

SOPHOMORE LIFE

There's a new sound in the air. No, it's not music. It's the sound of keys rattling around in the pockets of sophomores. As "sweet 16" rolls around, many students decide to get their drivers license, purchase a class ring and letter jacket, spend more time on their studies, and often become more independent.

When asked, what was so great about being able to drive, various students replied:

"It's fun to just drive around." — Emily Frank

"I get to go out and find parties on my own." — Sherri Reich

"Seeing my Jaguar in the driveway." — Jay Skie

"For photography, I get to go around and take pictures without my mom tagging along!" — Chad Altbaier

Class rings are also an issue for each sophomore. What is the big deal about rings? Some agree that the only reason for buying a ring is to give it to their boyfriend or girlfriend and to make "going out" more official. Others want to save it as a momentum.

"It's more official when you go out with a girl and she wears your class ring and you wear hers." — Chad Altbaier

"A lot of people wear class rings and letter jackets because it give them a feeling of school pride." — Matt Friedersdorf

"It was hard to decide on the ring I wanted, then when I did decide I just gave it to my boyfriend to wear." — Sheri Benton

What else do sophomores do? Some are find-

ing that sophomore year is a bit harder than freshman year, and they spend more time on their studies. Some sophomores said . . .

"I have more pressure on me and I don't get to go out much on the weekends because I have so much school work to do."

— Matt Friedersdorf

"The work is much harder this year." — Sherri Reich

"I think it is much easier this year, it's just a review from freshman year." — Andy Lowndes

Finally, as one learns to drive, independence becomes a part of life; driving to work, dentist appointments and movies on the weekends; meeting new people, and developing new responsibilities. What do the students think . . . ?

"You get to associate more with juniors and seniors." — Andy Lowndes

"People are much more aware of you as a person opposed to being a freshman." — Richard Cole

"I get to pick on freshman this year." — Chad Altbaier

"I go to more parties and meet more people this year than last." — Tami Fertel

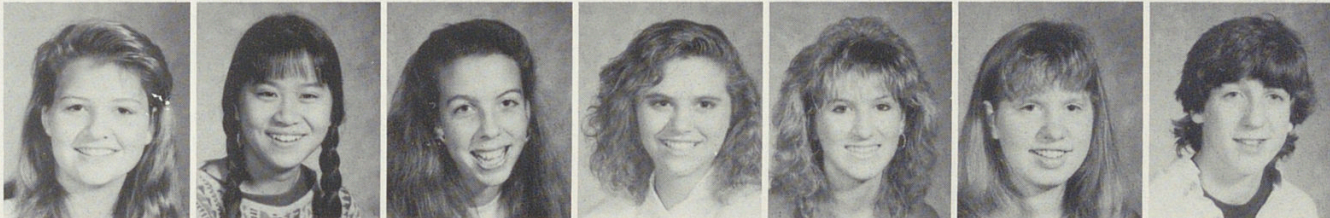
Learning to drive, getting one's class ring, and becoming involved in student life are often factors that begin one's maturity. Where would students be without a sophomore year?

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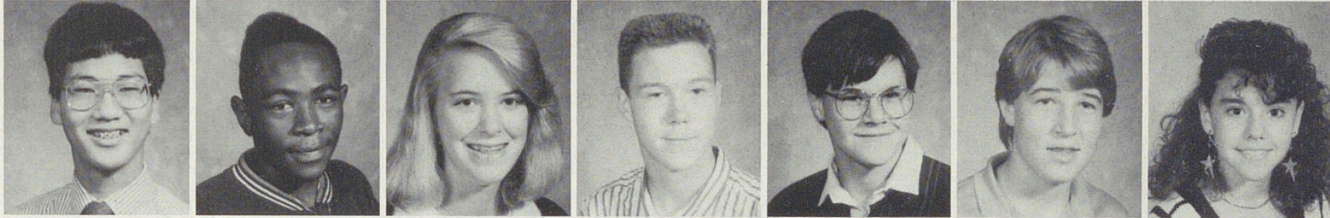
Thoughts race through Noam Lindenboims head . . . keys in car, foot on pedal, hands on wheel, what's next?



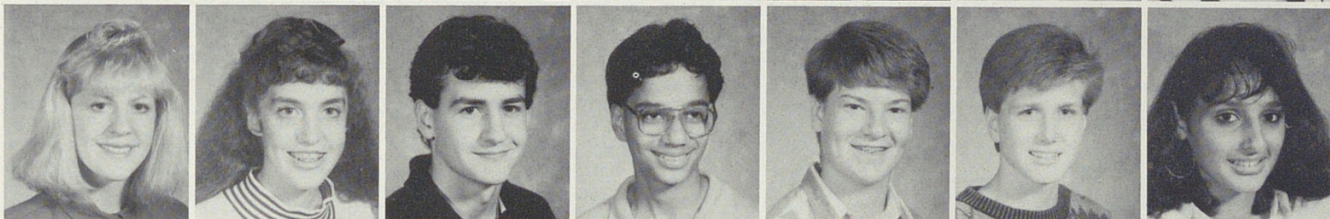
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