Definitions of Excellence

excellence: n.

1: the quality of being excellent
2: an excellent or valuable quality.
Jones,

Captain Allen Carter
Dec. 27, 1830-Mar. 2, 1905;

known as the “Father of Beeville”, Captain Jones settled in Bee County in the 1860’s after the conclusion of the Civil War. As a businessman, landowner, and banker, Jones ardently desired to help mankind in all walks of life. Thus, he notably contributed to the development of Beeville and Bee County. He was instrumental in bringing the San Antonio & Aransas Pass Railroad as well as the Southern Pacific Railroad to the area. Jones also served as the first Mayor of Beeville, where education was one of his top priorities. Upon his death, his widow donated the land for a high school, appropriately named A. C. Jones High School in his honor.

Information Taken From:
Emblazoned on a medal in my room is the word “Excellence.” Webster’s Dictionary defines it one way, but A. C. Jones High School takes the meaning a step further. Every organization on campus contributes to the aura of excellence that distinguishes our school. Athletic teams excel, no matter whether they win or lose. Spirit and pride abound from the cheerleaders, drill team, and band. IHS students shoot for the stars. Jones High School is synonymous with excellence. The goal of this year accurately define, the excellence that we come in contact with on a daily basis. Flip through the book ten years down the road—you will surely notice the single quality which best describes A. C. Jones High School: Excellence.

Alicia Gratton
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Excellence
Webster says:

Seniors \ˈse-nyərz\, n.
a student in his/her last year of high school

Sen

CD Jamm congratulates the seniors of 1997
iors

A. C. Jones says:
Seniors (señ'yérs), n.
no longer the fish, sophs, or juniors; the royalty of the high school

Congratulations and best of luck seniors of 1997. From Barbara Perez
All I Ever Really Needed to Know I Learned in Kindergarten

Most of what I really need to know about how to live and what to do and how to be, I learned in kindergarten. Wisdom was not at the top of the graduate mountain, but there in the sandbox at nursery school.

These are the things I learned: Share everything. Play fair. Don’t hit people. Put things back where you found them. Clean up your own mess. Don’t take things that aren’t yours. Say you’re sorry when you hurt somebody. Wash your hands before you eat. Flush. Warm cookies and cold milk are good for you. Live a balanced life. Learn some and think some and draw and paint and sing and dance and play and work every day some.

Take a nap every afternoon. When you go out into the world, watch for traffic, hold hands and stick together. Be aware of wonder. (continued on next page)
Officers

Vice President--Christi Thomas

Treasurer--Clarissa Alaniz

Remember the little seed in the plastic cup. The roots go down and the plant goes up and nobody really knows how or why, but we are all like that. Goldfish and hamsters and white mice and even the little seed in the plastic cup—they all die. So do we. And then remember the book about Dick and Jane and the first word you learned, the biggest word of all: LOOK. Everything you need to know is in there somewhere. The Golden Rule and love and basic sanitation. Ecology and politics and sane living.

Think of what a better world it would be if we all—the whole world—had cookies and milk about 3 o'clock every afternoon and then lay down with our blankets for a nap. Or if we had a basic policy in our nations to always put things back where we found them and cleaned up our own messes. And it is still true, no matter how old you are, when you go out into the world, it is better to hold hands and stick together.

Robert Fulghum
in Chicken Soup for the Soul
Congratulations!
Webster says:

**Sport**, v.

a source of diversion; recreation

Spo
rts

A. C. Jones says:

Sports \(\text{\text{sports}}\), n.

running, throwing, catching, shooting,
and hitting; in other words, anything
that requires sweat
Fighting Trojans


Mike Willover shows perfect form while catching a pass.

Ram Garza looks for daylight, while Adan Garcia's eyes light up as he prepares to lay a vicious block on a Flour Bluff defender.

Photos on this page done by Rice-Huser and Grady Harrison.

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**Varsity Football**

**DB Joe Soliz** slips past a Southside defender while running an end-around.

**The rigorous season took a toll on Marco Garces. Photo by Alicia Graton**

**Tearing onto the field. Photo by Salazar**

**The Fightin’ Trojans began practicing during the summer to prepare for the new district. Photo by Grady Harrison.**

**Adan Garcia discusses the finer points of football with a G-P defender. Photo by Alicia Graton.**

**Greg Gonzales breaks through for some yards, while Mark Ybarra looks to make a block. Photo by Grady Harrison.**

**Defensive Coordinator Lamar Rodriguez goes over the game plans with the defensive line. Photo by Grady Harrison.**
J.V. Football '96

Fighting to win despite playing in the shadow of the Varsity.

Back to Front: Aaron Estrada, Leahy Garcia, Anthony Barrens, Ronnie Rin, Bad Meyers, Mario Flores, Gabriel Malinowski, Ricardo Munoz, Jose Rivera, Gary Gonzalez, Josh Hawkins, Michael Barton, Chris DeWolfe, Marcus Gonzales, Nick Brown, Arturo Garcia, Aaron Russell, Derek Haefelf, Jason Guitierrez, Jason Porras, Josh Martinez, Mike Self, Bryan Alfonse, Miguel Rodriguez, and Sean Torrico.
Freshman Football
1996-1997

VARsITY

LADY TROJANS (18-16)

From top to bottom: Kendra Townsend, Tina Mills, Gloria Garcia, Tori Rodriguez, Kandy Hughes (Mgr.), Koco Traut, Audrey Glasscock, Urbana Chapa, Patti Johnson, Joe DeLaGarza (Mgr.), and Lameca Jefferson.

"It was a learning experience and I learned the real meaning of what it meant to work as a team." Tina Mills.

"It was a season full of surprises; one I will never forget." Kendra Townsend.
Urbana Chapa full of concentration.
Photo by Scott Schneider.

Lamecca showing style, form and grace.

Audrey spiking the ball with all her might.

Pity that ball!

Angelisa shows her skill. Photo by Shawn Cedernaad.

Way to block, Tina!

All other photos by Grady Harrison.
From bottom to top; left to right: Laurie Moreno, Jennifer Garcia, Jeri Lowry, Dawn Kesler, Amanda Zimmer, Emily Haas, Kandy Hughes (Mgr), Erica Ramirez, Amie Daniel, Jessica Glasscock, Sarah Taylor, Mari Alaniz, Joe De La Garza (Mgr), Kim Yogi, Misty Kneten, Jackie Dominguez, Jessica Snyder, and Angelica Lopez.

The opposing team awaits Jeri's spike.

Leslie helped her team through the season.

Misty prepares to serve an ace.

Go ahead Lizzy, you can do it too.  
Runnin' a train!  
We are family!
Cross Country


Armando Chavez sprints for the finish line.

Joe Ramos, Orlando, and D.J. look confident before the race.

Chris Leal did a good job at the point for the Trojans.

Mitchell Smith was “en fuego” all season long.

“I thought the season was a great success. We accomplished many goals this year, and even though we didn’t achieve our ultimate goal by making it to the state tournament, we still had a great year” — Sidney Robinson
Basketball

Mark Besancon gets physical with IWA.

T.J. Lewis racks up some frequent flyer miles.

Myron Garcia leaves the Floresville Tigers flat-footed.

Seniors in the house!

Jason Gutierrez cuts to the hoop.

We pledge our honor to the Orange & White.

Jerry Cano was in the "zone" throughout the season.
Varsity Girls Basketball


Rutter soars through the air for a lay-up.

Elligan takes it in for a finger roll.

The Lady Trojans are shown looking forward to the play-offs.
BrieAnna makes it look almost too easy.

Lamecca pivots around a defender.

Ivory goes in strong for a lay-up.

Sandy goes up for another rebound.

Way to go, Tina!
J. V. Basketball

Top to bottom: Coach Kidd, Gary Gonzales, Robert Washington, Michael Willow, Ronnie Reddick, Britanni Bowman (Mgr.), Heather Ramon (Mgr.), Tom Belew, Aaron McClintock, Mark Rincon, Eric Castaneda, John Salinas, Christopher Vasquez, Juan Garza, Michael Killam, and James Selby.

Robert Robinson with the finger-roll. Robert Washington plays through the injury.

Top to bottom: Jose Whatley, Robert Robinson, Darrel Olsen, David Padro, Chris DeWinne, Adrian Lugo, Miguel Rodriguez, Chris Moore, Michael Self, and Coach Kidd.
Freshman Hoops

Top to bottom: Coach Snyder, Dion Davis, Richard Henson, Eric Ford, Ryan Breaux, Jeff Breon, Jasper Trevino (Mgr.), Marcus Canada, Louis Sanchez, Alberto Maldonado, David Benavidez, Aaron Gonzalez, Malcolm Watson, Jason Soto, Rey Silva, and Dennis Vasquez.

Aaron Gonzales says, "Money!"

Jeff Breon gets a couple of free ones.

Top to bottom: Coach Snyder, Jason Roschetzky, Alex Maldonado, Justin Cooke, Eric Duggan, Bryan Olson, Jasper Trevino (Mgr.), Ron Tacquard, B.J. Arredondo, Russell Ramos, Melicio Molina, David McMurray, Ernesto DeLuna, J.J. Wicke, Antwain Spencer, Joe Ramos, and Derek Sandoval.
JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL 96-97


Lamecca Jefferson shoots over the defender.

Reva goes for two, shooting over the defense.
Leslie shoots over Pleasanton, getting two.

"On three -- one--two--three--TEAM!"

FRESHMAN BASKETBALL 96-97

Varsity Fútbol


Roberto using his head.

Jorge kicks tail!
Run, Taylor, run!!

Tim waiting for the pass.

Top to Bottom: Steven Mach, Jesse Perez, Jason Trevino, Clement Tabermejo, David Clark, Randy Gremel, Eric Emerson, Henry Chapa, Chris Cline, Marcus Monjares, Reggie Chapa, Robert Acosta, Artie Gamez, Nathan Woods, Edward Arismendez, Clint Aldridge, Mario Ramos, Justin Olive, Rito Zertuche

J. V. Fútbol
VARITY SOCCER


Amanda dribbles down field during practice.

Neither sleet, nor snow, nor excessive mud stops Marianne.

Roxanne passes the ball.
Ellinor gets out of the way.

Missy on a fast break.

We Are Number 1!!!

JUNIOR VARSITY

Senior Hardball

Front: Marcus Herrera, Aaron Garcia, Jody Orozco, Adan Garcia
Back: Michael Gonzales, Davey Peters, Shawn Cadenahead

Davey proved to be a valuable pitcher in the rotation throughout the season.

Davey uses all of his body to deliver this pitch.

Marcus produces a lot of runs and was named Most Valuable Offensive Player for the Trojans.

Shawn lets loose a fast ball.

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Junior Baseball

Joe Soliz takes a rip at the ball.

Unhitch the trailer Marco!

Michael Silvas decided he doesn't like the pitch.

Salad!

Back: David Nino, Quincy Barrios, Marco Medina, Kerri Champagne, Jacob Johnson, Darrel Olson, Jesse Maldonado
Front: Joe Soliz, Brian Albright, Ernest Orozco, J.T. Amador, Michael Silvas, Sal Medina, Ralph Sandoval, Joe Guerra

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Kiki's hard work during the off-season paid off.

Brandon did a good job for the varsity at third base and behind the plate.

Back: Alex Perez, David Maldonado, Brandon Shepherd, Jeremy Hadwyn
Front: Mark Sustaita, Jason Gutierrez, Kiki Guerrero

Get dirty Conan!

Jason coming home to score one for the good guys.
FRESHMEN

Back to front: Jason Roschetzky, Jared Lamberson, Brian Olson, James Herrera, John Carabjal, Lazaro Lara, Austin Henley, Michael Huddleston, Cleighton Jerkins, Jason Cantu, Fernando Lopez, Pablo Arredondo, Ernest Perez, Kevin Champagne, J.J. Wicke, Manuel Vasquez, Lucas Wofford, Mario Liserio, Joseph Soliz, Arnold Ramirez, and Ron Tacquard.

Manuel (Meme) Vasquez will definitely be one of the future Trojan stars.

Big things are also expected of Lucas Wofford in the near future.

They may be young, but big things are expected from this group.
Varsity Softball

Diamonds are a

Girl's Best Friend

Win or lose, we are the Champions!!!

It's outta here!

Kendra makes a play during a Play-off practice.

Mary squares up for a bunt.

Hip, Hip, Hooray!!!

Best Wishes Seniors '97
Love, Rene and Nora Casarez

Gryzelda comes in taking her gear off.

Christina’s ready to bat after pitching a hard inning.

Continuing the legacy on a field of dreams

Watch out, it’s coming straight for you!

Erica blocks the sun to see where the ball is in play.
BOYS TRACK

Top to Bottom, Left to Right: Michael Huddleston, Brian Schleifer, Steven Hrncir, Travis Fojtik, James Herrera, Lasaro Lara, John Carabaja, Pablo Arredondo, Marcus Canada, Gabriel Alvarado, Edward Arismendez, Daniel Rodriguez, Rito Zertuche, Leo Carabaja, Gabriel Puga, David Ramirez, Michael Trevino, Rey Silva, Dennis Vasquez, Alex Cabrerra, Robert Acosta, Chris DeWinne.

Top Row: Robert Ozuna, Robert Washington, Brian Carlson, Jeff Barrington; Bottom Row: Tom Belew, Derek Hartsfield, Gabriel Rodriguez.

GIRLS TRACK

Ebony helps her teammates out in a relay.

Loni and Demetria sprint to the end!

Blair breaks another record.

Natalie gets ready for her event.

Regionals, here we come!

Marissa leaps into the pit.
Marcus hits full stride.

Derek's bookin' it to the finish line.

News Flash!

Brian and Jeff are looking forward to Regionals.

Demetria captures the Silver at State!

Dennis shows good form as a sprinter.

Run Robert Run!
Unified Bowling


Lizzie Gonzales

Elias Ramos & Robert Martinez

Jennifer Stasney

Cathy Dannier
In a break from tradition, this year's awards ceremony was held in the Bee County Coliseum, with all sports being recognized. As you can see, by the looks on the faces of the athletes, everyone enjoyed themselves. 1997 was a record-breaking year for Trojans as they excelled in a variety of areas. Congratulations athletes, you've made us proud!!
Webster says:

Spirit ˈspīr-ət, n.

mental vigor or animation:

Vivacity

Spi
rit

A. C. Jones says:

Spirit \textit{\textipa{spir-\textipa{-}\textipa{at}}}, n.
yelling, dancing, and
supporting the Trojans!
Varsity Cheerleading

Bottom Row: Mari Casarez; Middle Row: Roxanne Ramos, Urbana Chapa, Ashleigh Smith, Mari Alaniz, Veronica Sanchez; Back Row: Ivory Taylor, BrieAnna Moore, Jaclyn Park, Shanon Boemer, and Carol Delbosque
J. V. Cheerleading

Bottom Row: Koco Traut, Dawn Kesler; 2nd Row: Blair Park, Erika Zapata, Sarah Taylor; 3rd row: Cecilia Molina, Gina Puente; Back row: Kim Cantrell, Darci Ford, & Gina Orozco
Drill Team

"The Dazzlers"
We've got spirit, yes we do!

Brenda Cuellar

Jennifer Stasney

Robert Martinez

Mark Martinez

Ruthie gives the camera a Trojan grin.

Russell Weeks

Cathy Dammier

Ruth Kemple

Jose Velasquez

Elizabeth Gonzales
We’ve got spirit, how ‘bout you?
Veronica's face radiates with school pride.

Up, up, and away!

Pep

These Juniors know how to yell!

The Dazzlers sparkled at performance.
Rally

Sophomore spirit ruled!!!

Erica supports the Trojans!

Smile, Gina, smile!

The football players were fired up.
Spirit Week

Bums! Abby Rackley & Eva Smith

Rosella Gonzales shows off her mum.

Totally 80's: Shanon Boemer, Blair Park, BrieAnna Moore, & Jaelyn Park

The Trojans' starting quarterback—Mr. Helew!

Mark Besancon finds the perfect lab partner.
Dress-Up Days

Monday  Hippie Day
Tuesday  Punk Day
Wednesday  Hobo Day
Thursday  Team Day
Friday  Trojan Spirit Day

PHOTOS BY: Alicia Gratton, Brianna Moore, Tari Rodriguez and Roland Salazar.
Webster says:

Life \ lif \, n. the quality that distinguishes the living from the dead

Stu Li
dentfe
A. C. Jones says:
Life \ lif \, n. Get one!
Patty Johnson enjoys the show from on top of Dennis Vasquez's shoulders.

Football players gaze at the burning of our letters with hopes of a successful game.

HOMEC

"I felt very grateful and honored to be on the Homecoming Court four years in a row." — Roxie Rincon

Mary Chavarria is blowing in the wind of excitement.

Jaelyn Park and friends spin the Pep Rally away.

A sophomore Trojan lineup.
OMING

"My favorite thing about Homecoming Night was being escorted by my father." — Lylah Varga

The Junior section tries to out-cheer the surrounding classes.

Darci Ford and other cheerleaders paint the town.

Mrs. Marin takes the floor in front of our blazing BT.

Gina Orozco catches some air at the Homecoming pep rally.

Marcus Herrera has to tune away from all the excitement.
Queen & Escort

Roxie Rincon

Seniors

Robert Perez

Lylah Varga, Shanon Boemer, BrieAnna Moore, Roxie Rincon, Myron Garcia, Marcos Gonzales, Aaron Garcia, Robert Perez, Marc Rodriguez, Garon Garcia
Freshmen

Blair Park, Mary Lee, Gina Orozco

Sophomores

Koco Traut, Jenny Burris, Loni Garcia

Juniors

Cassidi Mansker, Veronica Sanchez, Roxanne Ramos
The club made it happen at area.

The cast of “Feiffer’s People.”

Jessica plays a very disturbed intellectual.

Ernest Ramon plays “Bernard.”

Mary Terrill brings out the cake.

ILLUSIONS does Make Overs at 800 N. Mary's in Beeville; call (512) 358-7631.
Michelle and Jose both received Honorable Mention. A winning performance of "Picnic."

Naomi starring as "Mrs. Bland."

Jessica Thompson won Best Actress.

Linda Diaz is the Stage Manager.

Burger King: Home of the Whopper 2503 N. St. Mary's in Beeville, (512) 358-4142.
Senior

Most Handsome -- Shawn Cadenhead
Most Beautiful -- Roxanne Rincon

Best Personality -- Amanda Trott & Sidney Robinson

Best Smile -- Shanon Boemer & T. J. Lewis
Most Likely to Succeed -- Monica Wofford & Mark Besancon
Awards

Most Spirited -- Jaclyn Park & Chris Cano (not available for picture)

Best Dressed -- Traci Mrazek & Robert Perez

Most Talented -- Alaina Rutter and Roland Salazar

Most Athletic -- Mary Elligan & Greg Gonzales

Most Humorous -- Ivory Taylor & Rudy Bentancud
All-Campus Favorites

Lylah Targa

& Sidney Robinson
Freshman Favorites

Ebony Taylor & Jeff Breon

Sophomore Favorites

Loni Garcia & Eric Castaneda

Junior Favorites

Veronica Sanchez & Marco Medina

Senior Favorites

Roxie Rincon & Marcus Herrera
Spring Break '97

Cassidi Mansker, Jaclyn Park,
Amanda Trott, BrieAnna Moore

Shawn Cadenhead

Kim Yogi

Jody Orozco and Aaron Garcia
Dawn Kessler, Kandy Hughes, Eva Smith

Sharon Heizer, Aaron McClimok, Russell Brown

Ellinor Andersson, Shanon Boomer, Monica Wofford, Chrsu Thomas

Ellinor and Amanda, again.
Prom King & Queen

Lylah Varga & Robert Perez
Webster says: Academic, 
adj. related to an academy or school of higher learning

Acad
emics
A. C. Jones says:
Academic \(\text{\textit{ak-ə-demik}}\),
adj. having to do with straining your brain
Valedictorian
Alicia Gratton
Salutatorian
Mark Besancon
Who's Who

Alicia Gratton
Rachel Allard
Roland Salazar
Mary Elligan
Monica Wofford
Alaina Rutter
Bell Awards
Academic

Bottom Row: Alicia Gratton, Erik Burns; Middle Row: Mr. Jordan, Rachel Allard, Armando Chavez, Monica Wofford, Mrs. Jordan; Top Row: Julie Jackson, Faith Stookesberry, Chris DeWinne

3rd in state!!!

Coaches--Jonnie & Reagan Jordan
Alternates--Roland Salazar & Lisa Urban
The team was ecstatic after winning 3rd, as evidenced by the smiles of Julie & Armando.

Those medals weigh more than Alicia!

A ropes course strengthened the team over Christmas break.

Faith prepares for the speech competition.

Rachel was the literature expert.

Please--please--make Super Quiz go away!!!

Decathlon
U.I.L.

1996-1997 District Competitors

Lisa Urban -- 6th in State Feature Writing
Literary Criticism Team: Julie Jackson, Rachel Allard, & Monica Wofford

Accounting: Front: Emilio Lugo, Jennifer Valenta, Gilbert Lara; Back: Sponsor Mr. Livingston, Frank Ybarra

One Act Play Cast & Crew: Front: Suzanne Kemple, Melissa Rodriguez, Michelle Kuharski, Jessica Thompson; Back: Linda Diaz, Armando Chavez, Nickelle Clark, Tess Lawson, Perry Langbein, & Ernest Ramon

Computer Application: Tonya Seals, Sponsor Mrs. Lewis, Vicki King

Ready Writing: James Ledbetter, Julie Jackson, Armando Chavez
High Honor Graduates

Front: Alicia Gratton, Mark Besancon, Helene Valderaz, Jaclyn Park, Carol DelBosque, Julie Jackson, Katie Simonson, Ann Garcia; Back: Roland Salazar, Marcos Gonzales, Giron Garcia, Armando Chavez, Michelle Wishert, & Amanda Trott

More High Honor Grads

Front: Jennifer Valenta, Michelle Kuharski, Alaina Rutter
Back: Monica Barrientos, Christi Thomas, Rachel Allard

Honor Graduates

Front: Lylah Varga, Rocio Salazar, Tina Mills, Nadia DeLuna, Scott Schneider, Shawn Cadenhead, Derrick Ouellerre, Joseph Thornton, Suzanne Kemple; Back: Sandy Dziuk, Shanon Boemer, Kendra Townsend, Aaron Garcia, Monica Wofford, Rebekah Mey
Academic

Leading their classes: Front: Sophomores Jenny Warner & Dawn Kesler, Freshmen Britni Dial & Brandon Sehlike; Back: Seniors Alicia Gratton & Mark Besancon, Juniors Heather Ramon & Jennifer Menn

Awards

Lisa Urban

Amanda Adamez

Jenny Warner

Adrienne Galvan

Beatrice Cardenas

Armando Chavez & Alicia Gratton, Mr. & Mrs. Jordan

Mary Elligan

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Webster says: Organization
\[\text{org}-(\text{a})\text{-n}-'\text{zā-shən}', \text{n.}\]
association, society

Organic
zations

A. C. Jones says:

Organization \org-a-ni-zə-shən\ n.
a group of students who work together to make A. C. Jones the best high school in south Texas!
Twirling flags is hard work, isn't it?

Garon Garcia and Travis Perkins like to show off their talent.

Super saxophone players: Marcos Gonzales, Amanda Adamz, & Justin Vasquez.

Aaron Garcia & Jesse Maldonado shine on the trumpet.

Joe Hernandez & Darrin Baker await halftime.

Scott Marwick gives extra effort. How can Brett Burris march & play simultaneously?
Richard Salazar & Nathan Davis smile on Homecoming.

A flute star in the making: Karyn Hurry.

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A.C. Jones Choir

Happy Birthday to our directors!
The girls have fun with James Dean at the Pizza Parlor.
Hey Rudy, where's your red nose?
Frosty or Arkie, you decide.
A Portrait of Christmas.
Speech

Prose Interpretation: Nickelle Clark, Melissa Rodriguez, & Michelle Kuharski

Poetry Interpretation: Eli Ramos, Melissa Rodriguez, & Jose Rivera

Persuasive Speaking: Vincent Paiz, Nickelle Clark

Informative Speaking & Cross Examination Debate: Linda Diaz, Michelle Kuharski
Beatrice & Tess are portraits of spring.

It's okay, Ernest--the swing won't bite.

The cast of Picnic set records for their performance.

Eli & Julie get into the 70's scene in Feiffer's People.

Drama
French Club members waiting patiently to feed their bilingual bellies.

Hanging around L'Etelle in San Antonio.

I thought you called the cab.

FRENCH CLUB

CA EN PEND DE TOUS
les goûts

Yvonne pretends to be the Cat in the Hat.

Cool guy, Joe, with his headphones.

Translation: It takes all kinds.

Jackie personifies cuteness.

Amanda and Peter joined at the hip.
San Antonio PASF Convention delegates.

Heather Ramon, Christine Gonzales, Sharon Heizer, and Dawn Kesler cruise the mission grounds.

Jennifer Menn, Perry Langbein, and Emily Haas wish they were on the trolley.


Laura Garcia sang her last Diet y Sells performance with our A. C. Jones student Talamo band EXCLUSIVO.

Perry and Cassie Hackley dismount the yellow limo.

Wally DeLaGarza stands in awe of a girl passing by.

Steven Shaha experiences the San Jose missions.

Mary Ramon sings a familiar Salsa song.

The float and crew during the Diet y Sells parade.

CLUB DE ESPAÑOL
Juniors
National Honor Society
Sophomores
Senior Members
President Alicia Gratton, Treasurer Amanda Trott, Secretary Monica Wofford, Sweetheart Sandy Dziuk, Vice President Tina Mills, Reporter Sharon Boerner, & Beau Armanda Chavez
First United Methodist Church
106 E. Cleveland
358-3350
Front Row: Karen Wilson, Robyn Goza, Marissa Campos, Melissa Montoya, & Mary Elligan
Back Row: Editor Lisa Urban, Perry Langbein, & Natalie Priddy

Additional staff members Robert Richter, Carrie Koplin, & Misty Kissling smile for the camera.

Robyn was always willing to tackle any task.

Karen checks the agenda.

Mary can do it all!
Front: Scott Schneider, Tony Wicke, Orlando Banda, Miss Boemer, Michael Gonzales, Scott Dehnisch, John Salinas
Middle: Naomi Adams, Melissa Breaux, Mari Alaniz, Kendra Townsend, Sandy Alaniz, Roxanne Ramos
Back: Veronica Sanchez, Jennifer Menn, Perry Langbein, Ashleigh Smith

Michael Gonzales helps the students with their reading.

Pals
Helping Hands

Scott reads Mitz Ah Bala.

Sandy and Melissa entertain the children.
“Are you going to eat that?”

Jennifer Menn

Aren’t Kendra and John too old for mud pies?

Is anything down there?
FCA

Officers, back to front: Juli Schneider, Jenny Warner, Kendra Townsend, Abigail Rackley, Chris Kidd, Sharon Heizer, Jessica Snyder

Mark and Charlie smile for the camera.

Keith Baughman, Pres.

It's okay Michael, Cassidi won't bite.

Chillin' at Coach Kidd's house.

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes, with sponsor Coach Mark Snyder

TCI Cablevision of Central Texas
We're taking television into tomorrow.
CAMPUS CONNECTION

Dedicated Club Members Making “It” Happen

Robyn Goza & Stephanie Edmonson organize See You at the Pole
Karyn concentrates during an A lunch meeting

Michael Vasquez
Jesse Cole

Tiny Tots Day Care Center  2507 Lexington  358-6016
FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

Pat Seals, sponsor, Travis Perkins, Robert Lopez, Todd Rossow, and Kimberly DeLaGarza, Taylor Puckett

Brandy Seals and Joseph Bernal.

Travis Perkins
Todd Rossow
Kimberly Siddon
Michelle Wishert, Tonya and Brandy Seals.
Hey guys, the phone does work!!!

Not another photo, please!

Enjoying a day on “the Circle” in Waco are Trisha Gonzales, Venus Valdez, Martha Armijo, and Patricia Cardona.

This stuff is great, what’s it called?

I’m supposed to move where?

FHA
FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA
B. P. A.

BPA was just one of the groups that made it happen at A. C. Jones in 1997.

Officers: Jennifer Roschetzky, Traci Mrazek, Suzanna Lugo, Monika Kent, Jennifer Valenta, and Armando Chavez

State Winner Jennifer Valenta and sponsor Colleen Lewis
Officers: Roxanne Rincon, Stephanie Arismendez, Rudy Bentancul, Donny Rodriguez, Melissa Cristan, Lzca Lopez and Rachal Resio. Not pictured is President Kiki Stanton.

State competitors J. D. Tierney and Rocio Salazar with sponsor Vicki Gregory.

DECA showed that ACJHS is the school to beat in district.

D.E.C.A.
The above is just an example of the wonderful work the Auto Mechanics classes have done throughout the year. From learning the ins and outs of an engine to fixing air conditioning problems, these Trojans did it all!

This year the AC JHS welding class was the only high school shop in south Texas to add on to its facility... This was a tremendous undertaking which involved all the welders in each class and the building trades classes. Outside labor was kept to a minimum. Our men proved that anything can happen if you set a goal, plan it and then work the plans. Great job men!
These are just a few of the welders who put in long hours of hot, back-breaking work to extend the facility which they use. From beginning to end, our welders Made It Happen.
Webster says:

People \ˈpē-pəl\, n.
the mass of a community;
human beings

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ple

A. C. Jones says:

People \( \text{pē-pəl} \), n. Big
& small, old and young, dark
& light--but all Trojans!
School District

School Board


Lou Adele May,
School Board President
Administrative Staff

Salvador Chapa, Assistant Principal

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I am a Teacher.

I was born the first moment that a question leapt from the mouth of a child.

I have been many people in many places.

I am Socrates exciting the youth of Athens to discover new ideas through the use of questions.

I am Anne Sullivan tapping out the secrets of the universe into the outstretched hand of Helen Keller.

I am Aesop and Hans Christian Andersen revealing truth through countless stories.

I am Marva Collins fighting for every child's right to an education.

I am Mary McLeod Bethune building a great college for my people, using orange crates for desks.

And I am Bel Kaufman struggling to go Up the Down Staircase.

The names of those who have practiced my profession ring like a hall of fame for humanity... Booker T. Washington, Buddha, Confucius, Ralph Waldo Emerson, Leo Buscaglia, Moses and Jesus.

I am also those whose names and faces have long been forgotten, but whose lessons and character will always be remembered in the accomplishments of their students.
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Congratulations for working for the last 12 years to get a piece of paper

Good-Bye
High School
Hello World

Hello \textit{\helö'\}, n.

watch out world--here we come!
Casino

Maria Alaniz smiles for the audience.

Lylah and Suzanne sport new hair-styles.

Seniors enjoy the last song of the evening.

“I’m from Sweden! I like hugs!”

Amanda and Ashleigh after Annual.
Night

“Poor, poor, pitiful me!!!!!!!”

One final goodbye for the ‘97 Seniors.

Make It Happen Part II

Julie, Armando, and Rachel

Sophomore Jenny Warner
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Jennifer Valenta & Amanda Trott
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Ernest Ramon & Greg Parish
Tina Mills
Sandy Dziuk
Lylah Vargà, Candy Lara, Laura Garcia, Blanca Alvarado
Marianne Gremmel & Marcos Gonzales
“Who, me???” asks Joe Hernandez.

Coach Kidd sports his lucky hat.

Don’t touch that trampoline, Marcus Herrera!

John Salinas awaits Mary’s serve.

Nidia Rodriguez swings into the foam pit.

Ms. Most Athletic can play everything.

Underclassmen Mandi Martinez, Kelly Clem, & Melissa Sublett wish they were seniors.

Levi Unger burns calories on the treadmill.

Rachel Allard dives for money.
The End of it All

Derrick Ouellette & Andy Dolezal lost numerous chips.
Suzanne Kemple & Kim Young made it happen!
Aylin Raya & Guado Lopez prepare to depart.

Nathan Gonzales is still awake.
Are you stuck in there, Shawn Cadenhead?
Mark Rodriguez was still smiling at 3:00.

Faith Stookesberry tries to be a "champion" in the casino.
Athletes Sandy Dziuk & Ann Garcia work out.
Peter Ferrer almost drops Alicia Gratton into the trash can.
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In the words of Charles Dickens, "it was the best of times; it was the worst of times."

Accepting the position as editor proved to be a tremendous challenge, but somehow everyone on the staff survived. I must take time-out to say thank-you to a few of the individuals who made Definitions of Excellence possible.

Roland Salazar was always willing to work. He gave 110% effort, no matter whether he was snapping photos or creating pages on the computer. Even though he sprayed water from the darkroom hose on me, I always appreciated his presence. This book would not have been possible without Roland.

Scott Schneider was our 1996-97 Photo Editor, which is no easy task. Without fail, something always--always--went wrong in the darkroom. Negatives were scratched, photos were stolen, and the chemicals were constantly out-of-whack. Scott countered these obstacles calmly, and somehow we filled the book with pictures depicting excellence at A. C. Jones.

The rest of the staff members also deserve a round of applause. Our sports section is the result of the joint efforts of Shawn Cadenhead, Mari Casares, Brie Anna Moore, and Roland Salazar. They were always willing to revise to meet my perfectionist demands. Great work, guys!

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Enjoy the book--we worked hard!!

Alicia Gratton, Editor