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Cliques Dominate Beecher High School

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Have you ever noticed how many groups of friends there are in the hallways? Whether someone is part of the wild card group, or some type of sports group, everyone is a part of something. One group that really stands out is the wild cards.

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Colin Leahy, Jake Hall, Nick Giroux, Jeremy Soria, Greg Larson, Giovanni Schiavone, Tyler Jones, and Billy Salmen are all wild cards. If people see this group in the hallway, he or she might see them doing something unexpected or just plain hilarious.

"We're all friends because we are all funny, and we don't fight. We're

all just chill," Tyler Jones (Sr) said. Many groups of friends tend to stay together and not venture out into other groups. This group is definitely one of them.

"There is less drama with staying in one or two groups. Lots of people are two-faced, and there are less people getting in your business. Plus, we have more fun together as one group," Tyler Jones (Sr) adds.

"I feel comfortable with my group of friends. I have a good time hanging out with them," Jeremy Soria (Jr) said.

Being comfortable might be a main goal for a lot of groups of friends; if someone does not know people in other groups, they may not feel comfortable going out of the way to try and join other groups. This is just one example of a group that likes to stick together, inside and out of school.



The wild cards: (left to right) Colin Leahy, Billy Salmen, Jeremy Soria, and Nick Giroux demonstrate their wild card quality as they do something unexpected.

Reporter: Alyssamay Griño

Beecher High School's hallways are filled with groups of friends who stick together through thick and thin. Each group is categorized from the jocks to cheerleaders or rockers to the wild cards. The groups are formed when teens of the same interests start hanging out. Eventually, other people join and a label is attached to that particular group. There are few individuals who jump from clique to clique. The majority of teens stay in their group of friends. In and out of school, cliques like to stay together.

"I enjoy talking to my team in school because we are like a family," said

Meghan Jacobson (So),

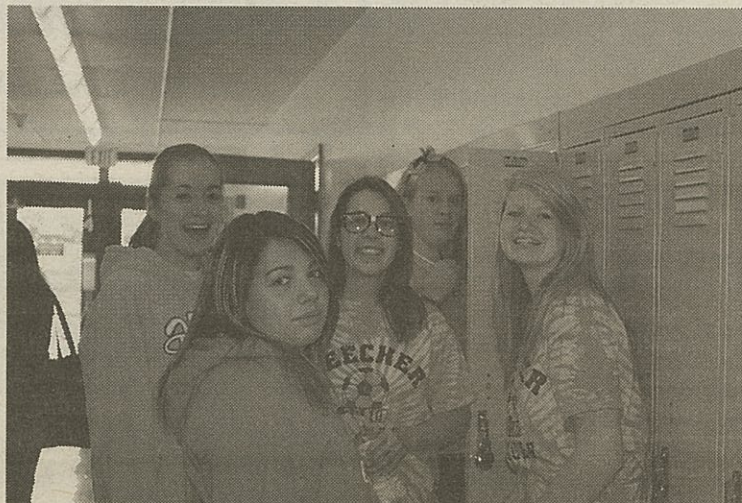
"But outside of school, I only hang out with two of my teammates, not the whole team."

Some cliques are even willing to have open arms toward newcomers.

"I get along with everyone," said Mackenzie Skelton (So),

"The people on JV volleyball are really close in school and if someone wanted to be in our group, we would accept them."

Though cliques contain a dedicated group of friends, they aren't always closed off from the world. Every individual has a personality and each person brings that part of them into a group.



Sophomore Hallway: (left to right) Gabi Bachis, Nicole Thomsen, Meghan Jacobson, Nicole Gess, and Rachael Johnson having fun in the hallway.

Reporter: Brianna Steele

There are many cliques in Beecher High School. The girls cross country team is an example. They all are good friends during both the cross country season and the off season. Their running skills are just as good as their friendship with one another.

"The cross country team's friendship benefits our running because we can all depend on each other," Bobbi Stanula (So) said.

To the cross country team it is important to bond in and out of practice.

"We call ourselves the XC Family," Bobbi Stanula (So) said.

This group of girls is very close with each other and they are happy with that. The team has been like that for as long as anyone could remember.

"We are a big family, I am the so called mom," Liz Meyer (Sr) said.

When you are on a team sport it is important to have leaders. But in cross country the leaders are not bossy or mean. The whole team loves one another and is there for each other.

"We continue to be good friends with each other on our off season as well," Katrina Zubi (So) states.

Being close with one another helps the team become better and grow as friends. There will always be a little drama in every group of friends.

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there, but we always get through it together and put it behind us," Bobbi Stanula (So) said.

By staying in this one group the cross country girls are not bringing in other forms of drama from other groups. By being each others best friends it is easier to get over drama.

Seeing themselves as good friends, they realize that all they need is each other in the end. To the cross country girls, they all have a piece to put into the puzzle, it is not about getting ahead, it is all about the team.



Lip-Dub: (pictured left to right) Keegan Short, Roxanne Milan, Rebecca Schnitzius, and Rachel Lee.



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