FIND ME IN THE PAPER

- This picture will be hidden in the Blue Ink somewhere.
- Look for it throughout the issue as you read the articles and browse the pictures.
- Thank you Mrs. Granberg for creating the Blue Ink dragon

WORTH MENTIONING

- The first wrestling practice starts on Monday, November 17.

GERMAN PHRASE OF THE WEEK

- Thank you
  - **Dankeschön**
- Thanks to Johanna Knauer for providing the Phrase of the Week.

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I am thankful for...

"...my family because they are always there for me."
- Jack F., 4th Grader

"...my family and faith because both have helped me in so many different ways."
- Colton B., Sophomore

"...my family, especially my nephew. It's such a special bond that not many people get to have at such a young age like I have."
- Autumn G., Senior

"...my mom and my dad. They are my grown-ups and they take care of me."
- Roni S., Kindergartener

"...my grandma because of all the things she does for me."
- Talon M., Junior

"...my friends because they are funny and nice."
- Amelie K., Freshmen

"...Brynlee because she's a person I look up to and want to be more like."
- Drew S., 8th Grader

"...my family and friends because they are all nice."
- Shay J., 4th Grader

"...my family and my residents at work because they make me happy."
- Alyssa G., Senior

"...Tuna, my dog, because she's cool."
- Leo S., Freshmen

"...my family and food because the food is quite tasty and it's fun to be accompanied by my family."
- Kaden H., Sophomore

"...family; we're together, we're there for each other and I couldn't live without them."
- Mr. Richardt, Business and Computers Teacher

"...my family because they are there and I get to spend time with them."
- Ashtyn N., Junior

"...my family because they are the most important people in my life."
- Dr. Olson, Superintendent

"...probably my family because they do a lot for me and we get to spend a lot of time together which I really enjoy and cherish."
- Austin G., Senior

"...a lot of things including my cats because they like to cuddle and love me."
- Coyer B., Sixth Grader

"...my family because they are always there for me when I need it and they put me before them."
- Easton S., 7th Grader

"...my grandparents but especially my great-grandpa; he's always been someone I look up to and he's taught me a lot in different aspects of life."
- Brielle W., Junior

"...my mom; she takes care of me."
- CJ, Kindergarten

"...my cat, Ivy, because she keeps me calm when I need to be."
- Mr. Heumiller, High School Science Teacher



"...definitely my cat, Carl, because he's cute and fuzzy."
- Owen J., 2nd Grader

"...golf because it gets me outside and I really enjoy playing it."
- Caylix B., 8th Grader

"...probably family because they're pretty cool."
- Lukas L., Sophomore

"...my family and dancing."
- Madi G., 5th Grader

"...buss moments."
- Blake C., Senior

"...hunting."
- Lynden P., Senior

"...my older sister, Gracie, because she's just always there for me and she's my twin flame. And also our planet and everything it provides."
- Cece F., Sophomore

"...my family and my dog."
- Ingrid J., 5th Grader

"...my family because they are always there for me."
- Amelie K, Freshman

"...my ability to play sports."
- Charli O., 8th Grader

"...my family because they're my favorite people to be around."
- Emma W., Senior

What is your FAVORITE Thanksgiving food?

"Probably the mashed potatoes."
- Austin G., Senior

"Garlic mashed potatoes"
- Charli O., 8th Grader

"Jellied cranberries"
- Colton B., Sophomore

"My favorite Thanksgiving food is steak."
- Drew S., 8th Grader

"Cheesy potatoes"
- Brielle W., Junior

"Pie"
- Roni S., Kindergarten

"Scalloped corn; it's actually so good."
- Alyssa G., Senior

"Definitely ham"
- Lukas L., Sophomore

"Turkey"
- Ingrid J., 5th Grader

"Any kind of pie with whipped cream."
- Shay J., 4th Grader

"Stuffing"
- Madi G., 5th Grader

"I love a classic turkey all day long."
- Dr. Olson, Superintendent

"Hawaiian rolls are top because then you can make sandwiches. They are the best bread in the world."
- Cam R., Sophomore

"Mac and Cheese"
- Amelie K., Freshman

"I like everything."
- Anna E., Senior

"Turkey"
- Ashtyn N., Junior

"Mashed potatoes"
- Kaden H., Sophomore

"Turkey"
- Jack F., 4th Grader

"Ham"
- Talon M., Junior

"Turkey"
- CJ, Kindergarten

"Ham is my favorite."
- Leo S., Freshman

"Mashed potatoes and dinner rolls."
- Hannah H., 7th Grader

"Ham or corn"
- Easton S., 7th Grader

"You can't go wrong with plain mashed potatoes or ham."
- Owen J., 2nd Grader

"Turkey"
- Mr. Richardt, Business and Computers Teacher

"It's so hard to choose but our homemade lefse is hard to beat. I also love jellied cranberries and squash or candied sweet potatoes.
- Dr. Buchholz, High School English and Math Teacher

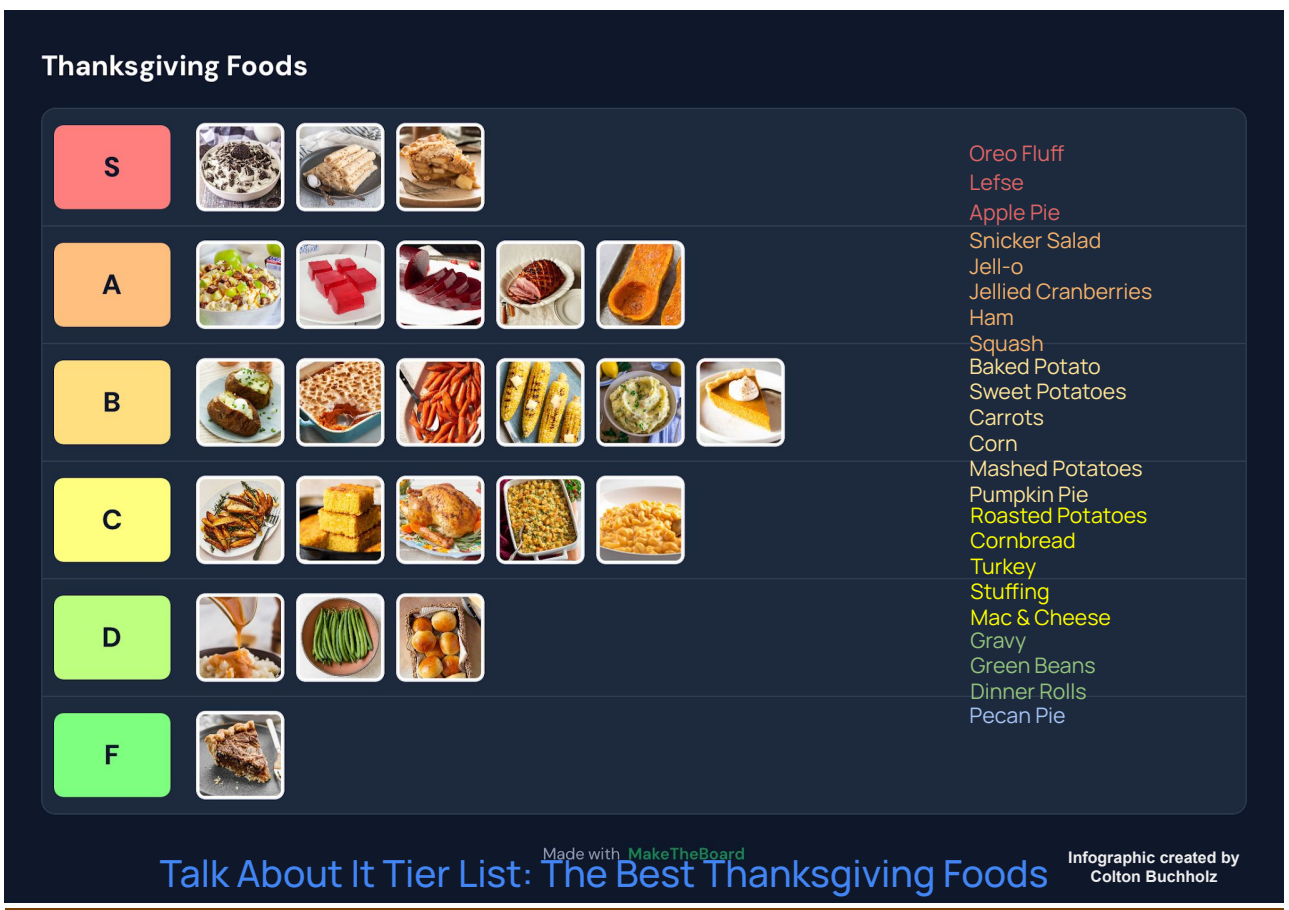
"Green bean casserole"
- Mr. Heumiller, High School Science Teacher

"My favorite Thanksgiving dish is light turkey, but if it's soggy and mushy, absolutely not."
- Autumn G., Senior

"Mac and Cheese or Scalloped Potatoes."
- Alexis C., Senior

"Probably the mac and cheese because everything else is kind of overrated."
- Dylan A., Sophomore

"My favorite is the corn casserole. I just love it. It's so good."
- Brenna S., Sophomore



Talk About It Tier List: The Best Thanksgiving Foods

Infographic created by Colton Buchholz

What is your LEAST FAVORITE Thanksgiving food?

"Probably green bean casserole."
- Shay J., 4th Grader

"My least favorite is stuffing."
- Drew S., 8th Grader

"I'm not a fan of ham; it's too salty. Also old lady salads are gross."
- Cece F., Sophomore

"I really don't like pumpkin pie."
- Brielle W., Junior

"Any type of casserole"
- Hannah H., 7th Grader

"The stuffing. I do NOT like stuffing."
- Talon M., Junior

"Turkey"
- Amelie K., Freshman

"Pumpkin pie."
- Jack F., 4th Grader

"Definitely gravy"
- Owen J., 2nd Grader

"Sweet potatoes."
- Madi G., 5th Grader

"I don't really like pie."
- Haylee R., Sophomore

"Cranberries"
- Dr. Olson, Superintendent

"Probably turkey, the dark meat."
- Braxtyn A., Sophomore

"Definitely stuffing"
- Austin G., Senior

"I hate gravy. Just gravy."
- Harper A., Sophomore

"My least favorite is stuffing because it just looks like vomit and it looks soggy…just no."
- Autumn G., Senior

This Week's Need to Know

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, November 25
- No School - Thanksgiving Break

Thursday, November 26
- No School - Thanksgiving Break

Friday, November 27
- No School - Thanksgiving Break

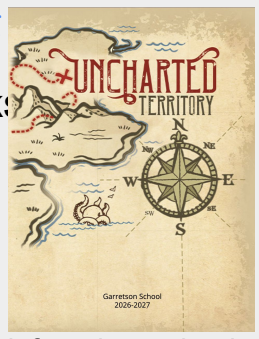
Monday, November 30
- First Day of Boys Basketball Practice
- JH GBB v. McCook Central - Montrose

Tuesday, December 1
- JH GBB @ Baltic (4:00)

Friday, December 4
- State Oral Interp @ Pierre
- JH GBB v. Parker/Marion (4:00)

Saturday, December 5
- BBB Jamboree @ Home (8:30)
- Boys/Girls Wrestling @ Flandreau (10:00)

Worth Mentioning



ORDER YOUR '26-'27 YEARBOOKS today. They are $30 each, a steal for the millions of memories made this year. You can order online at ybpay.lifetouch.com. Please come find Dr. Buchholz if you have any Questions. If you still want a yearbook from last school year there are a couple left, buy yours before it's gone.

ACE AWARDS are back! Thanks for continuing to show your positive attitude, character, and effort. And who knows, maybe you'll get a little extra something for it as well.

CONGRATULATIONS NOVEMBER ACE WINNERS
Vanessa Chapin
Cade Risty
Emma Wolf
Please stop by Study Hall to see Mrs. Costello

What is your favorite Thanksgiving tradition?

"Going up to my grandparents and spending time with my family that I don't always get to see along with watching football."
- Brielle W., Junior

"Playing card games with my family"
- Jack F., 4th Grader

"My favorite Thanksgiving tradition is going shopping the day after Thanksgiving"
- Charli O., 8th Grader

"Going over to my grandma's"
- Easton S., 7th Grader

"Me and my family make lefse on Thanksgiving"
- Ashtyn N., Junior

"Watching the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade."
- Hannah H., 7th Grader

"Eating."
- Lukas L., Sophomore

"My favorite tradition is setting up Christmas stuff with my family after or just getting to see all of my family."
- Alyssa G., Senior

"Playing football outside with my uncle"
- CJ, Kindergarten

"Watching the Macy's Parade and trying to get out of dishes after the meal."
- Cece F., Sophomore

"We don't really have any."
- Owen J., 2nd Grader

"The football game."
- Madi G., 5th Grader

"Red hot salad."
- Ingrid J., 5th Grader

"I don't know. We don't really do anything."
- Amelie K., Freshman

"I love the family time, playing Pinochle and various board games, decorating for Christmas, and Black Friday Shopping."
- Dr. Buchholz, HS English & Math Teacher

"Riding dirtbikes in the field."
- Talon M., Junior

"Getting together with family."
- Colton B., Sophomore

"Going to my grandma's"
- Kaden H., Sophomore

"My favorite Thanksgiving tradition is going to Emery to see my dad's side of the family."
- Autumn G., Senior

"Definitely hunting."
- Drew S., 8th Grader

"Taking a nap and playing Canasta."
- Ella F., Senior

"Eating as much mashed potatoes as possible."
- Rylee F., Junior

"Just relaxing, we don't do anything to structured."
- Mr. Heumiller, High School Science Teacher

"Playing games with my family."
- Roni S., Kindergarten

"Probably just going to my grandma's and seeing my family and cousins that we don't get to see very often."
- Austin G., Senior

"My favorite tradition is always the meal."
- Leo S., Freshman

"Playing Cards against Humanity with my family."
- Chloe H., Senior

"Watching the Dallas Cowboys."
- Mr. Richardt, Business & Computers Teacher

"Going to my grandma and grandpa's."
- Shay J., 4th Grader

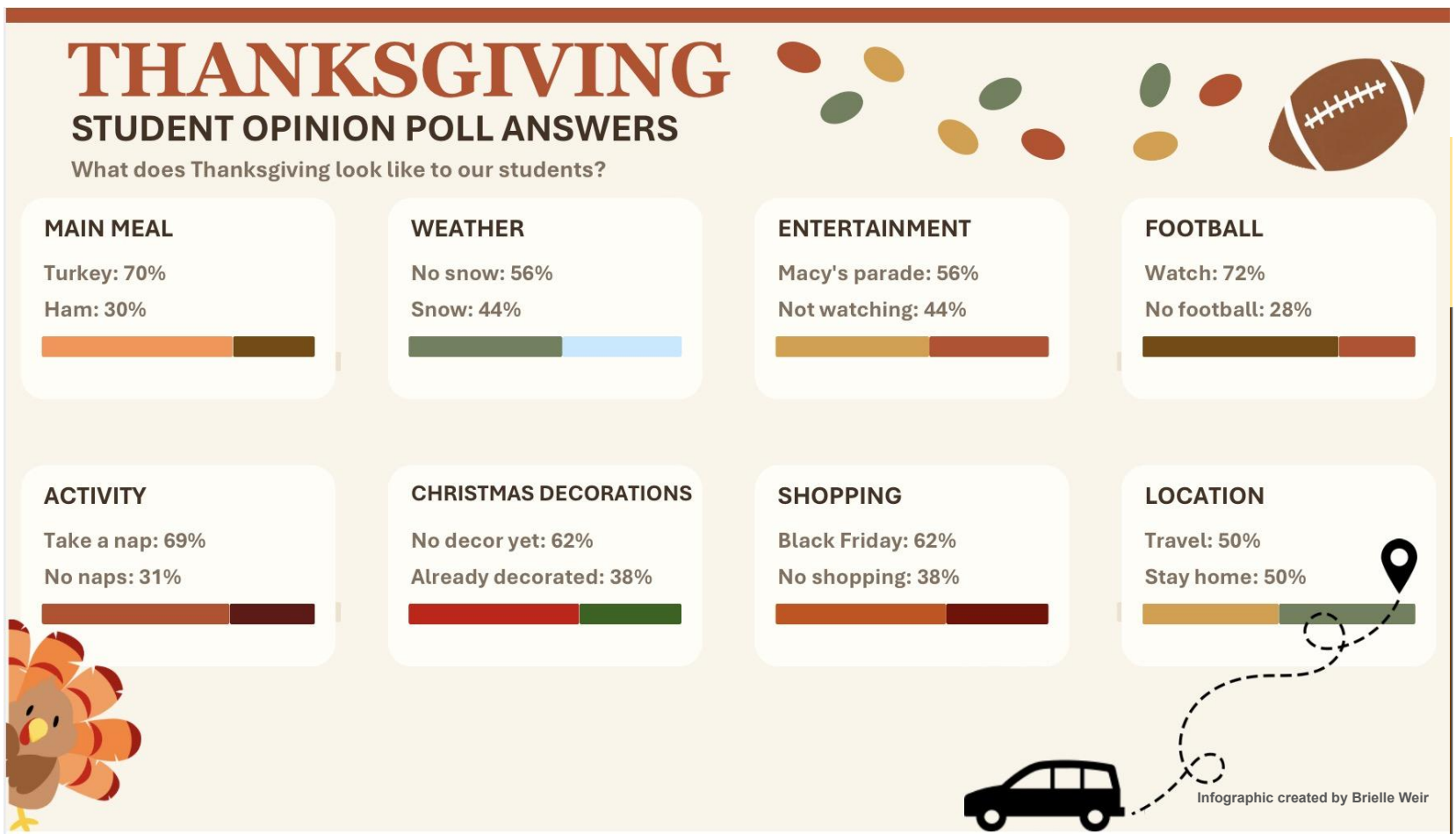
"I love watching football."
- Dr. Olson, Superintendent

"Helping mom with turkey."
- Taylor F., Sophomore

"Going to my aunt's. We all play board games."
- Emma W., Senior

"Playing dominos after we eat."
- Mrs. Bly, Middle School Language Arts Teacher









"Watching the Thanksgiving Parade and playing football."
- Jack F., 3rd Grader

"I'm going to my aunts and I get to see my family."
- Charlotte G., 8th Grader

"Just spending time with family. We usually go up to my grandparents' every year. And most of the time our whole family comes up."
- Brielle W., Sophomore

"Going to my daughter's and going deer hunting."
- Mr. Bohl, HS Math Teacher

"Going to my grandparents' house."
- Chase A., Sophomore

"...sleep, game, and hang out with family and friends."
- Owen J., 2nd Grader

"...find a Christmas tree in the Black Hills."
- Drew S., 8th Grader

"...not come to school."
- Austin G., Senior

"...spend time with my family."
- Ashtyn N., Junior

"...get my braces off."
- Kaden H., Sophomore

"...have a break from school work and just get to spend time with family and friends."
- Brielle W., Junior

"...see my family."
- Charli O., 8th Grader

"...play with friends and hang out with family."
- Easton S., 7th Grader

"...celebrate my brother's 18th birthday."
- Madi G., 5th Grader

"...spending time with my family and just enjoying the change of pace."
- Dr. Buchholz, High School English & Math Teacher

"...nap."
- Mr. Heumiller, High School Science Teacher

"...go to my Grandma's."
- Leo S., Freshman

"...see my family."
- Roni S., Kindergarten

"...lock in on my hobbies and reading because I'll have so much free time."
- Cece F., Sophomore

"...go to my Papa's."
- CJ, Kindergarten

"...go to my grandparents' house."
- Amelie K., Freshman

"...do nothing or sleep in."
- Lukas L., Sophomore

"...see my family."
- Jack F., 4th Grader

"...celebrate Thanksgiving."
- Shay J., 4th Grader

"...spend time with family."
- Dr. Olson, Superintendent

"...celebrate Christmas."
- Ingrid J., 5th Grader

"...seeing my family."
- Hannah H., 7th Grader

"...play GTA VI."
- Dylan A., Sophomore

"...make money, spend money shopping, make more money, go shopping again."
- Autumn G., Senior

"...sleep."
- Talon M., Junior

"...go Black Friday shopping."
- Colton B., Sophomore

"...sleep in."
- Mr. Richardt, Business & Computers Teacher

"...not having to worry about college classes."
- Emma W., Senior

Over the break, I'm most excited to...



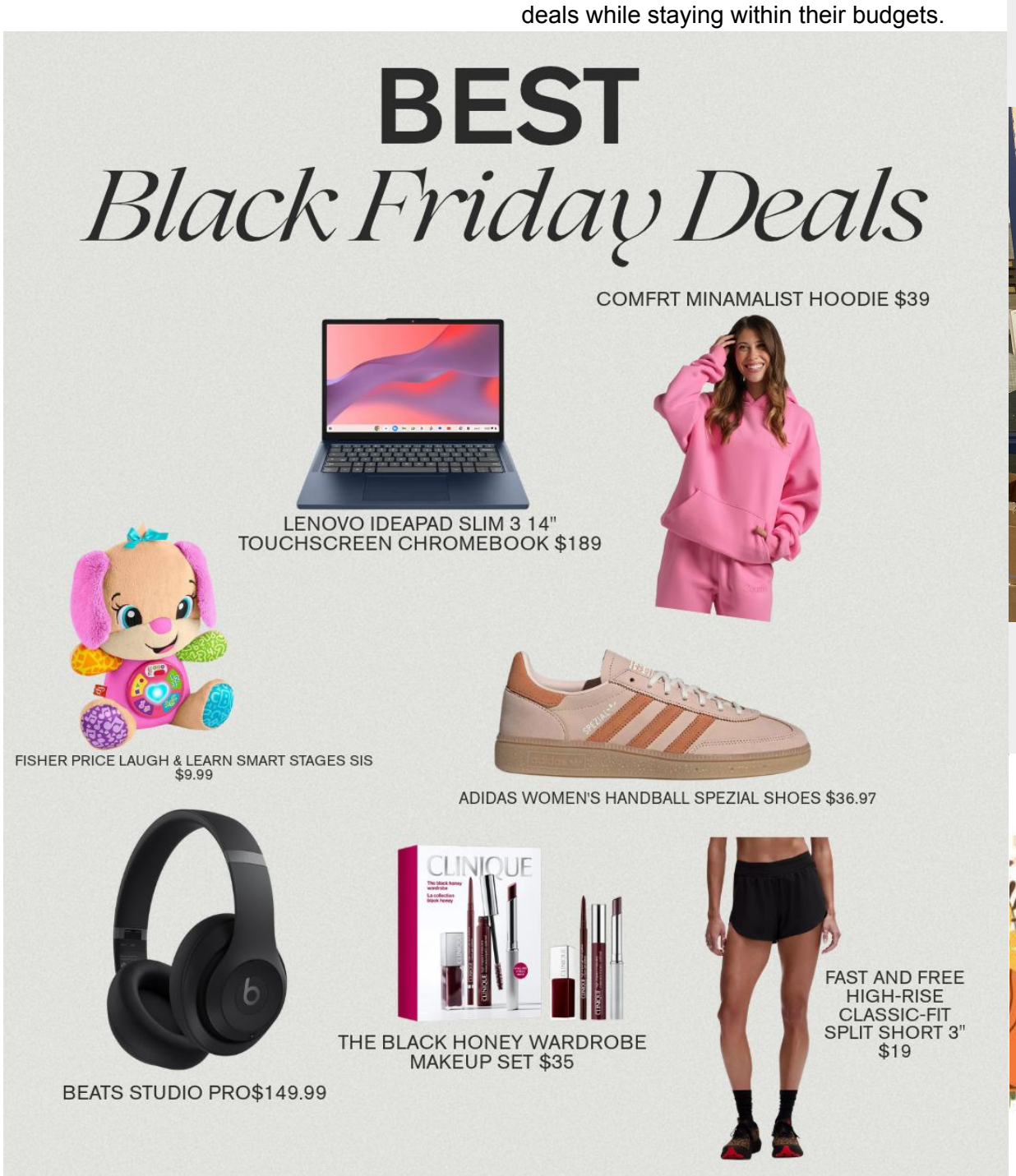
Black Friday starts early

by **Autumn Genzler**
staff writer & infographic creator

As the holiday season approaches, shoppers are preparing for one of the biggest shopping days of the year, Black Friday. This year, Black Friday falls on Friday, November 27, and many stores are already offering early discounts for shoppers looking to save money on Christmas gifts.

Some of the best places to shop include Walmart, Target, Amazon, and Best Buy. Walmart is a great place to find deals on toys, electronics, and household items, while Target offers discounts on clothing, beauty products, and holiday gifts. Amazon is offering deals across several categories, and Best Buy is a popular destination for discounted televisions, laptops, headphones, and other electronics.

With so many sales available, shoppers should compare prices between stores before making purchases. Planning ahead, creating a shopping list, and watching for early sales can help shoppers find the best deals while staying within their budgets.



Pics of the Week



Brielle Weir dishes up some mashed potatoes during the annual Thanksgiving feast held in Mr. Hughes' room. Each student volunteers to bring something different for their class to enjoy. Some classes bring full meals while others sit heavily with sweets and treats.
Photo by Autumn Genzler



Liz Houg, Rylee Farrell, and Macy Chapin dig in during Mr. Hughes' Thanksgiving feast. The juniors, and the other classes, snacked throughout the period and most decided to not eat lunch today either just from feeling so full.
Photo by Autumn Genzler



The trigonometry class convinced Dr. Buchholz to do a fun project today in honor of Thanksgiving. The students had to answer the questions correctly to figure out which color went to which number to color their turkeys. It was a fun throwback to some of their math activities during elementary school.

