director of Health Promotion at Cornell Scott-Hill Health Center, during an interview with Celentano Sentinel reporters.

The Celentano Sentinel survey shows that kids eat a lot of fast food.

The survey showed that 52 percent of students said they eat fast food one to three times per week and 33 percent eat fast food more than four times per week. Only 15 percent said they did not eat fast food each week.

The survey found that the most popular fast food is burgers, followed by fries, chicken, then tacos, and salad. Only 6 percent of students most often order salad at fast



CHRIS WILLIAMS

food restaurants, while 37 percent get burgers, 26 percent get fries, 19 percent get chicken, and 12 percent get tacos.

Experts say that eating a lot of fast food might affect your health, especially when we get older.

"Right now you're not going to see many symptoms. You're not going to feel it," says Dr. Jay Mathur, assistant professor at Yale School of Medicine, who met with *Celentano Sentinel* reporters. "But things like diabetes might happen earlier because you're eating more fast food younger."

That shows that you are not going in

the right direction with your health. "Most of what you should eat should be fresh fruits," says Ms. Brackett.

Ms. Brackett says that it can be hard to always eat right. "I don't eat healthy all the time," she says. It is a struggle for a lot of students, but some kids don't know how important it is to eat right and keep healthy.

"Nutrition is not just about eating right, but also about exercising, sleeping right, not smoking, not taking drugs, and keeping a balance with everything," says Daniel Antell, a registered nurse at Yale-New Haven Hospital.

At fast food restaurants, the problem is not just the food, but the drinks, too (like caramel and mocha frappes) and sodas. Why should kids even drink soda? It contains 180 calories! Maybe once a month is okay, but a balance is best.

Health has become a big problem in America and fast food isn't helping. "The way fast food restaurants are designed is to get food out to people really quickly," says Mr. Antell, R.N. "The fastest way to get food to people is to pre-cook and re-cook in oil." He says that has a lot of calories and fat.

Dr. Mathur says that a lot of "fruit" juices don't really have much fruit, but instead have a lot of sugar and high-fructose corn syrup. He says fast food also has a lot of salt. "Too much salt can lead to high blood pressure when you are older," he says.

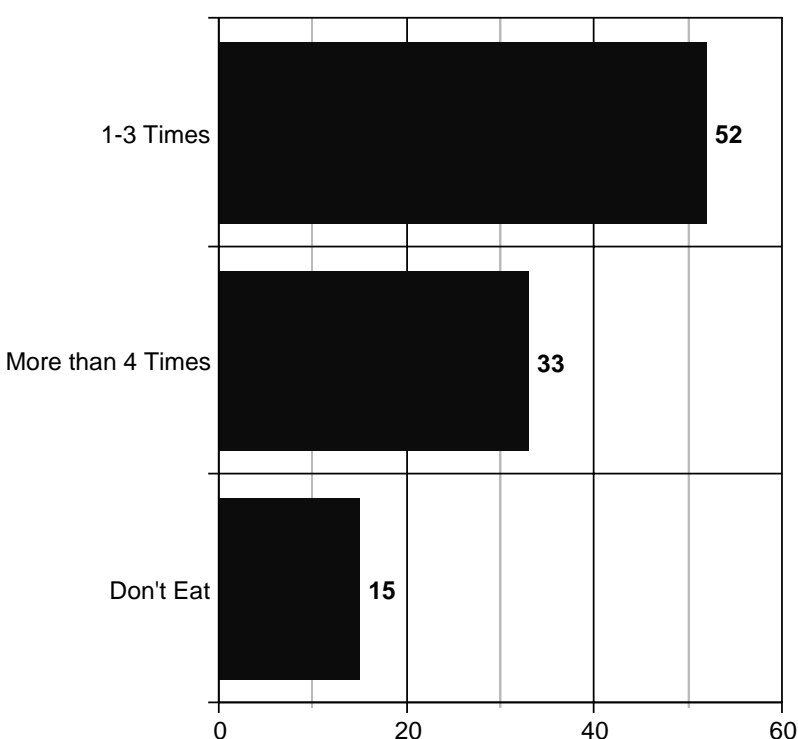
If you are at a fast food restaurant, what can you do? We looked at the choices and found out that you can get salad or grilled chicken or cinnamon oatmeal. Instead of juice or soda, you can get water or milk.

Most kids don't get salads at fast food restaurants. They like fried, fatty foods like burgers and fries. "I love fast food," says Kaitlyne Andrews, who is in 8th grade and says she would rather eat fast food at Popeye's than have a salad. She doesn't eat fast food every day, and she likes fruits and vegetables.

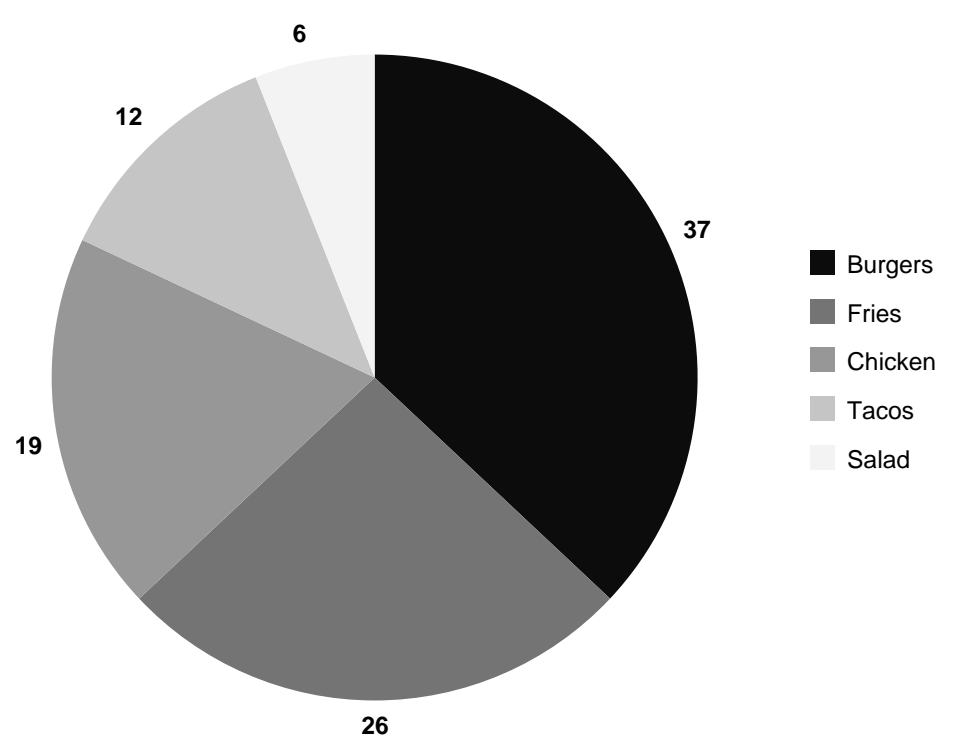
Hannah James, in 7th grade, says her favorite fast food restaurant is Lotus Express, which has Chinese food. She likes the rib tip and pork fried rice the best. She also eats burgers and fries, but is concerned about all the fat and calories.

"I'm not okay with 1,000 calories because I don't want diabetes," she says.

HOW MANY TIMES A WEEK DO YOU EAT FAST FOOD?



WHAT TYPE OF FAST FOOD DO YOU ORDER MOST?



FOOD & HEALTH

So what's asthma?

BY ALEXIS COLE AND
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Puff puff! You might see your classmates with strange-looking plastic contraptions in their mouths and wonder what they use them for. These “contraptions” are filled with medicine and help people with asthma who are struggling to breathe.

So what's asthma? Asthma is a disease that children and adults might have that results in heavy breathing, wheezing, and coughing.

A lot of kids, especially in cities, have asthma, and some probably don't even know what it is. At Celentano, I have seen a couple of students who take a few puffs of their inhalers before going to gym.

Celentano school nurse Jennifer Caron says that 30 students at the school take albuterol metered dose inhalers. She says about 10 to 15 students come into her office each day needing an inhaler.

“Some students must come only for



Celentano Nurse Jennifer Caron: Know your triggers

gym days, others only for recess, and then there are students who come only if they are coughing, wheezing or feeling short of breath,” she says.

Dr. Jay Mathur, an assistant professor at the Yale School of Medicine and attending physician at Yale-New Haven Hospital, came to speak with us at Celentano about asthma. He even has asthma himself.

“I can do everything. I play basketball with my buddies two or three times a week. I carry an inhaler, but I don't have any limitations,” he said.

Some children can recognize they are having an asthma attack because they start coughing and wheezing. Nurse Caron says the best response to asthma is prevention and knowing what can trigger or set off an attack. She says triggers include, mold, pollen, pollution, pet dander, cigarette smoke, and some chemicals.

“Exercise can induce asthma,” she says, adding that you should still play but have a plan just in case. She says that pests like cockroaches can trigger an attack and even sometimes a cold. “It is best to know your triggers and eliminate them or decrease them,” she says.

Nurse Caron says she has had to help someone who was having an asthma attack. “When that happens I remain calm,” she says. “I take care of an acute asthma attack step by step which is probably how you attend to your classwork!”

It's rare to get rid of your asthma, but some people grow out of it.

TASTE TEST: STRAWBERRY FRUIT POPS ARE TOPS!

When it's hot during the summer children like to eat popsicles. What many don't know is that they can be full of sugar.

Our taste test showed that fruit bars are healthier and good tasting. There were big differences between the four flavors of Edy's Real Fruit popsicles: Our 32 taste testers overwhelmingly picked strawberry as the best flavor (17), followed by lemonade (11). Only two people each picked lemonade or grape as their first choice.

Celentano Sentinel reporters found the grape icy and flaky and tasting “like cough syrup medicine.” The tangerine pops had a deep orange color, but tasted too much “like sour orange peel.”

Testers noticed that the lemonade pops were almost clear and icy in color, but had a nice combination of sweet and sour. The strawberry had a nice texture with chunks of strawberry. It had a pleasant reddish-orange color and was tasty and sweet with a strong flavor almost like strawberry jam.

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FEATURES

Kids can save \$

BY JAMES BRENNAN, AMIA LOTT, HEAVEN-LEE FAILEY, DEZYIAH PRINGLE, RRIONA WISE, MALACHI LESANE, AND RANIQUE GORDON
CELENTANO SENTINEL STAFF

You might want candy, junk food or electronics. A new iPod, Kit-Kats, 3 Musketeers, Playstation, Xbox360 or a Nestle Crunch bar. It's so easy to buy things. But is it a good way to use the money you have?

A bank account can help you keep your money safe until you really need it for something important—like college.

Lynn Smith, vice president of Start Community Bank in New Haven, says that having a bank account helps you plan for the future and learn about budgeting, spending, and savings. "When you have your own bank account, you pay closer attention to your money," she says.

She says the average person with a college degree will earn \$1.2 million more in over their lifetime than someone with a high school degree. "But remember—it's not what you make, it's what you *keep*," says Ms. Smith.

Even though there are lots of things you may want to buy, she says, "it's important to understand the difference between want and need," and to be disciplined to make a savings plan and stick to it.

"It's never too early to start a bank account," says Ms. Smith. At Start Community Bank, Ms. Smith says children at any age can open an account with only \$1. She says they do not charge monthly service fees on "Early Start Savings Accounts." She said "hundreds" of kids have accounts at their bank.

Students at Celentano think it is important to save money.

"Bank accounts are really helpful," says Juan Ayala, in 6th grade. Mr. Ayala opened a bank account last year when he turned 11. It has \$90 in it and he says he really likes having a bank account.

The Celentano Sentinel Spring Survey showed that 84 percent of boys in grades 3-8 who answered the survey said it was "very" important to save money. Only 16 percent said it was "somewhat" or "not" impor-



Lynn Smith of Start Bank says to start saving early.

tant. For girls, 82 percent said saving money was "very" important.

The survey also showed that 91 percent of boys save money on their own and 83 percent of girls save money on their own right now.

Rep. Gary Holder-Winfield says bank accounts are especially important for people to have when they have jobs. "You need a bank account," he says. "I don't want to see you get a check and go someplace to cash the check where they take part of your money because you don't have a bank account."

LOOK BACK AND SHOUT!

WHAT I'LL REMEMBER ABOUT THE 2011–2012 SCHOOL YEAR

Destiny Furlow, 5th grade: I'll always remember how Ms. Kiel would improve my work and it worked!

Jaeshawn Ross, 4th grade: I'll always remember when I reached level 60 in reading!

Amia Lott, 4th grade: I'll always remember making new friends every day!

Luzangely DeJesus, 4th grade: I will remember the times we did math, tests, reading in groups and when Mrs. Lawrence made up that we are moving to another class!

Bianca McNulty, 5th grade: I'll always remember the Tall Tails project because it was a really hard and exciting project.

Rosa Curr, 7th grade: The thing I will remember about the 2011-2012 school year is all my friends, arguments, sorries, and teachers.

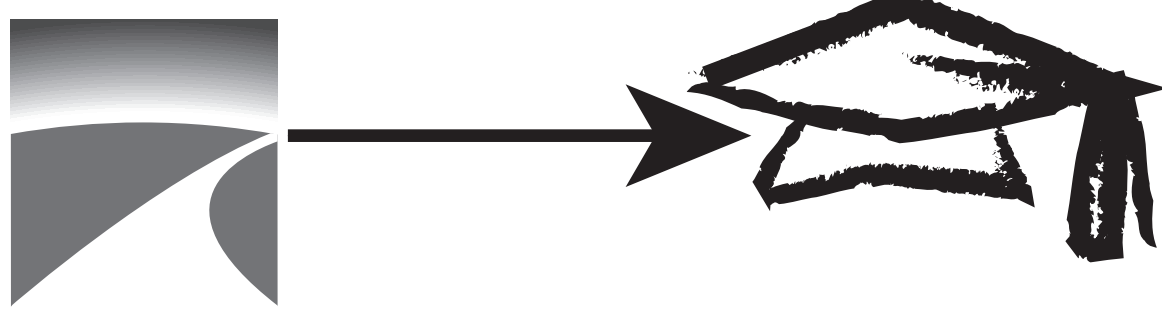
Taryn Mallory, 3rd grade: I'll remember all the hard work I did. The tests and CMT too.

Isaiah Housley, 3rd grade: I'll remember the basketball games. The teachers and students game was exciting!

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FEATURES

What do you want to be when you grow up?

BY CHADÉ WILSON
CELENTANO SENTINEL STAFF

There are so many careers to choose from. You can be a dancer, a police officer, a lawyer, a hair-dresser, a veterinarian.

We surveyed Celentano Museum Academy students and found surprising—and not so surprising—results. Many students dream of becoming professional athletes, models, actors and singers. Many want to help people as doctors and teachers.

Celentano Museum Academy Principal Mrs. Keisha Hannans always knew that she wanted to be a teacher. “I excelled in math,

and I decided in the second grade that I would be a high school math teacher.”

Each year, Celentano holds Career Day during which students dress up and share ideas about their future careers. “Students benefit from the exposure to a variety of traditional and non traditional careers,” says Mrs. Hannans.

Within careers there are many categories to choose from. In dancing, there is modern, tap, jazz, and ballet. I looked at information from the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics about different careers.

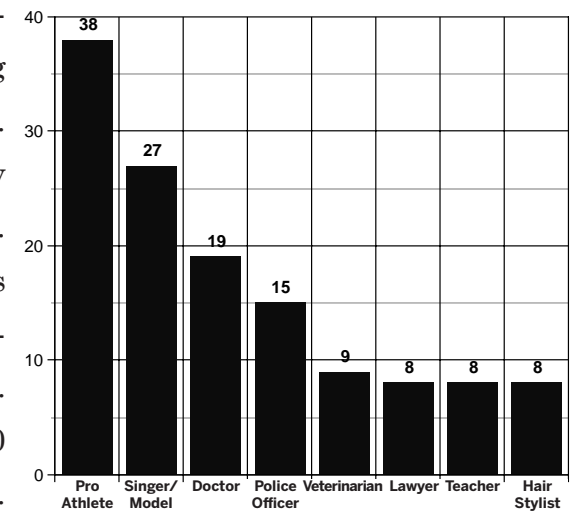
A dancer can earn \$17.97 per hour and usually needs a high school

diploma or higher. Football players work irregular hours, including evenings, weekends, and holidays.

A high school diploma is usually required and many also go to college. Writers and authors may not be as active as football players and dancers, but it takes a lot of hard work. On average a writer makes \$55,420 per year or about \$26.24 per hour.

A writer needs a bachelor’s degree and proficiency with a computer and communications equipment.

Amber Farquharson, a mentor at the *Celentano Sentinel* and a Coop student, wants to be a writer. “I was born to be a writer,” she says. “I know nothing else better.”



Sentinel survey results show how many of the 192 students surveyed picked each of the most popular career tracks.

KRISTINA ALGARIN, 5TH GRADE

When I grow up, I want to be a:
Artist

Why I want that job:
I want this job because I could express my feelings on it and show off my imagination.

What I am doing now to prepare:
I’m listening in school art classes and always doing my assignments.

My backup plan:
My back-up plan is to be a musician because I’m really good at playing instruments.

ANDREA CASTILLO, 8TH GRADE

When I grow up, I want to be a:
Lawyer

Why I want that job:
I want to help people who are in trouble so they can stay on the right track.

What I am doing now to prepare:
Learning about laws by going to the courthouse and reading *Monster* by Walter Dean Myers.

My backup plan:
Fashion designer

GISSELLE MOLINA, 3RD GRADE

When I grow up, I want to be a:
Dancer

Why I want that job:
I really like it and my sister used to be a dancer.

What I am doing now to prepare:
Practicing and working hard.

My backup plan:
A model.

KYLA SHIPMAN, 4TH GRADE

When I grow up, I want to be a:
Nurse

Why I want that job:
I would love this job because at home I already feel like a nurse by taking care of my mom.

What I am doing now to prepare:
At home, I have been pretending to be a nurse by pretending my sister is hurt and then I act like I’m trying to help her.

My backup plan:
I would probably be a fashion stylist.

MONTREVIOUS BROWNLEE,
7TH GRADE

When I grow up, I want to be a:
Firefighter

Why I want that job:
They help save innocent people’s lives.

What I am doing now to prepare:
Staying fit and reading a lot of books that Mr. Presser recommends.

My backup plan:
Volunteer at the homeless shelter to help people who don’t have anything to eat. I want to be the one who helps them.

MARIA DIAZ, 4TH GRADE

When I grow up, I want to be a:
Fashion Designer

Why I want that job:
I think I am good at fashion and picking new outfits.

What I am doing now to prepare:
Drawing outfits and seeing if people like them and then seeing how much they would pay for it.

My backup plan:
I will play basketball.

ROVAUGHN GASKINS, 7TH GRADE

When I grow up, I want to be a:
Lawyer

Why I want that job:
I can argue well and I can negotiate with people. Also, I can debate really well.

What I am doing now to prepare:
Debating for things I feel are wrong and specifically showing my point of view.

My backup plan:
I would want to be a basketball player because I have good potential in it.

MAKIEYA RANDALL, 2ND GRADE

When I grow up, I want to be a:
Nurse

Why I want that job:
Because my mom is one and I want to help people.

What I am doing now to prepare:
I’m trying to get good grades in school and doing my best to go to college.

My backup plan:
If that doesn’t work out I would want to be an archaeologist—sounds like a fun thing to do and keeps you busy!

AHMYA CARSON, 1ST GRADE

When I grow up, I want to be a:
Singer

Why I want that job:
Because I like to sing.

What I am doing now to prepare:
I sing at home with my brother.

My backup plan:
If that doesn’t work out I would want to be a concert dancer.

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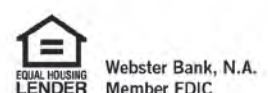


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FEATURES

Summertime equals fun time

SUMMERTIME FROM PAGE 1

his family on the weekends.

Jerome Mrkiki is in the second grade and he likes to play basketball. He goes to the beach, to Six Flags, and to Chuck E Cheese. He likes things that a lot of kids like: Nerf guns, Hot Wheels, Disney, Xbox360, and video games. He loves candy like chocolate kisses. "I love zoos and parks," he says.

Garth Harries, assistant superintendent of New Haven Public Schools, says he likes amusement parks but does not go to them very often. "I like to do some things outside that are in some ways like amusement parks," he says. "I like to ride my bike downhill very fast,

which is something like a roller coaster."

It's not always possible to do something as exciting as going to an amusement park, but there are other fun things you can do in the summer. You can walk your dog, play card games, cook a snack, have a sleepover or go swimming.



JUAN AYALA

Dance Fun Dougie!

BY TORIONNA SPELL
CELENTANO SENTINEL STAFF

I like to dance to hip-hop. I like dancing because I can relax and it gets your body moving.

Sometimes when I teach my little brother to Kinect Just Dance 3, he goes to the left when I say to go to the right and that gets on my nerves. When that happens I tell him to get out of my room. When I dance by myself he starts to cry and I tell him to come back and dance any kind of way that he wants.

I also like to sing to Beyoncé. I love her songs and when I sing to her I hear my voice echo. Sometimes my friends and I have singing contests to see who can win. I hear my melody in the song. When I grow up I want to be a singer.

BY TYANNA DUPREE
CELENTANO SENTINEL STAFF

It's fun to dance to hip-hop. I dance with my friends and with my cousins because they like to see me dance: Deshonda, Vartaysha, Sara, Tatianna.

My favorite dance is the "Dougie" because I like the beat. To do it, first you put your hands out then rock side to side. I try to teach my sister to dance it, but when I tell her to move her left foot, she moves her arm. And when I tell her to move her arm, she moves her foot. She doesn't get it.

I also make up my own dances and let people try to follow it. I know the whole dance to Beyoncé "Love On Top."

CELENTANO TALKS SUMMER PLANS...

I will read for 15 minutes every night and then I will go to New York City or Six Flags with my older brother. —Syntysh Kabongo, 4th grade

I am looking forward to playing at Lake Com-pounce, then on my red-and-black electric guitar with my friends in our rock band. —Ronald Little, 4th grade

I'm looking forward to going to the beach and to going on vacation. —Jan Torruella, 7th grade

I am looking forward to going to Six Flags and having my 11th birthday party. —Nyasia Narbaez, 5th grade

I am looking forward to going back to summer camp where I'll go hiking, swimming, and go to the library. —Nyasia Mclean, 3rd grade

I am looking forward to going to Alabama to see my cousin. —Caleb Ortiz, 3rd grade

I am looking forward to going to the beach and playing around with my family. —Yaira Roman, 5th grade

I am looking forward to playing basketball and walking at the beach. —Jean Ramos, 7th grade

I'm looking forward to having my birthday and turning 10 and moving into the double-digits. —Elijah Crowell, 4th grade

I'm looking forward to getting a new basketball hoop because my other hoop is old and crusty! —Jamaal Nelson, 4th grade

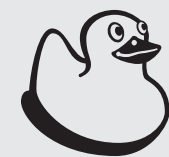
I'm looking forward to going to New York City to see my grandmother for her birthday. —Yomeliz Deida, 2nd grade

I'm looking forward to going to camp and playing with lots of toys. —Lauryn Stanley, 2nd grade

I'm looking forward to going to the beach. I like to go and play in the water. —Quinten Jones, 1st grade

I'm looking forward to going to the beach. —Janaya Winstead, 1st grade

"I look forward to being the best mom I can be for Ava and Michael! I want to read with them, sing and dance with them, laugh with them, play sports with them, take long walks and bike rides and hikes with them. And for myself, I hope to read more, take a few classes, catch up with old friends, and possibly travel." —Kathleen Carter, kindergarten teacher



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FEATURES

LIKE Facebook, but be careful

BY FELICIA DULMAGE, ALEXIS COLE, AND KAITLYNE ANDREWS
CELENTANO SENTINEL STAFF

Your name, your age, your address, your phone number.

If a stranger asked you for this information, you probably wouldn't give it, but some people don't realize that if you have this information on your Facebook page, then anyone could see it.

All three of us can recall times when strangers contacted us on Facebook, saying that they wanted to meet us. We were smart to say no and block them – but would a seven-year-old be smart enough to do the same?

Our *Celentano Sentinel* survey said that young children are using Facebook pages, sometimes without their parents having access to their accounts. Forty-three percent of Celentano third through eighth graders have a Facebook account. Among seventh and eighth graders alone, however, 84 percent use Facebook.

Third-grader Anadya Lamboy said she has had a Facebook account, but she makes sure not to add strangers.

For students like Ms. Lamboy, Facebook is good for talking to family and friends who live far away. Facebook also helps you express how

you feel; for example, if you're arguing with your sister or brother, you can use Facebook to get your anger out by posting a poem or a quote.

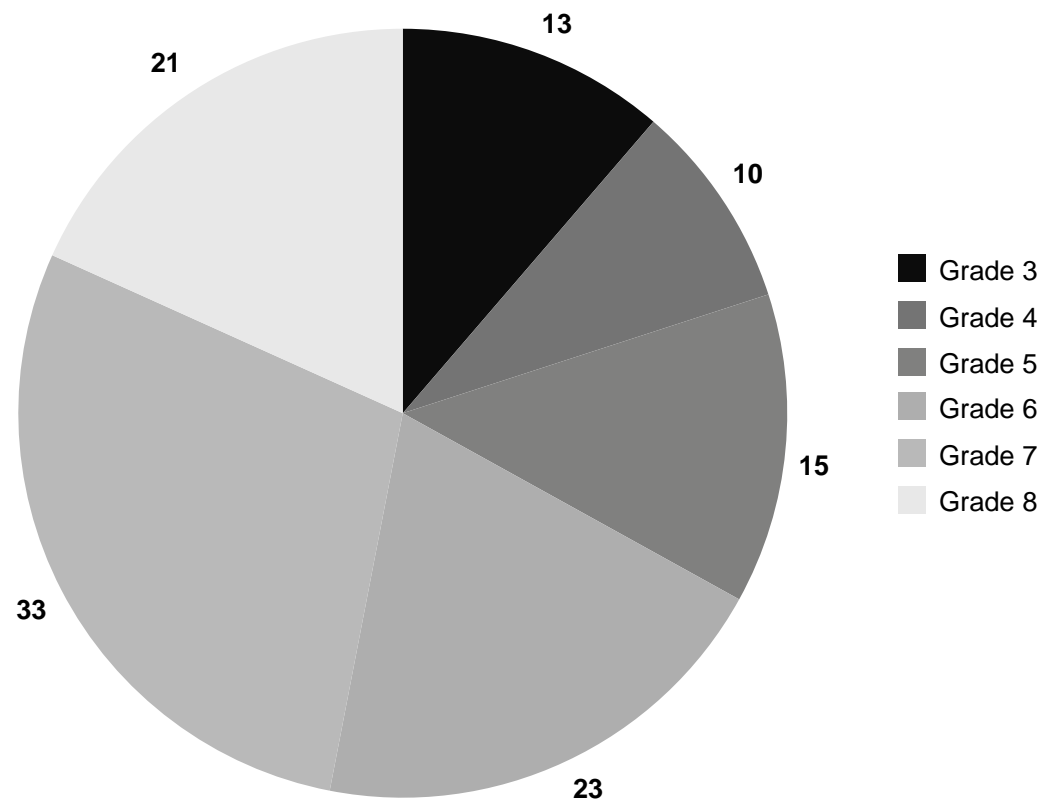
Facebook also lets us get advice from our friends. If you're having a problem and post a sad-sounding status, people will comment asking what's wrong and giving some advice.

One time, a friend posted on Facebook a picture of two different outfits, asking his friends whether he should wear one or the other.

But Facebook can be very stressful if you don't know how to handle the situations it can put you in. For example, some kids use Facebook to start arguments or be bullies over the Internet. Some people call friends names or put them down on each other's profiles. This type of behavior can lead to fights, losing friends, insecurity, or depression—and in extreme cases, suicide.

Also, some people use Facebook for bad purposes. Strangers could use the information you post on Facebook to track you down. Just like your mom says to never talk to strangers in person, you should also never talk to them online. It might look like a little girl in a profile photo, but it might not be the same person behind the screen.

WHO HAS FACEBOOK?



A good way to keep safe on Facebook is to fix your privacy settings so that only friends can see your private information. Another good strategy is to only add and accept people you know. Finally, it's a good idea to give your parent or guardian your password so that they can keep you—and your Facebook page—safe and secure.

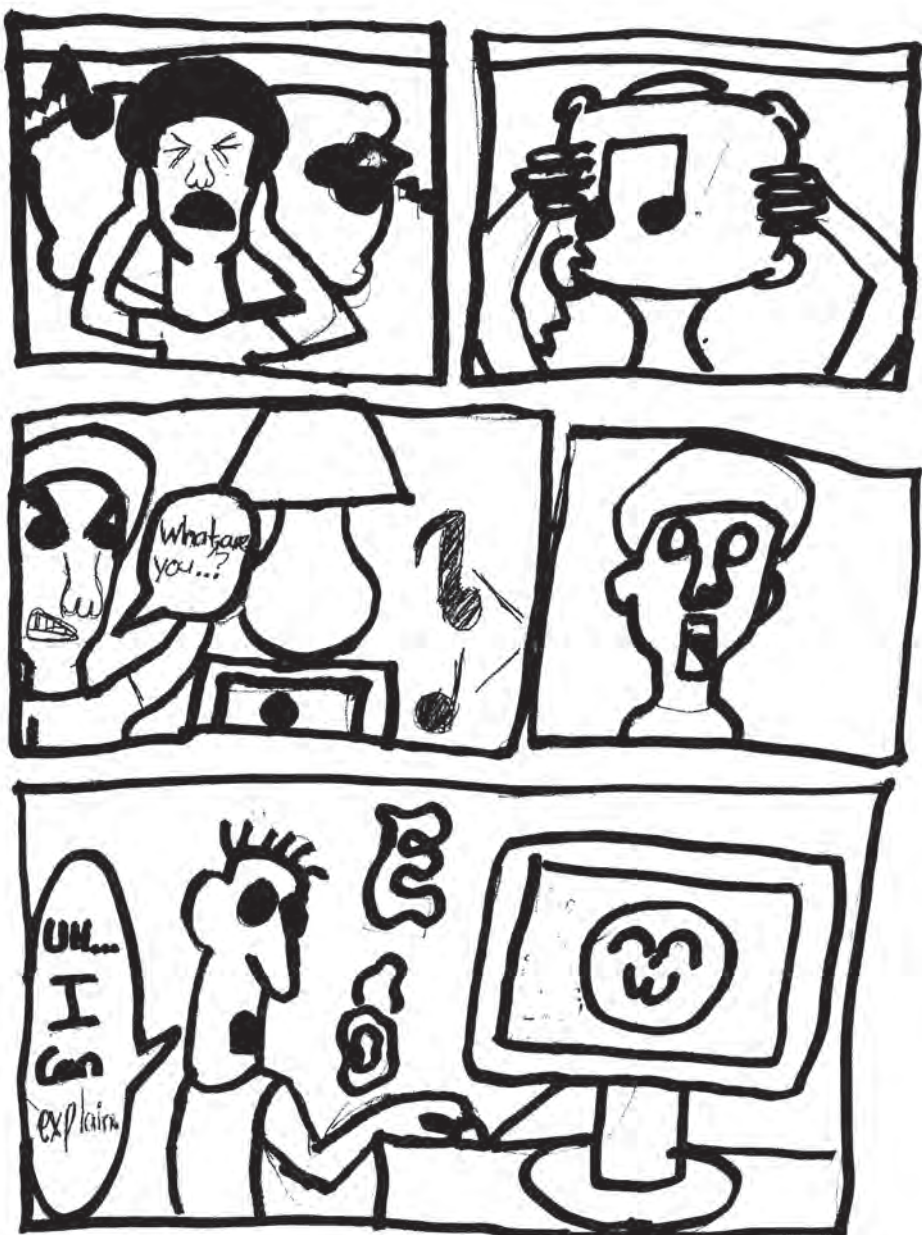
So now knowing about the danger surrounding using Facebook, do you honestly think it's safe for a young child at the age of seven to use this site? Only eight percent of Celentano students said students 8-10 years old should be allowed to use it.



JUAN AYALA

That horrifying sound

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EDITORIALS & OPINION

Death penalty end is good

We should not have the death penalty. If you kill someone, you have done a bad crime. But if the state kills someone for doing that crime, that commits another crime and we will keep having death.

—**Amia Lott**, editorial writer

Find time (and place) to read

Reading is special because something happens in your head based on the words you are reading. You can read when you are bored. Reading helps you understand things. Some kids might think that reading is a waste of time or boring, but if you try it, it's actually a great feeling. You can read in your most favorite place. I prefer my bedroom, which is quiet and one of my most favorite places. I like it because I have sky blue walls. The exact place I like to be in my room is in my blue, black, and white chair, which has pillows on it. It's tall and can even fit two people.

—**Kiara Mauriello**, editorial writer

Learning shouldn't be limited by where you live

Did you know that New Haven schools have some of the lowest CMT scores in the state of Connecticut?

I think we can do better.

The CMT's (Connecticut Mastery Tests) don't test certain subjects. For example, a student may be good at music or art but not in reading or math.

But that doesn't mean we can't do better. Some students don't get as good an education because of where they live. There are fewer resources in New Haven than in wealthier areas. If we had more money, we might be able to buy more materials for the tests, like calculators, desks, pencils and books.

I don't think it should matter where you live. Students in New Haven should get an equal education to students in other places.

—**Genesis Santana**, *Celentano Sentinel* Opinion

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More work needed to fight crime and violence

I've noticed New Haven is the fourth most violent city in the U.S. This disturbs me because I don't feel safe. Someone got shot in my neighborhood; I was trembling.

Another time I heard on the radio: "Today someone got shot in the he—" I turned it off because I was shaking with fear.

I think we should up police patrols. I know it is hard to create jobs in this economy so we will cut funds from weapon stores and any stores that sell drugs (unless they help sick people, like antibiotics).

We should also put up security cameras. I understand people will be concerned with their privacy being invaded so we will only put them in alleyways. We should also put metal detectors (for weapons) in banks, jewelry stores, or anywhere you can get something valuable to prevent robberies.

I have done some research on *cityofnewhaven.com* and I saw that in January-August, 2010, there were 16 murders and 41 rapes. In 2011, January-August, there were 24 murders and 33 rapes.

There is pretty much no difference because 16 murders and 41 rapes equals 57 crimes and 24 murders + 33 rapes equals 57 crimes, too. Murders went up 50 percent but rapes only went down 20 percent. That is bad because murders went up a lot and rapes only went down a little. This also does not make me feel safe.

I know Mayor DeStefano wants to stop crime and violence. I read on *cityofnewhaven.com* that once he said in 2008: "We've done our share." If you've done your share, why is there still violence happening? We must keep trying to stop crime and violence. We need to do more about this.

—**Alec Juliano**, *Celentano Sentinel* Opinion

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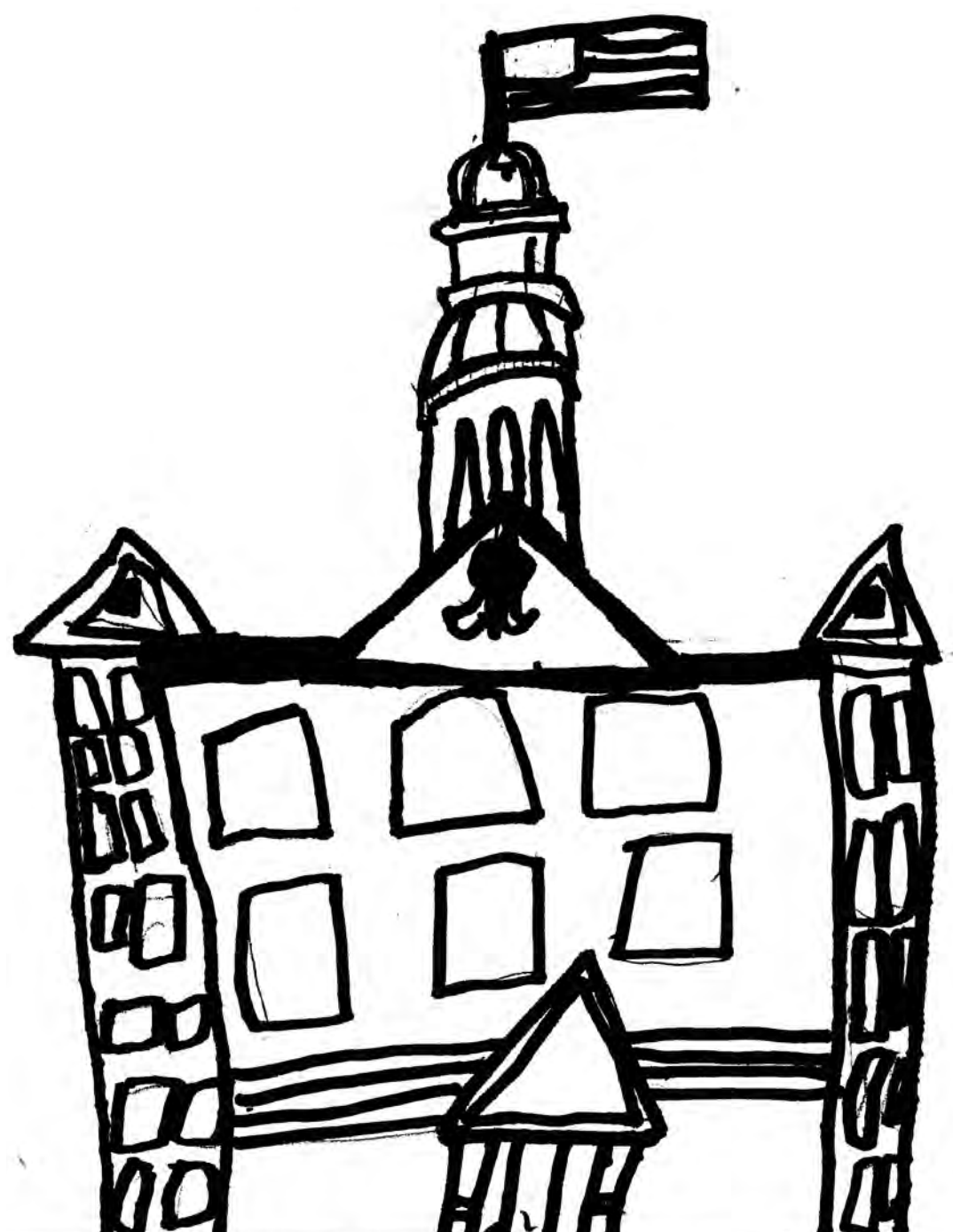
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OPINION

Scary fact: how you dress can be dangerous

Many people have been talking about the Trayvon Martin case. Trayvon Martin was a 17-year-old African American teenager who was shot and killed by a 28-year-old man who thought he was acting suspicious. Trayvon Martin did not have any weapons. It seems that he was shot because he was a young, black teenager who was wearing a “hoodie.”

In school we have learned about stereotyping and how it is not good to judge people based on how they look. Almost every teacher says to us, “don’t judge a book by its cover.” This means that you should not judge a person by the way they look because you cannot know who they are on the inside. The Trayvon Martin case shows what can happen if people judge you based on how you look and present yourself. It seems that an innocent boy is now dead because he was judged by a man who made assumptions about him based on his race and how he dressed.

We all believe that the man who shot Trayvon Martin was wrong for shooting him or even judging him, but this case also shows us that some people will judge you no matter what. You need to be aware of how you present yourselves in public because people are watching and might judge you even if they should not. We do not think that wearing “hoodies” or “do-rags” makes you a bad person, but we are afraid that if our friends or older brothers, sisters or cousins wear them that they will be stereotyped as being somebody they are not. People should be able to wear whatever they want to wear but in our society people probably need to be very aware of how they present themselves and dress so that they can stay safe.

—Yuritza Ortega, Anadya Lamboy, Amia Lott

A letter from the Principal



Dear Partners in Education,

I would like to thank you for all of your support and kind words about the first edition of the *Celentano Sentinel*. Your comments have inspired our students to do more and to do better at a time when so many people are putting our youth down. It is very encouraging to know that the community supports and applauds the effort and hard work of our students and I would just like to ask that you continue to uplift their spirits through the good and bad times.

In the second edition of the *Celentano Sentinel* you will find a wide range of articles from students reporting from the state capitol and discussing the achievement gap, to articles on the middle to high school transition and the popsicle taste test. The reporters and mentors have devoted plenty of time to make this edition as good, if not better than the last, and I will be the first to say that they have surpassed all expectations...CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Therefore, it is now time to sit back, grab your favorite cup of coffee, and enjoy the *Celentano Sentinel*!!!

Sincerely,

Keisha D. R. Hannans, Principal

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