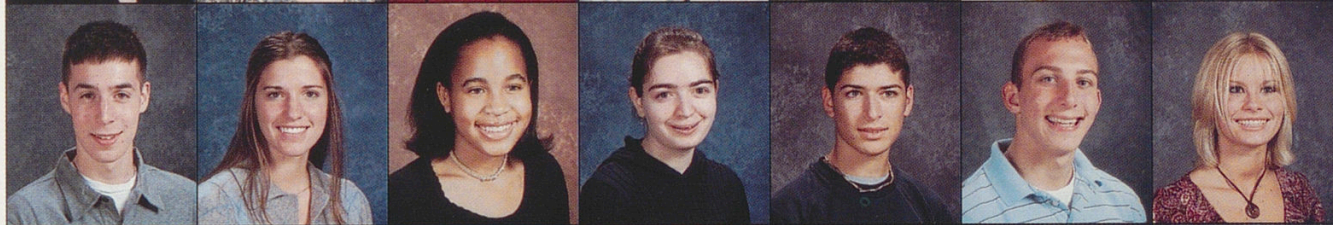


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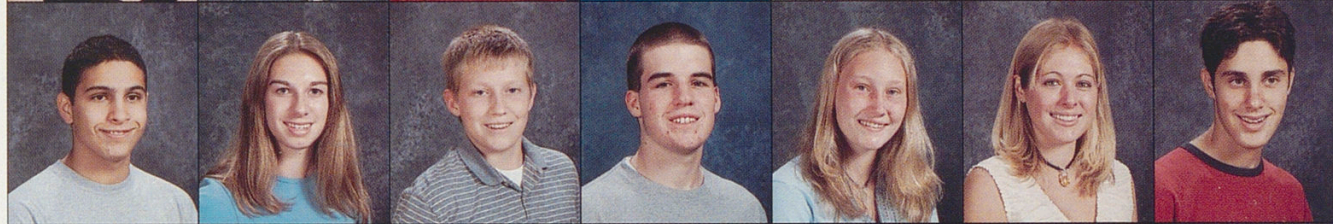
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## Spreading rumors

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**Many students agree that rumors** are a very common occurrence in our school. Rumors have a wide variety of topics, ranging from anything harmless, to ones that can ruin your reputation and life. Most often, they are about sex, drugs or alcohol. We can start rumors in an innocent conversation, without even realizing it. A simple statement or opinion you make, can get spread to a large amount of people in a short amount of time, thus creating a rumor.

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The consequences can have an incredible impact on those they are about. Once started, information that is not exactly true can be added in from one person to another.

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Just something to think about next time your friends start talking about what happened to someone at a party the past weekend. Think twice about whether you think everything they are saying is really true.

"People spread a lot of rumors but I try to ignore them because I know they are not true," said **Carly Mandel, 9**.