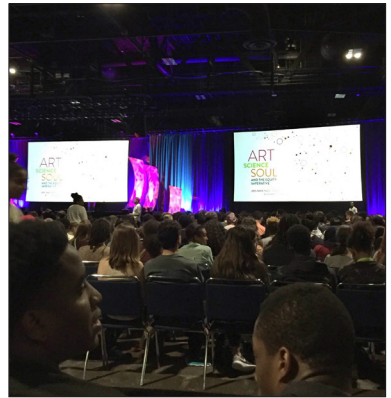


diversity now

Junior Isaiah Kazunga and sophomores Edward Ro and Abdullah Akbar traveled to Tampa for a diversity conference.

It gave students a **chance to reflect on identity** for themselves and how that fits into the community.

— DADYO Club sponsor Marjorie Curry



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STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO

COMMUNITY FEEL

Gathering to "learn to listen, listen to learn," at the opening ceremony, students begin the opening presentation.

DAY IN, DAY OUT.

THE PRIORITY OF LOVE

English teacher GayMarie Vaughan got married on a Monday night. She was back in class Tuesday morning.



COMMITMENT Smiling after their wedding, the new Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan celebrate their marriage. As an English instructor, the then-Gaymarie Kurdi went to school, taught classes and got married — all in one full school day cycle.

My **priorities** with my job, my work and my children stayed the same. It was better for me to be there than a substitute because **they learn better.**

— English teacher GayMarie Vaughan on why she chose to get married on a school night.

Used to the limelight of performance, senior Will Clark learns the intricacies behind the production.

Standing on the stage was so different from behind it. Senior Will Clark, a frequent participant in coffeehouses throughout the year, decided for the first time to help work and plan the winter Coffeehouse, dubbed "Coffeehouse Network."

"That one was really unique to me because I ran sound for the whole thing," Clark said. "I was much more involved in that coffeehouse than I had anywhere else."

In charge of setting up the speakers and the mixer and maintaining them throughout the show made performing seem like a side-show.

"It was really fun, and I think it went really well," Clark said.

Although Coffeehouse may seem like a simple thing to manage, much more happens behind the scene.

Planning a Coffeehouse and organizing the acts requires much time and effort, as the performances would be sorted through talent matching.

"It's a lot more complicated than many people think," senior Avery Powell, organizer of the coffeehouses, said. "You first have to coordinate the acts and organize the talent. Then you have to get permission to build the set and get the sound right."

Despite the large commitment, Clark was pleased with the outcome.

"It was a big process, but I think it really came together well," he said.



ROCK OUT Dancing to song from Hamilton, seniors Aidan Maurstad, Justin Berry, Johnathon Berry and Matthew Dominguez perform a dance during the second Coffeehouse of the school year.

COFFEEHOUSE NETWORK



VOICE Jamming to the sound of his guitar, senior Will Clark plays a song for the audience at the packed auditorium of the Hockaday School.

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