

L e t t e r f r o m t h e E d i t o r

By Blake Alford
Editor-in-Chief

It is hard to believe that this year has flown by so quickly. For a freshman who has three more years left here, or a teacher who comes to school every day for years, it may not have seemed so, but for me it certainly has. It feels like only yesterday I had my first day of high school, and just a blink of an eye ago I was beginning my senior year. However, as my high school career comes to an end, I can honestly say that school has brought me many joys and

taught me many lessons; not only academic lessons, but lessons about life as well. I have thoroughly enjoyed my four years spent on this newspaper staff, for this is where I have learned and grown the most.

Many people don't understand that *The Warcry* staff is almost like another family to most of us, just like some sports teams or tight-knit clubs, and I would like to say a big thank you to those staff members who graduated before me for helping make me the person I am now. I am so thankful that I had the opportunity to be not only in a class, but in a "family" with you all. To the past editor's before me – Sasha, Crystal, Davey, and Zach – thank you for being such good role models and doing a job that can be difficult at times. It's not always easy making sure

people are doing what they are supposed to, making their deadlines, and getting along with each other. To the other seniors on *The Warcry* staff, Hannah and Cynthia, I am so glad we got to go through this wonderful, crazy experience together; thank you. To all of the underclassmen on staff, I thank you as well. Journalism has been a great way to end my school day for the past four years thanks to you guys and all the laughs and friendships we've shared.

I know that when I leave, the paper will be in great hands. Gracie, Lacie, Neel, Tyler, Orlando, Randall, Cece, Hosey, Melissa, and Rebecca, I'm going to miss you all a lot, but I also expect you to work hard, keep your grades up, respect each other, and continue writing awesome articles. To the new staff members added

for next year, I hold you all to the same standard. Mr. Mixon and Mrs. Tiffany, thank you for all of the help you've both given me with high school, college, and for giving me some of the best advice I have ever gotten.

I hope that I have done my job of getting the news out to our school and community, and I am sure that next year and the years after, things with *The Warcry* will continue getting bigger and better. *The Warcry* was here before me, and it will be here after me. Thanks for some of the best times of my life.

Sincerely,

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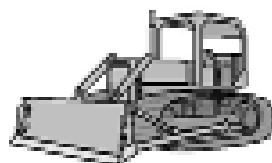
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