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SENIORS SPEAK: THE CLASS OF 2014

Back by popular demand—Here are some of the stories of the Class of 2014, and the role Campus Life has played in their approach to the rite of passage known as high school graduation.



CL has meant a lot to me over the past 4 years. There aren't a lot of places where you can bob for hot dogs in Jell-O and not be called crazy, but CL is one of them. It was also a safe place where you could have a serious discussion with staff about problems in your life or your relationship with God. I'm looking forward to being staff next year so I can help impact kids' lives and help them make it through high school, like Campus Life helped

me. Matt Davidson, Grand Ledge HS

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Wisconsin Dells Trip
June 16-19
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I love CL because it allows me the freedom to be who I am without fear of rejection or judgment. I don't know where I would be without Kelly and Patrick—they have become my family.

Maddelynn Gordon, Waverly HS



Two and a half years ago my family was in a terrible car accident. My older brother Bob Erasto was killed. My soccer coach and CL Director, Jeff Davis, supported my family with food, prayers and getting us necessities. This was a very painful experience for me. Jeff at the time was able to get me to go to the Smoky Mountains trip and two Florida trips. The trips helped me to start having fun in life again. As a result of the trips and going to CL, my relationship with God grew and I began to become less sad and angry. Thank God for Campus Life. Shukarani Nybenda, Eastern HS



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CL has had a big part in my life during high school.

It has given me a place to do fun, crazy things under a positive influence. Although I love the things we do and learn, the staff have to be my favorite part of Campus Life. They are always there to talk to you and support you through whatever you are going through.

Lexi Nugent, Grand Ledge HS



There is something about the people at CL. The staff, the other students, it's just home. Patrick has created a culture that allows for all of us to be ourselves and figure life out together. I'm glad I got to spend my high school years hanging out with Campus Life.

Airic Boyce, Waverly HS



Waverly HS



CL has helped to show me that the best thing you can do is be yourself and you will make friends and enjoy life a lot more! They have brought me closer and closer to God and personally helped me through everything I have gone through. I thank them for being there and helping keep me out of trouble.

Nick Cugini, Grand Ledge HS

CL has meant so much to me these past few years. I have made many lifelong friends and have gotten a chance to rediscover my faith and share it with people I care about.

Catie Eisenhauer, Holt HS



Going to Florida for spring break with CL was amazing, and the best spring break ever. The trip brought me closer to God and taught me how to forgive other people. It also reminded me that God loves me no matter what. A special "thank you" to those who made this trip possible for me. Thank you for everything, and may God bless you and give other kids the opportunity to experience the amazing things I have. With God everything is possible.

Michaella Lebbie, Eastern HS



You can be yourself at CL. People love you at CL. Through my time with them I have become more outgoing and willing to experience new things.

Veronica Owens,

Waverly HS





CL has to be the best thing ever! It's made me a more outgoing, stupendous person. Through the life-changing message given to me by CL I chose to accept Jesus Christ into my life as a freshman, and ever since I have grown in my faith. I love all the CL staff. Thanks. You rock!

Jeffrey Mills, Eastern HS



When my week is going wrong I always look forward to Monday night club with my favorite people. I have met so many new people through Campus Life. My first big trip was this year when I went to Florida! I wish now I would have gone each year. Being a part of CL has helped shape me into the confident young woman I am today. Even with a Catholic school background I'm closer to God now than I ever was. The directors have been such an impact on my life by showing me what is right. Eastern CL has been my 2nd family!

Aubrey Woldt, Eastern HS

I love CL because it's truly a place where you can forget about the rest of the world for a few hours and completely be yourself. The environment is so welcoming and it feels like a huge family. I'm excited to go to Huntington University next year and start pursuing a career in mission work.

Selina
Torres, Waverly HS

Editor's Note: Selina was awarded the Horizon Leadership Scholarship by Huntington University (IN),(in partnership with Campus Life) and plans to attend there starting this fall.



Being from Congo, I did not know anything about Campus Life, but one day I decided to visit them and was really happy to see new people and make new friends. Going there was one thing that makes me focus and learn more about God. Thanks to Mary Kay. Jeff and Kristina, God bless you and may you continue for ever and ever. Russel Ebulela. Eastern HS









I was involved with CL for 4 years. I loved every minute. Trips, events, club the staff...it's all been incredible. I can honestly say, I would not have the connection with God I do today, without Campus Life.

Cameron Lee, Waverly HS

I just recently started going to CL. I always looked forward to going every Monday because I knew we would have fun and talk about real issues. CL has changed my life by making me a more open person and allowing me to open my heart to Jesus again. One thing I have learned is that you are never alone, because you have God right by your side. I aspire to be a director now and make a difference in other people's lives like Joel has in mine. Colten Meredith, DeWitt HS

I already have a relationship with Jesus, but CL helped me get closer to Him. I've been on the Florida trip twice, and it was awesome. I'm really thankful for the staff, as they have been a big help with my family.

Fatou Djimbi, Eastern HS



CL has had an enormous impact on my high school experience. I honestly do not know where I would have ended up without it. I have grown so much stronger in my relationship with God through the guidance of the Campus Life staff and students, and I could never thank them all enough for that.

Maddie Huffman, Grand Ledge HS



CL has allowed for me to get to know God better through club and trips, bur more so through a weekly Bible study with Kelly. I'll never forget going to Florida with CL over spring break; that was the best week of my entire life.

Victoria Jansz, Waverly HS



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