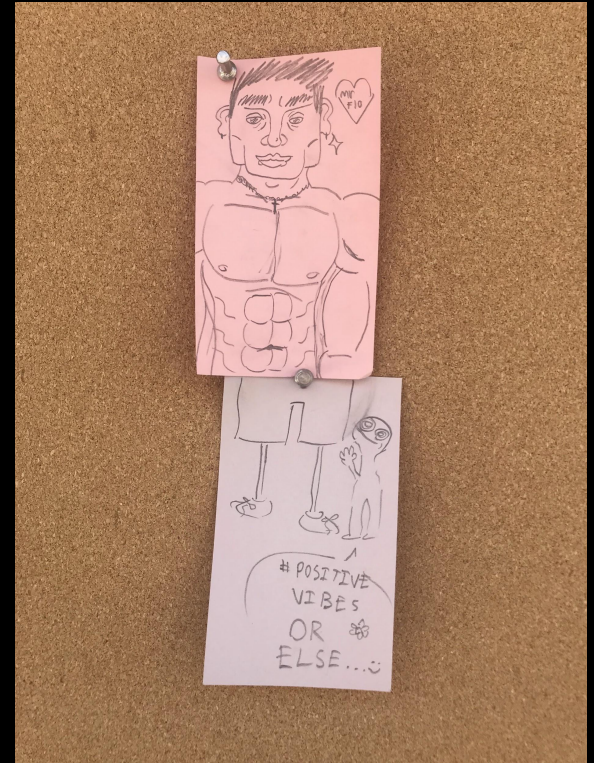




# *What is The Octopi*

The Octopi is Freestyle's student run newspaper, covering the most interesting and important topics on Freestyle campus.



*Were We This Loud Junior Year?  
Senior Class Has Questions*

**Why are they standing in a circle rapping during class? Should we be doing this too?**

## *Wait haha, Imagine if Freestyle had...*

1. **A rat living in the ceiling of the film room.**
2. **A basketball team.**
3. **An actual octopus.**
4. **A competitive tai chi team.**
5. **Freshmen.**

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# The Octopi

## Breaking: AM Student Dares to Make Small Talk on 'Kid's Kab'

It's spending half of lunch riding in a van with the words 'Kid's Kab' painted on the sides wasn't enough of a punishment for not having a driver's license at seventeen, the awkward small talk used as an attempt to break the silence permeating in the vehicle is its own beast. Fourteen juniors and seniors pile in every day *only* to put our carburetors in and text our Los Altos friends who are probably enjoying the pizza in the LAHS quad at the same moment. And every day like clockwork, the deafening silence accompanied by Today's Top Songs is broken with a mind "how are you?" or "are you behind in digital media or is it just me?" Oh, to have a driver's license and never have to worry about accidentally making eye contact with either Seán and SUV-less almost adults, to have to smile at your peer hesitantly and carry on an excruciating twenty-minute-long conversation. Our muted faces mask the unspoken promise of never speaking of the humiliation of riding in the Kids Kab to our peers back in the quad. Heaven forbid we have to explain to non-Freestylers that the bus is not actually for kids, and rather for "teens going places". (Read more on p. 5)

### What the Adobe Product You Tolerate Most Says About You:

#### Premiere Pro

Classic film fan. You enjoy webtoons about charismatic men and anthropomorphic raccoons. Love Transformers and baseball. Can't cook, likes to school everyday, and you used to teach elementary school kids. Your name rhymes with Bart Taylor.

#### Adobe Illustrator

Osos wow, an art girl! Such a rare sighting on Freestyle campus. You're probably so good at drawing that you make other people embarrassed to show theirs in the walk through galleries. This makes us do. No no, we get it, all art is subjective. But subjectively speaking, the random stick figure doodles I paid six hours of blood sweat and tears for on a Thursday night ain't exactly it.

#### After Effects

You're a musicist.

#### Adobe Photoshop

You're definitely a guy in Design. Sorry, it's just true. You're here for those clean, bold, lines and simplistic fonts. You don't see yourself as an artist, you're more of an architect, or a future businessman, with a silly little hobby like making logos or something. Whatever you guys do. To be real, none of us non-design kids understood what you're actually doing in that class. However, we do know that you can slap two photos together and make them look real nice and crisp.

#### Avid (Pro Tools)

Are you okay? Do you need someone to talk to? I spend enough time trying to get Avid to work with my failing EVO and Plugins that when I saw a screenshot of the Pro Tools timeline last week. I got heart palpitations. I have a great therapist, and she's always looking for new patients, so hit me up when you're ready to accept help soon <3.

#### Premiere Rush

Shhh! You sneaky little Junior (or sad, desperate Senior!) You weren't supposed to know this product existed. Don't you dare let us catch you editing on Rush while the rest of us sift miserably through four and a half hours of audio clips for our big boy Senior Narrative projects. Don't. You. Dare.

### Reasons Why Senior Matthew Hoke Should Be The New Freestyle Mascot:

1. He's pretty chill nos gonna lie.

### Rude! Doordash Threatens to Blacklist Freestyle Seniors

Slightly watered down Jamba Juice. Chocolate pancakes with a side of bacon. A ChickfilA sandwich with a side of curly fries. An entire box of cheese pizza. Doordash is fed up with Freestyle seniors borderline abusing the app's economy and dably let them install on their phones. It's ten in the morning on a Thursday, why are we collectively ordering enough food to create a continental breakfast buffet in a Holiday Inn? (for student interviews, read p. 7)

### Wait haha, imagine if Freestyle had:

A rat living in the ceiling of the film room.  
OH, WAIT. Rest in peace, Rathew.

#### A basketball team.

Real talk, there is no height requirement for sitting at a desk or for using a camera. And yet out of pure lack, more than half the senior class boys are over six feet. There is so much potential for Freestyle to demonstrate our athletic dominance, and we aren't taking advantage of it? Disappointing.

#### An actual octopus.

Where's the district's budget going, and why don't we have a live octopus chilling in a tank next to Mr. Flo 24/7? I need answers.

#### A competitive tai chi team.

I don't know what we'd be called. But I do know that Mr. Flo would pull up to the function wearing a neon green tracksuit.

#### Freshmen.

2. He can skate (self explanatory).

3. He's on "my homie" basis with the bus drivers.

4. He's never in the class he's supposed to be in, and everyone rolls with it.

5. Most likely to chill with Mr. Florendo. I can imagine the two of them just hanging out, like grilling or something. I don't know, it just makes sense.

6. In the hypothetical event that they had a face off, Hoke could take both Sparty the Spartan and the LAHS eagle mascot and give them an absolute beatdown. No question.

# *Why Senior Matthew Hoke Should Be The New Freestyle Mascot:*

- 1. He's pretty chill not gonna lie.**
- 2. He can skate (self explanatory).**
- 3. According to sources, he's on 'my homie' basis with the bus drivers.**
- 4. Most likely to chill with Mr. Florendo. I can imagine the two of them just hanging out, like grilling or something. I don't know, it just makes sense.**
- 5. In the event that they had a face off, Hoke would take down both Sparty the Spartan and the LAHS eagle in an absolute beatdown. No question.**

# Why?

- We thought this would be a fun idea
- Interest in trying out for *The Kumquat* at Chapman

THE KUMQUAT ISSUE 34  
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**5 Super Spooky Scary Things You Can Do This Halloween to Make Your Friends Go "AHHHHH!"**

1. Make a little ghost out of milk paper and cut it on the rainbow, coarse to spook your roommates.
2. Go to the campus cafeteria and get a vanilla bean frap with raspberry syrup on top so it looks like blood and give it to your class friend (you know the one). A horrifyingly sweet treat!
3. Buy a dog beard and give with your friends! While you are giving him the thing stand to spell out "BOO!"
4. Go to a corn masa while having said corn masa chichardon your friend and then put them in your friend in the middle of the night bring them to that secluded train station and just as they are about to wake up, your face blood all over their body. Now later Once they wake up, run down the stairs and act really relaxed to see them. Tell them you have been looking for them for hours and thank god they are okay because that's all they live the rest of their life in confusion and fear.
5. Curse some creepy ill punks out to

**Chapman Themed Halloween Costumes**

Here's some ideas for you to get into the spirit! **Prof. Strapper** - A trip from the beachfront Center along the beach. **Prof. The Panther's Shaky Diner** - You got what you got at the diner. **The Guy who Shocks your friend** (but not the hand) **Chapman**

**Pralle RA Spotted Having Fun?!**

Pralley, about just a "Potted" up for a pumpkin patch while vacating last month. Hal Ka Emma Tompkins Now she's grinding on the hardwood floor. **Pralley** - Pralley and others at the time White Claw in one resin, Ahijadi James, entranced at the same time. This ad were me her glasses-wearing 3'3" white vacating last month. **Pralley** - Pralley and others at the time White Claw in one resin, Ahijadi James, shaken by my core, yet

**Dodge Kid Pissed Squid Game Stole His AP Idea**

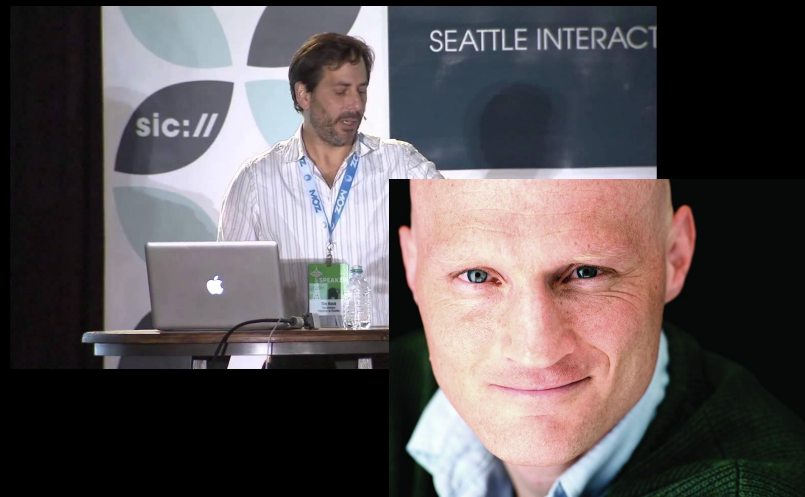
Maen Dick, Film put on probation for Prof. 121 piece PPA when he accepted to file a claim against of seeing that one for his 'recessive' infringement for recent Dick sources his inspiration. For Squid Game, when Dick claims Game (the AP), as to have written for his something that just came to him? I did thing happened with watch an Instagram live Lee Yuse Chung when responding to a video

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## *Our Sources/Inspiration*



Cartoonist Bill Watterson, creator of the comic strips Calvin and Hobbes



Tim Keck and Christopher Johnson, founders of The Onion



# *Bill Watterson*

- Bill Watterson is of the first comedians we are introduced to as kids.
- *Calvin & Hobbes* comic books
- Tools Watterson uses:
  - **Satirical remarks** toward other characters in his environment
  - **Wit, quick retorts, sarcastic remarks** that keep the reader on their toes
  - Some mild **blue humor**

# *Tim Keck & Christopher Johnson*

- Founders of *The Onion*, one of the world's best university humor publications.
- *The Onion* was established in 1988 at the University of Wisconsin and ultimately was meant to cover both real and fake current events in a way that is similar to the associated press, presenting even the most boring of news as groundbreaking in melodramatic headlines (also known as **hyperbole**).
- Comedy tools used in *The Onion*:
  - **Parodies** and **situational humor**
  - **Blue humor**

# *Key Takeaways*

- Read your audience!
- Write about what connects most with readers
- Write about both the ridiculous and the relatable