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Off-base electricity bills on the rise

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TOKYO – U.S. military personnel living off base in Japan will pay significantly more for electricity under price hikes approved by the Japanese government.

Japan’s Cabinet on May 16 gave electric power companies a green light to increase prices starting next month, Chief Cabinet Secretary Hirokazu Matsuno said during a news conference.

News of the increase arrived along with a taste of summer. Thermometers flirted with 90 degrees May 18 in Tokyo, a city known for killer heat waves and unceasing demands for air conditioning.

Seven out of 10 major electric companies in the country had asked to raise prices due to an increase in the cost of imported energy such as natural gas, according to a statement by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

Customers will pay between 14% and 42% more for power under the price hike, Matsuno said.

Tokyo Electric Power Co., which supplies electricity mainly in the Tokyo metropolitan area, will raise its prices 15.9% on average, according to a news release posted on its website.

U.S. military communities in the metro area include Yokota Air Base, headquarters of U.S. Forces Japan; Yokosuka Naval Base, homeport of the U.S. 7th Fleet; Camp Zama, headquarters of U.S. Army Japan; and Naval Air Facility Atsugi.

Okinawa Electric Power Co., which supplies



Japan’s Cabinet has given electric power companies a green light to increase prices starting in June. Photo courtesy of Pixabay

power to the island that’s home to 80,000 U.S. military personnel family members, will raise prices 33.3% on average, according to a statement posted on its website.

Tohoku Electric Power Co., which supplies power in Aomori prefecture, home to Misawa Air base and the Air Force’s 35th Fighter Wing, will hike prices 25.47% on average, according to a news release posted on its website.

“Import fuel costs have greatly increased due to the Russian invasion of Ukraine in February 2022 while we were experiencing damage to financial bases from earthquakes, which occurred offshore of Fukushima prefecture in 2021 and 2022,” Tohoku company president Kojiro Higuchi said at a news conference, according to a transcript posted on the company’s

website.

Air Force retiree Tony Hughes, who lives in Akiruno, near Yokota, and works as a private contractor on U.S. bases in Tokyo, said his electricity costs have already climbed in recent years.

“I like the air conditioner,” he said while cooling off at the Yokota food court from 91-degree spring heat.

Hughes estimated he and his wife pay \$100 a month for electricity in their two-bedroom home, up from around \$73 a month in 2016.

The couple are careful about how they use air conditioning lately and Hughes washes his clothes at a base laundromat to cut costs running a dryer, Hughes said.

“We both work all day,” he said. “If we were at home all day it (the power bill) would be double that easily.”

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Ice cream lovers submit to matcha powder challenge

STORY AND PHOTOS BY
JEREMY STILLWAGNER,
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Intrigued by one of the latest internet trends in Tokyo, my friends and I set out for a small shop that serves green tea, or matcha, ice cream coated with matcha powder.

Ice cream shops like Nagamine Seicha are popular with people looking for a special dessert.

This shop gained notoriety after customers posted social media videos of themselves consuming soft-serve ice cream coated in matcha powder.

In scenes reminiscent of the “cinnamon challenge,” videos surfaced on Twitter showing consumers taking a large bite of matcha-flavored ice cream coated in matcha powder, then coughing up the powder or falling helpless into a bout of sneezing.

While it’s not the most bizarre form of ice cream produced in Tokyo (that might belong to the fish-flavored dairy treat), matcha-powdered ice cream received its share of mainstream and social media attention.

After a train ride to Tabata Station

on the Yamanote Line and a five-minute walk, my friends and I arrived at the shop to see if powder-coated ice cream lives up to the hype, or if it’s just a gimmick to draw attention to the shop.

The matcha ice cream dusted with matcha powder was hit or miss with my friends. I was not a fan.

The ice cream itself was good, but the powder was too bitter and extremely messy. Anytime a breeze disturbed the powder, it blew it right off the ice cream, staining everything from clothes to skin.

A cone with matcha powder is the most expensive selection at the shop but is still relatively inexpensive at 500 yen, or about \$3.70. There is no seating inside, so most people sit on an outdoor bench to enjoy their ice cream.

The shop is cash only, and I recommend bringing extra yen in case you want to purchase something from the selection of teas, snacks or other items for sale in the store.

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Negamine Seicha in Tokyo
Location: 2-9-15 Higashi Tabata, Kita City, Tokyo 114-0013
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Take flight through Hakone forest on zipline

STORY AND PHOTOS BY TAKAHIRO TAKIGUCHI,
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Hakone is a beautiful town in a mountainous region blessed with impressive views of Mt. Fuji over Lake Ashinoko. This popular tourist attraction is home to classical Shinto shrines, interesting museums, countless traditional Japanese inns and hot springs.

Among the scenic heights is Forest Adventure Hakone, offering another type of attraction for adrenaline junkies. Zipline through the forest and feel the fresh mountain air at this fun spot.

If you are located on a military base in the Kanto Plain and are looking for something wild, challenging and extraordinary while exploring a popular tourist destination, Forest Adventure Hakone may be just what you seek. It is less than a 90-minute drive away from the center of Tokyo, about an hour from Camp Zama and within a couple of hours from any other military installations in the Kanto Plain.

On a fine spring day, I made my way to enjoy some of Forest Adventure Hakone's offerings, including ziplining, bouldering and Tarzan Swing. When I arrived, I saw dozens of visitors enjoying zipping along the steel lines that connected the tall cedar trees in the vast park.

There are two zipline courses to choose from. One is the "Adventure Course," made up of four sites and 36 activities. The other is "Canopy

Course" with its five sites and 33 activities. Each site is made up of several activities, such as Tarzan Swing, bouldering and zip slide, so challengers need to complete each site by climbing up on the trees to do these activities and then climbing down throughout the course.

Visitors ages 10 and up usually go for the 2-hour-long Adventure Course, according to assistant manager Tetsuya Niibori. He added that ziplining here is very safe and they use something called a "continued belay system," which holds riders well. In addition, staff members make sure riders are strapped into the safety harness and wear the correct gear throughout the experience.

I eased into the course as I got used to the safety gear and riding the zipline at my own pace. The activities gradually increase in difficulty and as I finished the Tarzan Swing then walked along a net, I started to gain more



Photo courtesy of Forest Adventure Hakone



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OO-DAH!

one's beautiful zipline obstacle course

For more about
Tree Cross Adventure
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Tree Cross Adventure (near Atsugi)

If you are located on NAF Atsugi or nearby in the Kanto Plain, Tree Cross Adventure Atsugi Nanasawa may be another choice to visit for a zip-line experience.

Open since 2008, the 270,000-square-foot attraction offers eight zip lines on its course, with the longest one running 426.5 feet with a high point of 98 feet above the ground. There are also 33 obstacle courses to challenge you in this natural forest setting. It takes approximately 1.5 to two hours to finish the whole course.

Tree Cross Adventure Atsugi Nanasawa

LOCATION: 1826 Nanasawa, Atsugi City, Kanagawa Prefecture

ADMISSION: 18 or older: 3,600 yen; 8-17: 2,600 yen; One-Year Pass: 10,000 yen

EMAIL: info@treecross-advtr.com

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Forest Adventure Mt. Fuji

Located near Lake Kawaguchiko, one of the Mt. Fuji Six Lakes, Forest Adventure Fuji is Japan's first Forest Adventure Park founded in 2006. The Fuji Forest Adventure offers Trekking Course that visitors can enjoy the park's 11 sites and 91 activities within the designated time (60, 90 or 120 minutes). As the course can be enjoyed by anyone ages 6 or older and 3.7 feet or taller, your entire family can challenge themselves to this fun course.

LOCATION: 6662-1 Funatsu, Fuji-Kawaguchiko Town, Yamanashi Prefecture

ADMISSION: Trekking Course (60 minutes): 3,000 yen, (90 minutes): 4,000 yen, (120 minutes): 5,000 yen

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Forest Adventure Tarzania (near Kanto Bases)

Forest Adventure Tarzania boasts of Japan's longest zip slide. The 448-meter "longzip slide," takes you a full one minute to slide over. Besides the longzip slide, there are two zip-lining courses, two-hour Adventure Course and one-hour Canopy Course.

LOCATION: 521-4 Ueno, Nagara Town, Chousei-gun, Chiba Prefecture (a 90 minute-drive from center of Tokyo.)

ADMISSION: Adventure Course: ages 18 or above: 5,000 yen, 10-17: 4,000 yen, Canopy Course: ages 18 or above: 3,500 yen, 10-17: 3,000 yen, Longzip Slide: 1,500 yen

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Forest Adventure Itoshima (near Sasebo)

Opened in 2012, Forest Adventure Itoshima is the first Forest Adventure Park founded in the mainland of Kyushu. The park offers two zip-lining courses - Adventure Course made up with five sites and 38 activities and Canopy Course made up of four sites and 31 activities.

LOCATION: 312-390 Nijyoikisan, Itoshima-shi, Fukuoka (a 2-hour drive from Sasebo Naval Base)

ADMISSION: Adventure Course: 4,000 yen; Canopy Course: 3,000 yen

TEL: 080-5548-2070



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Zipline Adventure Osorakan (Near Iwakuni)

Opens from late April to early Nov. and offers six zip line courses (which take about 90 minutes) in the beautiful forest. As the park is attached to Osorakan Ecology Campsite, you can enjoy both camp out and zip line at the location.

LOCATION: 740-1 Yokokawa, Aki-Ota Town, Yamagata-gun, Hiroshima Prefecture (a 2-hour drive from MCAS Iwakuni)

ADMISSION: Ages 10 or above: 3,500 yen; ages 10-17: 2,300 yen

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NEEDED

Spring Valley Sendai-Izumi (near Misawa)

Set in a ski resort, it is available only from May to early November. There are 7 zipline courses, which take about 90 minutes.

LOCATION: 14-2 Aza Dakeyama, Fukuoka, Izumiku, Sendai City, Miyagi Prefecture (a 4-hour drive from Misawa AB)

ADMISSION: 3,200 yen

TEL: 022-379-3755



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course later.

Forest Adventure Hakone is busy on the weekends, so plan ahead if you want to challenge yourself to complete the obstacle courses. Forest Adventure also has 40 facilities across the country, 12 of which are in the Kanto Plain.

Niibori said the park gets many visitors from Camp Zama and Forest Adventure Fuji is a destination for many from Yokota Air Base.

"I hope more and more people will enjoy the zipline obstacle course for an unusual experience," Niibori added. "It's simply great to scream aloud in the refreshing air of the forest, and that will be a fun memory that won't easily be forgotten."

Niibori recommend visiting the facility in the early morning because that's when the mountain air is the most refreshing.

Show a copy of this story at Forest Adventure Hakone for a 300-yen discount.

Let's go zippin' in the beautiful forest of Hakone!

takiguchi.takahiro@stripes.com

Forest Adventure Hakone

LOCATION: 749-1 Chanohana Yumoto, Hakone Town, Kanagawa Prefecture

HOURS: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. (last entry)

ADMISSION: Adventure Course 3,800 yen (\$29), Canopy Course 2,800 yen (\$22).

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A dreamland awaits at Oirase Gorge near Misawa

BY TAKAHIRO TAKIGUCHI
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Now that temperatures are starting to warm up, it's a great time to check out some of the season's flowers. Oirase Gorge Hot Spring, a slope with excellent skiing in the winter, has transformed into a dreamy wonderland covered in moss phloxes.

This stunning spot spans the 260-meter-long ski slope and is about an hour drive from Misawa Air Base and worth the hike to see.

"It was a dreamy view, indeed," says Yoshihito Morita of Misawa Commissary who visited Oirase Gorge Hot Spring this weekend.

"Though it was a kind of tough climbing all the way up through the steep slope for 260 meter, it is rewarding with changing hues of colorful flowers, as if I were seeing a dream after another," Morita said.

The moss phloxes can be enjoyed until early June, according to a Towada Town official. The temperatures are a little warmer than usual, so hurry over as that may affect how many flowers are around until the usual season end.

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Oirase Gorge Hot Spring

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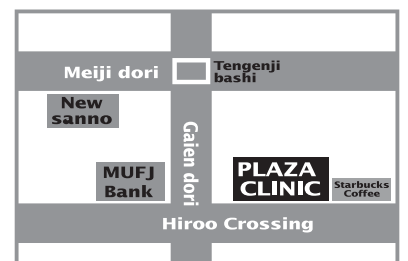


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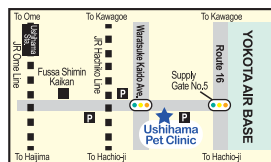
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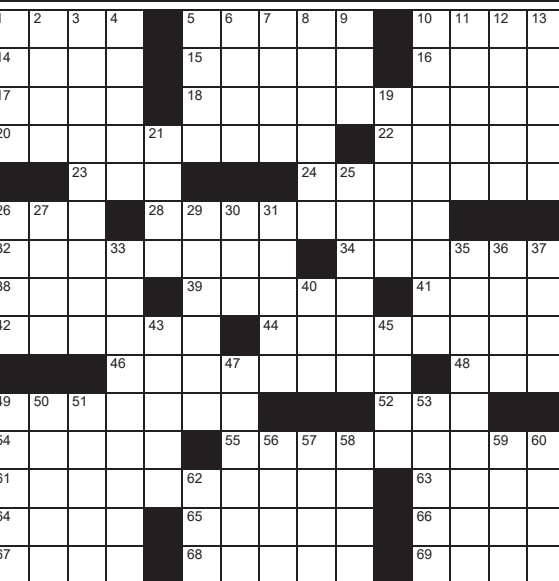
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- Got some shuteye
- Butter bits
- Malta money
- Sparkly headpiece
- Newspaper bio
- Former StubHub owner
- Blend in
- In dire straits
- Specialty
- Affectionate greeting
- Walloped
- Misbehave, with "up"
- Emerald, for one
- It comes with kings and queens
- Con artist's art
- Nautical pole
- Now and again?
- Cathedral recess
- Salad follower
- They may be flared
- High school grade
- Swedish airline
- Franc fraction
- de Triomphe
- Flinch, say
- Answers to problems
- Musical ensembles
- Jane's dog
- Filly's father
- Enraged
- Soldier's stance, with "at"
- Meets, as a bet
- 10th U.S. President
- Whole bunch



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- Trial with a dummy
- River rat
- Hollywood sighting
- Mona
- Right on the map
- White-collar worker?
- Scot's cap
- Patrol vehicle
- Taken
- Churchgoer's offering
- Trusty horse
- Laughable
- Breakfast staple
- Unassuming
- Very top
- Detective Charlie
- Look up to
- Kitten sound
- "Goosebumps" writer
- Prepares to work out
- Kind of church
- Madonna's "La Bonita"

- " of the D'Urbervilles"
- Debate side
- Privileged group
- " does it!"
- Room for church garments
- Alex of James Patterson novels
- Otherworldly
- Mother-of-pearl
- Reacts to yeast
- Spoken aloud
- Recently deceased
- Computer operator
- Cyrano's famous feature
- Dinner in a pot
- Take a load off

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- Legal title
- Sugar serving



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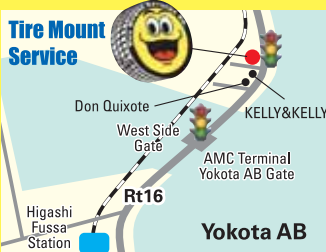
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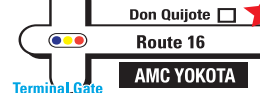
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Pikachu Afternoon Tea

Enjoy this fun high tea in either Tokyo or Nagoya

BY KIM,
JAPAN TRAVEL

There are a wide variety of ways that Pokémon fans can enjoy Japan, and one of the newest on the calendar is a Pikachu-themed afternoon tea. The event will be taking place at two locations – The Strings Omotesando (Tokyo) and The Strings Nagoya – and includes a variety of menu items designed with fun in mind.

Some of the tasty treats that visitors can enjoy as part of the afternoon tea include cheeseburger sliders complete with yellow buns, caramel macarons dusted with cocoa powder to emulate the stripes on Pikachu’s back, and a mango pudding topped with whipped cream and a cherry.

There are also Pikachu-themed drinks available for purchase (separate to the afternoon tea menu), including a Pikachu fruit mocktail, a Pikachu passionfruit ade, or a latte topped with a Pikachu motif.

It’s not just the food that’s themed, either. The Strings locations are also being decked out in Pikachu décor, making for some cute photo spots.

If you are planning to attend one of the afternoon tea events, do note that the dates differ at the two locations. The Strings Omotesando event is running until July 3. The Strings Nagoya event runs from June 1– Aug. 31.

GETTING THERE (Need reservation)

The Strings Omotesando is located outside Omotesando Station’s B5 exit. The station is served by the Ginza, Hanzomon, and Chiyoda Tokyo Metro Subway Lines.
Address: 3 Chome-6-8 Kitaaoyama, Minato City, Tokyo 107-0061

The Strings Nagoya is located 15 minutes on foot from the Sakura Dori exit of Nagoya Station. The station is served by numerous lines, including the Tōkaidō Shinkansen, the Tōkaidō Main Line, and the Chūō Main Line to name just a few.
Address: 4-60-7, Hiraike-cho, Nakamura-ku, Nagoya Station, Nagoya.




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- E.J. King Class of 2023

Grad Tab



CLASS OF 2023

E.J. King High

Robert D. Edgren High

Matthew C. Perry High

Yokota High

Nile C. Kinnick High

Zama American High



E.J. King High School

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| Adkins, Kaylee | Jones, Cody |
| Balitaan, Margrett Jhanelle | Lagrito, Pauline Jazmin Kate |
| Barnhill, Zion | Mengote, Stephanie |
| Collins, Brandilyn | Minimo, Justin |
| Dann, Logan | Nguyen, Nghia |
| Dowty, Sana | Nocon, Jemalyn |
| Duncanson, Sara | Normandin, Amanda |
| Espiritu, Naydel | Reid, Tyson |
| FitzGerald, Aileen | Reinhart, Cameron |
| Goleman, Luna | Rodenas, Fiona Althea Torida |
| Hecox, Christian | Saik, Chelsea |
| Hernandez, Elizabeth | Staggs, Arabella |
| Herrero, Calista | Stella, Rahim |
| Jarrett, Reena | Wall, Ashton |
| Johnson, Landon | |



Senior pride in full force.



Tristan Alejandrino, Fiona Rodenas, Luna Goleman, Chelsea Saik, Calista Herrero.



Arabella Staggs, Chelsea Saik, Brandy Collins, Nghia Nguyen, Stephanie Mengote - False Alarm.



Cameron Reinhart - Academic Award.

Thanks for the love, support, understanding

It is unbelievable that this day has finally arrived! As precocious middle schoolers, we never thought this day would arrive. And here we are graduating from high school. We have imagined this day and cannot wait to share this moment with so many.

There are many people to thank. First, our families. The love, support, and understanding from you has been unwavering. The patience you have shown us through the years is something we will carry with us as we pursue our dreams. To our teachers. We are thankful for what you have given us. A yearning to learn. We will be forever grateful for the lessons you have taught us in the classroom and on the playing field. Lastly, to those who we had brief encounters with, thank you.

Over the years we have made friends and have said good-byes to many due to the transient lifestyle as a military child. We value the friendships we have made and are forever grateful for the support you have given us. Even though we have lost touch with those we have left behind we are better for crossing paths.

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A special thank you to our fellow graduates. It has been a joy and pleasure being with you during our high school years

—E.J. King Class of 2023



Rahim Stella - The Hype Man.



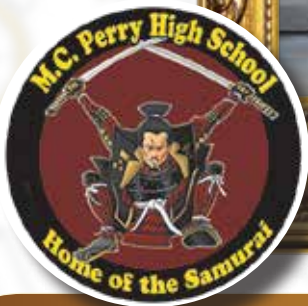
Calista Herrero, Tyson Reid - Back 2 Back.



Rahim Stella, Kaylee Adkins, Sana Dowty, Amanda Normandin.



Elizabeth Hernandez - Cobra Spirit.

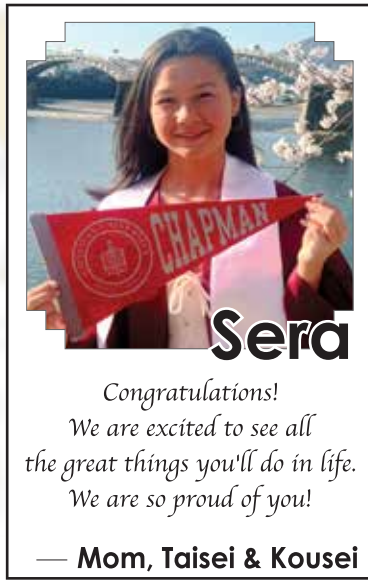


Matthew C. Perry High School

Ballesteros, Maleina
Balubar, Jodeci Dezmond-Derae
Burford, Edward
Campbell, Cecilia
Campbell, Chelsea
Cerros, Elena
Cobb, Jalen
Darmawan, Richie
DeGuzman, Gavin
Desilva, Jaiden Avery
Downing, Trinity
Flynn, Sean
Gregory, Craighton
Hansen, Isaac-Karl

Henry, Billy
Johnson, Makayla
Kendrick, Kirby
Kitko, Auriana
Landry, Tara
LaRue, Maddix
Matos, Nyla
Medina, Madalynn
Mercado, Hailey Joy
Montgomery, Ryuto
Nurudin-Watley, Aisha
Osborn, Lindy
Paalam, Emmanuel Jean
Pacleb, Edward Lorence

Perry, Carley
Poynton, Maeryn
Quinn, Haleigh
Rayos, Raven
Reyes, Ronald
Rice, William
Saito, Rinka
Santiago, Jayden
Sarnowski, Ryu
Shimakura, Sera
Silang, Joben Ian
Strasser, Ashley
Troudt, Buse
Williams, Dominic



The Class of 2023 takes the traditional picture at the Kintai Bridge. Since 2006, this traditional photo has been framed and will be displayed forever in the front hallway of the school.
Photo by Kevin Rossiter



Senior soccer players (from left to right) Hailey Mercado, CeCe Campbell, Aisha Nurudin-Watley, Elena Cerros, and Haleigh Quinn celebrate their fantastic win on Senior Night. Photo by Alysia Clavijo



Sharp shooting senior Nyla Matos attempts a free throw after a foul from EJ King Cobras.
Photo by Kevin Rossiter



Right after taking class pictures, seniors run to an ice cream stand near the Kintai bridge. The shop sure got some good business that day.
Photo by Jayden Santiago

Growth, laughter, love, setbacks...successes.

Words are so limited to express the immense gratitude this year's graduating class, the Class of 2023, feels towards all the teachers, coaches, and parents, among all the rest of the caring adults that have guided us towards this moment. This is the first big milestone of our adult lives, the completion of 12 years of not only education but growth, laughter, love, setbacks, and most importantly successes.

To all the teachers, whose classes we sometimes seemed to dread, and complained about all the homework, the harsh grading, or even the long lectures, thank you! Thank you for the countless hours of knowledge. But also thank you for never giving up on us and never allowing us to give up on ourselves, even when we felt we wanted to.

To all the coaches, whose practice we sometimes seemed to dread, and complained about the yelling, constant drilling, or even that one extra suicide run, thank you. I can assure you we will, or already do miss the thrill of competing, especially alongside each of our teammates who became more like family. Whether that be under the Friday night lights, in the school gym with the bleachers full, or even at the field those memories occurred with the help of your coaching that has pushed us past what we thought were our limits and molded us into being fearless, determined, strong athletes.

Last but most certainly not least, our parents. We may have seemed to dread and rebelled against your rules and even bickered with you at times, but thank you. You have guided us on the entire path up to this moment. After 18 years of learning, we will soon be high school graduates. This moment could not have come without you. You all have taught us our first steps, and now we are equipped to walk onto our different paths of success on our own. The words thank you seem to be an understatement for the amount we appreciate all you have done for us.

To everyone else that has lent a helping hand when in need, an ear to listen, words that we needed to hear, or even just a comforting presence, thank you. The Perry H. S. Class of 2023 thanks you. We are at the finish line of the first big journey of our lives. We could not have done it without you all and we will carry the many lessons you all have taught us for the rest of our lives.

—Perry Class of 2023



Senior Trinity Downing participates on M.C. Perry's first ever Esports team. The team competed during winter sports season against the other DODEA Pacific schools.
Photo by Aliana Irineo



Senior Aisha Watley packages sweets that were donated for a local orphanage. She, along with many others in NHS, take part in making the school and community a better place. Photo by Lindy Osborn



Brothers in arms. Seniors Kirby Kendrick and Dominic Williams embrace each other on the sidelines during the game. The two have been friends since freshman year. Photo by Raven Rayos



Perry seniors gather at the Homecoming pep rally to participate in the screaming contest to see what class has the most school spirit. Armed with drums and other instruments, the seniors won! Photo by Sophie Ballesteros



Nile C. Kinnick High School

Adams, Bryce	Basa, Sanja Erin	Cribb, Serenity	Keller, Wayne	Robinson, Gabriel
Alvord, Elias	Basilio, Yohance Neal	Cunningham, Alix	Kruse, Rhianna	Rodriguez, Ryan
Arellano, Rafael	Beasley, Ayalynn	Curley, Connor	Lahti, Rebekah	Rosas, Benjamin
Boyd, Brendan	Beauregard, Rian	Custodio, Ryunosuke	Leon Guerrero, Aidehn John	Rose, Justice
Holloway, Bryce	Bentley, Julie	Dale, Zoe	Luga, Khristian	Sapiot, Allyssa
Lacsina, Angelica	Betron, Izer Joshua	DeMoss, Kaito	Maldonado, Jazmine	Segar, Colin
Lopez, Zoey	Blaydes, Marlee	Diaz, Abigail	Martin, Tyga	Segar, Rachel
Mason, Konayis	Bogen, Chloe	Diaz, Sofia	Meixl, Julian	Serban, Kai
Mincey, Imani	Bogen, Claire	Dulce, Christian Patrick	Menard VIII, Phillip	Sexton, Mia
Mock, Lucille	Bojorquiz, Jared	Escobar, Izebel	Miller, Amber	Simmons, Mei
Montoya, Aelora	Boschert, Zachary	Espineli, Alex	Miranda, Mikaila Joi	Sinski, Sarena
Perry, Kara	Briones, Brian	Espineli, Ryla	Myers, Nathan	Szerlag, Jake
San Nicolas, Cierra	Brooks, Patrick	Fowler, Andre	Odon, Kimberly	Tarun, Jessabell
Smith, Sabrina	Buckley, Meadow	Fulk, Anthony	Ong, Shaina	Torres, Hailey
Stevens, Jillian	Burns, Hailey	Furman, Jhace	Oriem, Luke	Trotter, Amelie
Tiong, Samantha	Cabradilla, Mila	Garcia, Alyssa Noelle	Orina, Kassandra	Uptegrove, Dylan
Villano, Darren	Cabrera, Gabriela	Gleckler, Leala	Ostertag, Trishia	Walden, Lacey
Wallace, Cody	Calliste, Kamal	Harts, Luke	Pardo, Adrianna	Wallis, Aiden
Adkins, Jessica	Carbonel, Elyza Kaylee	Hernandez, Joshua	Paul, Emily	Wells, Benjamin
Akers, Logan	Carroll, Yujiro	Hines, Terrance	Penta, Juliet	Wells, Ella
Allen Jr., Casey	Casas, Ria	Ho, Ka	Perez, Natalia Corinne	Williams, Kyrese
Anglada, Angelina	Casey, Matthew	Inman, Arieal	Perez, Ryunosuke	Wordlaw, Skyla
Apodaca, Ayumi	Chambers, Josiah	Jarvis, Jane	Ponce Deleon, Terrell Ghian	Yabut, Annika
Aquil, Elijah	Cheng, Ibuki	Johnson, Caleb	Praylow, Naomi	Yang, Joshua
Atoigue, Ariana	Clark, Elizabeth	Johnson, Moira	Raralio, Garnette Louise	Zetterholm, Justin
Barrera, Vian	Coleman, Erin	Jones, Amyka	Reyes, Edwin	Zhunepluas, Priam



Angelina Anglada and Jessica Adkins.
Photo by TeAnna Reimers



Claire Bogen, Ka Ho, Chloe Bogen,
Marlee Blaydes. Photo by TeAnna Reimers



Josiah Chambers. Photo by TeAnna Reimers



Emily Paul. Photo by TeAnna Reimers



Ariana Atoigue, Juliet Penta. Photo by Jake Szerlag



Senior Class Council. Photo by Mila Cabradilla



Hailey
*We are so proud of you!
Keep learning, growing, and
spreading love. The world is
yours, cease every opportunity.*
— Love, Mom, Dad, and Michael



Matthew
*Congratulations! We're so proud of
your accomplishments and the person
you've become! We love you so much!*
— Mom, Dad,
Lauren and Katelyn



Mia Sexton.
Photo by Ariana Atoigue



Amyka Jones.
Photo by TeAnna Reimers



Jazmine Maldonado. Photo by TeAnna Reimers



Joshua Yang. Photo by TeAnna Reimers



Elias Alvord. Photo by TeAnna Reimers

It's been a wonderful ride!

To the lovely parents, teachers, faculty, and other amazing adults that helped guide us in these formative chapters of our lives,
It is with such pride that I - on behalf of the senior class of Nile C. Kinnick High School - get to take this opportunity to extend our gratitude for everything you've all done for us.
Parents, thank you so much for providing us with your unwavering love, patience, and care. There aren't any words that could describe in completion just how thankful we are for nurturing us, and picking us up when we've fallen down. Thank you for acting as such incredible pillars of strength, especially during trying times. Even when the 'going got tough' with COVID, having you all by our side to support us in our ambitions has given me, and many others, the strength to grit our teeth and put in our best efforts. I firmly believe that your discipline, guidance, and consistent presence in our lives has shaped each and every one of us to be nothing but hard-working go-getters.
Teachers, thank you for consistently demonstrating to us the care you have for your craft. On top of sharing with us your incredible reservoirs of knowledge, it meant the world to a lot of us to see your excitement and love for what you teach. Additionally, thank you for helping create such a fun, safe environment for us students during instruction. Some of my best memories in the last few years have taken place in the classroom, to which I will always be grateful.
To my fellow seniors and classmates, it's been a wonderful ride. I'm thankful to you all for making each day memorable. We did it!

—Justin Zetterholm
Senior Class President
Nile C. Kinnick High School

E.J. King High School



Jemalyn Nocon, Luna Goleman, Kaylee Adkins - Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.



Aileen Fitzgerald - Focus.



Cody Jones, Ashton Wall - King Represent.



King Cobra Spirit.

Matthew C. Per



(From left to right) Seniors Chelsea Campbell, CeCe Campbell and Raven Rayos have fun during the JROTC Ball.
Photo by Lindy Osborn



In addition to the class picture in front of the Kintai Bridge, the Class of 2023 form a 23 at the base of the bridge.
Photo by Kevin Rossiter

Robert D. Edgren High School



Perspective

50 years of “good morning”
Of “hey, how was your day?”
Of “are you going to the game tonight?”
And last but not least, “Have you done the homework?”

As I walk through the halls of Yokota High school
Although the buildings and surroundings have changed
I am reminded that 49 other senior classes have walked
this campus
49 classes of teenagers with their whole lives ahead
Leaving Yokota as their starting line

Half a century ago, the first graduation was held for
Yokota high school
Long before most of our parents were born
The history of this school and the legacy we carry
I am proud to be a Panther.

—Coco Eddy



erry High School



During the Strings Concert in December, Sophie Ballesteros participates in the performance by showing off her violin talents.
Photo by Sera Shimakura



Ryunosuke Custodio.
Photo by TeAnna Reimers



Christian Dulce.
Photo by TeAnna Reimers



Seniors Dominic Williams and CeCe Campbell play "Hungry Hippo" at the Homecoming pep rally in the high school gym.
Photo by Kirby Kendrick



Ryunosuke Perez. Photo by Imani Mincey



Chloe Bogen, Jillian Stevens, Julie Bentley, Marlee Blaydes, Ariana Atoigue, Claire Bogen.
Photo by TeAnna Reimers

gh School



Senior power!



Remi Sherratt.

Continuity

New built from the remnants of the old
Not the same school as it once was
Changed and remade for the better of the future
The last school has become part of the past, a relic

This 50th graduating class
Is about to join the history of this school
About to move on, about to move out, about to live life
Live life to the fullest, live these few months to the fullest

Live life as these past 50 years of students have
So many classes have graduated and succeeded
Soon enough another class will graduate and walk across
that stage
Walk across that stage, into a new life, a new start

—Angelo DeFazio



Emily Jackson.



Kaitlynn McAbee, Justin Iriarte, Mia Boyd.

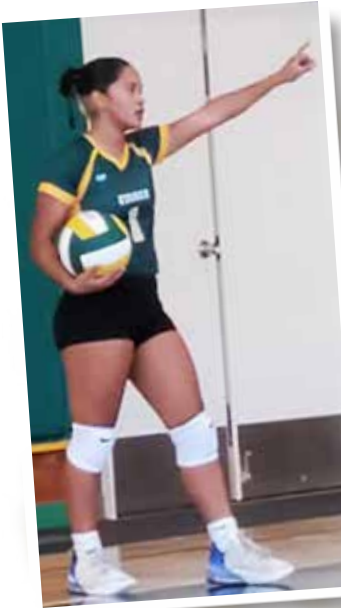


Robert D. Edgren High School

Beisley Mai
Bengston Thomas
Cruz-Reyes Emma Rose
Erler Abigail
Fignar Elizabeth
Gong Hyun Rim
Hawkins Ryan
Herrera Christopher
Jack Airic
Jordan Hailey
Kuns Evan
Low Sarah
Lozier Karin
Magat Maliyah
Miller Genesis
Nelson Dennis

Nogueras Axel
Obertal Leilani
O'Connell Gavin
O'Connell Gwyneth
Okamura Kazuma
Parkinson Erin
Perez Paul Braden
Phillips Latrell
Reeves O'moj
Sanchez Aaron
Schmart Haeley
Simmons Gabriel
Walters Nathaniel
Washington Zalea
Whitmore Samara
Willets Jared





Dennis

Dennis, we are beyond proud of the young man you have become. Congratulations Ishtagii!

Love
— Mom and Dad



Erin

We're very proud of you!! Always remember you're VERY LOVED and a valuable daughter of God. Reach for the stars!!

— Ocho Locos



Jared

Congratulations, Jared! We are so proud of you!

— Love,
Dad, Mom, and Kaitlyn



Your unconditional love and support has guided us

The past four years have been filled with many ups and downs for all of us. Many of us dealt with moves across the world, adapting to a new environment, and many other challenges. Our freshman year, we were even faced with the start of a pandemic, which permanently changed our high school experience. But we persevered. This would not have been possible without the adults that helped us through our high school career.

To our teachers, thank you for all the effort and care you put into helping us grow as students and as people. We are forever grateful for the knowledge you have given us and the time you have taken to ensure that we understand and can apply it. Your dedication towards our education, as well as ensuring a smooth transition into adulthood, does not go unnoticed.

To our coaches, thank you for helping us gain and strengthen so many skills that we can continue to use throughout the rest of our lives. You have taught us to be resilient in the face of challenges, to be committed towards what we are passionate about, to manage our time to balance being a student and an athlete, and so much more.

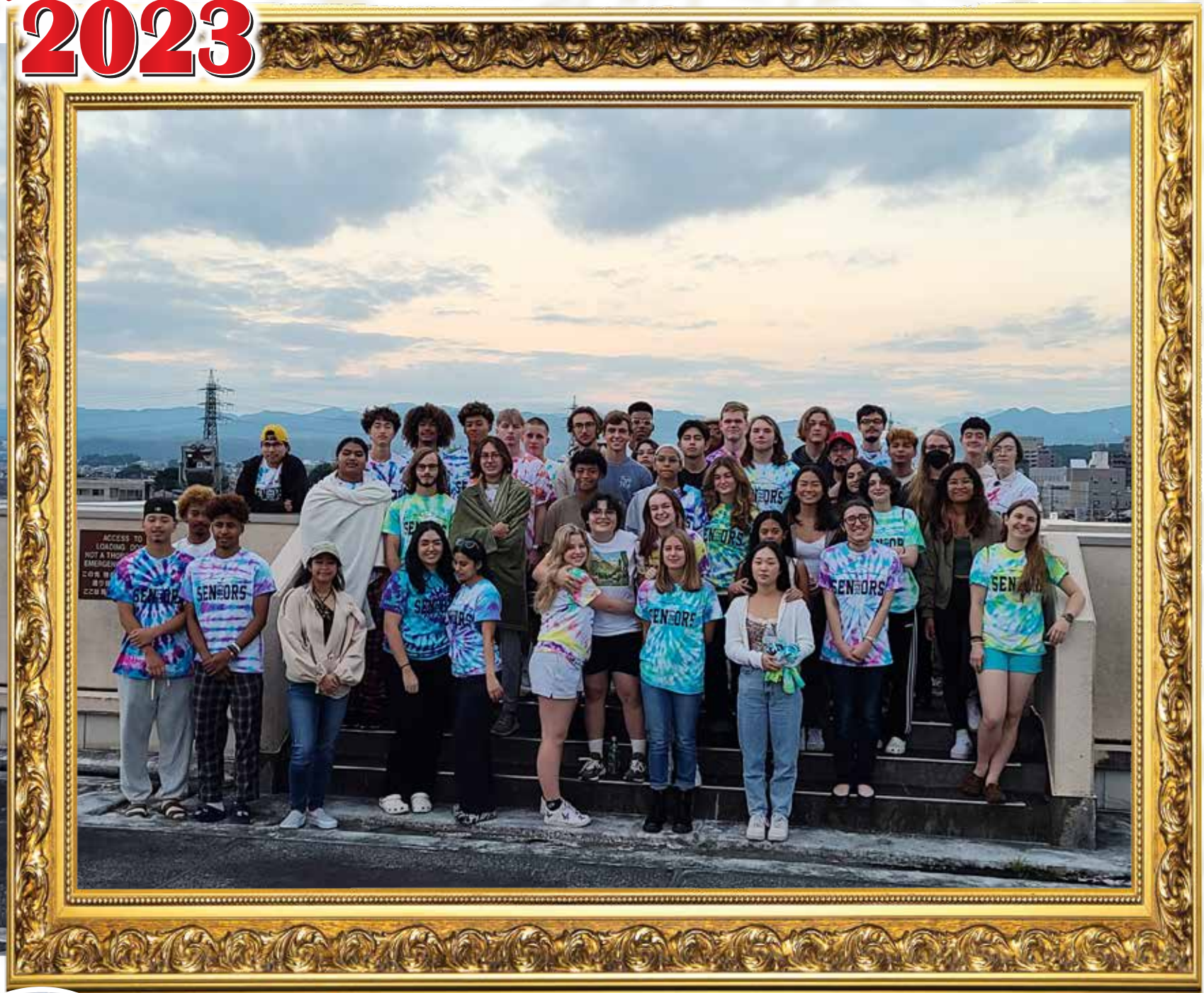
To our counselors, thank you for helping guide us through our senior year and prepare us for our future. Your guidance as we take the next step in our lives has been invaluable. We are incredibly grateful to have people to support and talk to about our needs, thoughts, and goals.

And most importantly, to our parents, thank you for everything. Thank you for supporting us throughout our whole lives, especially these past four years. Getting through high school would not have been possible without you. Thank you for all the homework help, showing up to our events, being there to talk to us, or simply just giving us a hug when we needed it. Your unconditional love and support has guided us through our last years of childhood, and we will continue to carry it with us. For this, we are eternally grateful.

Thank you to all the adults that have helped us get this far, and continue to support us as we move on to this new chapter of our lives..

—The Edgren Class of 2023





Yokota High School

Abalos, Althea	Eddy, Angelica	Hullman, Matthew	Popovich, Travis	Sylvain, Angela
Abrams, Damian	Flores, Elizabeth	Johnson, Marliah	Post, Kenai	Tanoue, Alicia
Bevilacqua, Carter	Francis, Eli	Kasten, Michael	Pratt, Brayden	Teodoro, Sophia Bella
Bryant, Frederick	Franklin, Jayden	Kirby, Colin	Rannow, William	Tomas, Matthew
Buss, Ethan	Franks, Paul	Kirkpatrick, Cade	Rhyne, William	Turner, Maya
Caldwell, Aurelia	Galus, Brodie	Kiser, Isabelle	Romero, Nicholas	Vargas, Omely
Cerda, Francis	Garcia, Daniella	Larino, Earl Maverick	Rose, Piper	Wellons, Lilly
Coburn, Jazira	Garcia, Kai	Lehman, Richard	Royster, Jayden	Whiteford, Kiyo
Cruz, Noah Dyllin	Gray, Hazel	Mahone, Allison	Sales, Mikaly	Woods, Marcus
Davis, Zemon	Gutierrez, Zane	Mahone, Julia	Shirley, Bradley	Woodworth, Michael
Dean, Jordan	Hardy, Emma	McDonald, Sydney	Simmons, Jeremiah	
DeFazio, Angelo	Hilliard, Cobi	McMahon, Victoria	Solberg, Senna	
Dunn, Nolan	Holmes, Carmelo	Overton, Davaney	Souza, Arisa	



Michael

Congratulations on your accomplishments. We are so proud of you! We love you,

— Mom and Dad



Angela

You have achieved a great milestone today. Wishing you many more successes in the future. We love you so much.

— Judy & Anthony



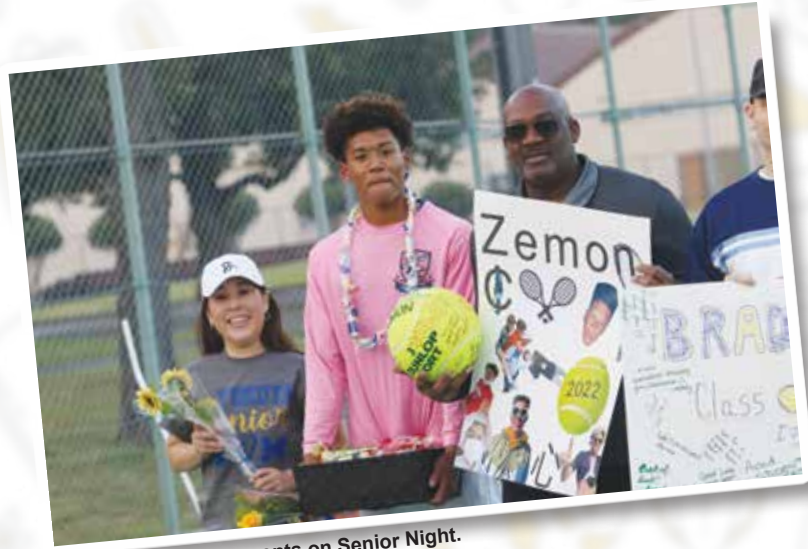
Angela

Congratulations, Angela. We are proud of you and your commitment to learn and excel. You are destined for greatness.

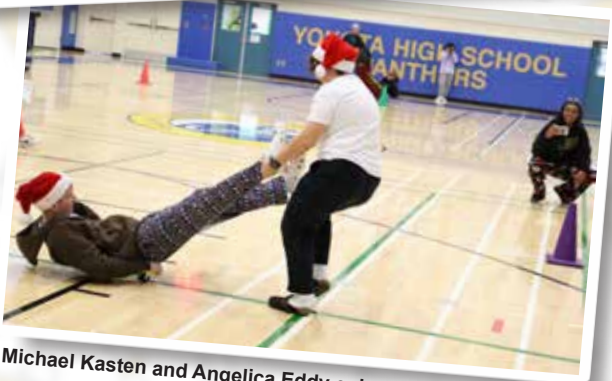
— Aunties Connie & Debra



Working at the car wash.



Zemon and proud parents on Senior Night.



Michael Kasten and Angelica Eddy enjoy a pep rally game.



Matt and Tate ponder their greatness.

We are observant, attentive, and dedicated


Our class has tried to prove ourselves worthy in our world, showing that we are observant, attentive, and dedicated. In the possibility of failure, we stand strong and continue to try even if we may be filled with doubt. This philosophy that many in the class stand for has been rooted in us by our role models. Whether that be our parents or guardians who taught us how to ride a bike or the teacher that stayed behind after school to help us with our work, or even our own classmates who push each other to do better. The drive to keep trying has been ingrained into us by those around us and for this we thank you.

But a thank you is not enough for all you have done for us.

Thank you parents for staying up late cleaning our sports clothes for the big game tomorrow because we forgot to put away the laundry. Letting us stay out past curfew because we are seniors now; and to our teachers for writing a letter of recommendation for us two days before the deadline. To say just thank you is not enough in our eyes, So, as the Class of 2023, we will continue to try for you. Even if we feel lost, we will continue to try. Because that is the biggest thank you we can give for all that you have given us.

As we inevitably closer to graduation, we ask you to continue to support us. Be there when we fail and lift us up when we are lost. Remind us to not forget about just living life. Give us the final push towards graduation and tell us that we keep trying even in the face of failure.


—Angela Sylvain
Yokota Class of 2023



Dylan

Congratulations Dylan! We are proud of you and love you so much!


— Love Dad, Mom, Courtney, Nic and Ollie



Travis

Congrats! 4 different high schools in 4 years wasn't easy, but you did it! So proud of you! We love you!

— Mom, Dad, & Alex



William

Congratulations William on this accomplishment! We love you and are so proud of the person you are.

— Love, mom and dad



Zama American High School

Abruscato, David
Aponte, Riki Emilio
Baker, Ayla
Barry, Dean
Boyd, Mia
Brodsky, Max
Bruzga, Michelle
Canlas, Gavin-Samuel
Clark, Trenton
Clements, Anaya
Cuffie, Marques
Dexter, Kay
Escalante, Simone Jan
Escalera, Gabriel
Evans, Erin
Fennessey, Lumena
Gough, Michael
Halog, Kylie

Hawkins, Tavonna
Hinkle, Bryan
Horton, Jessica
Hurey, Bedell
Iriarte, Justin Isaiah
Ismail, Sarah
Jacklyn, Cole
Jackson, Emily
Jones, Bonnie
Lape, Connor
Latchu, Lara
Malakoun, Chackey
Martinez Gonzalez, Fernando
Maxwell, Brianna
McAbee, Kaitlynn
Moore, Blaeson
Mueller, Shawna
Nagle, Christopher

Naquin, Sara
Navarro, Mary
Norton, Mikio
Oshiro, Sharissa
Pena, Ryan
Perusich, Mia
Phagan, Chloe
Ponce, Bryan
Reyes, Daniella
Reyes, Gabriella
Sakamoto-Flack, Nina
Sessions, Troy
Shaffell, Gina
Sherratt, Remi
White, Atiyana
White, Keito



Jessica

Congratulations on your graduation! You always make us proud! We hope you have fun in Sofia. Love you so much.

— Mom and Greg



Nina

Congrats lady! The future is bright and the world is yours. Crush it! Love you always!

Mama, Papa, Leah, Emma and Coco!



King and Queen.



Ryan Pena.



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