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The student section cheers as the team scores a touchdown, leading them to win 73-7 over Raytown South on Sept. 12. "It was awesome, the crowd was loud. The whole game and beating Raytown South like that just felt great," Senior Spirit Leader Freddy Bryant said. Photo by Ceily Tiemann.

**Letter From The Editor**

By now, everyone has gotten settled into the 2025-2026 school year, so it is appropriate we take the time to honor and report on student achievements.

A new school year means new clubs, like the Young Progressives club (see page 4). Fall sports teams are busy visiting the elementary schools and competing state-wide (see pages 5-7). Not only are our sports teams successful, but so are the student sections (see page 8).

This issue, we chose to highlight junior Quinn Harman and freshman Faith Cabuyaban for their academic and athletic achievements (see pages 10-13). In addition to these spotlights, we have also highlighted the drumline and a recent competition they took on (see page 16).

To finish off this issue, we discuss more serious topics like Suicide Awareness Month (see page 18), unsafe drivers (see page 20) and how the rise of AI negatively affects students (see page 21). Our staff as a whole also decided to contribute to an editorial on the new phone ban that was just put into effect (see page 22).

Lastly, we would like to thank our advertisers for setting us up with overwhelming support for the rest of the year, and all our readers who are looking forward to a new year of The Bell.

*Kora Smith*

**On The Cover**

The men's swim coach celebrates how well his team performs in these upcoming swim meets. He also praised his team for how they performed last year. "The nice part about this team is we have a lot of guys who are very fast and performed well at state last year," Coach Murphy said. Photo by Iyari Hyde.



Find more homecoming week photos on our online photo gallery @lhsnews.net. Photos by Ayla Espinoza.

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