

2008 Photo Journal
ADVANCE Program for Young Scholars





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A Summer Without ADVANCE...

The students love ADVANCE for a variety of reasons. Classes are challenging, the students live in a dorm with other bright kids, the staff is incredible and offers a wide range of activities, and the dances are awesome. These memories will last a lifetime.

Below (from left): Caitlin Blanchard, Vinny Cannata and Kate-lynn Bedgood enjoy messy games. Right (from left): Freddy-May AbiSamra and Maya Welch take on the quirky activity Flamingo Croquet...followed by tea, no less!



Above (from left): Taylor Jam-
bon and Joy Shan enjoy Sonic.
Right: The students always love
dances at ADVANCE.



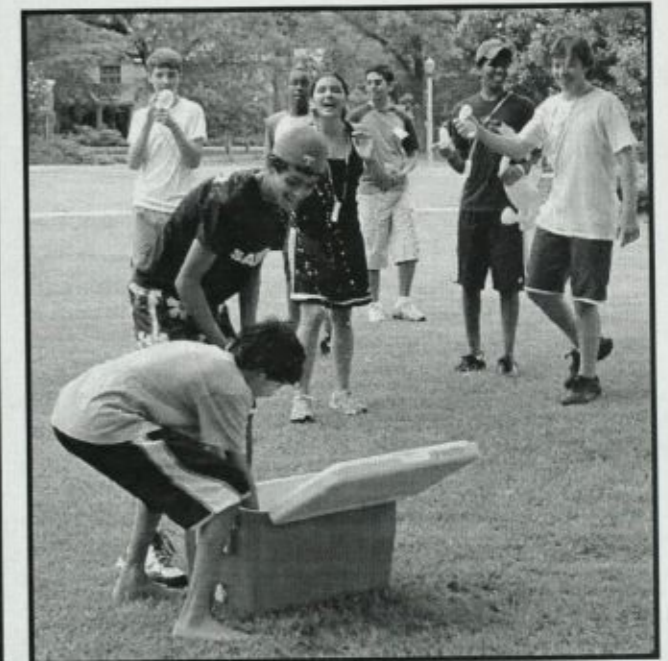
Below (from left): Devin Drounat, Head RA, presents fifth year student, Erik Istre, with a journal and the coveted Golden Flamingo. We will miss you, Erik.



Above: ADVANCErs explore downtown historic
Natchitoches, Louisiana.

...Inconceivable!

Below (from left): Mikesh Patel, Ricky Patel, Brennan Williams, Ongwesa Bw'Ogega, Jess Rash (RA), Nick Amin, Anvesh Kompelli and Michael Daiy cool off at Capture the Flag.



Left: Pol-
lard Lawson
and Natalie
Domingue get
sudsy at Slip
and Slide.

Left: Seated (from left): Sonia
Hernandez, Camille Guillot, Ra-
chel Johnson, Mallory Hirschler.
Standing (from left): Freddy-May
AbiSamra, Liz Roberts (RA),
Zac Creel, Marc Barnett, Lizzi
O'Gorman, Kelsey Mayfield, Katie
Warner.

Administration



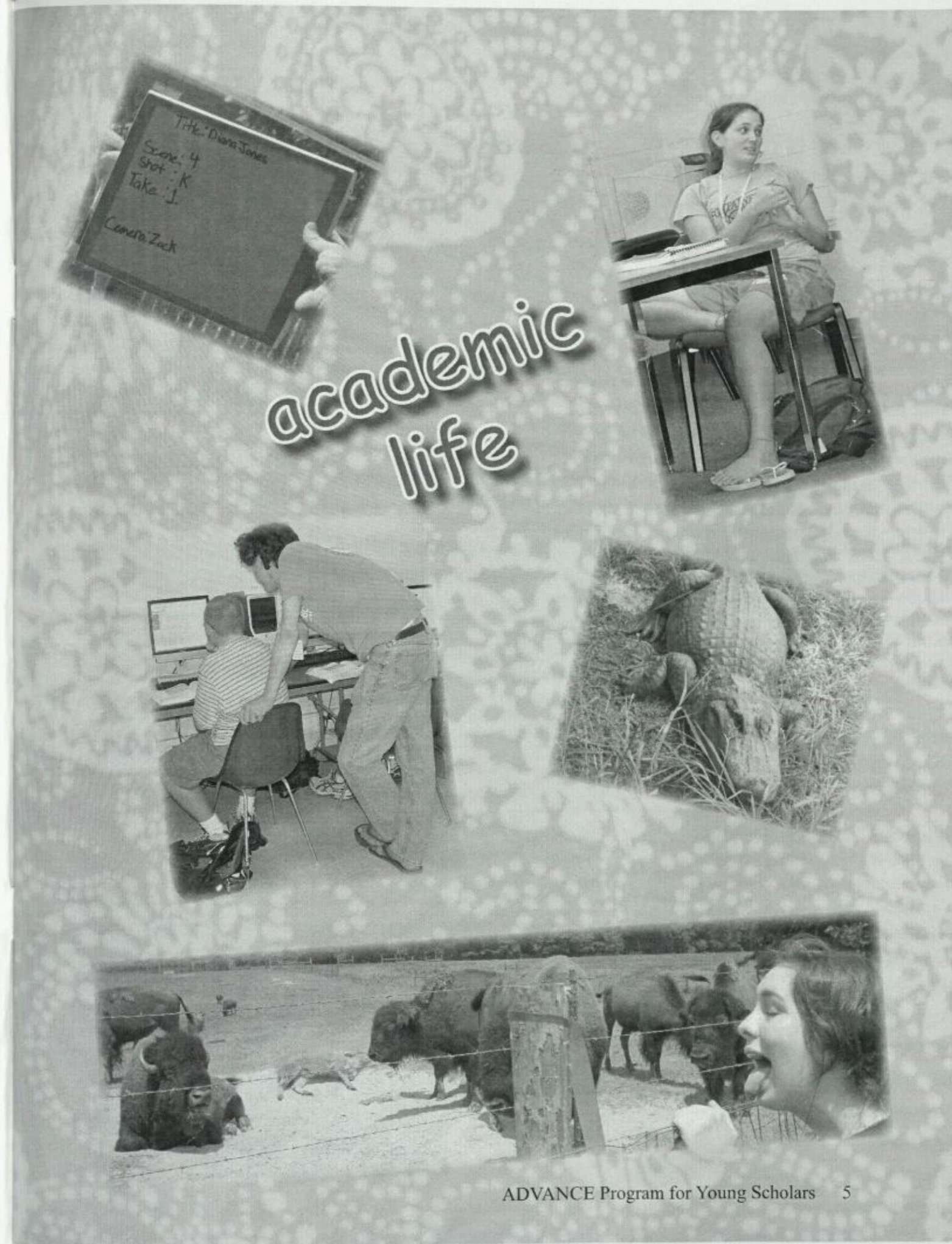
Right (from left): David Wood (Director), Pat Gresham (Counselor), Celia Mangham (Coordinator of Residential Life), Harriette Palmer (Assistant Director), Janet Darfus (Registered Nurse). They represent 60 years of combined service to the ADVANCE Program.

Faculty



ADVANCE is fortunate to have excellent instructors dedicated to meeting the needs of gifted students.

Front row (from left): Emalie Dunn (Algebra 1), Angela Watkins (Journalism), Chris Hynes (Chemistry), Leon Hsu (Physics), Michelle Holcomb (Forensic Science). Back row (from left): Virginia Lloyd (Web Design), Billy Pritchard (Civil War and Reconstruction), Seth DuBois (Geometry), Dallas Robertson (Algebra 2), David Lambert (Biology), Zack Godshall (Film Studies). Not pictured: Ralph Adamo (Creative Writing), Shane Rasmussen (Folklore in Everyday Life).



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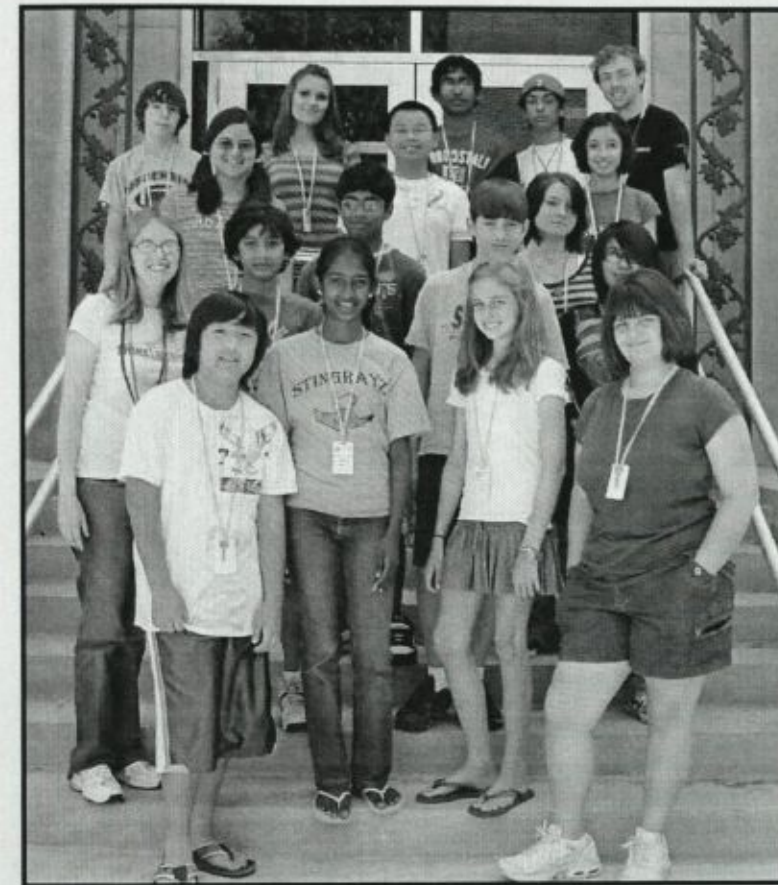
Teaching Assistants



Front row (from left): Yifei Duan (Biology), Amy King (Folklore in Everyday Life), Katie Finch (Forensic Science), Lauren Riddle (Chemistry), Louise Wang (Physics), John Yargo (Creative Writing). Back row (from left): Dave Ray (Civil War and Reconstruction), Benjamin Williamson (Algebra 1), Vera Herbert (Film Studies), Eric Ristroph (Geometry), William Hogan (Web Design), Camille Bullock (Journalism), Maanasa Davuluri (Algebra 2).



Above: Vera Herbert, TA for Film Studies, tries to recharge her batteries. Right: TAs huddle at staff messy games planning their strategy for world domination.



Algebra 1

Front row (from left): Terry Lin, Brit-tany Burrow. Second row (from left): Ms. Emalie Dunn (Instructor), Raji Reddy, Bailey Henry. Third row (from left): Mikesh Patel, John Florek, Sonia Hernandez. Fourth row (from left): Vineeth Kasarla, Faith Shaw. Fifth row (from left): Randi Domingue, Reuben Cheng, Diana Zacarias. Back row (from left): Britain Heaphy, Andreea Popa, Krishna Surakanti, Ricky Patel, Benjamin Williamson (TA).



Algebra 2

Front row (from left): Rick Changlani, Patrick Yeung, Judy Wang, Eric Li. Back row (from left): Maanasa Davu-luri (TA), Willy Lin, Alex Williams, Cecilia Hanson.

Biology

Front row (from left): Neha Dhawan, Paul O'Young, Joy Shan, Logan Burnsed, Timothy O'Young. Second row (from left): Hannah Roberts, Alex Morgan, Karly Caples, Fred (the skeleton), Eleni Mijalis, Kelsey Phares, James Young. Back row (from left): Zhenzhen Shi, Daniel Kim, Courtney Flood, Dr. David Lambert (Instructor), Yifei Duan (TA).



Chemistry

Front row (from left): Rachel Segrest, Caroline Stokes, Amanda Quay, Lauren Riddle (TA). Back row (from left): Jason Liu, Dr. Chris Hynes (Instructor), Patrick Johnson, Ambert Yeh.



Civil War and Reconstruction



Front row (from left): Jack Jambon, Cian O'Donovan, Christian Duplechain. Second row (from left): Brennan Williams, Camille Guillot, Phoebe Roberts, David Halsell. Back row (from left): Zac Creel, Dave Ray (TA), Mr. Billy Pritchard (Instructor), Scott Wheat.

Natchitoches, the oldest permanent settlement in the Louisiana Purchase, offers a wealth of history for the ADVANCE students. Here, classmates visit the Mansfield, Louisiana battlefield.



Front row (from left): Phyllis Lee, Corinne Vaughn, Marissa Richerson. Second row (from left): Claire Landry, Marie Motahari, Emily Cowen, Danica Garcia, Sydney Willingham, Reagan Ross, Ongwesa Bw'Ogega, Erin Carcel. Back row (from left): Harry Liu, Michael Daiy, Mr. Ralph Adamo (Instructor), John Yargo (TA).

Creative Writing

Film Studies

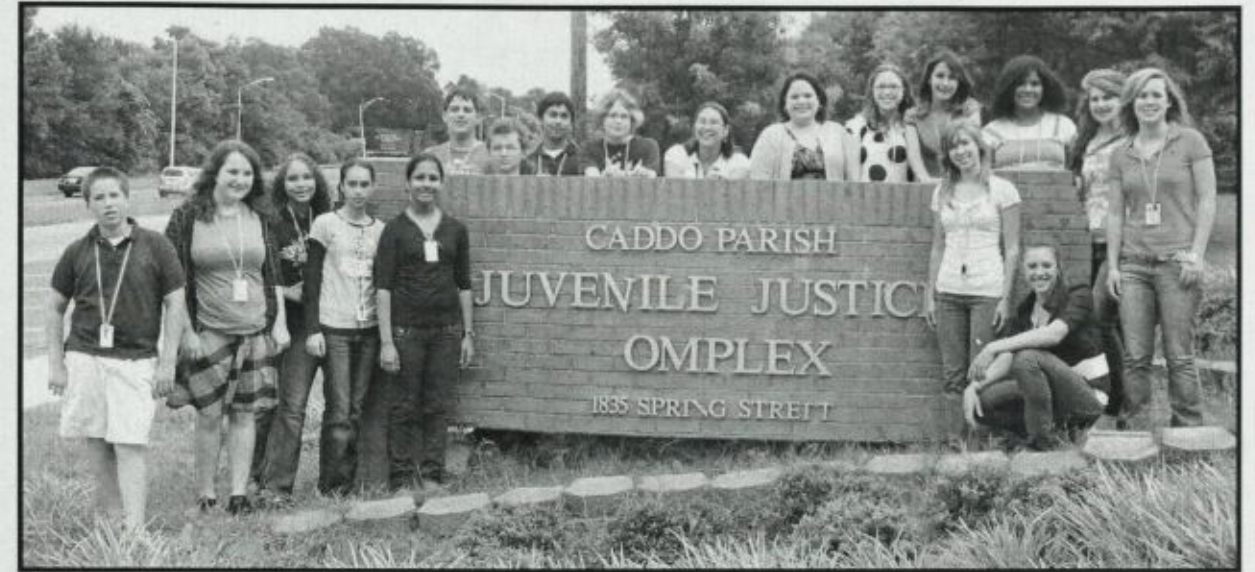


Kneeling (from left): Andrew Holmes, Kerry Ann Richmond, Corinne Bachaud, Rachel Johnson, Amanda Marek. Standing (from left): Vera Herbert (TA), Mr. Zack Godshall (Instructor), Matt Helluin, Erik Istre, Taylor Jambon (leaning forward), J.J. Gallien, Dan Jaffrani, Belal Alammar, Hira Qarni, Esteban Espitia, Kenny Burns (on Esteban's shoulders), Misha Molani.

Folklore in Everyday Life



Kneeling (from left): Victoria Darby, Greg Hall, Amelia Robert, Katie Hogan, Mallory Hirschler. Standing (from left): Ali Denby, Amy King (TA), Haley Norris, Mabry Broach, Dr. Shane Rasmussen (Instructor), Morgan Westbrook, Nick LaRocca, Claudia Magloire, Nick Gilley.



Forensic Science

Front row (from left): Coleman McFerrin, Kelsey Mayfield, Kayla Lakings, Naseem Alammar, Kripa Upadhyay, Caitlin Blanchard, Kaitlynn Bedgood, Taylor McHugh. Back row (from left): Ryan Manuel, Nathan Schultz, Krishan Karsan, Marc Barnett, Katie Finch (TA), Ms. Michelle Holcomb (Instructor), Rachel Garson, Maya Welch, Kelsey Cook, Nellie New.



Geometry Seated (from left): Jackson Merkl, Wally Nguyen, Benton Troxclair, Jessica Tarver, Sean Rhame, Julienne Louis. Second row (from left): Eric Ristroph (TA), Harrison Griffin, Harsh Patel, William Chou, Anna Cheng, Hirni Patel, Kim Ha, Amanda Williams. Back row (from left): Abraham Younes, Mr. Seth DuBois (Instructor), Marlene Cox.

Journalism

Classmates visit a television station in Shreveport, Louisiana.



Seated (from left): Vinny Cannata, Sohni Syed, Caitlin Willson, Kari Hackbarth, Jaclyn Hernandez. Standing (from left): Ariana Buckner, Margaret Parsons, Sarah Vogel, Ariana Hudson, Maggie Brewer, Freddy-May AbiSamra, Sydney Breaux, Katie Warner, Lindsey Miller, Monique Claiborne, Camille Bullock (TA).

Physics

This class is truly hands-on learning at its best! Use caution when entering.

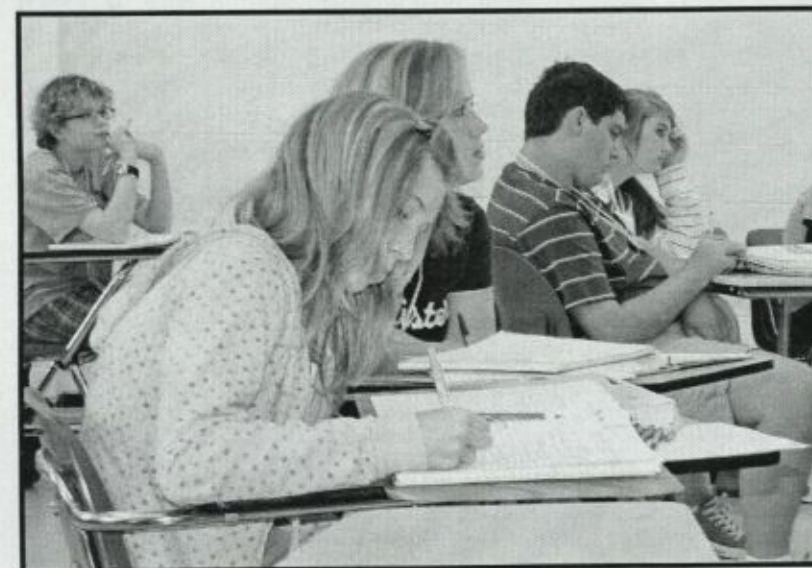


Front row (from left): Katrina Chan, Michelle Khare, Sara Horan, Lizzi O'Gorman. Second row (from left): Natalie Domingue, Pollard Lawson, Scott Li, Philip Murray, Michael Dai, Nick Amin, Phillip Dentino, Anvesh Kompelli. Back row (from left): Dr. Leon Hsu (Instructor), Louise Wang (TA).

Web Design



Seated (from left): Eric Rohli, Kostik Reyes, Leo Park, Austin Lee. Standing (from left): Dr. Virginia Lloyd (Instructor), Connor Appel, Elliott Terral, William Hogan (TA), Chris Myers, David Parsons, James Hallum, Ansis Tobiss, Keaton McKinney, Felipe Hernandez, Grace Herrington, Josie Herumin, Megan Hoenig.

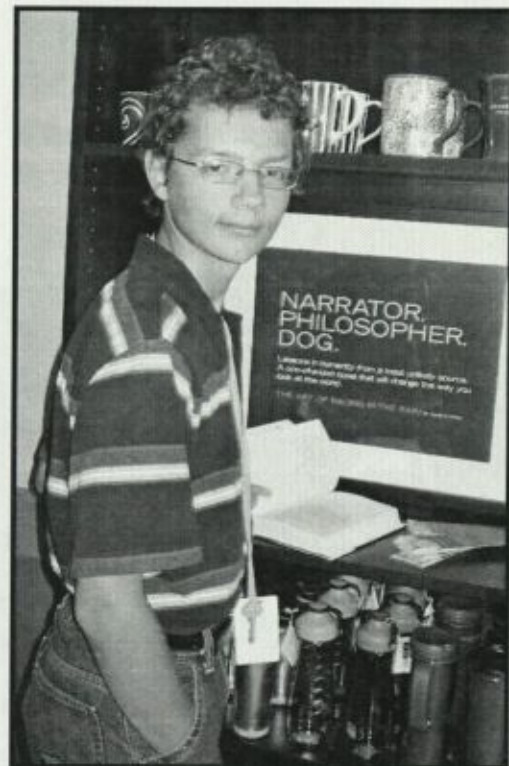


Above: Forensic Science students (from left) Marc Barnett, Caitlin Blanchard, Taylor McHugh, Ryan Manuel, and Nellie New. ADVANCE students spend 104 hours in class during the three week session.



Above (from left): Maanasa Davuluri (TA) in a study group with Algebra 2 students Patrick Yeung, Judy Wang, Rick Changlani and Eric Li.

Journalism students (from left): Jaclyn Hernandez, Ariana Hudson, Vinny Cannata, Sohni Syed, Maggie Brewer, and Margaret Parsons at a radio station in Shreveport, Louisiana.

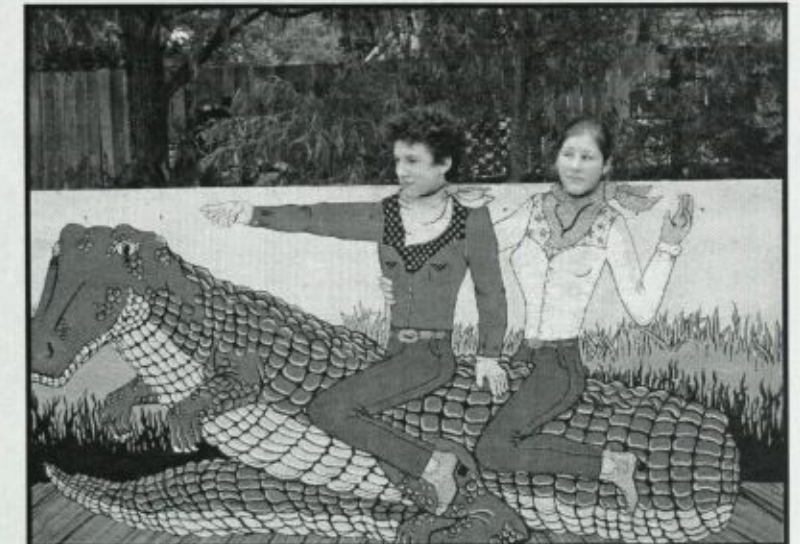


Above: Nathan Schultz, a Forensic Science student, takes in a coffee after visiting the Regional Crime Lab in Shreveport, Louisiana.

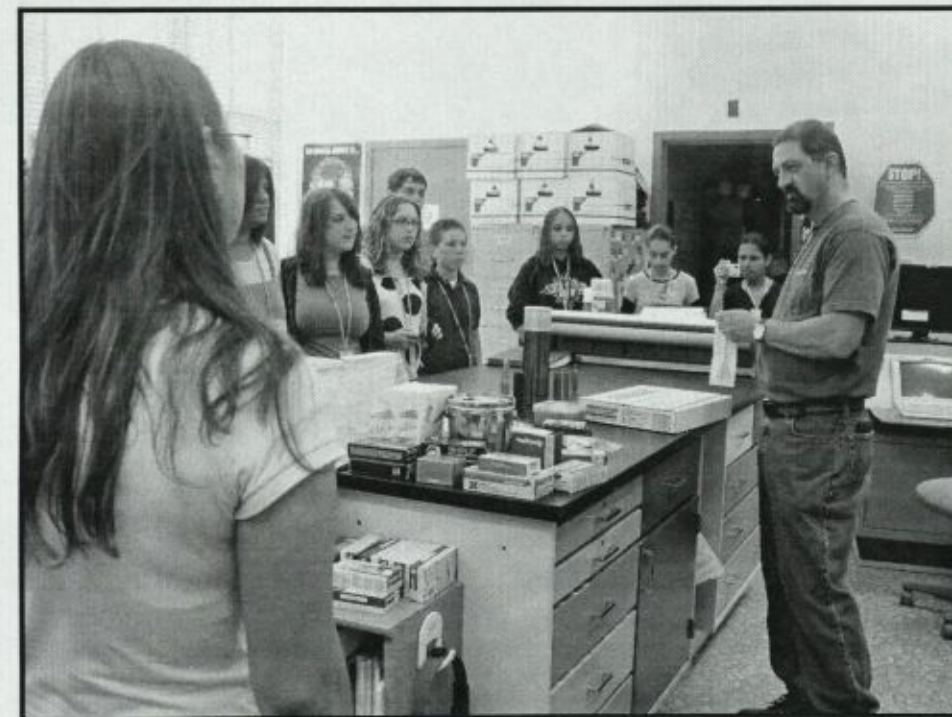


Above (from left): Algebra 1 students Ricky Patel and John Florek explore the domino effect at Sci-Port Discovery Center also in Shreveport, Louisiana.

Field Trips Enrich Classes



Above left: Folklore in Everyday Life class member, Nick Gilley, at Los Adaes, a colonial Spanish archaeological site near Natchitoches, Louisiana. Above (from left): Biology students James Young and Eleni Mijalis at Bayou Pierre Alligator Park.

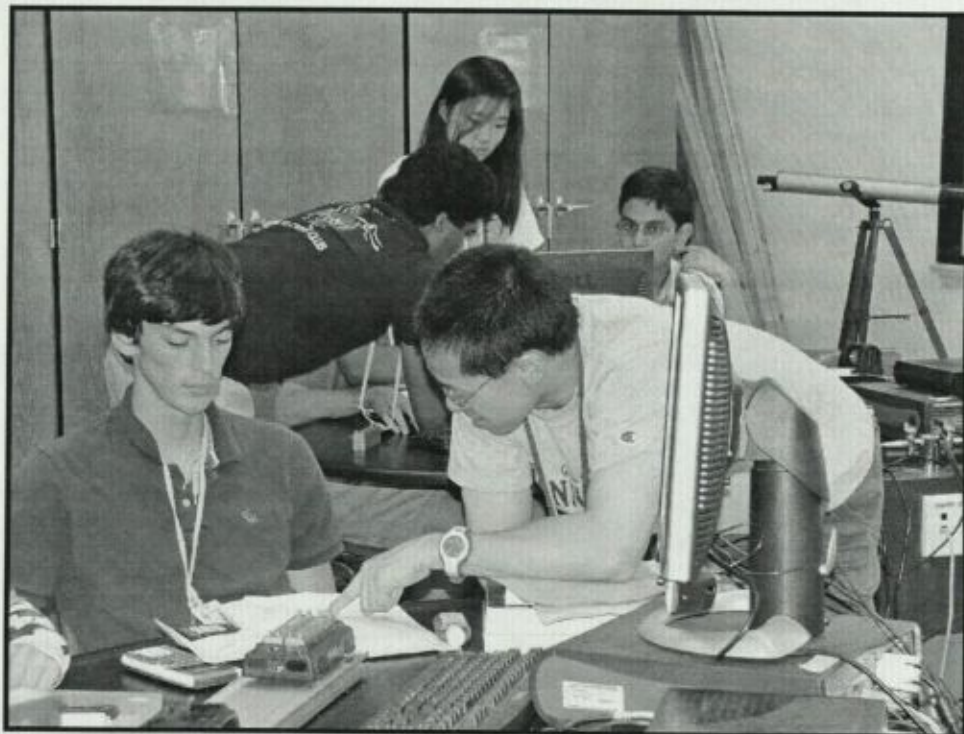


Above (from left): Katie Finch (TA), Kelsey Cook, Kelsey Mayfield, Rachel Garson, Ryan Manuel, Coleman McFerrin, Kayla Lakings, Naseem Alammar, and Kripa Upadhyay listen intently to a lecture at the Regional Crime Lab in Shreveport, Louisiana.

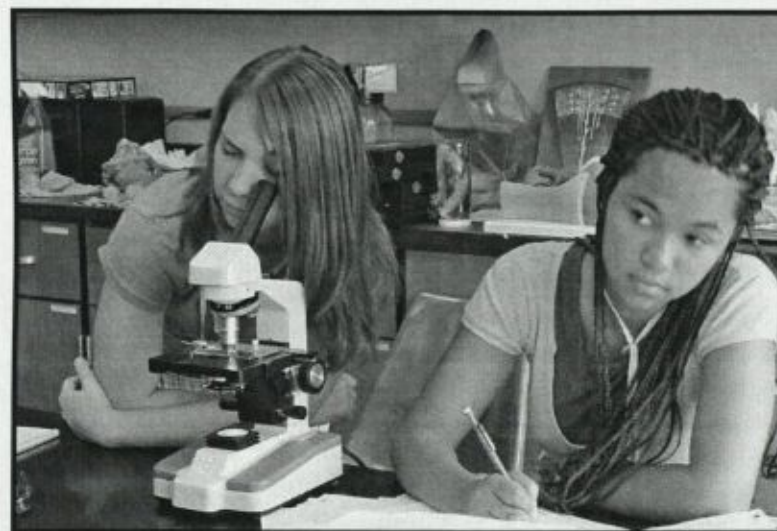
Right (from left) Christian Duplechain and Zac Creel dress in Civil War attire. Below (from left) Kelsey Mayfield and Rachel Garson research material at NSU's Watson Library for their Forensic Science project.



Above: Patrick Johnson and Amanda Quay create a bright green flame in chemistry lab. Right in foreground (from left) Philip Murray and Dr. Leon Hsu solve momentum problems in physics. In background (from left) are Anvesh Kompelli, Louise Wang (TA), and Nick Amin.



Classes Engage Students



Left: Biology students (from left) Karly Caples and Kelsey Phares examine specimens in lab.



Above: Philip Murray demonstrates the conservation laws of angular momentum and mechanical energy in a physics lab while Pollard Lawson and Michelle Khare observe. Left: Film students (from left) Amanda Marek, Taylor Jambon, and Andrew Holmes shooting their class project, "Diana Jones and the Quest for the Golden Flamingo".



Courtyards Provide Respite from Class

ADVANCE students have access to two courtyard to use during classroom breaks and after all meals. Students use this time to visit, read, listen to music or just chill.

Far right: Many students enjoy ADVANCE ball after meals. From left are Paolo Naccari (RA), Brennan Williams, Logan Burnsed, Karly Caples, James Young, John Florek.



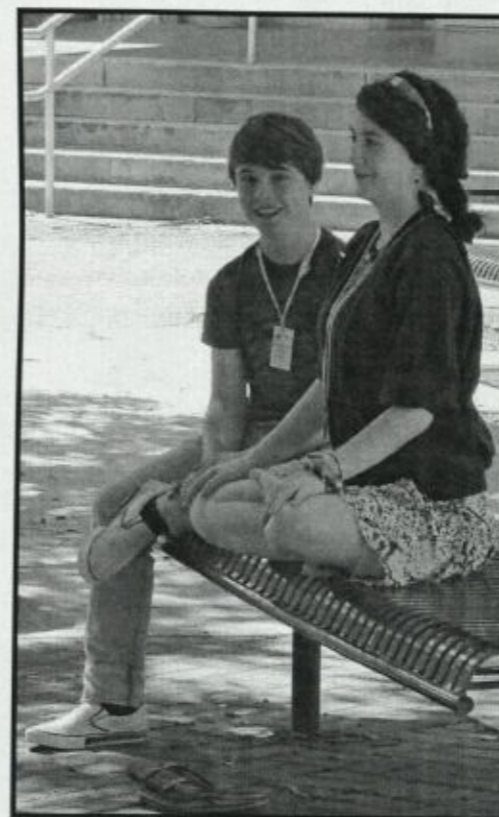
Above left: The ADVANCE ball. Right (front to back): Faith Shaw, Raji Reddy and Sonia Hernandez catch a few z's on their Algebra I break. Bottom right (from left): Hannah Roberts, Katie Warner and Lindsey Miller visit after lunch.



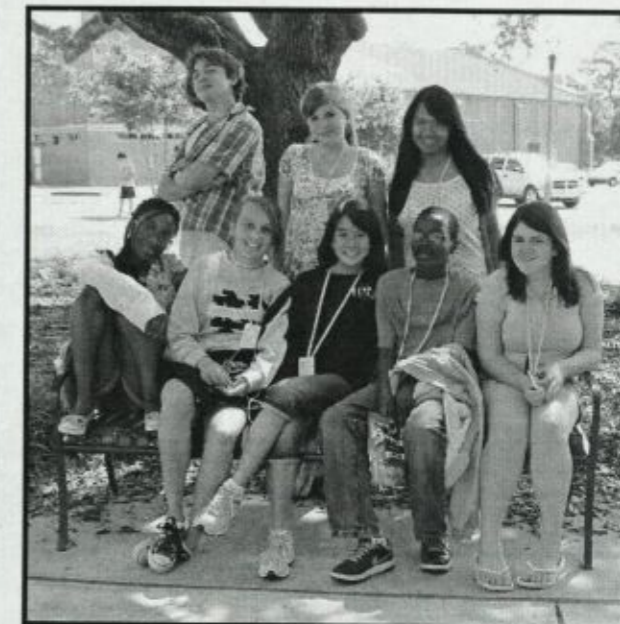
Above (from left): Belal Alammar, Dan Jaffrani, Neha Dhawan, Alex Morgan and Eleni Mijalis.



Below: Nick LaRocca and Amelia Robert visit before returning to class.

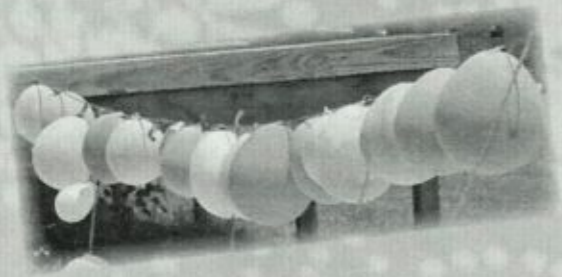


Below: Creative writing classmates chill on their break. Front row (from left): Reagan Ross, Erin Carcel, Phyllis Lee, Ongwesa Bw'Ogega, Sydney Willingham. Back row (from left): Michael Daiy, Emily Cowen, Danica Garcia.



Above: Front row (from left) Maria Motahari, Sydney Willingham, Marissa Richerson, Diana Zacarias, Danica Garcia, Claudia Magloire. Back row (from left): Grace Herrington, Sarah Vogel, Reagan Ross, Monique Claiborne, Kripa Upadhyay, Ariana Buckner, Raji Reddy, Kari Hackbarth.

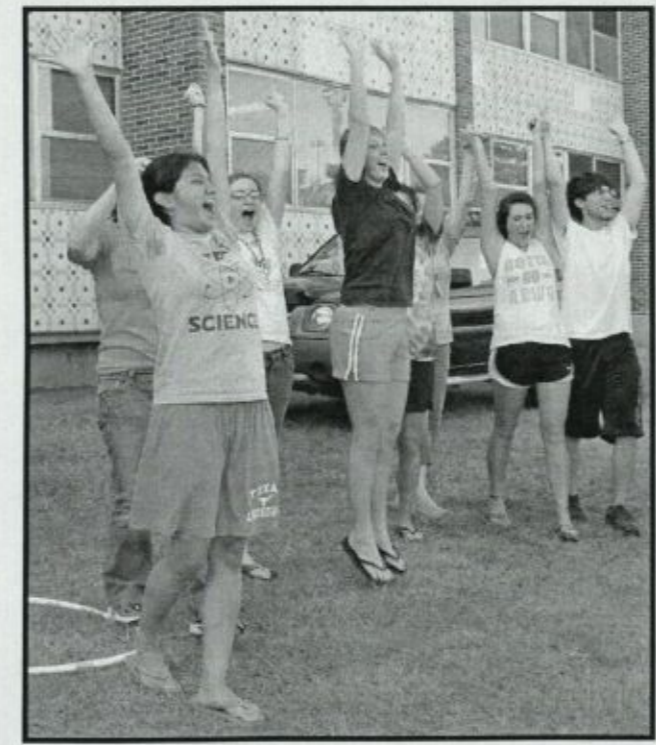
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Residential Advisors



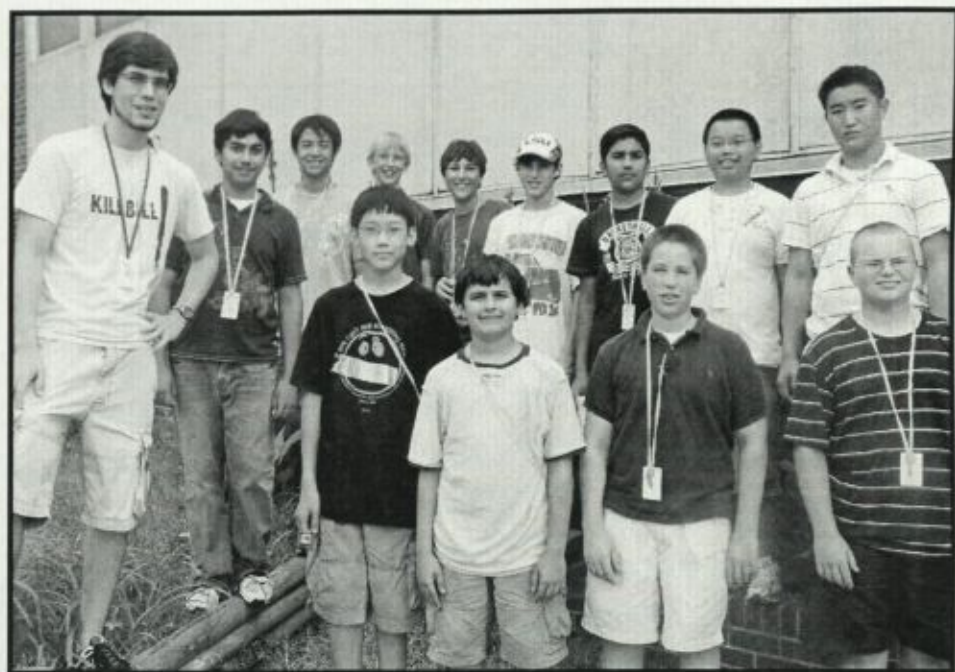
Foreground: Paolo Naccari. Front row (from left): Maddy Arivett, Katy Mulvaney, Jess Rash, Liz Roberts, Jessica Alwell, Krystal Simmons. Back row (from left): Devin Drouant, Sam Fick, Alexander Harber, Randy Rand, Hunter Stoehr.



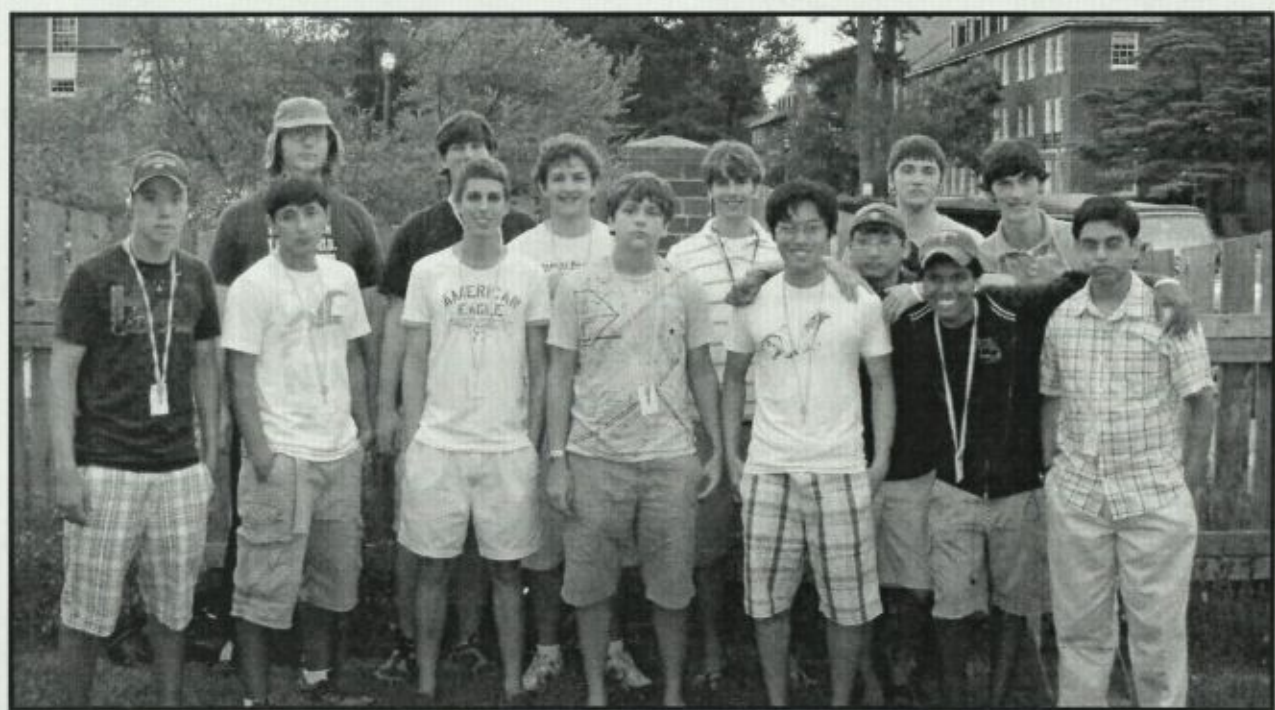
Left: Celia Mangham, CRL, helps the program run smoothly.

Left (from left): RAs Jess Rash, Katy Mulvaney, Krystal Simmons, Liz Roberts, and Alexander Harber celebrate a victory.

Alexander



Front row (from left): Timothy O'Young, Felipe Hernandez, Coleman McFerrin, Eric Rohli. Back row (from left): Alexander Harber (RA), Krishan Karsan, William Chou, Scott Wheat, Jack Jambon, Benton Troxclair, Harsh Patel, Reuben Cheng, Daniel Kim.



Devin Front row (from left): Kenny Burnsed, Esteban Espitia, Phillip Dentino, Pollard Lawson, Michael Dai, Scott Li, Anvesh Kompelli, Nick Amin. Back row (from left): Erik Istre, David Parsons, Patrick Johnson, Devin Drouant (RA), Andrew Holmes, Philip Murray.



Hunter

Kneeling (from left): William Hogan (TA), Alex Williams, William Chou, Hunter Stoehr (RA). Seated (from left): Willy Lin, Ambert Yeh, Patrick Yeung. Standing (from left): Matt Helluin, Jason Liu, Ryan Manuel, Greg Hall, James Hallum, Paul O'Young.



Jessica Alwell

Foreground (from left): Jessica Tarver, Julienne Louis. Second row (from left): Caroline Stokes, Rachel Garson, Hirni Patel, Naseem Alammar, Ariana Hudson, Sohni Syed. Back row (from left): Kayla Lakings, Jessica Alwell (RA), Karly Caples, Morgan Westbrook, Courtney Flood, Faith Shaw, Victoria Darby. These ladies enjoy their night out at Chili's.

Jessica "Jess" Rash



Kneeling (from left): Diana Zacarias, Jessica (Jess) Rash (RA), Raji Reddy. Seated (from left): Corinne Vaughn, Marissa Richerson, Kripa Upadhyay, Kari Hackbarth. Third row (from left): Danica Garcia, Sydney Willingham, Marie Motahari, Claudia Magloire, Caitlin Willson, Reagan Ross. Back row (from left): Vera Herbert (TA), Ariana Buckner, Grace Herrington, Monique Claiborne, Sarah Vogel.

Katy

Foreground: Camille Bullock (TA). Second row (from left): Amelia Robert, Katrina Chan, Corinne Bachaud, Ali Denby, Sydney Breaux, Mabry Broach. Third row (from left): Lizzi O'Gorman, Judy Wang, Natalie Domingue. Fourth row (from left): Rachel Segrest, Michelle Khare, Haley Norris, Katy Mulvaney (RA), Hannah Roberts. Back row (from left): Amanda Marek, Sara Horan.



Krystal

On ground (from left): Mallory Hirschler, Misha Molani, Rachel Johnson. Second row (from left): Alex Morgan, Joy Shan, Kelsey Mayfield, Cecilia Hanson, Taylor Jambon. Back row (from left): Neha Dhawan, Hira Qarni, Katie Warner, Camille Guillot, Marlene Cox, Zhenzhen Shi, Krystal Simmons (RA).



Liz On ground (from left): Claire Landry, Freddy-May AbiSamra, Sonia Hernandez, Bailey Henry. Second row (from left): Louise Wang (TA), Phyllis Lee, Josie Herumin, Jaclyn Hernandez, Megan Hoenig, Maggie Brewer, Brittany Burrow. Back row (from left): Liz Roberts (RA), Andreea Popa, Randi Domingue, Maya Welch, Erin Carcel, Kelsey Phares, Kaitlynn Bedgood, Amy King (TA).

Maddy

Front row (from left): Anna Cheng, Caitlin Blanchard, Amanda Quay, Kim Ha. Second row (from left): Lauren Riddle (TA), Katie Hogan, Eleni Mijalis. Third row (from left): Phoebe Roberts, Taylor McHugh, Emily Cowen. Back row (from left): Lindsay Miller, Nellie New, Amanda Williams, Kelsey Cook, Margaret Parsons, Maddy Arivett (RA). Note: This adorable photo is of these ladies on their RA night out at the Royal Tea House.



Seated (from left): Wally Nguyen, John Florek, Nick LaRocca, Vinny Cannata, Dan Jaffrani, James Young, Logan Burnsed. Standing (from left): Paolo Naccari (RA), Eric Li, Elliott Terral, Belal Alammar, Rick Changlani, Ricky Patel, Abraham Younes, J.J. Gallien, Sean Rhame.

Paolo



Randye

Foreground: Mikesh Patel. Second row (from left): Ongwesa Bw'Ogega, Cian O'Donovan, Randye Rand (RA), Chris Myers, Brennan Williams, Harry Liu, David Halsell, Britain Heaphy. On bridge (from left): Terry Lin, Christian Duplechain, Leo Park, Michael Daiy.



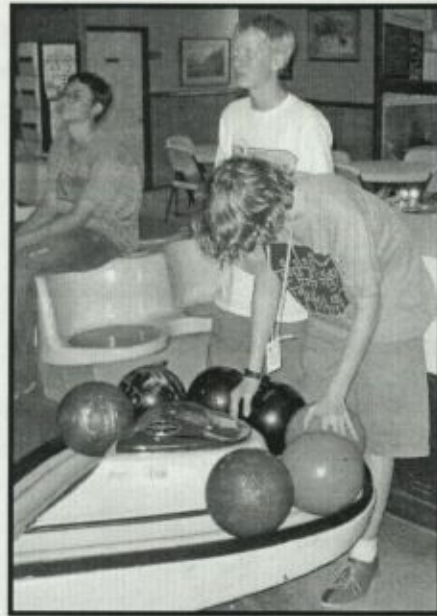
Sam

Kneeling: Nick Gilley. First row (from left): Connor Appel, Harrison Griffin, Marc Barnett, Ansis Tobis, Vineeth Kasarla, Kostik Reyes, Jackson Merkl. Second row (from left): Zac Creel, Keaton McKinney, Benjamin Williamson (TA), Sam Fick (RA), Krishna Surakanti, Nathan Schultz.

RA Night Out

Right: Some of the ladies in Maddy Arivett's RA group at the Royal Tea House include (front left and clockwise) Amanda Quay, Kelsey Cook, Taylor McHugh, Anna Cheng, Caitlin Blanchard, Margaret Parsons, Nellie New, and Emily Cowen. They are all that, especially in their hats!

Below: Some of the boys in Sam Fick's group at the bowling alley and arcade room include (from left) Keaton McKinney, Connor Appel, and Marc Barnet (with head down).



Above right: Krystal Simmons' girls and Hunter Stoehr's boys visited downtown Natchitoches for their night out activity. Front (from left) are Mallory Hirschler and Kelsey Mayfield. Middle is Jason Liu. Back (from left) are Katie Warner and Camille Guillot. Right (from left): Cousins Rachel Garson and Caroline Stokes, in Jessica Alwell's group, enjoy going off campus to Chili's for their night out.



Activities Spice Up Nights and Weekends

Left: It is hard to tell who is having more fun...Anna Cheng or the horse at Goodwill. Below: Students (from bottom left clockwise) Kostik Reyes, Harrison Griffin, Eric Ristroph (TA), Erik Istre, David Parsons, and Eric Rohli play a game of Munchkin.

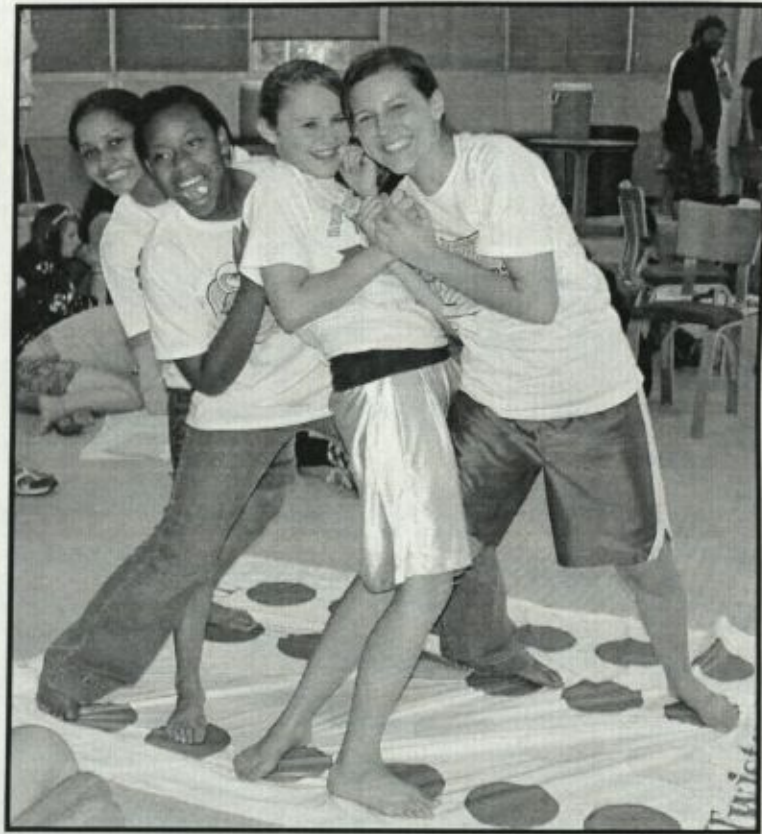
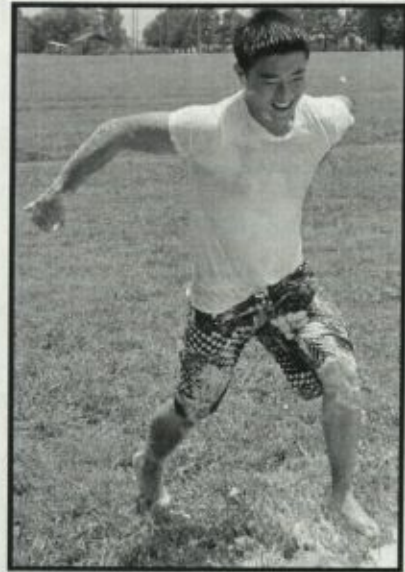


Above (from left): Sam Fick (RA), Connor Appel, Kelsey Phares, Scott Li, Hannah Roberts and Judy Wang enjoy cooking out. Right: Why is it that ADVANCE students absolutely LOVE to get messy?



Above: These ladies beat the heat with cool treats at Sonic.

Twister is always great for laughs! Right (from left): Kripa Upadhyay, Ariana Buckner, Ariana Hudson, and Morgan Westbrook. Below: Daniel Kim rules at Slip and Slide.



Soccer is always popular with the students.



Above (kneeling from left) Willy Lin and Matt Helluin. Front row (from left) Belal Alamm, Hirni Patel, Rachel Johnson, Karly Caples, Rachel Segrest, Vineeth Kasarla, Britain Heaphy, Coleman McFerrin. Back row (from left) Alex Williams (totally blocked) Sean Rhame, Patrick Yeung, Scott Wheat, William Chou, Brennan Williams, Phillip Dentino, David Halsell (partially blocked), and Michael Daiy.

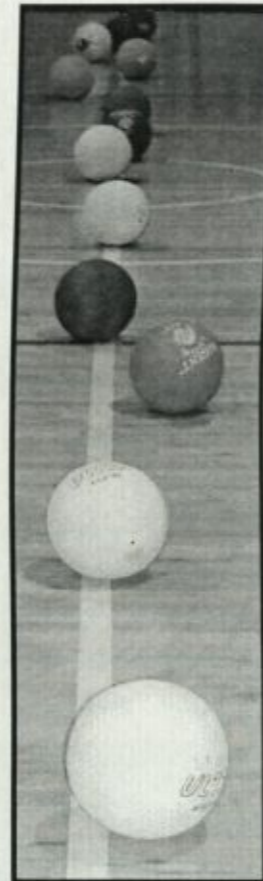
Variety is the Key to Successful Activities

Murder Mysteries are always a favorite activity and this one involves pirates. The mates include kneeling (from left) Hannah Roberts, Kostik Reyes, Lizzi O'Gorman and Nellie New. Standing (from left) are Naseem Alamm, Kelsey Cook, Taylor McHugh, Maya Welch, Amanda Quay, and Katy Mulvaney (RA).



Basketball enthusiasts participate in the 3-on-3 tournament. They are front row (from left): Randy Rand (RA), Mikesh Patel, Logan Burnsed, Terry Lin, Leo Park. Second row (from left): Abraham Younes, Ambert Yeh, Andreea Popa, Willy Lin, Alex Williams, Benton Troxclair, Erik Istre, Ricky Patel, Vinny Cannata, Patrick Johnson, Rick Changlani, Sean Rhame.

Activities Help Blow Off Steam After a Full Day of Class



Above right: Let dodgeball (DEATHBALL) begin. Ultimate Frisbee is a perennial favorite at ADVANCE. Above (from left): Jack Jambon, Wally Nguyen, and Michelle Khare on the playing field.



Playing Ultimate Frisbee are front row (from left): Katrina Chan, Kenny Burnsed, Michelle Khare, Coleman McFerrin, Phillip Dentino, Leon Hsu. Second row (from left): Marc Barnett, Michael Dai, Jack Jambon, Logan Burnsed, Anvesh Kompelli, Esteban Espitia. Back row (from left): Hunter Stochr (RA), Erik Istre, Scott Li, Scott Wheat, Wally Nguyen.



Left: Mikesh Patel takes a shot. Below (from left): Esteban Espitia, Hunter Stochr (RA), and Erik Istre have their eyes on the prize. Below right: Anna Cheng, Caitlin Blanchard and Maya Welch enjoy swimming at the Natatorium.



This huge group of students are at the pyramid fountain on NSU's campus for an afternoon of Capture the Flag.

It's a Wonderful Life at ADVANCE

Annually, an amazing group of students choose to enroll at ADVANCE and they are truly the essence of the program. We thank you for attending.

Left (top to bottom): Marlene Cox and Zhenzhen Shi, Ansis Tobiss, Cecilia Hanson, Anvesh Kompelli, Randi Domingue, Ongwesa Bw'Ogega. Right (top to bottom): Abraham Younes, Mabry Broach and Ali Denby, J. J. Gallien, Jessica Tarver, James Hallum, Kim Ha and Amanda Williams. Below top (from left): Corinne Bachaud, Rachel Johnson, Phoebe Roberts. Below middle (from left) Benton Troxclair, Harsh Patel (in headlock), Wally Nguyen and Sean Rhame. Below bottom: Jackson Merkl.

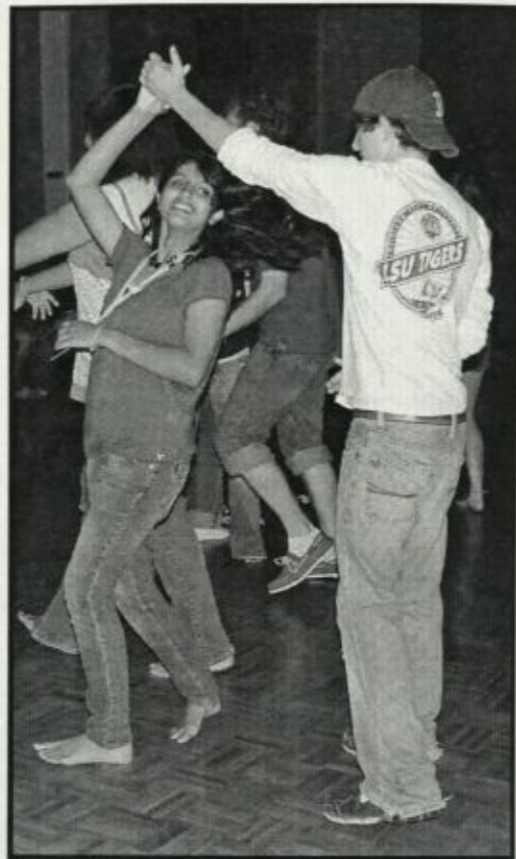


A Winning Combination: Students, Staff and Faculty

Left (top to bottom): Alexander Harber (RA), Maanasa Davuluri (TA), Esteban Espitia, Jessica Alwell (RA), Patrick Johnson, Brittany Burrow. Right (top to bottom): Hira Qarni, Dr. Wood (Director), Monique Claiborne, Timothy O'Young, Claire Landry, Cian O'Donovan. Below top (from left): Instructors Leon Hsu, Billy Pritchard and Seth DuBois. Below middle (from left): Benjamin Williamson (TA) and Nick Gilley as twins. Below bottom (from left): Ralph Adamo (Instructor) and John Yargo (TA) enjoy a break from the Creative Writing class.

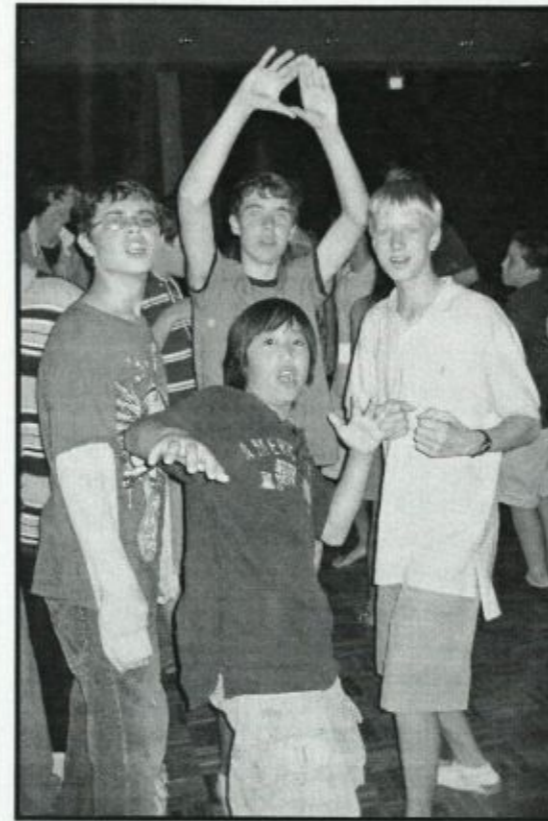


**Dance Like
No One Is
Looking But...**



James Hallum is in the middle of the circle entertaining the crowd.

...Know That They Are!



Getting folks on the dance floor is not a problem at ADVANCE.

Differnt music requires different dances. Here, a conga line weaves through the ballroom.



Talent Show

A long hallowed tradition at ADVANCE, the talent show lets the students shine on the last night of the program.



Above left: Erin Carcel plays "Black Bird". Above right: Sydney Breaux sings "Bubbly". Far left: Mabry Broach astounds the audience with her rendition of "Oh Darling". Left: Bailey Henry impresses everyone with her dance number. Below foreground (from left): Nick LaRocca, Camille Guillot and Amelia Robert lead everyone in "Leaving on a Jet Plane" with the help of the staff.



Right: Freddy-May AbiSamra performs "Eli the Barrel Boy". Below: Members of Maddy Arivett's RA group (from left) Nellie New, Margaret Parsons, Caitlin Blanchard, Maddy Arivett (RA), Phoebe Roberts, Taylor McHugh, Amanda Quay and Emily Cowen perform an original dance number. Below left: Eleni Mijalis sings "Did You Know".



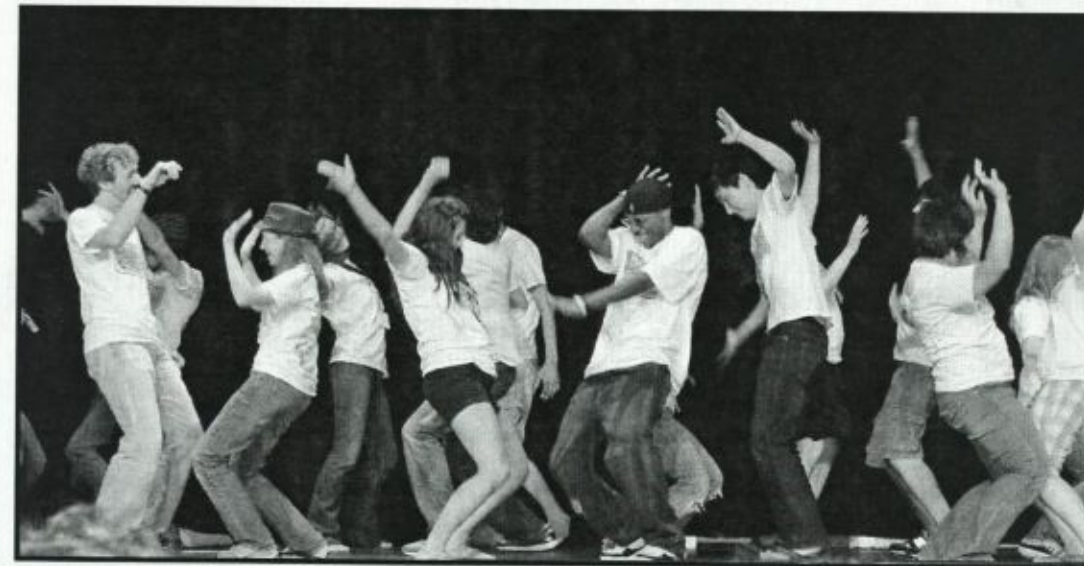
Simply Amazing



Right: Caitlin Willson sings "Our Song". Above (from left): Amelia Robert, Corinne Bachaud, Amanda Marek and Kenny Burns perform "Anyone Else But You" from Juno.



Left (from left): Kerry Ann Richmond, Katie Hogan, Mallory Hirschler, and Kelsey Mayfield emcee the talent show.

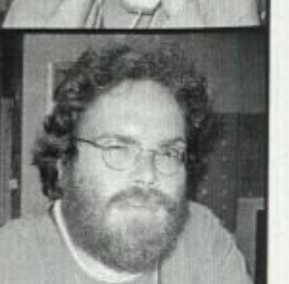


Above: The staff dance to the tune "Friend Like Me" from the movie Aladdin. Left: Faith Shaw performs an original number "Our Lives". Far left: Connor Appel plays the Zelda medley.



Staffers Also Create Memories

Left (top to bottom): Camille Bullock (TA) and Randye Rand (RA), Sam Fick (RA), Louise Wang (TA), Devin Drouant (Head RA), Amy King (TA), Yifei Duan (TA). Right (top to bottom): Dave Ray (TA), Katy Mulvaney (RA) and Benjamin Williamson (TA), Krystal Simmons (RA) and Katie Finch (TA), Eric Ristroph (TA), Maddy Arivett (RA), Paolo Naccari (RA). Below top: The staffers chillin' out. Below middle (from left): Maddy Arivett (RA), with TAs Vera Herbert, Camille Bullock, William Hogan, John Yargo. Below bottom (from left): Alexander Harber (RA), Katie Finch (TA), RAs Liz Roberts, Jess Rash, Sam Fick.



Above (front left and clockwise): Katy Mulvaney (RA), Camille Bullock (TA), Katie Finch (TA), and Leon Hsu (Instructor) celebrate after completing a puzzle.

Staff Members are Quite Indispensable

Staff members are selected from a large pool of well qualified undergraduate and graduate applicants. We feel our students work hard, play hard, and go home happy. The same applies to ADVANCE's wonderful staff members and they are truly the heart of the program. Staffers continually give their all so that the students have a fantastic and memorable experience.

Left: No one knows why Liz Roberts (RA) is pleading with Celia Mangham, CRL. Below (from left): Randye Rand (RA), Yifei Duan (TA), Hunter Stoehr (RA) compete in staff twister.



Above (from left): Jess Rash (RA) and Vera Herbert (TA) growl dance.

Far right: RAs Maddy Arivett and Devin Drouant at a dance. Right: Amy King (TA), the Puzzle Queen, works on the final puzzle. Below: Staffers greet and help students move in on registration Sunday.



Above (from left): TAs John Yargo, Camille Bullock and William Hogan as the gentlemen battle for Camille's heart.



Above: Lauren Riddle (TA) helps Patrick Johnson with the mysteries of chemistry.



Above: The staff water orchestra performs for students. Qualifications include the ability to gargle, hum, and spit. Members are (from left): RAs Katy Mulvaney, Alexander Harber, Hunter Stoehr, Sam Fick, Liz Roberts and Randye Rand. They are directed by Celia Mangham, CRL.

Below top (from left): Yifei Duan (TA) and Sam Fick (RA) on Twin Day. Below bottom (from left): Katy Mulvaney (RA) presents Harriette Palmer, Assistant Director, with an original (and quite coveted) Princess Bride T-shirt design.



Staffers Give Their All

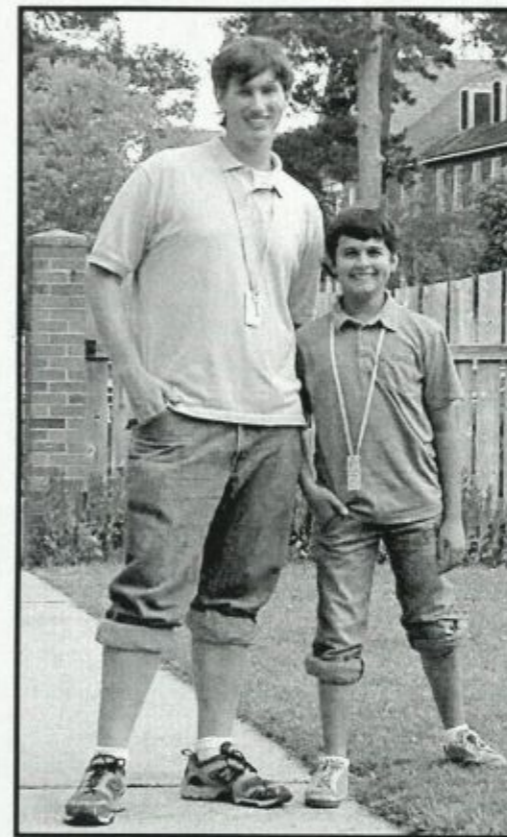
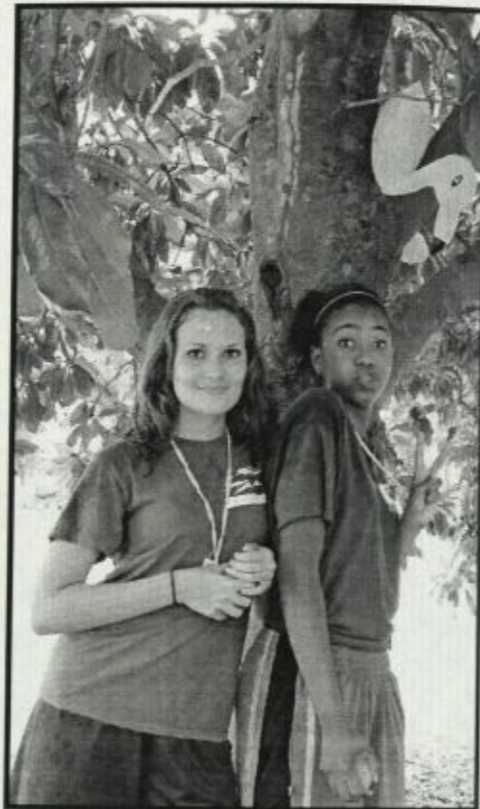
Below (from left): Raji Reddy, Benjamin Williamson (TA) and Claudia Magloire say goodbye on the last day of ADVANCE.



The staff act traditionally closes the talent show. The number, choreographed by Randye Rand (RA), was the best performance by the staffers to date and it brought the house down.

Until Next Year, Remember the Flamingo!

Right (from left): Andreea Popa and Julienne Louis protect their flamingo at Capture the Flag (rather... flamingo). Below (from left): Kerry Ann Richmond, Faith Shaw, Hannah Roberts and Katie Hogan enjoy the beach party on the deck behind Caddo dorm.



Below front row (from left): Sonia Hernandez, Jaclyn Hernandez. Second row (from left): Monique Claiborne, Reagan Ross, Erin Carcel. Back row (from left): Victoria Darby, Marie Motahari.



Far left (from left): David Parsons and Felipe Hernandez on Twin Day.



Above: The 2008 ADVANCE staff bid you so long, farewell, auf Wiedersehen, goodnight... until next summer! Front row (from left): Amy King, Jess Rash, Katy Mulvaney, Katie Finch, Camille Bullock. Second row (from left): Maddy Arivett, Vera Herbert, Celia Mangham, Liz Roberts, Louise Wang, Maanasa Davuluri, Jessica Alwell. Back row (from left): Eric Ristroph, Benjamin Williamson, Dave Ray, Devin Drouant, Alexander Harber, Yifei Duan, Sam Fick, Hunter Stoehr, Randy Rand, Lauren Riddle, William Hogan, Krystal Simmons, Paolo Naccari, John Yargo.

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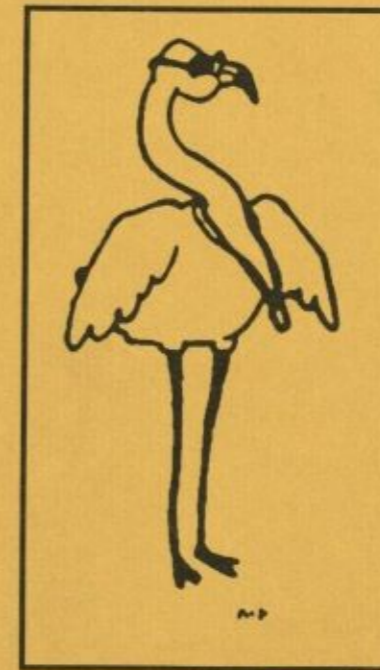
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