

# Sit back, relax, enjoy

Spring vacation gives students break from their everyday routines

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Whether they had fun in the sun at a favorite vacation spot or just lounged on the couch in the comforts of home, students agreed that spring break was a much needed time off. Starting from as early as 65 days before break, students were counting down the days until school was out for the week.

Activities included traveling with family or friends, visiting extended family, and practicing or competing in a sport.

"I don't love going on vacation with just my family, but being on the beach made it all worth it," said **Christina Bell, 9**.

Some lucky students even got to go on a cruise. Popular cruise choices were those to the Caribbean and to the Bahamas.

"It was really neat to stop at four different islands and spend the day there. The food on the ship was really good too," said **William Payne, 10**.

For juniors, spring break was like a national college visiting week. While some students have known where they wanted to go to college since birth, others really appreciated the opportunity to scope out their choices.

"As soon as I arrived at my first college visit, I was ready to pack up and leave. I can't wait to go college, but my biggest problem is going to be choosing which one to go to. I have loved every one I've seen!" said **Chelsea Keller, 11**.

Other students used the time off to volunteer or try something new. **Andrew Spellman, 9**, and his family went to the Mammoth Caves for the first time.

"The caves were huge. They were a lot bigger than I expected," said **Spellman**.

No matter what activity they did or which destination they chose, all students enjoyed the chance to relax during a stress-free week off from school.



**Anna Stone, 10**, performs at Mt. Saint Joseph for the Rising Star Dance Competition. **Stone** competed in five regional competitions and one national competition. At Rising Star, she placed second and third overall with her two trios and fourth overall with her large group dance.



"My spring break was difficult. Because of vocal nodes, I had to go on vocal rest for five days. It made it really hard to hang out with friends, because I had to write out everything I wanted to say on a white board."  
-**Hilary Fingerman, 11**



**Caroline Dunn, 11**, shows her horse **Libero** in the Atlanta Spring Classic. **Dunn** placed third both days of showing on this horse and placed fifth on her other horse **Parus**. "The horse show was really big, but my horses were good so it was fun," said **Dunn**.