

Tiaras and Touchdowns

2023 Homecoming Court crowned at halftime



Since the beginning of time, homecoming court has been one of our biggest traditions here at North. From riding in the parade and walking down the football field at half-time, this tradition creates many timeless memories, especially for the king and queen. A large part of becoming king and queen is campaigning to win the crown. For senior Ryan Henderson, the crown came easy for him with the help of his friends. "I didn't really campaign; my friends did for me. I thought it was pretty funny as I didn't care too much about winning, but my friends did," Henderson said. Being a part of the homecoming court comes with many perks, one being the opportunity to ride in a convertible during the parade. Our homecoming queen Senior De'Ja Hill saw it as something a little more bittersweet as she rode down Morningside. "Seeing my old teachers like Mrs. Goloweco and Mrs. Toten [was bittersweet] because I didn't get to say bye to them in 8th grade because of Covid, and I liked seeing the little kids and little girls they were like 'Oh you look so pretty,' and you know the car was going very slow so we had a good little ten-second conversation with the kids," Hill described. As the parade comes to an end, and students sprint towards the stands, the anticipation begins for halftime when the homecoming court can walk down the field and be recognized. For junior Nariah Morris, all she could feel was excitement. "I felt amazing walking across the field during halftime! It was such a thrilling experience," Morris said. As the game came to a close with a victory for the Norsemen, it gave the homecoming court time to reflect on the emotions the past twenty-four hours had brought them. For freshman Payton Passmore all she could express was gratitude. "One thing that I could take away from this experience is even if people doubt you, still always try; because I was thinking about giving up and I ended up winning. So just imagine if I would have given up, I wouldn't have been here," Passmore expressed. Over the passage of time, this tradition will persist in its growth, creating enduring memories of all those involved.

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Bringing The Spirit

Student section fuels the homecoming fire



1) **Ride With The Tide** At the very front of the stands Senior Massimo Todesco cheers on our football team as the clock counts down, securing a win for the Norsemen. "The homecoming game is definitely more involved, you know, you have all four grades there; so there's definitely more people to get loud and cheer on our team especially cause we have a better team this year than in past years," Todesco said. With everyone at the game, coming together as a whole, it helped guide the Norsemen to victory. 2) **Stronger Together** Junior Melina Dionisopoulos stands beside her friends, jumping and cheering for the North football team at the homecoming game. "I love how exciting it is to be there with everyone supporting North," Dionisopoulos said. With everyone dressed up in their homecoming gear and their spirit at an all time high, it brought the student body closer together and made the homecoming game even more fun.

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Homecoming Couples

Couples show up at the dance in their best attire



Julia Stewart ('25),
Tim Montney ('25)



Ben Bierkle ('24),
Nour Zaki ('24)



Grace Jenny ('26),
AJ Martinez ('27)



Jean-Luc Rist ('25),
Josie Chasiotis ('23)



Andrew Bernard ('25),
Aine Mahoney ('26)



Niya Kendall ('24),
Jackson Bourgeois ('23)

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