

# POLLARD POST

POLLARD MIDDLE SCHOOL 2018 FALL EDITION



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An email was pushed out to all Pollard students on October 22nd asking them about their favorite lunch. 421 students responded, and here are the results.



### Poll Results

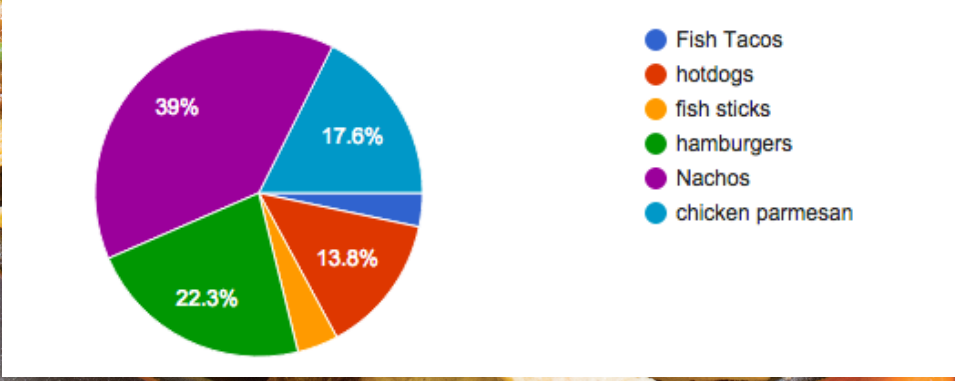
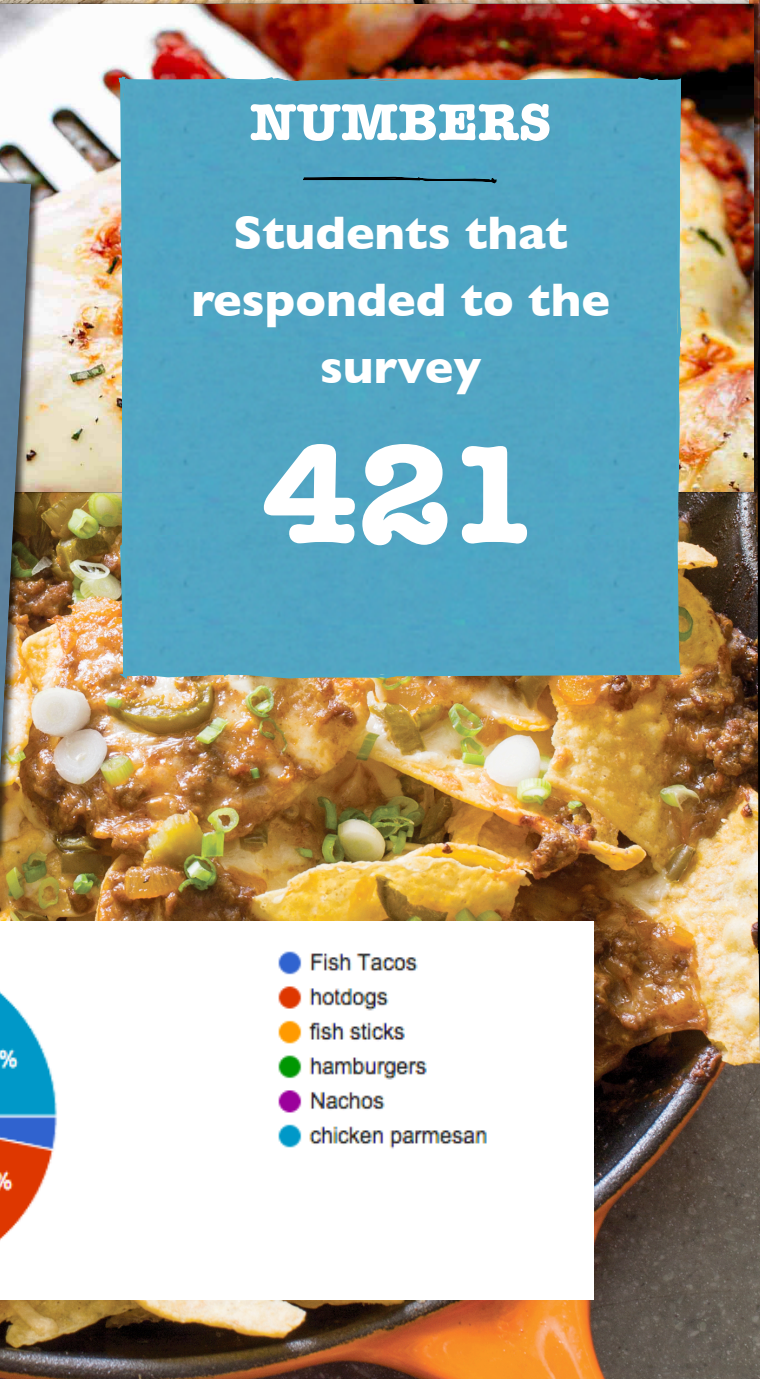
**Favorite Lunch foods**

Nachos	39%
Hamburgers	22.3
Chicken Parmesan	17.6%
Hot Dogs	13.8%

## NUMBERS

Students that responded to the survey

# 421





Mrs. Parker

## Welcome, Mrs. Parker

**by Tommy Langford and Sean Kastantin**

*8th grade*

This year, there are several new amazing teachers that the Pollard community has welcomed to our school! Among them is Mrs. Parker, a math teacher in cluster 8-5. Mrs. Parker moved here from Cincinnati, Ohio, where she taught in a small private school, Cardinal Pacelli Elementary School. Mrs. Parker grew up in Dayton, Ohio, and went to University of Cincinnati for college. One food she does not like that others do is chicken fingers. If she wasn't a teacher, she'd be a nurse, saying how she loves to help others. She says her favorite thing about Pollard is the community there is, even though it's such a big school.

Unfortunately, Mrs. Parker is leaving in December, as Mrs. Krueger is coming back from maternity leave, but although it was a short time, I'm sure we can all say it was a good one.



# The History of The Midterms, and How They Work



The midterms in the United States are always held on the first Tuesday of November every 2 years. It is about the midpoint of the presidential term. All of the seats in the United States House of Representatives are up for grabs, and 33 or 34 senate seats depending on the year. The founders of our country established Congress through the Constitution in article one section one, ““All legislative powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.”” That was ratified on July 7, 1776.

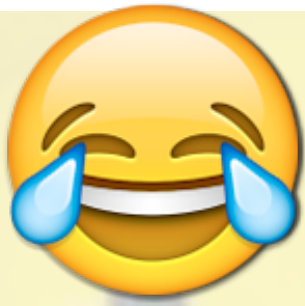
The Constitution also said that there shall be a governor in each state. A fun fact about governors is that Vermont and New Hampshire elect their governor every two years instead of the normal 4 years that every other state has. During the midterms 36 governors are up for election. Many states also pick state legislatures during the midterm elections. In 2018 there are more than 1,000 state, local, and federal elections.

Usually the midterms are not very good for the party in charge. For example in 1938, while one of the greatest Democratic presidents (Franklin Delaware Roosevelt) was in office, the Democrats lost 7 whole seats in the Senate. Another example is in 1986, president Ronald Reagan, a president who most Republicans believe is one of the greatest presidents lost 8 seats in the Senate. Now there is a president (Donald Trump) with the lowest approval rating in the history of the United States. Currently with only a few days left until the election, the Republicans are expected to keep control in the Senate. But the Democrats are expected to takeover the House for the first time since 2008.

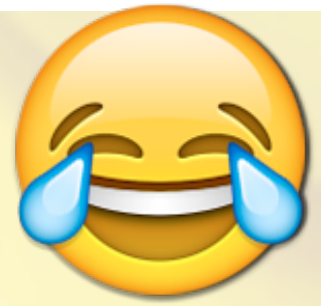
Finally I will leave you with these two quotes on voting from two great presidents:  
“Democracy cannot succeed unless those who express their choice are prepared to choose wisely. The real safeguard of democracy, therefore, is education.” -Franklin D. Roosevelt.  
“Either you will control your government, or government will control you.” - Ronald Reagan

By Tommy Langford

sources: Real Clear Politics and New York Times



# HUMOR



Did you hear about the kidnapping in the park?

They woke him up

How did the skeleton know it was going to rain on Halloween?

He felt it in his bones

What Iron man's favorite dessert?

Robert brownie jr

What do you call a fake noodle

An impasta

Did you hear about the semi colon who broke the law. He was given two consecutive sentences

What do you call a cold dog?

A chilly dog

Yesterday a clown held the door open for me. It was such a nice jester

Two windmills are standing in a wind farm. One asks that other what's your favorite kind of music the other says I'm a big metal fan

Never trust an atom they make up everything

6:30 is the best time on the clock... hands down

What rock group consists of 4 famous men but none of them sing?

Mount Rushmore

I have a neck but no head and I wear a cap what am I? a bottle

A bottle

What's heavy and works at a news station?

An anchor

# Political Editorials

by Alex Belenkiy



## Donald Trump and Taylor Swift

Donald Trump and Taylor Swift aren't friends anymore. She endorsed two Tennessee democrats, the Oval Office refused to respect her. Phil Bredesen for senate and Bill Cooper for the house.

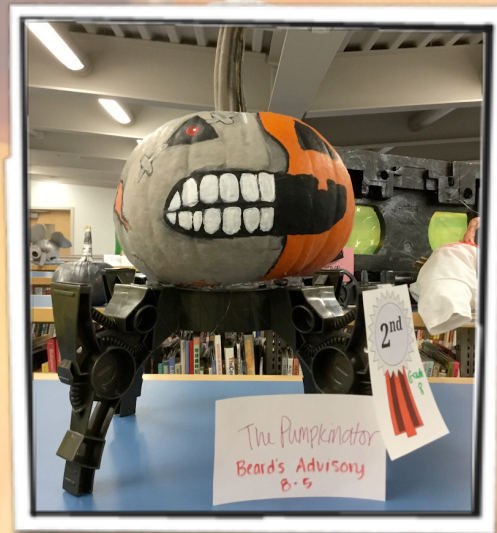
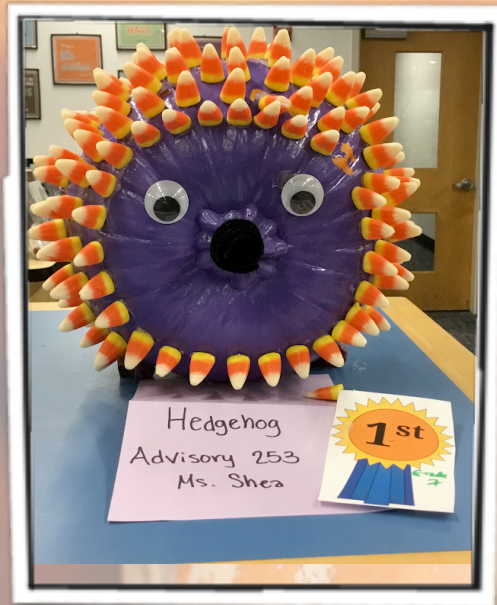
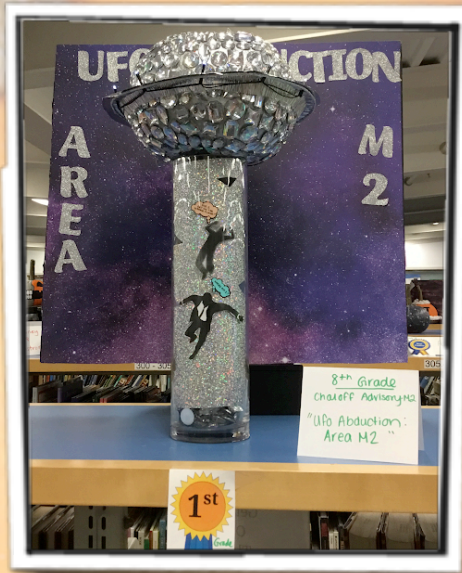
"I like Talylor's music about 25 percent now." Trump says. Trump hasn't spoken about many celebrities, but Swift is one of the few. Swift Broke her political silence when she endorsed Marsha Blackburn, a congresswoman. Trump praised Marsha, saying "She is doing a very good job in Tennessee."

Swift wrote on instagram, "in the past I've been reluctant to publicly voice my political opinions, but due to several events in my life and in the world in the past two years, I feel very differently about that now. She voted against equal pay for women.

She voted against the Reauthorization of the Violence Women Act, which attempts to protect women from domestic violence, stalking, and date rape. She believes businesses have a right to refuse service to gay couples. She also believes they should not have the right to marry. These are not my Tennessee values, I will be voting for Phil Bredesen for Senate and Jim Cooper for the House of Representatives."

<https://www.cnn.com/2018/10/08/politics/trump-responds-to-taylor-swift/index.html>

# Pumpkins



# Mysteries

By Owen Woo

The antique store on Main Street was robbed at 6:00 a.m. The only witness was a man named Myles Manning, he claims that the man was running west towards the woods. The police then asked him what the thief looked like the man said that the sun was in his eyes and he couldn't see the thief. The police arrested him on the spot.

## Why?

(See bottom of the page for answer)



*When the store was broken into it was 6:00 a.m., and the sun always rises in the east there for the sun wouldn't of been in his eyes. Manning after being called out on his mistake admitted to robbing the store.*



# FALL TRENDS

## Dainty Denim

By: Sylvia Azer 8-4

As we say goodbye to crop tops, shorts, and sandals, fashion welcomes the season's newest trends.

It is quite safe to say that denim is a fabric style that suits just about everyone, plus it is perfect for this season! Denim is commonly made with 100% cotton, great for fall! Besides, getting a pair of fresh denim is a nice treat before the harsh cold comes.

Dapper, and genderless, denim won't always be the easiest addition to your wardrobe, but just because it can be conservative doesn't mean you can't spice it up. Forget the straight legged jeans and find a jacket to spice up your outerwear. Or, get some cool mom jeans to rejuvenate your favorite sweater. It's 2018, spice your denim outfits up in your own way!

## Celebrities Caught in Denim

- Bradley Cooper (American actor and filmmaker) was wearing slim fit denim jeans on October 29, 2018.
- Halsey (American actress and singer) wore boyfriend jeans on October 19, 2018 to a "Three Migos concert tour"
- Gigi Hadid (model) wore a denim romper on October 12, 2018
- Gwen Stefani (American singer) wore a denim mini skirt on October 11, 2018 in LA.

# About the Reporters

Alex is in 7-1,  
plays violin,  
and went to  
Broadmeadow.

Ben Logon is in 8-3. He  
is decent person and  
that's it good by!

Tommy Langford is  
in 8-5, does not play  
an instrument, and  
went to Newman.



missing: Alex

Owen is in cluster 7-3  
likes to read and just  
sit down. He went to  
the Hillside  
elementary

Sean Kastantin is in 8-5-this is  
his second year writing for the  
Pollard Post. He moved here  
from Virginia.

Sylvia Azer is in  
cluster 8-4, and loves  
to play soccer, she  
also plays the cello.  
She is from New  
Jersey.

Thanks to Mr. Cournoyer for the technical  
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