

# THE TRACER

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## NEW YEAR, NEW BEGINNINGS:

### LET’S WELCOME 2025 WITH OPEN ARMS

#### January Horoscopes

Written by: Allison Noggle

**Aries (March 21 - April 19)**

Your innate energy and determination are admirable. If you find yourself feeling defensive or combative, take a moment to pause before reacting; channel your energy creatively and ensure your actions are strategic and purposeful.

**Taurus (April 20 – May 20)**

This month brings the potential for positive developments at work. Relationships with superiors and coworkers are likely to be harmonious, and initiatives born of creativity and passion will be well-received. New intimate relationships formed during this time may grow into mutually supportive bonds.

**Gemini (May 21 – June 20)**

Focus on enhancing understanding and healing in personal relationships. Purposefully set aside time for meaningful conversations with loved ones. Professionally, negotiations may yield favorable outcomes if they align with shared goals. Collaboration will bring greater success than working alone.

**Cancer (June 21 – July 22)**

This month brings profound and soulful personal relationships. You may experience transformative exchanges, but their intensity could be overwhelming. Trust in your inner strength to navigate any challenges. Issues related to joint finances or shared resources may arise; approach these with clarity and fairness.

**Leo (July 23 – August 22)**

Take this opportunity to evaluate your daily routines and self-care practices. Are you using your time effectively? Replace unproductive habits with ones that promote health and balance.

**Virgo (August 23 – September 22)**

Step back from technology and social media to recalibrate. Spend time in nature or places where you find peace. Journaling can uncover valuable insights during this introspective period. Reflect on your growth and the lessons of your past, including the path of your ancestors. Honor the journey that has shaped you.

**Libra (September 23 – October 22)**

Infuse joy and creativity into your New Year’s resolutions. Focus on artistic expression, as this can reconnect you with your inner child and bring renewal to relationships. Break free from monotony and embrace activities that affirm life and love.

**Scorpio (October 23 – November 21)**

This is a time of deep psychological transformation. Consider therapy or counseling to uncover and resolve longstanding emotional patterns. Significant changes in parental relationships may arise. Confronting these issues will empower you to live honestly and free of emotional baggage. View this time as an excavation; there is no limit to the gem that can be found.

**Sagittarius (November 22 – December 21)**

Personal growth is tied to your relationships. Foster collaboration and reciprocity as you deepen bonds with others. Authentic partnerships based on trust and honesty offer the best opportunities for self-discovery and expansion. Avoid over-idealizing relationships or compromising your needs to keep the peace.

**Capricorn (December 22 – January 19)**

Engage your mind in new ways. Explore meditation or creative outlets to break free from old thought patterns. Be patient and compassionate with yourself as you embark on this journey. With effort, you will unlock greater joy and freedom in life.

**Aquarius (January 20 – February 19)**

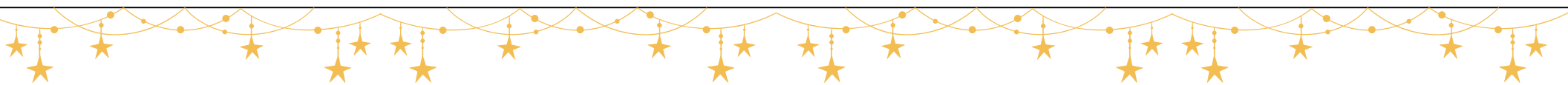
Uncover hidden aspects of your psyche and seek emotional and psychological liberation. Work with a counselor or explore ways to let go of generational trauma or outdated attitudes. This self-exploration will deepen your understanding of familial dynamics and enhance your personal growth.

**Pisces (February 20 – March 20)**

Stay grounded and question illusions. While noble, idealistic projects may draw you in, ensure there is a practical plan to achieve them. Keep a dream journal to uncover insights about your inner world. This is the beginning of a transformative period for your self-awareness and growth.



Artwork by: Aiden Lee, AP Studio





## Faculty Feature

Written by: Cayla Noggle

During an intriguing interview, Mrs. Holly Jones, the vice principal at Wayne Trace, was asked to describe herself in three words, to which she answered, “Strong-willed, competitive, and misunderstood.” When asked to elaborate she said, “I think a lot of the kids here think that I don’t like them or that I am mean or that all I want to do is get them in trouble when in reality I want them to find ways to be successful.” Mrs. Jones went on to explain the important role she has taken on by joining the education administration, allowing students to differentiate between the appropriate time to choose between “what they want to do” and “what they need to do.” Mrs. Jones loves working with the teachers at Wayne Trace who love and care about their students. When asked one piece of advice she would give someone, Jones immediately stated, “It is okay to fail as long as long as you are failing forwards.” Mrs. Jones elaborated by explaining that every failure is a step in the right direction as long as you learn, adapt, and are willing to try again.

## Alumni Story

Written by: Savannah Sinn

Alicia Sinn proudly graduated from Wayne Trace High School in 2004, marking the end of an important chapter in her life. Throughout her high school journey, she played an active role as a cheerleader, embracing the spirited competition and camaraderie that came with being part of the team. One of her most cherished memories from those energetic years is the exhilarating moment when her cheer team claimed the championship title at the national competition held in Orlando, Florida. The thrill of victory, the cheers of the crowd, and the unity of her teammates made that

## Campus Events

Written by: Savannah Sinn

January 6th: Christmas Break ends/PBIS Rewards for JH/HS  
January 10th: Assembly: Paulding Cardinals vs. Staff  
January 15th: Food Distribution 3:00 pm - 5:30 pm  
January 16th: Target time starts  
January 20th: NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Day  
January 23rd: Target time  
January 27th: College Credit Plus (CCP) meeting at 6:30 pm in the lecture hall  
January 30th: Target time



Artwork by: Jada Gross, Foundations of Art

experience unforgettable. Reflecting on her high school experience, Alicia has some wise advice for current students navigating their educational paths. She emphasized the importance of kindness, reminding them that everyone is facing their own struggles – something that might not always be visible on the surface. Additionally, she encouraged students not to rush the process of growing up, advising them to savor the carefree moments and unique experiences that make these years so special. Each moment, no matter how small, contributes to the foundation of their future.







# Mastering the Art of Self-Help

Written by: Jericho Guyton

In today's fast-paced world, the pursuit of personal growth and self-improvement has become increasingly important. As students confront the challenges of academics, social relationships, and future aspirations, self-help offers valuable tools and strategies to enhance well-being and achieve goals. Self-help covers a wide range of topics, including mental health, emotional intelligence, productivity, and goal-setting. Some benefits of self-help include improved self-awareness, which is essential for personal growth, as it allows individuals to identify areas for improvement and celebrate their strengths. Additionally, self-help resources can provide insights into emotional intelligence,

enabling individuals to navigate social dynamics more effectively. Many self-help techniques focus on setting and achieving goals. By implementing strategies such as SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, Time-bound) goals, individuals can create actionable plans to reach their aspirations. Key strategies for personal development include reading and learning, setting boundaries, and seeking support. Reading regularly exposes individuals to new ideas and perspectives, inspiring positive change. Setting boundaries helps individuals prioritize their needs and avoid burnout. Seeking support can also be beneficial; sometimes, personal growth requires external assistance. Engaging

with mentors, counselors, or support groups can provide valuable guidance and encouragement along the journey of self-improvement. As students, embracing self-help principles can lead to a more fulfilling and successful life. By investing time in personal development, we can navigate the complexities of our academic and social environments with confidence and resilience. Remember, the journey of self-improvement is ongoing; it is about progress, not perfection. Let's take the first step towards unlocking our potential and becoming the best versions of ourselves.

# Remembrance

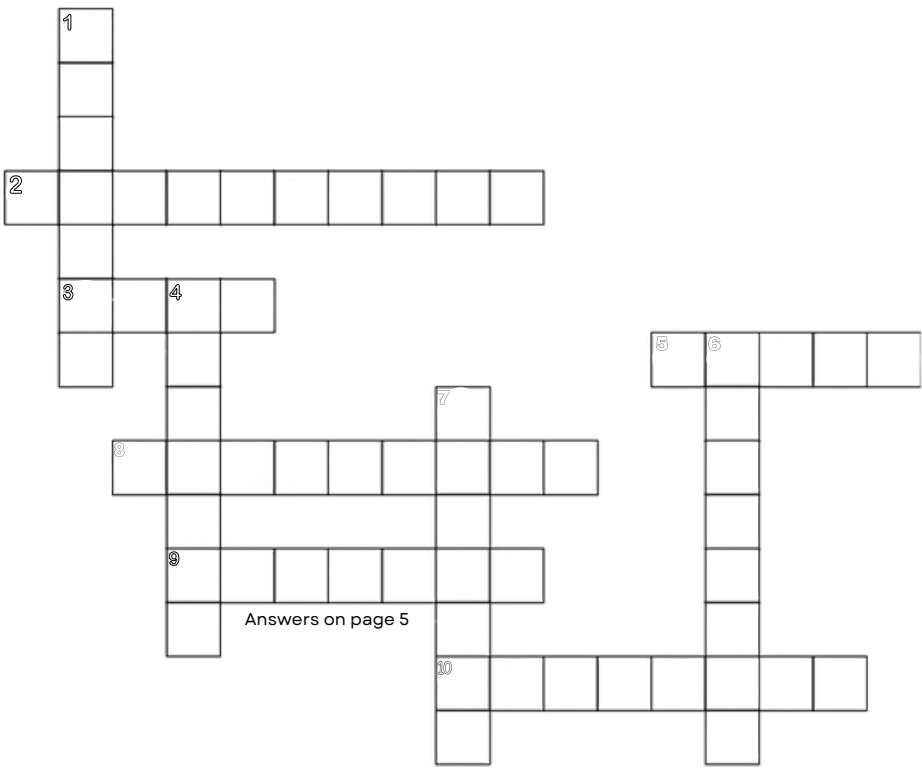
Written by: Axel Bidlack

January is my time to become better and to work on myself. I sit on the couch and think about the past year. When I was at my lowest, who was with me then? When I was at my highest, who I was surrounded with. I realized these people were the same throughout. I came to know that they are my chosen family, my reason for being who I am in life. As I look around the room counting down from ten, I smile and feel true happiness with the people I want to be with for another year.



Artwork by: Axel Bidlack, Drawing

# Animals in the Wild



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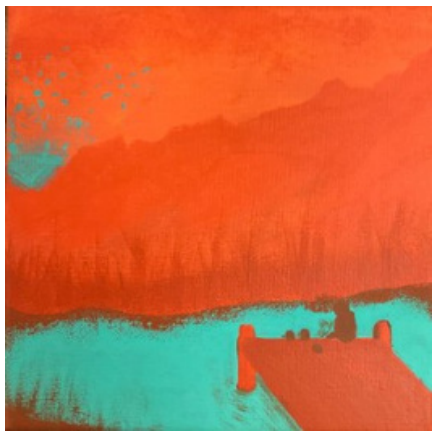
**Across**

- 2. also called Gnu
- 3. large cat with a long main
- 5. black and striped
- 8. efficient swimmers with a powerful jaw
- 9. runs between 50 and 80 mph
- 10. pink flying bird

**Down**

- 1. humans share 98% of our DNA with this animal
- 4. the fastest flightless bird
- 6. weighs around 8,800 pounds
- 7. has a long neck





Artwork by: Eli Martinez, Senior Studio

## Wicked

Written by: EmmaJane Benschneider

On November 22, 2024, a movie adaptation of the Broadway production Wicked came out, and according to ABC Action News, “[Wicked] topped the box office with a worldwide opening of \$164 million.” Many people waited quite a while for this movie adaptation, and when they finally watched the fantasy play on the big screen, they were not disappointed. An article written by Deadline communicated, “The film also had the biggest global and domestic opening for a movie based on a Broadway show.” Wicked has been nominated for over 63 awards, including the Tonys, Grammys, Drama Desk Awards, and the Outer Critics Circle Award. Ariana Grande and Cynthia Erivo, star actresses in the film, have also been nominated for awards. As reported by Deseret Management Corporation, “For the Golden Globe, Ariana was nominated as Best Supporting Actress in a Motion Picture, and Cynthia was nominated as Best Actress in a Motion Picture.” The two actresses put a lot of time and effort into their roles, as seen in the well-crafted movie itself. According to Business Insider, Wicked broke three box-office records in its opening weekend. This shows that Cynthia, Ariana, and the rest of the crew who worked to bring Wicked to life, truly put everything they had into the production. Wicked will likely continue to be talked about until next year when the second part of this magical story is released.

## Raiders’ Road to Glory: A Season of Determination

Written by: Trista Evans

The Wayne Trace Raiders basketball team has seen many talented players come and go through the program, each leaving a long-lasting legacy on the court. This season, the team is more determined than ever to honor that legacy by pushing themselves to new heights. The seniors (Tyson Gerber, Brady Miller, and Nick Sinn) explained the team’s intense focus on improving both their offensive and defensive strategies, with rigorous practice sessions that include not only physical toughness but also mental toughness and strategic thinking. Teamwork is at the core of their efforts, with each player understanding their role and contributing to the team’s collective goal. The players are dedicated to refining their skills, whether it is perfecting their free throw shots, boosting their shooting accuracy, enhancing their defensive blocks, or mastering their zone defense. The Raiders have set two ambitious goals for themselves: secure the GMC championship and make a deep run in the tournament come February. Their hard work and perseverance is evident during every game, as they strive to dominate their opponents and make their community proud. As we get further into the season, the team is optimistic that their efforts will accumulate successfully and positively, showcasing the true spirit and resilience of Wayne Trace basketball. With each passing game, their skills are sharpening and their confidence is growing, setting the stage for what promises to be an exciting and successful conclusion to their season.



Artwork by: Morgan Elliott, Senior Studio

## A Day in the Life of...

Written by: Cayla Noggle

Lexi Moore’s life is an exhilarating whirlwind of sports and school! Every single day brings new adventures shaped by her interactions and changing surroundings. As she hops into her morning routine, Lexi listens to worship music, setting the perfect tone to gear up for another amazing day. Despite the hustle and bustle that fills her afternoons, Lexi dives into her schoolwork with determination, knowing that each moment counts, even amidst the flurry of activities. Once the final school bell rings, it is time for her extracurricular activities. Whether she is training hard or competing in a thrilling match, Lexi’s commitment to self-improvement shines through. Each practice with the Lady Raiders is a fresh challenge, packed with drills and strategies designed to elevate the team’s skills, all under the watchful eye of their coach, Bethany DeJarnett. “I strive to set a good example for younger teammates during practice and games,” Lexi shares, radiating passion and dedication. After a full day packed with academics, practice, and homework, Lexi makes sure to carve out precious moments to connect with her family, proving that even with a jam-packed schedule, there is always time for what matters most. Lexi’s life is a vibrant tapestry of hard work, joy, and unforgettable experiences!







# Justification for Snow Days?

Written by: Cayla Noggle

Everyone enjoys receiving alerts from schools exclaiming there is a cancellation due to impending weather. The question is: should schools cancel on snow days?

Jenna Kipfer:  
The argument against canceling school on snow days when driving conditions are deemed safe is rooted in logistical concerns. Many schools are limited to five to seven cancellations per academic year. If schools frequently close due to poor weather, they may face the necessity of extending the school year into the summer to make up for lost instructional days. Moreover, cancellations can lead to students being unprepared for upcoming lessons or assessments. For example, if school is canceled the day before a test, students may choose to use their free day for leisure activities rather than studying, ultimately resulting in lower performance due to a lack of preparation.

Ryan Bostelman:  
On the other hand, the perspective supporting school cancellations whenever snow accumulates emphasizes student safety as the primary concern. Many individuals recount experiences of treacherous travel conditions during snowstorms or icy weather, which can pose serious risks, including potential accidents. The reluctance to cancel school under hazardous conditions can increase the likelihood of injuries or fatalities resulting from avoidable accidents. Furthermore, unsafe road conditions typically extend past the roads and into the school parking lots and sidewalks, heightening the risk of harm for both students and educators as they enter or leave the school premises. This safety concern justifies the call for school closures in snowy weather situations.

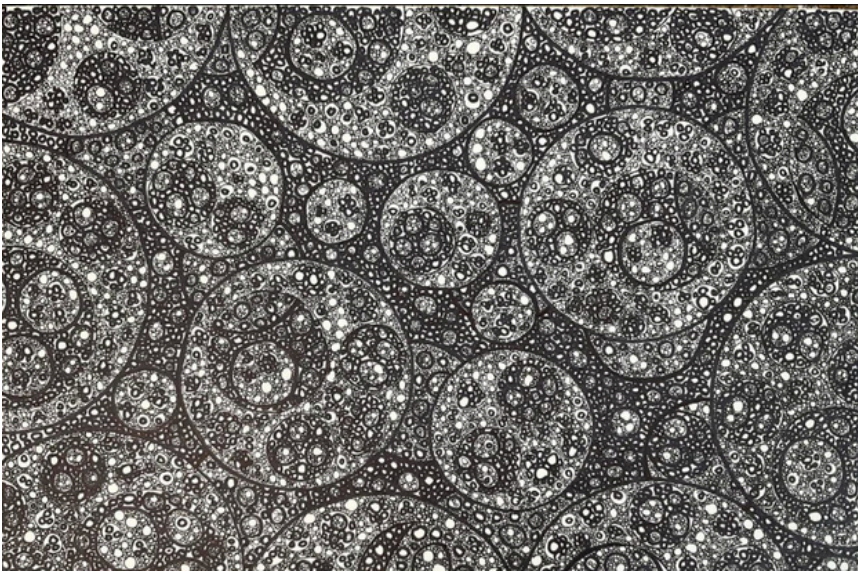
With that being said, what are your thoughts on snow days?

# Wayne Trace High School Teachers

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HOLDEN	MILLER	SEIGMAN	WENNINGER
HOMIER	MYERS	SINN	WHITMAN
JONES	NICHOLS	SMITHMYER	



Artwork by: Hunter Lyons, Drawing

- Across
1. Gorilla
2. Wildebeest
3. Lion
4. Ostrich
5. Zebra
6. Elephant
7. Giraffe
8. Crocodile
9. Cheetah
10. Flamingo
- Down

Answers to crossword







# It Is OK to not Be OK

Written by: Allison Noggle

Mental health and substance use disorders impact a significant portion of the population, with estimates indicating that one in five individuals is faced with these challenges. These conditions are serious risk factors for suicide, highlighting the urgent need for support and intervention. It is imperative to recognize that everyone facing these struggles deserves access to the resources and help necessary to find relief. Suicide knows no boundaries; it is an indiscriminate force that affects people of all ages, races, ethnicities, and sexual orientations. It does not differentiate based on background or circumstances, making it a pervasive issue that requires our attention and compassion. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported that in Ohio alone, five individuals succumb to suicide each day, illustrating the critical situation we face. In 2022, over 49,000 lives were

lost to suicide in the United States, translating to one death every 11 minutes. This statistic is staggering and serves as a sobering reminder of the urgency surrounding this crisis. Globally, more than 700,000 people end their lives each year, which means that, on average, one person dies by suicide every 40 seconds. The impact of suicide extends far beyond the individual, devastating families, friends, and communities. The intertwining issues of substance use disorder and mental illness play a significant role in Ohio’s increasing suicide rates. It is crucial that we channel our focus, energy, and resources into effective suicide prevention strategies. By doing so, we can foster hope and healing for those in need and work towards a future where fewer lives are lost to this preventable tragedy.

# Braille Literacy Month

Written by: Axel Bidlack

Braille Literacy Month is celebrated in January to commemorate the birth of Louis Braille, who was born on January 4, 1809, and invented the braille system. This month serves to raise awareness about the importance of braille in providing access to written information for individuals who are blind or visually impaired. For those who have visual complications, braille is their form of print; Braille is a system of raised dots that can be read by running a finger from left to right along each line. Despite its significance, the use of braille has declined due to advancements in audio technology; currently, 34% of more than 59,000 legally blind children in the United States are considered non-readers, meaning they do not read braille. However, tactile ADA braille signs are still legally required to mark all permanent building rooms or spaces in U.S. public and commercial buildings.

# Laugh a Little

Written by: Trista Evans

Why does the music teacher need a ladder?  
To reach the high notes

Why did the golfer bring two pairs of pants?  
In case he got a hole in one

What travels the world but stays in one corner?  
A stamp

Why couldn’t the bicycle stand up by itself?  
Because it is two-tired

Why are frogs always so happy?  
They eat whatever bugs them

What is the wake-up time for ducks?  
The quack of dawn



Ariel photo of Paulding, Ohio in the 1970s









# Senior Profiles

**Josiah Akom**

Dream Vacation: Alaska  
Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Nichols  
Favorite Dessert: Milkshakes  
Planned Occupation: Business owner  
In 10 years... I see myself owning my own business and shop.  
Advice: Be kind.

**Haylee Bland**

Dream Vacation: A warm place with a pool  
Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Horstman  
Favorite Dessert: Cookies  
Planned Occupation: Cosmetology  
In 10 years... I see myself pursuing a career in cosmetology.  
Advice: Finish and submit all of your assignments, even if there are wrong answers.

**Adelae Collins**

Dream Vacation: South Korea  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Holden  
Favorite Dessert: Cheesecake  
Planned Occupation: Genetic engineer  
In 10 years... I see myself working a stable job in the science field.  
Advice: Rules are just guidelines.

**Trista Evans**

Dream Vacation: Hawaii  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Goodrich  
Favorite Dessert: Strawberry cheesecake  
Planned Occupation: Elementary art teacher  
In 10 years... I see myself buying my own house and teaching art to elementary students.  
Advice: Lock in while you can.

**Madison Gurney**

Dream Vacation: Italy  
Favorite Teacher: Stokes  
Favorite Dessert: S’mores bars  
Planned Occupation: Pediatric nurse  
In 10 years... I see myself married and working as a pediatric nurse.  
Advice: Don’t dig holes, build hills because momentum carries you downward better than upward.

**Riley Hildebrand**

Dream Vacation: Bahamas  
Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Nichols  
Favorite Dessert: Brownies  
Planned Occupation: Criminal physiologist juvenile  
In 10 years... I see myself doing my dream job.  
Advice: Don't let anything keep you from doing what you wanna do.

**Isabella Knowles**

Dream Vacation: Italy  
Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Nichols  
Favorite Dessert: Peanut Butter M&M's  
Planned Occupation: Nurse practitioner  
In 10 years... I see myself living out west with my family and working at a hospital.  
Advice: Enjoy the little things while you can.

**Alana Beebe**

Dream Vacation: New Zealand  
Favorite Teacher: Stokes  
Favorite Dessert: Chocolate ice cream  
Planned Occupation: Travel nurse  
In 10 years... I see myself in a city, away from everyone from high school.  
Advice: Stop trying to be like everyone else.

**Christian Bohland**

Dream Vacation: Japan  
Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Keipper  
Favorite Dessert: Cookies  
Planned Occupation: H-VAC  
In 10 years... I see myself fully employed in an H-VAC-related occupation, making a stable living for myself.  
Advice: Just do your work and do it right.

**Brooklin Creighton**

Dream Vacation: Ireland  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Holden  
Favorite Dessert: Cheesecake  
Planned Occupation: Undecided  
Advice: Don't make decisions that you will regret.

**Tyson Gerber**

Dream Vacation: Salty Springs  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Iwinski  
Favorite Dessert: Cheese stick  
Planned Occupation: Pigeon farmer  
In 10 years... I see myself ranked as the world’s best pigeon farmer.  
Advice: Always try your best even when you feel you can't.

**Serenity Helms**

Dream Vacation: Iceland  
Favorite Teacher: Miss Chapman  
Favorite Dessert: Vanilla ice cream  
Planned Occupation: Teacher  
In 10 years... I see myself starting a family and being a teacher.  
Advice: There is always time, so don't let school stress you out too much.

**Fern Jackson**

Dream Vacation: Ireland  
Favorite Teacher: Stokes  
Favorite Dessert: Macarons  
Planned Occupation: Undecided  
In 10 years... I see myself away from Ohio and running my own business.  
Advice: Don't try and grow up too fast it will go fast. Enjoy the little moments.

**Kal-el Lands**

Dream Vacation: Japan  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. U  
Favorite Dessert: Mint ice cream  
Planned Occupation: Machinist  
In 10 years... I see myself married.  
Advice: Only worry about what is in your control.

**EmmaJane Benschneider**

Dream Vacation: Hawaii  
Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Nichols  
Favorite Dessert: Ice cream  
Planned Occupation: Clinical psychologist  
In 10 years... I see myself in California.  
Advice: Finish and submit all of your assignments, even if some of the answers are wrong.

**Ryan Bostelman**

Dream Vacation: Austrian Alps  
Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Scarbrough  
Favorite Dessert: Strawberry pie  
Planned Occupation: Engineer Army officer  
In 10 years... I see myself either in the Army or in federal law enforcement in some capacity.  
Advice: Studying for tests is optional.

**Conner Davis**

Dream Vacation: Loot Lake  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Thomas  
Favorite Dessert: Brownies  
Planned Occupation: MLB  
In 10 years... I see myself in the MLB.  
Advice: Enjoy silence once in a while.

**Brok Grimes**

Dream Vacation: Canada  
Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Nichols  
Favorite Dessert: Banana pudding  
Planned Occupation: Welder  
In 10 years... I see myself pursuing an occupation in welding.  
Advice: Don't park in a staff parking spot!

**Bailey Hildebrand**

Dream Vacation: New England  
Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Evans  
Favorite Dessert: Dirt pudding  
Planned Occupation: Undecided  
In 10 years... I see myself moving out of Ohio.  
Advice: Improvement often comes from failure. If you fail once, just keep learning, and try again.

**Corbin Kimmel**

Dream Vacation: Bahamas  
Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Smithmyer  
Favorite Dessert: Brownies with ice cream  
Planned Occupation: Lineman  
In 10 years... I see myself working as a lineman.  
Advice: High school is only a small part of your life, there are better things to come so keep going.

**Aiden Lee**

Dream Vacation: Sicily  
Favorite Teacher: Stokes  
Favorite Dessert: Ava Stollers’ s’mores bars  
Planned Occupation: Real estate agent  
In 10 years... I see myself on a beach somewhere in the Caribbean.  
Advice: Don't be lazy.







# Senior Profiles

**Juliah Manz**  
Dream Vacation: Ireland  
Favorite Teacher: Unknown  
Favorite Dessert: Upside-down pear cake  
Planned Occupation: Nutrition coach  
In 10 years... I see myself married with kids living somewhere sunny!  
Advice: Go for any open opportunities that are available.

**Cole Morehead**  
Dream Vacation: Maldives  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Robinson  
Favorite Dessert: Ice cream  
Planned Occupation: Undecided  
In 10 years... I see myself having a good job and a family.  
Advice: Just do what you love.

**Kennedy Parsons**  
Dream Vacation: North Carolina  
Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Evans  
Favorite Dessert: Banana pudding  
Planned Occupation: Construction  
In 10 years... I see myself making money and having a family.  
Advice: Stay focused, never let others put you down, and always work hard for what you want.

**Dyson Scott**  
Dream Vacation: Hawaii  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Holden  
Favorite Dessert: Cheesecake  
Planned Occupation: Strength and Conditioning Coach  
In 10 years... I see myself as the next Elon Musk.  
Advice: Don't take time for granted, give everything 110%.

**Brandon Shoup**  
Dream Vacation: Iceland  
Favorite Teacher: Ms. Spinner  
Favorite Dessert: Pumpkin pie  
Planned Occupation: Registered nurse  
In 10 years... I see myself working in a hospital.  
Advice: Enjoy the little time you get with your friends.

**Ava Stoller**  
Dream Vacation: Hawaii  
Favorite Teacher: Stokes  
Favorite Dessert: Ice cream  
Planned Occupation: Elementary teacher  
In 10 years... I see myself married and working as a kindergarten teacher.  
Advice: SMILE :)

**Elijah Martinez**  
Dream Vacation: Texas  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Miller  
Favorite Dessert: Portillos’ Chocolate Cake Shake  
Planned Occupation: Sports media/sports graphic design  
In 10 years... I see myself living somewhere in Texas, working a hybrid graphic design role, with either a college or professional athletics sports media program.  
Advice: Don't let anything knock you down, not school, not life, not friends, not peers. Just persevere.

**Harper Myers**  
Dream Vacation: Bora Bora  
Favorite Teacher: Miss Klofenstein  
Favorite Dessert: Cake  
Planned Occupation: Forensic psychologist  
In 10 years... I see myself married with a full-time job.  
Advice: Learn how to walk in the hallways.

**Tyler Sanderson**  
Dream Vacation: Scandinavia  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Holden  
Favorite Dessert: Apple crisp  
Planned Occupation: Genetic engineer  
In 10 years... I see myself working in a lab as a genetic engineer and owning my own house that I'm paying off.  
Advice: Teachers always say the next year is going to be way harder than what you're doing right now, but that's not necessarily true. It almost always depends on the teacher, not the material.

**Kaci Sentelik**  
Dream Vacation: Florida  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Holden  
Favorite Dessert: Cake  
Planned Occupation: Teacher  
In 10 years... I see myself as a pre-K teacher.  
Advice: Calm down.

**Lorie Sinn**  
Dream Vacation: Greece  
Favorite Teacher: Ms. Scarbrough  
Favorite Dessert: Cookies  
Planned Occupation: Surgical tech.  
In 10 years... I see myself working in the field that I love while traveling to new places.  
Advice: Be kind.

**Kathleen Stoller**  
Dream Vacation: Banff, Canada  
Favorite Teacher: Stokes  
Favorite Dessert: Ice cream  
Planned Occupation: Nurse  
In 10 years... I see myself working as a nurse, traveling, and spending lots of time with my family.  
Advice: Do your homework!

**Anna Meraz**  
Dream Vacation: Antarctica  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Baumle  
Favorite Dessert: Candy  
Planned Occupation: Accountant  
In 10 years... I see myself working for Boeing in accounting.  
Advice: If you look annoyed all the time, people think that you're busy.

**Allison Noggle**  
Dream Vacation: Costa Rica  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Baumle  
Favorite Dessert: Crème Brûlée  
Planned Occupation: Architect  
In 10 years... I see myself owning my own architecture firm and traveling the world.  
Advice: Keeping your head up high and being confident in the person you are is less embarrassing than acting embarrassed.

**Blake Schultz**  
Dream Vacation: Montana  
Favorite Teacher: Stokes  
Favorite Dessert: Mississippi mud cake  
Planned Occupation: Journalist  
In 10 years... I see myself as a sports commentator.  
Advice: Don’t TP.

**Mackenzie Silance**  
Dream Vacation: Mountains and beaches  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Holden  
Favorite Dessert: Cheesecake  
Planned Occupation: Ultrasound tech  
In 10 years... I see myself living the dream outside of Ohio and married with a good job.  
Advice: Don't take anything for granted, the little moments are what matter the most.

**Tianna Sinn**  
Dream Vacation: Bahamas  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Baumle  
Favorite Dessert: Ice cream  
Planned Occupation: Early childhood education  
In 10 years... I see myself married and teaching 4th graders.  
Advice: Make lots of memories!

**Natalie Stoller**  
Dream Vacation: Hawaii  
Favorite Teacher: Miss Klopfenstein  
Favorite Dessert: Cheesecake  
Planned Occupation: Physical therapist assistant  
In 10 years... I see myself married, starting a family, pursuing a career as a physical therapist assistant, and still living close to Paulding County.  
Advice: Have fun and be nice.





# Senior Profiles

**Luke Stouffer**  
Dream Vacation: Alaska  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Baumle  
Favorite Dessert: Cheesecake  
Planned Occupation: Engineer  
In 10 years... I see myself having a good job, a good house, and some good food.  
Advice: Don't take anything for granted.

**Kamryn Sutton**  
Dream Vacation: Hawaii  
Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Smithmyer  
Favorite Dessert: Ice cream  
Planned Occupation: Real estate owner  
In 10 years... I see myself married and having money.  
Advice: Do good in school even if you don't want to.

**Trenton Thomas**  
Dream Vacation: Italy  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Baumle  
Favorite Dessert: Ice cream cake  
Planned Occupation: Farmer and/or construction worker  
In 10 years... I see myself alive and successful.  
Advice: Don't take high school for granted. Enjoy every second of it while it lasts. If you want to do something do it before you regret not doing it.

**John Vielma**  
Dream Vacation: Cruise ride around the world  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Kennicutt  
Favorite Dessert: Vanilla ice cream  
Planned Occupation: Electrician or video game designer  
In 10 years... I see myself working hard with my own family.  
Advice: Do not waste your excused absences, save them for like a week straight during senior year.

**Ryan Viola**  
Dream Vacation: Appalachian Mountains  
Favorite Teacher: Mrs. Meyers  
Favorite Dessert: Cheesecake  
Planned Occupation: Construction equipment operator  
In 10 years... I see myself operating equipment.  
Advice: Be yourself.


**Tori Young**  
Dream Vacation: Alaska  
Favorite Teacher: Mr. Baumle  
Favorite Dessert: Apple pie  
Planned Occupation: Special needs teaching assistant  
In 10 years... I see myself in South Carolina.  
Advice: Don't put effort into people who don't appreciate it.

# Like What You See?


Written by: Allison Noggle

Are you ready to join an amazing team? If you are curious about becoming a part of *The Tracer* staff, do not hesitate—reach out to Mr. Joe Shouse, Mr. Zach Boyer, or Allison Noggle! You do not need to be a literary genius; we welcome artists, cartoonists, puzzlemakers, and even crustiverbalists! Remember, you only get to experience high school once—so why not make every moment count? Dive in, get involved, embrace challenges, and most importantly, have a blast! Let us create something incredible together!


## Students Speak: Top Teachers




**Mrs. Nichols**




**Mrs. Smithmyer**



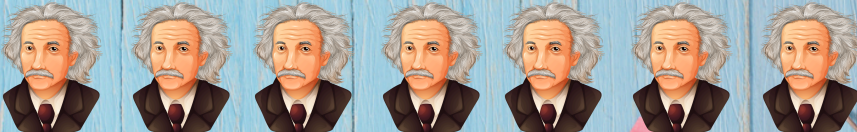
**Stokes**




**Mr. Holden**



**Miss Klopfenstein**



**Mr. Baumle**



**Ms. Scarbrough**

Others receiving votes included: Mrs. Myers, Mr. Kennicutt, Ms. Spinner, Mrs. Evans, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Miller, Mr. U, Ms. Chapman, Mr. Iwiniski, Mr. Goodrich, Ms. Keipper, and Mrs. Horstman

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