

Rams' Higher Learning and Reflection



Seniors share college goals and high school experiences.

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As this school year comes to an end, many seniors are looking forward to life in college while also looking back on their time in high school. For students **Lachyn Bekiyeva**, **Anahi Vasquez Ochoa**, **Ayoola Sobomehin**, and **Mychal Sonier** the future looks full of growth, ambition, and new opportunities. While on different paths, these students have career goals in mind and share similar motivations.

Sonier is committed to Baylor University, majoring in Kinesiology.

"I'm looking to go to college so I can build a better community and further my education because I'm looking to go the pre-physical therapy route, and I feel like going to college would be the best step," **Sonier** said.

Sobomehin is aiming to become a sonographer.

"I'm looking to go to college to pursue a career and make a living for myself," **Sobomehin** said. "I'm looking to go to Lone Star. I might transfer, but I'll figure that out later."

Bekiyeva sees college as less of a choice and more as a necessity. Wanting to be a lawyer initially, **Bekiyeva** is now set on chemical engineering as her career and will be studying at the University of Houston.

"In order to achieve the goals I have for my life, I have to go to college and get my education," **Bekiyeva** said.

Similarly, **Vasquez Ochoa** looks to succeed in a nursing program at Texas Tech.

"I plan to go to college because I really want to become a nurse and learn more and help save lives," **Vasquez Ochoa** said.

Aside from career goals, some students also wish to grow in areas of their personal lives.

"I'm hoping to meet a lot of new people, hopefully save up, and learn how to budget because that's really important, and I just really want to learn how to live life besides eight hours of school," **Sobomehin** said.

"I'm trying to study and do the things that I wasn't able to do in high school without it being too boring," **Bekiyeva** said. "In high school, I was a little lazy, and I didn't study much for my tests or quizzes, and in college I'm hoping to change that habit."

Relatedly, **Sonier** wishes to build connections and have an overall good time.

"My goals for college are probably just to further my education, make more friends, have friends I can have for life-long, have fun, and I know it's cliché, but find myself and just have fun," **Sonier** said.

Reflecting on their high school journey, students all have a unique opinion on their experience. **Sonier** admits it was fun, but didn't match her movie expectations. Meanwhile, **Bekiyeva** found a conflict in her assumptions of what high school would be like.

"I thought it was gonna be a lot more serious," **Bekiyeva** said. "When you're young and you look up at upperclassmen, they look so much older, but when you get to that age, it's not that old; it doesn't even feel that serious, and I'm graduating next month, and it still doesn't feel like it's real."

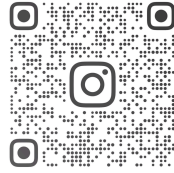
Although high school is an extensive process, **Vasquez Ochoa** was surprised by how quickly she felt it all went by.

"I didn't really expect it to go so fast, so always enjoy your year while you can because it is true whenever they say it will go quick," **Vasquez Ochoa** said.

With a mix of excitement and reminiscence, **Sobomehin** shares a similar sentiment about her time in high school.

"It was definitely very challenging but now looking back on it as a senior, I'm gonna miss it a lot," **Sobomehin** said. "All the memories and the friends I've made, teachers I've met, I would not trade those memories for the world."

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"I loved how the college provided opportunities and creative outlets for students. I chose it because it would offer me a quality education and the room for connections."
- **Julisa Dillingham (12)**



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ENGINEERING **READING**
EXAM **TECHNICAL**
LECTURE **TRADE**
MAJOR **UNIVERSITY**



School Shout Outs

Competitions Results

- **UIL One Act Play Company**, "Where Words Once Were," advanced to the **6A Area I UIL OAP Contest** for the 3rd time
- in school history, ranking as one of the Top 48 plays in Texas.
 - Outstanding Technician (Area) - **Stephanie Pantoja** (10)
 - Best Technician (Bi-District) - **Jacie McIntosh** (10)
 - All-Star Cast (Bi-District & Area) - **Ivannia Marmolejos** (12)
 - All-Star Cast (Bi-District) - **Andrew Valenzuela** (12)
 - Honorable Mention All-Star Cast (Bi-District & Area) - **Audrey Lee Beeton** (12)
- **Bailey Kastner** (11) placed 7th in the Singles Event in the Texas State High School Bowling Competition on March 29, 2026.

Cosmetology License Earners

- **Kimberly Diaz** (12)
- **America Moya** (12)
- **Makiyyah Studyviant** (12)
- **Yvonne Zamorano** (12)

Discourse Dropkick Training Power Rankings

- **Reigner of the Ridge** - **Rebekah Hill**, 7 out of 7 time top contributor to the staff professional development challenge!
- **Tag Team Champion** - **English Department**

Connections with Colleges

Students take opportunity to explore colleges right from the campus library.



Hendrix College interacts with another university colleague.

Christian Villatoro (12), interacts with The University of Texas at Dallas (UTD) during the spring college fair in the library on April 2nd. Villatoro walked up as he is considering applying there. "It has a highly regarded medical program and a spacious campus," Villatoro said.



Jessa Cazares (11), shows interest in Lone Star College, making sure to get some flyers from them.

University of Arkansas and University of Houston Clear Lake representatives work on tasks for their jobs while they wait for kids to come up to them.



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The University of Houston-Downtown representative reviews her notecards, ready for a student to walk up.

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Quick Q&A

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A Senior Water Tag Tradition

Seventy five seniors have joined an extracurricular, off campus water game called "Senior Assassin", as of March 30th, an end-of-the-year activity played across many high school campuses over the years.

According to the players and the rules posted to their instagram, seniors must spray their assigned target if they are not wearing their "protective" goggles and/or floaties. Players also cannot make an attempt if they are wearing the protection. On "purge weekends" and when there are only 5 players left, all bets are off.

The cost of entry was \$5 with the last player not disqualified earning the pool of \$375. As of April 16, only 8 students remain.

Q: How many have you gotten out so far?



Aubrie Vasquez: "Two, one I went to their game, the other was after school. I looked at the location, but I didn't really have any strategy."

Rosalinda Gusman: "One, and I waited 6 hours outside his house. I have 1 kill, my strategy was patience."

Ashley Rostro Dominguez: "I didn't get any kills because my target didn't even get out of his house."

Q: What was the reason you joined?

Aubrie Vasquez: "I was bored, and I was joining for fun to win the prize cash."

Rosalinda Gusman: "For memories, and you get to meet more people, and it make us laugh and have fun."

Ashley Rostro Dominguez: "To enjoy my last year of senior year."

Q: What are you going to do if you win?



Aubrie Vasquez: "Save most of it for school and rest for doordash. Also for a car."

Rosalinda Gusman: "College, gas, and food."

Ashley Rostro Dominguez: "If I won, I would give the money to my mom because she needs it."