



# THE OBSERVER



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## The Talent Show 1976 to open today at HIS

The students and troupe members of us poetry company will present their original play today at 1:30 in the cafeteria. Shelby County students enrolled at seven different Shelby County Community Education Sum-

mer Camp locations will attend the program as their weekly field trip. us poetry company will continue its work in Shelby County this fall in its after-school program, Playing After School. The program will be rolled out locally in several of the district's elementary and intermediate schools. For more information about enrolling your child, please contact us poetry company at 665-0344.

## Students say playgrounds need work



Students claim graffiti on the fourth and fifth grade playground is inappropriate and should be removed.

Editorial By Student Staff, Edited By Chris Pappas

Our playgrounds may not be the best place for kids. There is graffiti on the roof and the rock wall of the

playground designated for the fourth and fifth grade students. The third grade playground is too small for the number of children it serves and needs a fence between the "sports area" and the street.

We, as fifth-graders, are disappointed that we have let our playgrounds become so unfriendly for kids.

We propose that all fourth and fifth grade students sign a pledge promising to graffiti no more on the playground. And we should hold each other to that pledge. The staff of *The Observer* will write a draft of this pledge to be published in our next issue.

We also propose that the student council organize a clean-up day for students to wash all of the existing graffiti off of the playground equipment.

We realize that money is tight for everyone right now but think a fundraising campaign may be necessary to put up a fence at the third grade playground and purchase more equipment so the students do not get bored and wander off, due to the lack of equipment on that playground.

Our goal, and our intention, is to make our playgrounds cleaner, safer, better.

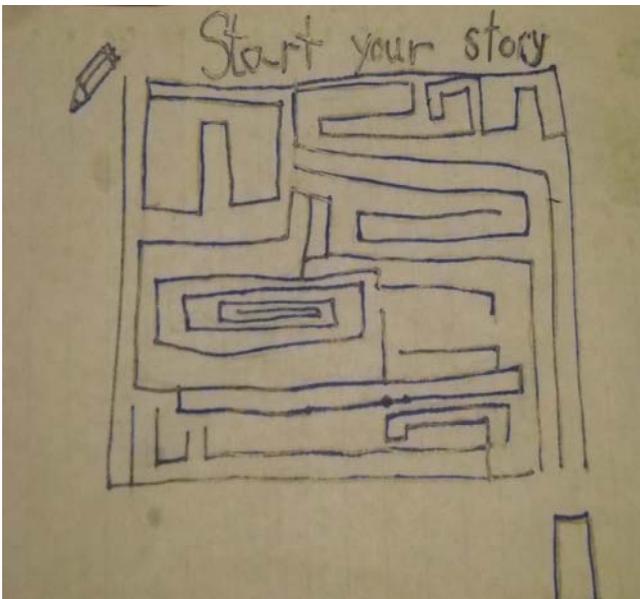
### Tips from Mya:

- Don't worry about the S.A.T.'s, but they're on the way.
- I was scared when I first got to HIS, but it has been the best two years of my life.
- School is like a river. Go with the flow.
- Even the strictest teacher could be the nicest. So don't be worried.

**Think Tank**

Use the space below to write your ideas for future articles:

## Take a try at the winning puzzle



Each student on *The Observer's* staff submitted a maze to our first puzzle contest.

The winning maze is from Cade Jamieson, as voted by the other students on the staff.

Can you solve Cade's Maze?

### The Observer's Staff

- Mya Buko
- Cade Jamieson
- Patton Mazzola
- Ali Pappas, Visiting Writer
- Rebecca Pappas, Art Director
- Chris Pappas, Editor