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Story By: Samantha Moore; Graphic By: Ashtyn Barton

Last school year, the agriculture teacher at Woodlawn High School, Sarah Morgan, got into a life-threatening car accident. It happened on a rainy night on January 12, 2020. Because of this wreck, she was in the hospital and a rehabilitation center for three months in St. Louis. She was not able to get back in the groove of teaching until the beginning of the 2020-2021 school year. Teaching has been a challenge this year as Mrs. Morgan is still unable to walk and must use a wheelchair. I talked with Mrs. Morgan and asked her some questions about transitioning back into her normal life and job.

When asked how her new situation has impacted her teaching, she answered, "It has been a huge adjustment. I am a very independent person and I have had to learn to rely on co-workers and students to help me out. The school district has been awesome making accommodations to make it physically possible to be here. Being back with students has made all adjustments and obstacles worth all the work." Mrs. Morgan also said that getting herself to be able to ask for help instead of being hard-headed about it has been the hardest part of her recovery journey, as she would much rather do everything on her own. When asked if she ever thought about not coming back to teach, Mrs. Morgan said that option never even crossed her mind. "I have had a lot of people ask if I planned on coming back. It was never really a question to me. I knew I would be back. I missed my students while I was gone and was ready to see them. I really love Woodlawn and I was so ready to get back in my room," Morgan said. The last thing we discussed was about what her accident taught her and how has her perspective changed since the night of January 12th. "The biggest perspective change for me was to never take anything for granted. The day of the accident was just like any other day and my whole family's lives were changed forever. I will cherish the time out at the ball fields with my sons and even the silly grocery trips with my husband. Enjoy your time while you have it because it can all change in the blink of an eye. You never realize how great your friends are and supporting a community can be until you are put in a situation like mine. I will forever be grateful for my students, the FFA, my family, and my friends," Morgan said.

Woodlawn is thankful to have Mrs. Morgan back in the building and we all want to wish her luck as she continues her recovery to get better everyday!

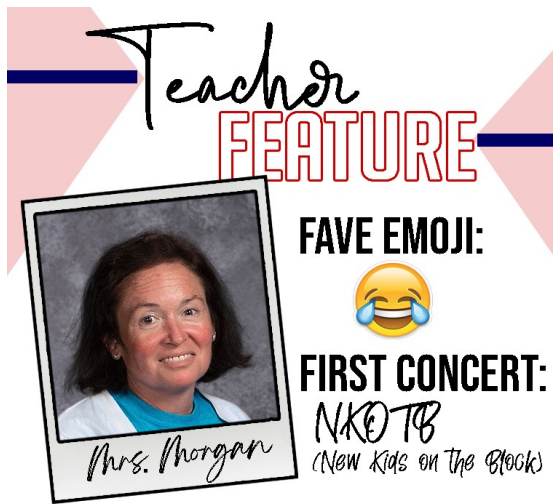


Story By: Macy Williams Graphic By: Haleigh Rynski
WE. WERE. THAT. SEASON.

To say playing basketball this year was difficult is an understatement. At the end of January, IHSA announced that schools were cleared to resume basketball activities. To almost all athletes, the thought of even playing at all was just a joke because time was winding down. The announcement included that we would play from the beginning of February to March 13. No postseason was allowed, though. IHSA told schools they could fit as many games in during the month as possible, but no tournaments.

In addition to the off-court complications, there were some changes on the court. For one, we were required to wear a mask—no exceptions. Also, in the beginning of the season, we were allowed to have one fan. As the season drew to an end, the girls basketball freshmen and sophomores could have three and juniors and seniors with four. If you have ever watched basketball, you see that the game starts with a jump ball. Of course, this year was not like that. Each game started with the visiting team taking possession from out of bounds. These were all new adjustments for everyone.

The season ended on a couple of high notes—conference champs and defeating Harrisburg. From the perspective of a Woodlawn High School athlete, I can assure you this season is one all basketball athletes who played during the crazy times will remember forever. I can confidently say that we were that season! We fought through the craziness as a team and ended more as a family.



PET PEEVE:

Tapping Noises

(Fingers on a desk or clicking of a pen)

FAVE SEASON:

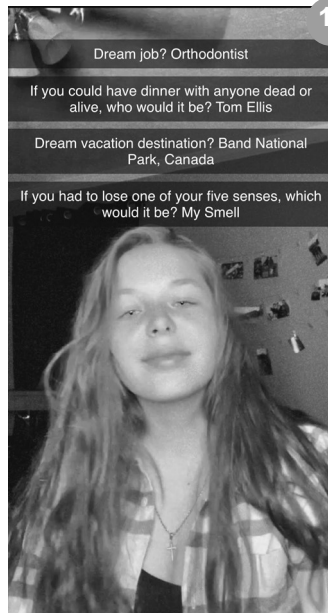
tie between FALL (because I can get pumpkin spice everything) and early SPRING when the birds start chirping and my flowers start growing

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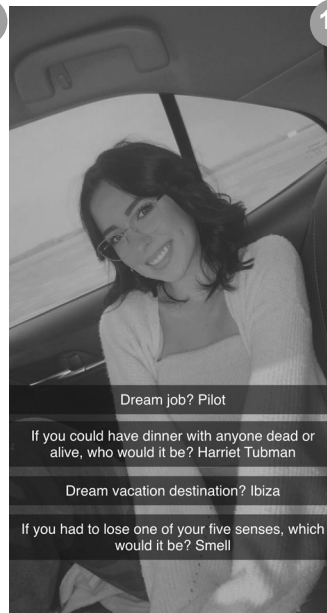
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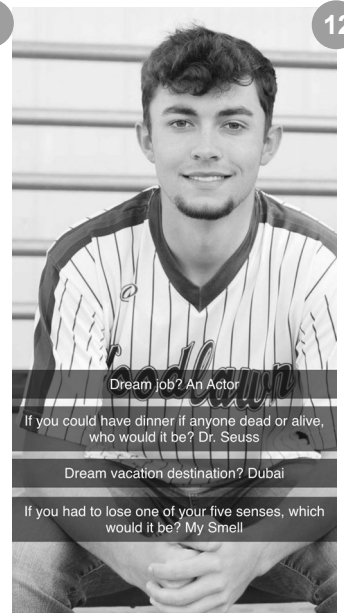
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It's ACCRUAL World

Story By: Haleigh Rynski

Woodlawn High School's senior accounting class has been busy. While in the midst of tackling the challenges that come with the "Covid school year," they had their annual Shark Tank competition. Like the television show, students were faced with the task of creating a product and pitching their ideas to the "sharks." While the inventions were far from the same, they all impressed the judges with their creativity and problem solving. One product, the *Advance Stand*, was created to help hunters put up their deer stands by themselves. *Farm Finder* was an app designed to help farmers easily locate their property lines. The winning product, *No Nose*, was created by Ashtyn Barton and Nick McElroy. Their invention was a mask which included a built in nose piece that kept the mask from slipping. The judges were impressed by their product and presentation.

The accounting class also participated in SIUC's annual Accounting Challenge recently. The seniors came together to enjoy a day full of competitive accounting tests and trivia games. For the first time in school history, Woodlawn won first place in the Accounting I team division of the SIUC Accounting Challenge. The team consisted of Macy Williams, Ashtyn Barton, Sam Moore, and Joel Hayse.

In a year of strange twists and turns, with a little effort, class can be surprisingly - normal. Shark Tank and the Accounting Chal-



At Left: Nick McElroy and Ashtyn Barton, seniors at WHS, recently won Shark Tank in the WHS Accounting class after pitching their product, *No Nose*, to the Sharks (Local business people Tony Wielt, Lee Bob Willingham, Jamie Storey, and Mark Smith).

At Right: The winning SIUC Accounting I Challenge team: Macy Williams, Ashtyn Barton, Sam Moore, Joel Hayse



Coming SOON

WOODLAWN HIGH SCHOOL UPCOMING EVENTS

March 29-April 5 Spring Break

April 13 SAT Test at WHS

*Go to woodlawnschools.org for updated sports schedules and information on watching games live online.

HOMECOMING—There will be a parent-sponsored Homecoming on **Saturday, March 27th**. Coronation will be live-streamed by FTS Productions. They are on Facebook at [@FTSActionPhotography](https://www.facebook.com/FTSActionPhotography).

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Years of Woodlawn High!

At Right: John Fenoli served as Master of Ceremonies at WHS Homecoming during the 1964-65 school year. Did you know that John is a brother to Randy Fenoli who is a fashion designer and has his own show, "*Say Yes to the Dress?*"

