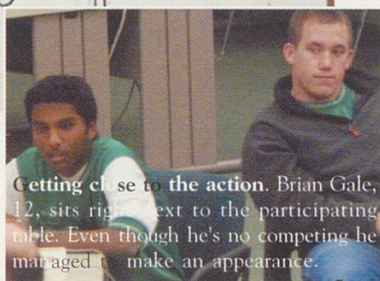


WHAT VARSITY SPORT WOULD HAVE A MEMBER THAT WHEN ASKED WHAT HIS GRADE POINT AVERAGE WAS, HE WOULD RESPOND, "PI/6,"? If you were thinking Quiz Team, you'd be right. The team, with only nine members who all have grade point averages above a 4.0, had another good season. Football is always associated with brotherhood and bonding, but surprisingly, the quiz team builds strong friendships too.



Getting close to the action. Brian Gale, 12, sits right next to the participating table. Even though he's not competing he managed to make an appearance.

"We all became really close, and I met a lot of cool, new people. I built a lot of strong relationships on this team," said **Dennis Jiang, 11.**

Colerain is typically the toughest team that quiz team plays and this year it was a loss.

In a recent interview about the rivalry between the Colerain quiz team and Sycamore's, **Brian Gale, 12,** said, "Even a blind squirrel finds an acorn once in a while. They can't hang with us."

The team sank the win easily when they battled home against Middletown and won both matches. The only girl on the team, **Shriya Raghavan, 10,** was a big contributor to their success. She managed to help the team win in their home match against Middletown on December 11, with fellow quiz team members, **Dennis Jiang, 11, Aaron Friedman, 10,** and **Ahilan Sivaganesan, 10.**

After being a member for two years, Gale, is confident about the future of the team.

With practices only about twice a week the team is a phenomenon. His first year on the team, **Sam Grossman, 12,** has greatly improved.

"I've had a lot of fun meeting new people and competing. I strongly urge any freshman to try and get involved in quiz team," said Grossman.



1. Game face! Ahilan Sivaganesan, 10, braces himself to compete. He is ready and helps beat Middletown at this match.
2. All-Star Team! Ahilan Sivaganesan, 10, Dennis Jiang, 11, Shriya Raghavan, 10, and Aaron Friedman, 10 compete together. There is no stopping this combination!

The toughest competition

Is within your mind

By Mandy Hauser

Teamwork. Dennis Jiang, 11, and Shriya Raghavan, 10, work together to figure out the answer. Teamwork is a must on this team!

What is the score now? Fans cheer on the Quiz Team Members in their home match against Middletown. They pull it out with the big win. Home court advantage always seems to help!

Game, Set, Match. High school students watch their Quiz Team compete in the IMC. Just like any other sport, the fans make the team members work harder.



"We're headed back to the top, no doubt," said Brian Gale, 12, regarding the future of the Academic Team.

