

AIM FOR GREATNESS

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SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

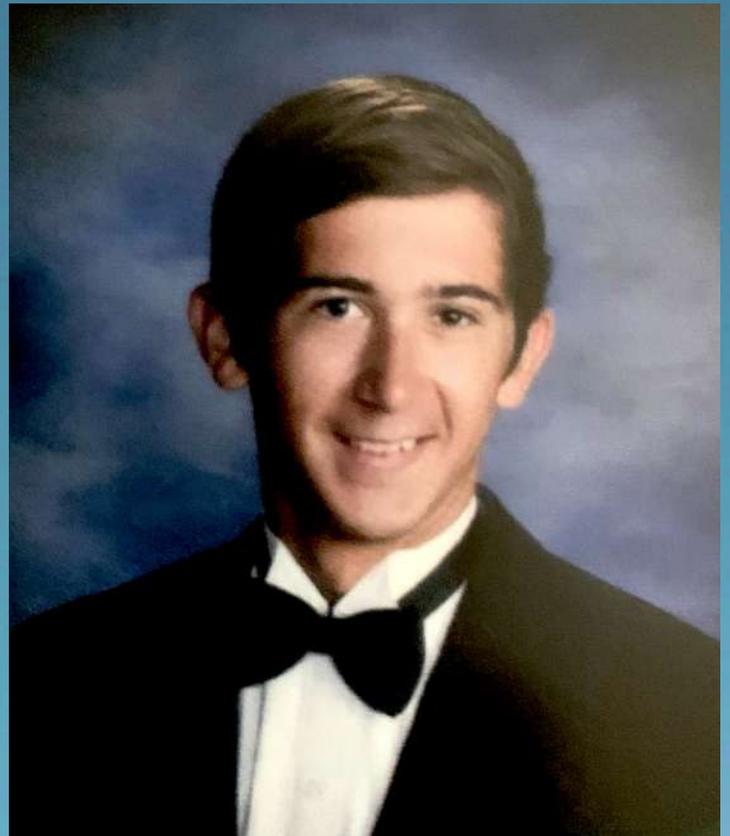
PRESENTS A BLAST FROM THE PAST
AND

A MESSAGE TO
OUR 2020 SENIORS



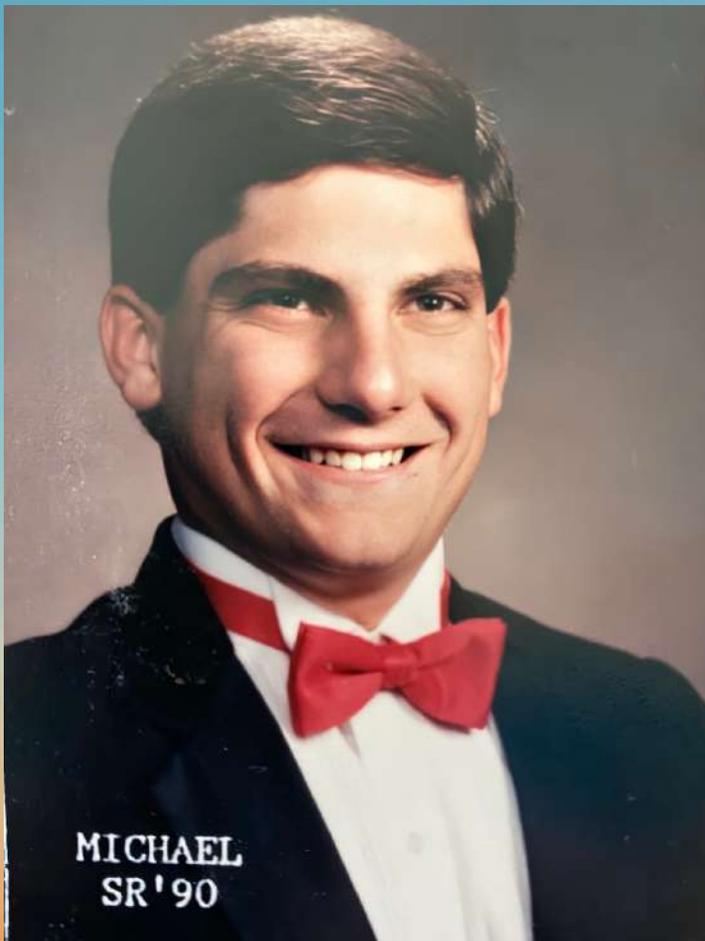
CONNOR BLAKE CLASS OF 2015

To the Class of 2020... We know that the end goal is important but the journey and the memories you have made at CHS will be what you keep with you. Keep your head high and go out and accomplish great things!



MICHAEL BROCK CLASS OF 1990

My best wishes for the future to the Class of 2020! Though you leave us in the most unorthodox of ways, please take away one of the constant and most valuable lessons of the human experience: though you cannot control your circumstances, you can always control your response to them. Take the opportunities offered around you, cherish those you are with, and throughout your future allow yourself to be guided by our greatest human asset: hope.



BRITTANY SCRUGGS CLASS OF 2006

Seniors, the celebrations may look a bit different than you envisioned, but make no mistake, your accomplishments have not gone unnoticed. Your parents, teachers and community are so proud of what you have done and the grace with which you have done it. My hope is that you can find it within you to see this as one more learning opportunity. May you commit to making the most out of each day you are given, grow from each and every struggle or disappointment and always give credit to those that help you along the way. Congratulations CHS Class of 2020!

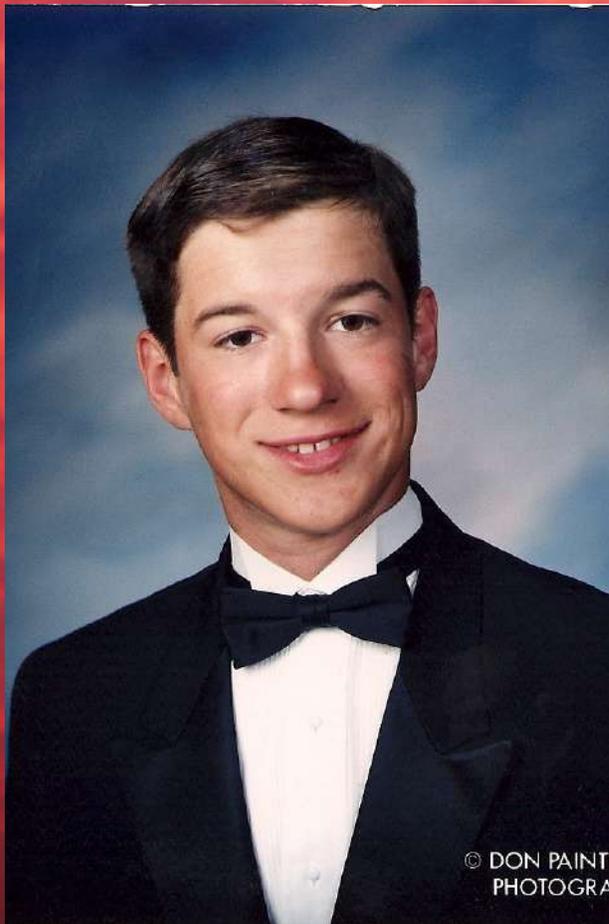


SCOTT SHELBY CLASS OF 1998

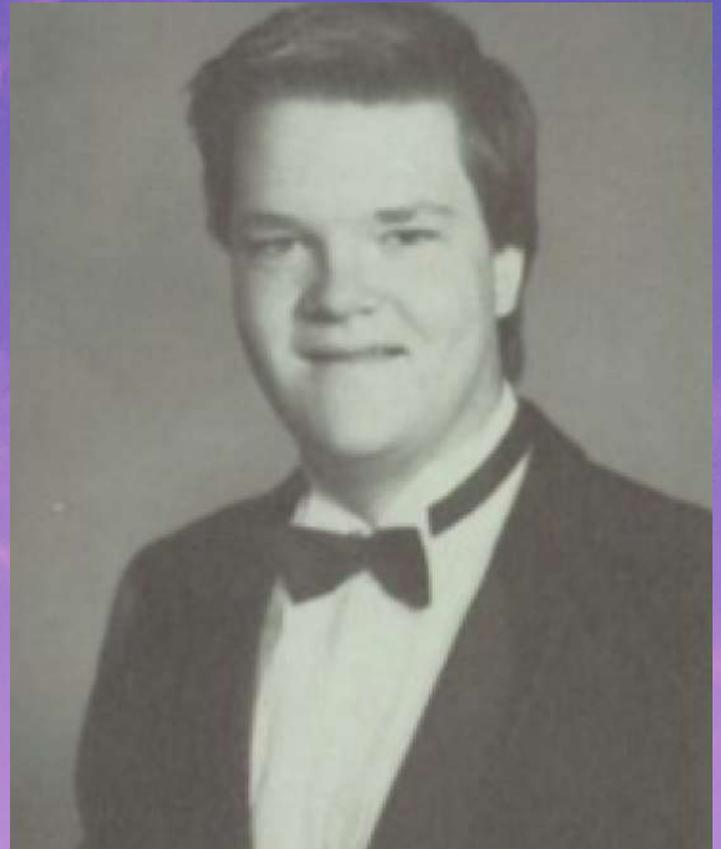
This is a quote that my Grandpa would often recite to my Mom when she was growing up. It was a mantra that she repeated and passed down to me.

“You can do anything if you have enthusiasm. Enthusiasm is the yeast that makes your hopes rise to the stars. Enthusiasm is the spark in your eye, the swing in your gait, the grip of your hand, the irresistible surge of your will and your energy to execute your ideas. Enthusiasts are fighters, they have fortitude, they have strong qualities. Enthusiasm is at the bottom of all progress.

With it there is accomplishment.
Without it there are only alibis.” -Henry Ford



DAN GILLETTE CLASS OF 1990



These days are not the definition of your lives! They are now part of your history! How will you write your historical narrative?



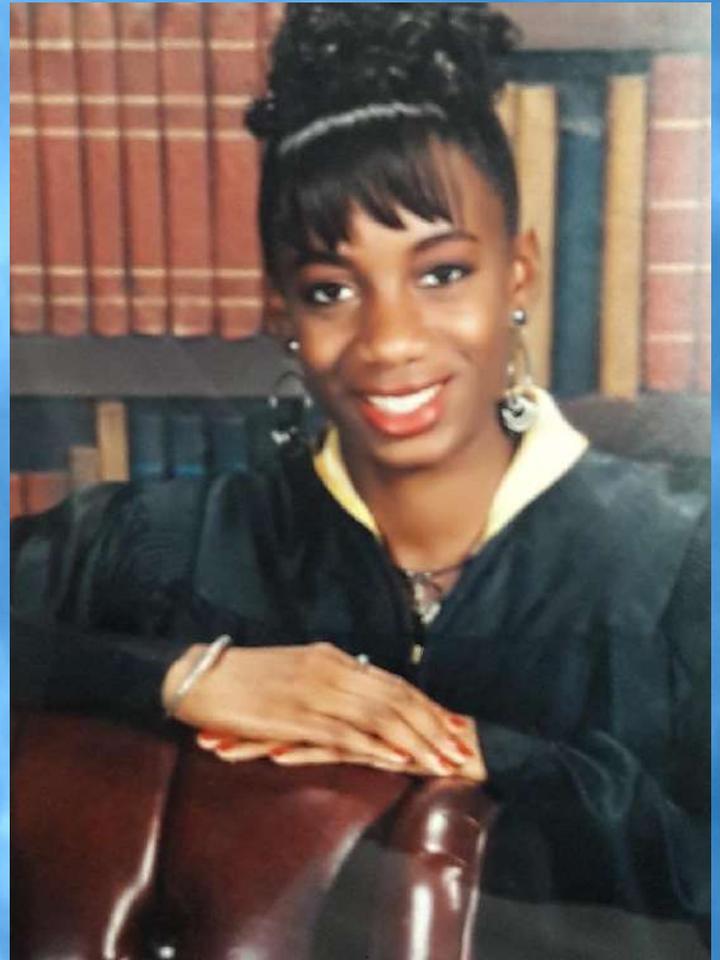
BYBIANA HOUGHTON CLASS OF 2011

Our school year has come to an end but that doesn't mean you need to stop fulfilling your dreams! I hope this pandemic is making you stronger and wiser. May you keep your head high as you begin a new chapter in your life! Wishing you the best in your endeavors!

With so much love,
Mrs. Houghton

CHESSNA DAVIS CLASS OF 1995

I am proud of you and know that you will move on to do great things in the world. The sheer resilience and steadfast perseverance that your class has demonstrated during this trying and unprecedented time is simply remarkable! While my heart weeps on your behalf for time lost in the potential memories of the history left unwritten. My heart also smiles as I realize that you are all survivors of one of the most unprecedented events in the history of our country and for that alone, my generation can no longer claim that your generation is too soft and lacks GRIT...You are a conqueror of one of the most unprecedented events in the history of our country and for that alone, you will be stronger for it. I am proud of you!



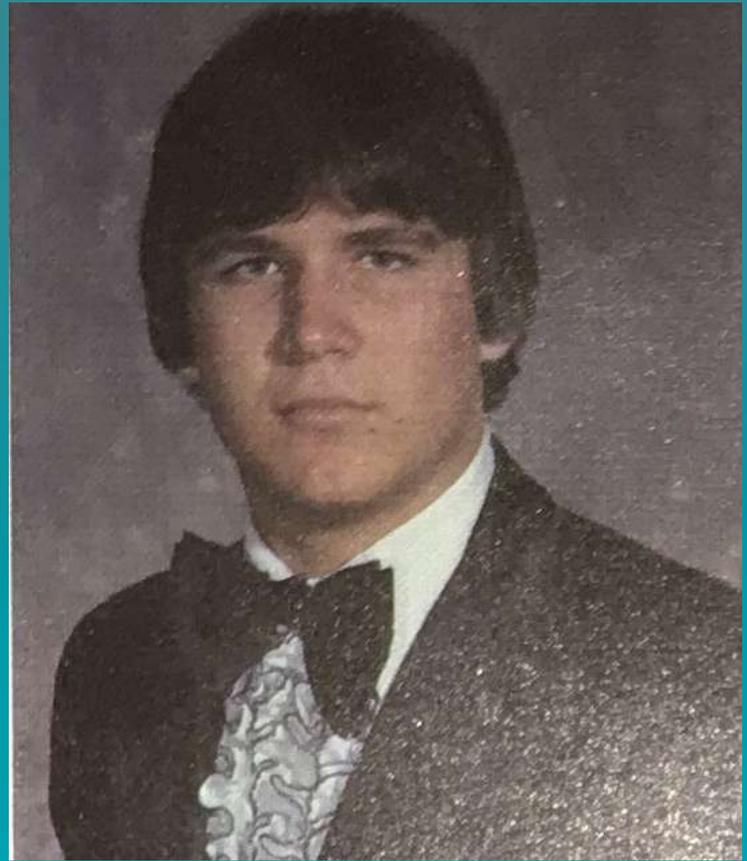
DIANE DE WAAL CLASS OF 1972



This year is really one for the history books! Although this is a tough end to your high school career ... there is so much more waiting for you! You will continue to write your story in the upcoming years! When you read about this time in a history book, the next chapter will be filled with better memories. As FDR said, "The only thing we have to fear ... is fear itself." Stay strong!

KEVIN CASEY CLASS OF 1980

Class of 2020 - We know these are distressing times but better days are ahead. You have your entire life in front of you and soon enough these springtime troubles will be behind us! Do your best and look forward to your future!

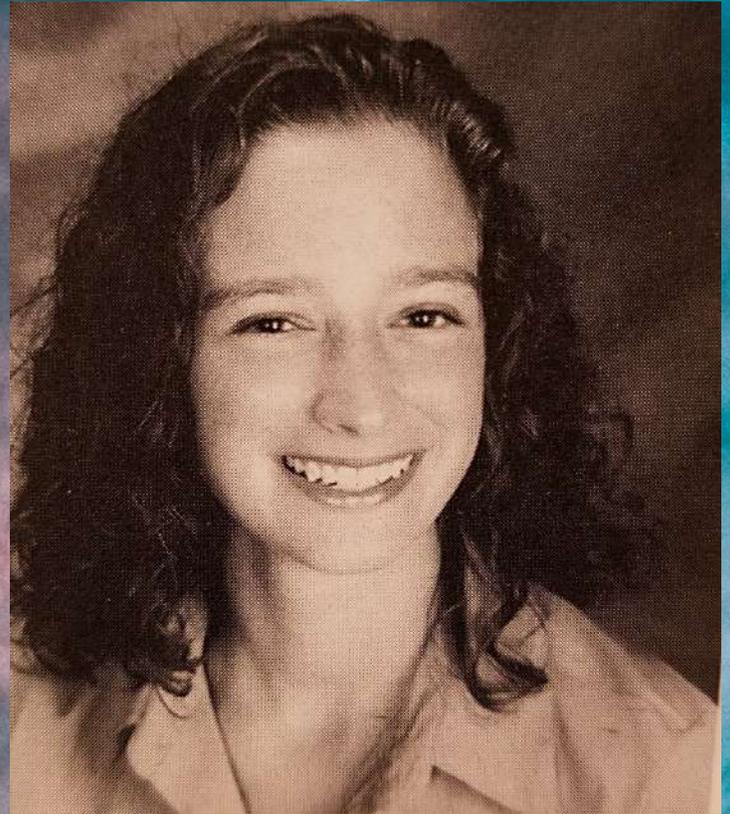


MICHAEL ERICKSON CLASS OF 1998

"Be like water...Empty your mind, be formless, shapeless – like water. Now you put water in a cup, it becomes the cup; You put water into a bottle it becomes the bottle; You put it in a teapot it becomes the teapot.
Be. Like Water."
- Bruce Lee

MIRANDA PORTTEUS CLASS OF 2003

Class of 2020, the end of your high school career is not what you wanted or planned for it to be. This is not really the ending, but a beginning and you get to create it! You are all amazing individuals and you get the opportunity to show the world what you can do, problems you can solve and people you can help. Good luck on the next step of your journey!



AYLOR RIX CLASS OF 2009

Class of 2020, you did it! I have been so honored to see you do great things throughout your time at CHS and I know you will continue to do great things in your future! Good luck in all you do and remember Once a Cowboy, Always a Cowboy!"



**KIM LEE
CLASS OF 1990**



You are strong! You are courageous! You are amazing! My heart is full of gratitude for knowing each of you and I'm so proud of you!!!



**KRISTIA LEYENDECKER
CLASS OF 1991**

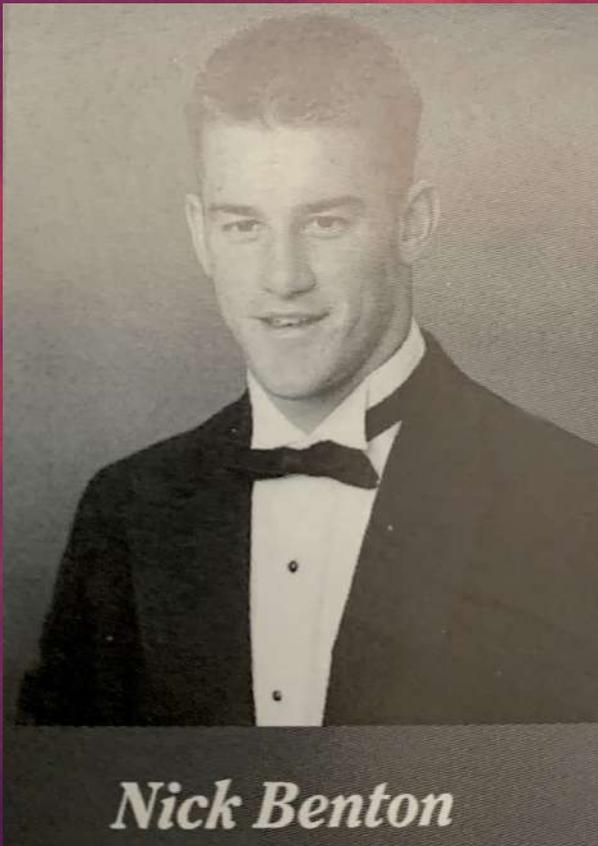
This is one moment in time...there are many more memories to be made. This will be a memory soon...how will you remember it?

CALEB STEVENS CLASS OF 2008

Coach Bill Parcells coached for 19 seasons in the NFL and won 2 Super Bowls with the New York Giants. Coach Parcells would read a poem to his team at the beginning and end of each season. The poem is something all young adults should read and spend time in deep thought. Not deep thought in future, career or money, but deep thought about ones self. "When you get what you want in your struggle for self And the world makes you king for a day Just go to a mirror and look at yourself And see what that man has to say For it isn't your father, mother or wife Whose judgment upon you must pass The fellow whose verdict counts most in your life Is the one staring back from the glass."



NICK BENTON CLASS OF 1998



Nick Benton

The class of 2020 will always be remembered. There are some very special kids in this class and I will miss you dearly. This will help you understand that things don't always go as planned, but your attitude will determine the outcome.
Good luck out there!

ERIC WALKER CLASS OF 1986

Coppell High School 2020 Seniors – I'd like to leave you guys with a few of my favorites inspirational quotes to ponder during these unique times. Some of my former students like to call these "Walkerisms". 😊

"The Exhilaration in the end will always outweigh the exhaustion it took to get there."

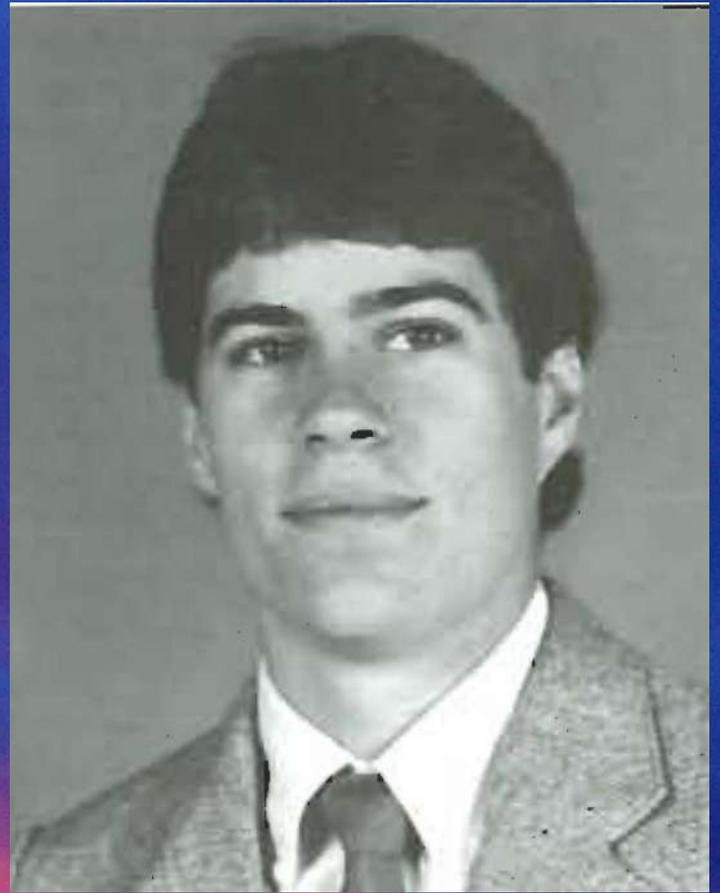
"You do what you gotta do, until you can do what you want to do."

"Sight is perception of your present. Vision is faith in your future."

"Stay away from negative people. They have a problem for every solution."

"It's not what you look at that matters, it's what you see."

"Chase your dreams, FACE your challenges, and EMBRACE your talents!"



PATRICIA WILLIAMS CLASS OF 1986

To the class of 2020, I recently gave this talk to a group of students.. When you're young, life seems full of possibilities and you feel invincible at times.

Then you learn that feeling is fleeting. You will have disappointments in life, being cut from a job or sport, losing a loved one, relationships that will end, missing out on a big moment in life. It is about how you move on in life and to keep pushing forward. In each different stage of life, you will meet new people. They will leave an impact on you, and you hopefully will leave some goodness with them. Give each day your best. I believe the class of 2020 will come out stronger after this. You will have many opportunities ahead of you. Take them. Some will be good, and others may not. Take them anyway. Reach out and include others in your lives. Be generous and show true charity, hope, and faith that your future will be bright. Let your light shine, class of 2020.