

Summer!

School's out... almost

Students spend their summer working on schoolwork

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SCHOOL'S OUT! This thought circulated the school on June 7, the last day of classes. It was the beginning of the summer break. Time to relax, right? Wrong. Summer school and summer assignments plagued many students' summers.

Sunday night before the start of school is an all too common time for finishing up that reading assignment due the first day. Summer homework is a common activity for students over the summer, and many despise it.

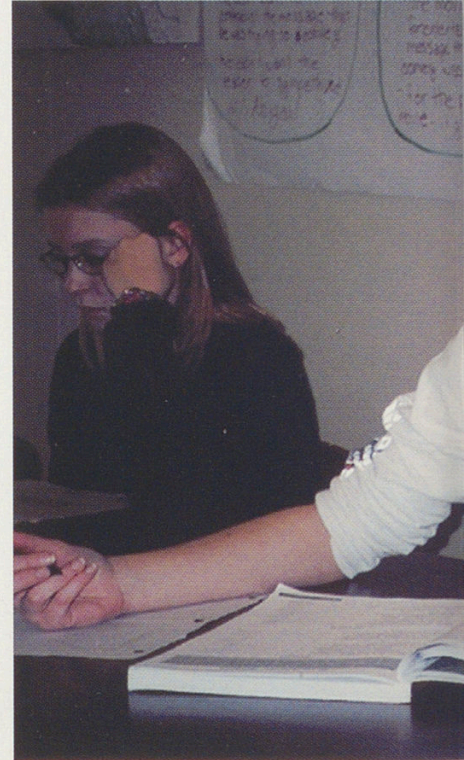
"I finished altogether probably an hour before school. Procrastination all the way!" said **Nick Philpott, 9**.

The high school offers many classes to pick

from, but only seven periods a year in which to fit them in. Summer school can be the alternative. For four hours a day during four weeks in the summer, some of those annoying requirements such as gym credits, can be taken care of to make room for the more enjoyable classes, or even senior early dismissal.

"Summer school was ironically pretty fun. I didn't think I would like it, however it kept me busy and made me feel productive. I also had a good class," said **Kareem Elgazzar, 12**.

Whether it was getting that makeup credit for geometry or staying up late to finish the last paper for English Lit. on Sunday night, just about every student has some sort of school work for the summer.



Summer school by numbers

518 students participated in summer school.

15 classes were offered for original credit.

11 classes were offered for makeup credit.

24 teachers taught summer school

6/9 - 7/25 were the days that summer school classes were offered for original credit. Makeup courses started seven days later

8:00 - 12:00 were the hours that summer school ran in the morning.

12:30 - 4:30 were the hours that summer school ran in the afternoon, but only for physical education classes.

Summer school is a way to take required courses and therefore make room in your regular schedule for other courses

> **Mrs. Dot Fricke**, Staff

Summer school is a great place to catch up or work ahead. It is on half days and has a relaxed atmosphere.

> **Mr. Doug Mader**, assistant principal

