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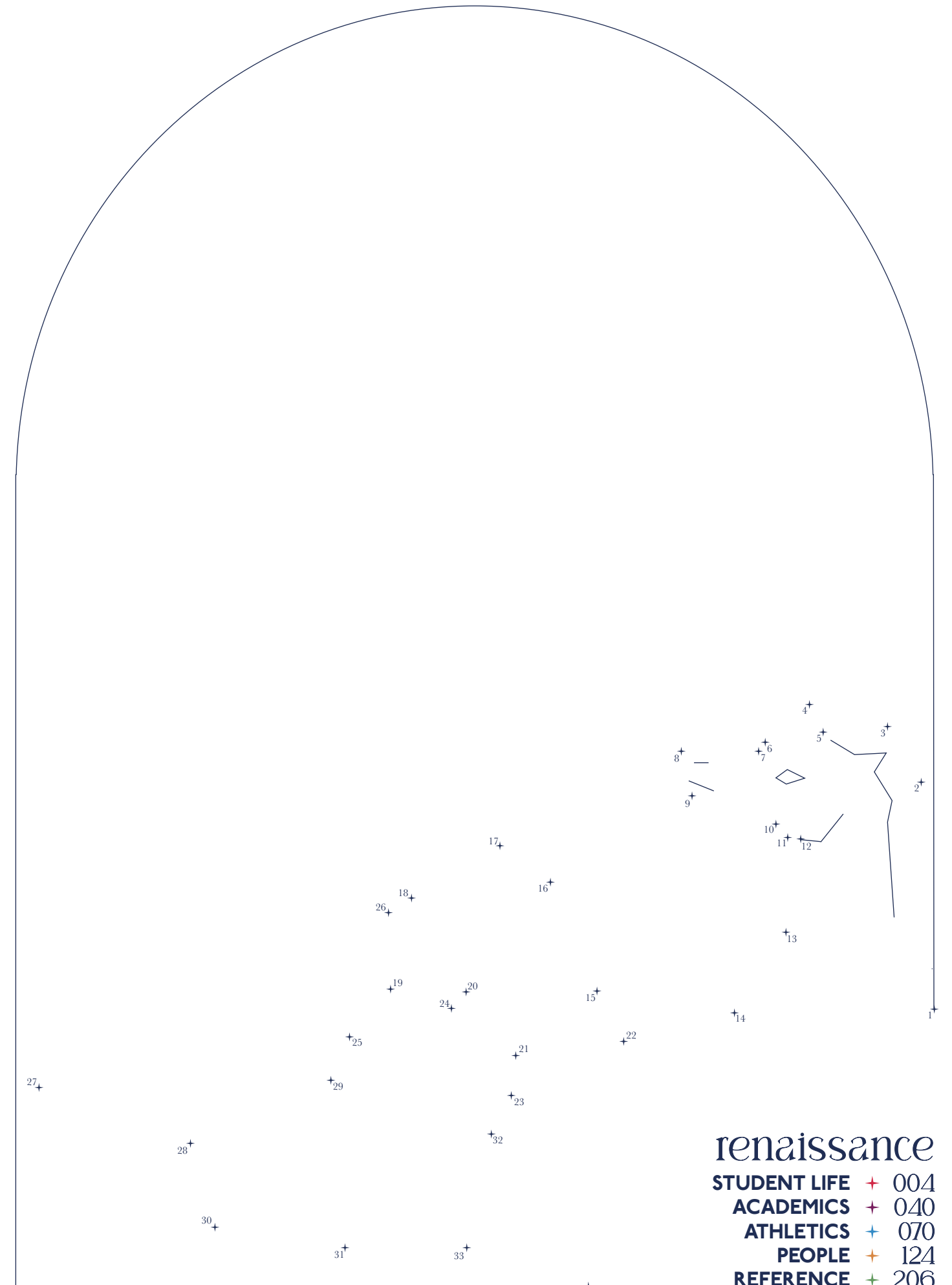
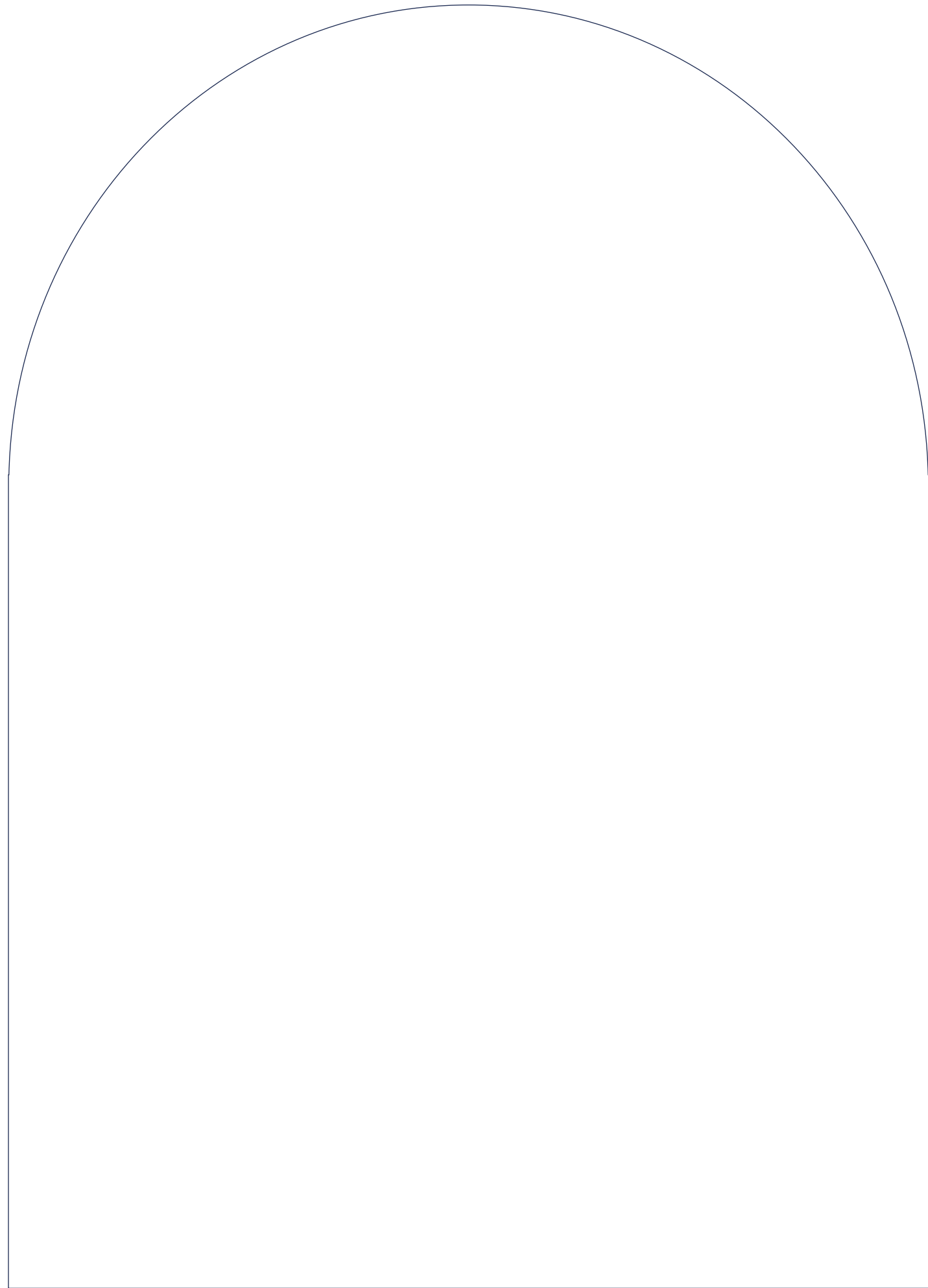
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Wearing sophomore class colors with pride, **Jefferson Hoang** (10) leads the Class of 2025 in a cheer-off at the annual BOTC rally.

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## IT'S THE START OF A NEW ERA.

Memories of summer still in the air, we rush through the gates with anticipation. For new and old students alike, the start of the semester marks endless opportunities: a chance to reconnect with old friends, go to the Fremont Bell Game, and finally join Indo-Pak.

As we pass through the sunlit quad, we wonder:  
**HOW WILL WE SEIZE THIS YEAR?**

The question fresh in our minds,  
**OUR SPIRIT OF  
DISCOVERY**

pushes us to explore possibilities and places. In places from the new A building classrooms to Senior Hill during Club Fair, we discover both ourselves and our passions.

Even in our studies,  
**WE EXPLORE:** delving deeply into our interests and encountering endless discoveries. We perform pig dissections in Physiology, unpack themes in *The Hate U Give*, and take on dual enrollment classes at De Anza. There's no green light to guide us, but we find our own path.

We are the **ARTISTS  
ADVENTURERS  
& INVENTORS**  
of this era. As we step into this new chapter of our lives, we choose to make the most of this

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Coffee in one hand and books in the other, we rush up the stairs of the A building just in time for class. Sitting in World History, we traverse the globe, exploring the principles of the Enlightenment and uncovering the stories of fallen empires. In AP Government, we apply past years of history classes to modern America, analyzing the structures of a world that, in a few short months, we will prepare to enter. Meanwhile, like scholars of the past, we find connection and meaning during our discussions of Gatsby's green light, Gogol's namesake, and Esperanza's stories of Mango Street.

As directors, artists, and performers alike, we take to the stage in a flourish. Whether learning new techniques in Ceramics, taking on a challenging solo for Wind Ensemble I, or putting together an elaborate set piece for Stagecraft, we continuously hone our craft with the support of our teachers and peers alike. When the lights dim, we take the spotlight, our hard work and

perseverance crystallizing into a perfect moment of clarity.

Both on and off of campus, we set our academic goals high. From AP Calculus BC to Honors Chemistry to American Studies, we venture beyond our comfort zones, slogging through difficult homework and caffeine-fueled study sessions and emerging victorious on the other side. Refusing to be restrained by what is readily available to us, we take on classes at De Anza and in online programs, seeking to expand our horizons in subjects like Psychology, Geology, and Linear Algebra. Our curiosity knows no bounds, and with each theorem memorized and essay drafted, our insatiable pursuit of knowledge only grows.

We are the scholars of this new era, and we face the infinite future of learning before us with courage and inquisitiveness. As we challenge our limits in fearless pursuit of the unknown, we **dare to know**.

**A WORK OF ART** Brush in hand, **Anna Drenan** (12) uses acrylic paint on an AP art piece. Drenan hoped to pursue a career in animation in the future, citing storytelling as her primary passion. "I really like being able to tell stories and share ideas with my art," Drenan said. "[Storytelling] is the main thing I look for in my art and in other people's art. It's always just really nice to look at everyone's thought process."

*Photo by Kaci Freeman*





## AS THE YEAR ENDS, WE TURN TO A **NEW CHAPTER.**

Though precious reminders of the school year linger, we look forward to the next with excitement. As we head off into summer, we reminisce about the biggest and smallest of moments: the time when we finally solved that physics problem, watched the Homecoming parade, and even performed in the BOTC dance battle.

As we share our last hugs of the semester, we wonder:  
**HOW HAVE WE SEIZED THIS YEAR?**

Inspired to better ourselves and one another,  
**WE DISCOVERED** our passions. Joining film club, we bonded over script writing and Interstellar watch parties. We joined Mock Trial to beat our fear of public speaking, and we even made it to Santa Clara County's Semi Finals. Alongside our closest friends, we cheered as the robot from our own Team 670 won victory after victory in regional competitions.

In the classroom, **WE EXPLORED** subjects from every corner of our universe. In classes from math to history, we challenged our understanding of biology and defended our theses in American Lit Honors.

Empowered by our experiences,  
**WE INVENTED** our own possibilities. Investing in our future, we sought out higher education. We tried our hand at entrepreneurship through the Maker's Fair and internships, and we even started our own small businesses. Yet, as we look forward, we know we still have so much to share.

This was an era of exploration, art, and invention. This was an era of self-discovery and friendship, where we bettered ourselves and mastered our crafts. This was an era of our life we will never forget. This was the era of our

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