

The LEAD Stampede

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About The LEAD Stampede

The LEAD Stampede is a new newspaper run by students of Woodbury Elementary. Under the guidance of Ms. Murphy and Miss Willis, and with the help of Mrs. Lambert, Mr. Battenfield, and teachers and staff, students are now able to create our first newspaper. Fellow students come together and use their brains to create Woodbury Elementary's quarterly newspapers. This is a one-of-a-kind newspaper, and the students write to share their perspectives of difficulties or ideas about their lives in school. In this newspaper, students will write about events, things to do, student concerns, and general issues that affect students at Woodbury Elementary.

Upcoming Events

- The Harvest Cup is Friday, October 17th and can be on Sunday, October 19th, if our teams advance! GO, MUSTANGS!
 - Fall Break! A whole 19 days of no school (September 22-October 10)!
 - October 31st is soon to come, and Woodbury is getting ready for our annual Fall Fun Day Parade! Start getting your costumes ready now!!
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Featured Interview with Wesley Tjangnaka

By: Gabriel Chen and Chloe Tjangnaka

G & C: Hello everybody, we are Gabriel Chen and Chloe Tjangnaka, and we are here from Woodbury's ACE journalism class interviewing Wesley Tjangnaka, one of the students who came up with the idea of a student-run publication. Please get to know him a bit better...

G & C: What motivated you to creating this journalism class?

W: In 5th grade, we did a lot of writing and my friends, Ben and Tyler inspired me to make this a bigger scale level and we decided to create a club dedicating itself to writing.

G & C: Tell us more about Ben and Tyler.

W: Both of them were mischievous. Yet inside, they were very intelligent and loved writing.

G & C: Where they're any staff members or teachers included in the founding of the ACE class?

W: Well, yes. I first spoke to my teacher, Mrs. Schaffer, and she talked to Mr. Battenfield about a student publication. He loved the ideal. He asked teachers if they would be interested in teaching a newspaper class, but Miss Willis stepped forward with an interest in running the Yearbook under a similar model. Then, Ms. Murphy offered to help put both Newspaper and Yearbook together, and we now have the ACE class in place! Then, Ben and Tyler recruited many members in 5th grade last year, and we became 6th graders this year.

G & C: So from what I heard, Ben and Tyler recruited many people including you, Izzy, Mia, Mary, and many others.

W: Yes.

G & C: How did you convince Mr. Battenfield to turn this from an ordinary writing club into a ACE class?

W: One afternoon, I decided to bring a letter to Mr. Battenfield stating that we decided this club should become an after school program. A couple of people who are willing to stay after school to do this could come.

G & C: *Do you really think this ACE class was a smart decision? Do you agree that this will become successful in the future?*

W: Yes. I think this ACE class will inspire many people to enjoy writing and have more ideas for writing. Miss Willis and Ms. Murphy are planning on making this an annual offer.

G & C: *Since people in this ACE class are turned into staff members, do you think that other people will be jealous that they aren't a staff member and will this cause problems?*

W: I hope not. I don't think they should, because they have many chances to register for the class and participate. Well, 5th graders and 6th graders, at least. Primary grades will have this to look forward to when they become 5th and 6th graders.

G & C: *Well, what about these 6th graders that didn't get a chance to be in this ACE class? Do you think they might think their unlucky?*

W: A couple people in my class might think so. One person in my class was angry, because she wanted to sign up but didn't get a chance to be able in the sign up. Hopefully, she will read this first issue and see she still has the chance to participate!

G & C: *So, I've heard the co-editors in chief are Miss Willis and Ms. Murphy?*

W: Yes, that's true.

G & C: *Do you think that Miss Willis and Ms. Murphy are people who are fit for the job of co-editors in chief?*

W: Yes, I trust them completely! Miss Willis was my RTI teacher in fourth grade, and Ms. Murphy is our computer lab teacher. She teaches us tech-things that we might not already know.

G & C: *So, was it just your fifth grade teacher or was it all the teachers throughout your years that inspired you to do this*



W: At the end of fourth grade, we did a 4th grade Time for Kids, and throughout the year in 5th grade, we did a lot of writing. Toward the end of the year, this idea came to us when we started to like writing. I think that all our teachers helps inspire this idea.

G & C: *This wraps up our interview with Wesley Tjangnaka. Thank you for reading!*

Meet Your Student Newspaper Staff

Staff Writers: Chloe G, Gabriel, Izabella, Emily, Michelle, Donna, Jun, Megan, Laci, Sallie, Nylah, Wesley	Photographers: Chloe T, Madison, Brandon, Allison, Kaydence, Ryan, Chalyunn, Tanya, Richelle, Faith, Saachi, Camryn, Mei Ling, Lauren	Photo Editors: Izabella, Wesley, Allison, Ryan, Tanya, Laci, Kaydence	Writing Editors: Brandon, Wesley, Clarity, Jun, Megan, Donna, Saachi
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Newspaper Staff Biographies

 <p>Hi! my name is Allison, and I am in Miss Dimitruk's class. I am in 6th grade. My hobbies are painting, running, sports, and doing after school classes. I have been a swimmer and a soccer player since I was 4 years old. I am really good at technology, and when I was in 5th grade I entered a tech fair. I created a website and app about the school, and I got 2nd place. I joined this class, because I was very interested in creating things, inventing things, and most of all being apart of this after-school class.</p>	 <p>I am Brandon in Mrs. Ostrom's sixth grade class. I like skiing, running, and swimming. I am interested in anime, Harry Potter, and traveling. To be honest, I love drawing. Another thing that I love is school! I think school is amazing. I like learning, and I love math. Since I like traveling, I love taking photos. For my class job, it would be cool if I was photographer. Being photographer would be like my dream job in school. I just would like to say that I am looking forward to participating in the school newspaper.</p>
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My name is **Camryn**, and I am in Mr. Mallory's 5th grade class. The reason why I chose to join the newspaper was because I thought it would be an amazing and fun opportunity for me. One of my hobbies are swimming, and I have been on a swim team for two years! I love art, so much that my art teacher took one of my pieces to an art show. I like the outdoors when it's warm, and I love nature. That's all about me and why I joined Woodbury's school newspaper.



Hi, my name is **Clarity**, but some people call me Clare for short. I am in 6th grade in Mrs. Piscopo's class. I have one sister, and her name is Sarafina. She is 5 years old and in kindergarten at our school. My hobbies are volleyball, hanging out with my friends, and reading. In my free time I like to read, dance and sing. My best friend's name is Tanya, and she loves dancing. I love to play with my dog, Angie. She is 9 years old. I joined this class to hang out with my friends and learn about our school.



Hello my name is **Jun**, and I am a 6th grader in Mrs. Ostrom's class. I am a part of the amazing organization of student leaders who are excited to give you the news. Our school newspaper is called The LEAD Stampede and the newspapers will come out 4 times this year. I like a lot of things. I play many sports, including swimming and basketball. Some hobbies I do besides playing sports, is ride my bike or skateboard, and physical exercise. My interests are writing, math, language arts, science lab, and dance. I am looking forward to being an editor or staff writer. I have been to some competitions with Woodbury, such as Math Field Day. With that said, I ask you prepare yourselves, because the 2014-15 newspaper and yearbook is going to be great!



Hi, my name is **Laci**. I am in the sixth grade in Mrs. Piscopo's class. I have been at this school since kindergarten through third grade, then I moved to a different school for fourth and fifth grade. I came back to this school for sixth grade, because I didn't want to miss the last year here. I want to learn how to be a better writer and editor. I love going outside and taking pictures with my sister. Adding to that, I enjoy cooking and baking for my family and friends. When I read, I like reading adventure books such as Hatchet, Wish You Were Eyre, and much more. Not only that, but I enjoy jotting down ideas, as well as drawing pictures. All in all, I love doing many activities, and hope to learn many things from this journalism class.



Hi, my name is **Emily**. I am in Miss Dimitruk's 6th grade class. I love school, and I love to do sports. I want to say that I love to travel and I am always up for an adventure. I love to be challenged and when I am, I get it done. I am also very good at writing. When I mess up at things, I keep trying. Now, let me tell you a bit about myself. I ski, swim, play tennis, and play soccer. I love math and science. I love to make movies and use technology. I wanted to join this class, because it would be an opportunity to share Woodbury news.



Hello my name is **Faith** and I'm in 5th grade. My teacher is Mrs. Schaffer in room 24. Some of my activities are ice skating and art. I have been playing the cello for about a year. I like all colors

Hi, I'm **Chloe G.** and I'm in Ms. Blanco's fifth grade class. I am the writer for The LEAD Stampede. I love dogs, playing on pogosticks, reading, creating things, and playing soccer! I have an older sister who is eleven, and her name is Sophya. As for hobbies, I pogostick, sketch, play soccer, write, swim, and take pictures. This class is important to me because it's my time to show everyone how good I am at my journalism skills.



Hi, I am **Chloe T.** I am the youngest in my family. I'm currently a 5th grader in Ms. Blanco's class. I enjoy playing my cello and reading School for Good and Evil. My hobbies include playing on the computer, as well as taking pictures around my house. In my free time, I like to swim and walk around my house. I also like attending ACE classes, such as this one. This class is important to me, because I love technology.



Hi! My name is **Izabella**. I am 11 years old. I am in 6th grade, and I am in Mrs. Piscopo's class here at Woodbury Elementary. I have a family of five, including me, my mo., Phoebe; my dad, Dan; my sister, Julianna; and my dog, Princess Cutie. We call her Princess, for short. Some activities I like to do are art, sports, crafts, take photos, play Minecraft, and read books. I would like to be a photographer, because I love taking pictures. Sometimes, my dad would let me "explore" his camera and often take pictures with it. Usually, when my family and I have dinner with my relatives, my mom or dad would ask me to take a photo instead of my sister, even though she is older than me. I also like writing and organizing things, but I don't know why! Sometimes, I feel that writing is hard for me, but I guess it's just because I'm learning.



Hi, my name is **Donna**, and I am a 6th grader in Mrs. Ostrom's "tee'riffic class. I joined the Woodbury Journalism ACE Class, because I love writing. I don't just love it, it is my favorite subject in school. Also, my future dream job is to become a reporter, so this ACE class can help me get a step closer to experiencing what I would do for my dream job. Some things that I have interests in are writing narrative stories and learning about other people. Hobbies that I enjoy are reading and being in a synchronized swimming team. Being a staff writer would be the perfect job for me, because I am the person you can talk to about writing, editing, taking pictures, and just reporting the news. I can make the newspaper article enjoyable and entertaining to read. I hope that all students in Woodbury Elementary enjoy reading The LEAD Stampede newspapers. I am very excited about the new school newspaper, and I am ready to LEAD in taking part of it.



Hello! I am **Chalynn** and I'm a 10 year old in 5th grade. My teacher is Mrs. Schaffer (I think she is awesome). I like to sing and dance, I also like art. I really want to be photographer. I think it will be cool and fun. I hope I will meet some great new friends in journalism!

My name is **Gabriel**. I have two brothers named Galileo and Galahad, and a sister named Genevieve. I am in 5th grade, and my homeroom teacher is Ms. Blanco. My hobbies

and am easy going. I have one pet, which is a dog named Winter. My hobbies are handball, basketball, football, hockey, ice skating, and all other sports. I like all subjects in class such as math, art, social studies, and all the rest. I love taking photos and going to support all of Woodbury's students and teachers. I joined this class, because I wanted to become a better writer. Thank you for reading!



Hi my name is **Madison**. I'm 11 years old and, I'm a 6th Grader in Mrs.Ostrom's class. My newspaper job is photographer. I have been taking photos as long as I can remember! I have two younger sisters named Sophia and Avery. My interests are reading, writing, and of course writing the newspaper! I like singing, hanging with friends, watching videos on YouTube. I chose to join the newspaper in the first place, because it's my last year at Woodbury, and I really would like to be part of the newspaper.



Hi, my name is **Megan**. I have been and still am a student at Woodbury Elementary for seven years now. Right now, I am currently in Miss Dimitruk's sixth grade class. Some of my hobbies include baking and shopping. I am very interested in scientific things, like space and humans. It is weird to think about how our brain really works, but I still enjoy learning about it. I also enjoy math, because it is challenging and fun. My job is a photographer and staff writer for The Lead Stampede. I have always loved working with cameras since the age of five, and I love writing and interviewing people.



Hi, my name is **Michelle**. I'm a 5th grader in Mrs. Schaffer's class, I like llamas, and have a strange obsession of making people say 'Hi' every time I see them. I'm a staff writer for the The Lead Stampede and can't wait to write! You can find me all around the school, like in the classrooms interviewing teachers, at school events jotting down notes, or at the Media Center helping publish your quarterly newspaper and the school's Yearbook.



My name is **Sallie**, and I am 10 years old. I am in fifth grade and am in Mr. Mallory's class. I love Science, especially Lab with Ms. DeFrank. I also like Social Studies, because it is enjoyable to look back in time. I enjoy taking pictures of my family and friends. I like taking pictures, because it is a very good memory to have when we are older. One of my hobbies is reading. I love reading, because it opens a new section of my mind. My favorite books are the Harry Potter series. I am excited to join the journalism class to create things!



My name is **Nylah** and I am 10 years old. I am in Ms. Blanco's class. I love building, modeling, and creating. My favorite subject in school is music, because I like to sing. My favorite hobby is swimming and soccer. I am excited to be in the school newspaper and yearbook. So far I am

include reading, my current favorite book is the Crimson Crown; collecting the latest MAGIC trading cards; and daydreaming. I am also known for my great socializing skills. If any of you out there need an entertainer, I am your man! I hope that you enjoy reading our paper and looking at our photos!



Hi, my name is **Kaydence** and I'm a 6th grader in Mrs. Picopo's class. My favorite thing to do at home is to go on my electronic devices and play all day. Just kidding, that is not all I do! I also play or babysit my baby sisters. I like hanging with my family, but I also like sports, like softball. I have been playing softball ever since I was seven. It's been a great run. I would like to be a Photo Editor as part of The Lead Stampede. I think it would be really fun editing photos. I always wanted to do that! T



Hi, my name is **Mel Ling**. My homeroom teacher is Mrs. Dalton, and I am in fifth grade. I don't want to be a staff member, because I feel I am bad at writing. I want to do photography, because I love to take pictures. I take my camera places and take many pictures. I wanted to go to this class, because I want to learn how to make a book. I also like to work with technology.



I am **Wesley**, a 6th grader in Mrs. Ostrom's class. Along with Izabella, Ben, and Tyler, we came up with the idea The LEAD Stampede last year in 5th grade. I enjoy playing basketball and viola, going to school, and reading especially the Manga series, One Piece. I'm interested in science, math, technology, and writing, which is the main reason why I applied for editor. I have applied for editor primarily because I like writing. Also, I honestly think that the best way for me to improve in writing is to keep writing, and I believe this job will help me. This is my fourth and last year at Woodbury. Over the years, I have learned a lot. I have been on the Math Team for two years, and I had a wonderful experience. To the future 6th graders, I would like to have them continue The LEAD Stampede!



Hello, my name's **Richelle**. I'm in fifth grade in Mrs. Schaffer's class. I love the color pink, and I play the flute. I am obsessed with Harry Potter, and I play the game "Pottermore." In this game, I am in Gryffindor, which is my favorite house. I have a ukulele, trumpet, guitar, flute, piano, keyboard, and two violas, but I don't play all of these instruments. I love taking pictures and love ice cream. I am super talkative and wanted to join the newspaper, because I can have fun while taking pictures or being a staff member writing in an article.

My name is **Lauren**. I am in Mrs. Dalton's fifth grade class. I am 10 years old and have been at Woodbury since I was in first grade. My favorite color is blue, and my favorite animal is a wolf. I like to read and travel. I

liking the ACE class. It has been fun, because you get to hang out with friends. This class is about having fun.



Hi, my name is **Tatyana**, but some people call me Tanya for short. I am in Mrs. Piscopo's 6th grade class. My favorite color is red, and I am 12 years old. By the way, I was adopted from Ukraine. I have two sisters. Their names are Oksana and Alina. Alina is only one year older than me, and Oksana is seven years old. One of my favorite things to do in my free time is dancing. My best friends name is Clarity. She

has been in my class ever since second grade. MY favorite animals are dolphins and tigers.

am looking forward to participating in the newspaper and yearbook.



Hi my name is **Saachi**. I am 10 years old, and I was born on June 30, 2004. I love animals, especially puppies, dolphins, pandas, and horses. This year for 5th grade, I'm in Mr. Mallory's class. I love swimming, and one day I want to go snorkeling. I also adore hiking and traveling to different places and seeing new things. My favorite colors are purple and blue, and my favorite subject is science. The

reason why I want to be a photographer is because I've been to many places and I've taken many pictures of my trips. I've been to the Grand Canyon, Sedona, India, Istanbul, Paris, London, Catalina Island, and many more places. I'm so excited to create the newspaper and yearbook in this journalism class.