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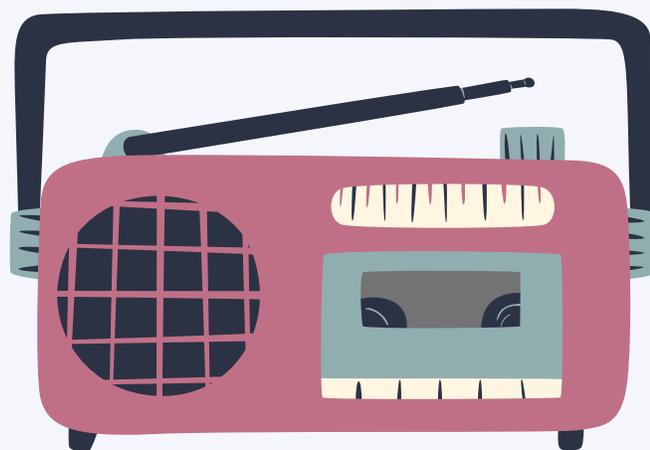
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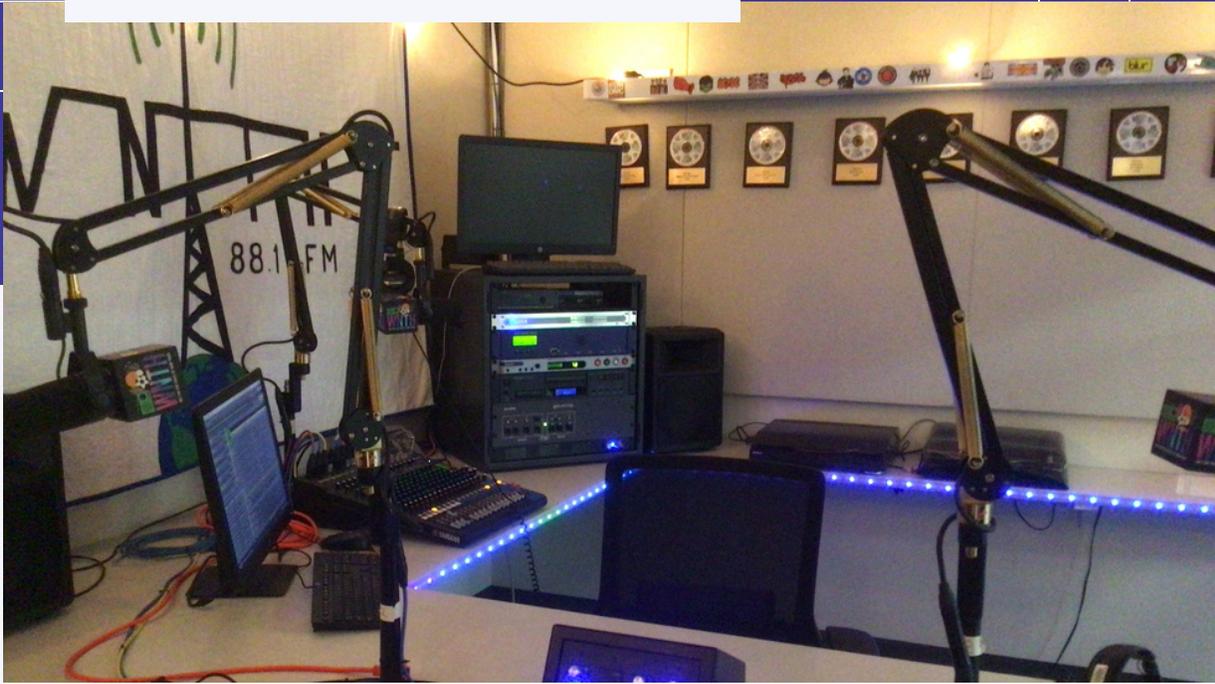
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## ABOUT US



The Radio Board is a collection of aspiring sport broadcasters, journalists, producers and media stars. Through the board, these students are able to collaborate in a way that benefits not only New Trier, but the greater North Shore community as well.

**"To me, radio at New Trier is so important because it fosters connections between the large student body through the media. It's such a valuable and unique part of life here."**

To keep up with today's media-driven world, the station is working on incorporating social media polls and call-ins to increase audience engagement. Along with the installation of our new Wide Orbit equipment and software, WNTH continues to keep the community informed.



# SZA

## ARTIST SPOTLIGHT

BY RAINA PATEL

With the recent release of her 2022 album "SOS," SZA has become a popular name among Trevians. Originally born Solána Rowe in St. Louis, SZA was known as a rebellious child growing up. After she self-released several EPs, she switched her stage name to SZA which stands for Savior Zig-Zag Allah. Later in her career, she signed with Top Dawg Entertainment as their first female artists. Her debut album, Ctrl, had several popular songs that demonstrated the range of SZA as an artist. She continues her style of combining genres with soul to create her unique sound in SOS.

What I love about "SOS" is the diversity of music. F2F is an angsty



teenage rock song, by directly after that "Nobody Gets Me" is a more mellow song filled with guitar chords. Since SZA draws on so many of her teenage experiences, many high schoolers today resonate with her messages of love, self-doubt, and growth detailed within her songs.

# NEW RELEASES

RAINA PATEL



- Feb 4: "Laurel Hell" by Mitski
- Feb 4: "Few Good Things" by Saba
- Feb 11: "Visitor" by Empath
- Feb 11: "The Dream" by Alt-J
- Feb 11: "Lalalalovesongs" by Jason Mraz
- Feb 11: "Good Morning Gorgeous" by Mary J. Blige
- Feb 18: "Once Twice Melody" by Beach House
- Feb 18: "Life On Earth" by Hurray for the Riff Raff
- Feb 25: "Love Sux" by Avril Lavigne
- Feb 25: "The Tipping Point" by Tears for Fears
- Feb 25: "I'm Not Sorry, I Was Just Being Me" by King Hannah
- Feb 25: "Happiness Not Included" by Soft Cell



Rami Afifi

## UPCOMING MUSIC FESTIVALS!

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To me, music can define the mind, heart and aesthetic of a person. When you tap on Spotify or Apple Music and shuffle a random playlist, the variety of artists can show the different sides to the listener. So it's always a treat when all of your different playlists come to life at a live music festival.

For music fans, this might be the perfect year to see your favorite artists and songs in-person. For hip-hop fans, Rolling Loud came through with a stacked lineup of popular and loved rappers for their California festival. This includes headliners like Playboi Carti, Travis Scott, and Future Other well-known artists such as Lil Uzi Vert, Lil Baby and Don Tolliver will also perform. Those hooked by the new era of rap music should definitely take a trip to the Hollywood Park Grounds from March 3rd through 5th.

Next, we wander to Las Vegas where an undoubtedly iconic and incredibly nostalgic lineup of pop punk is performing for the Live Nation's When We Were Young festival. If you grew up in the early 2000's skateboard era, you're probably delighted to see bands such as Sum41, Bowling For Soup, Simple Plan and The Offspring on the poster for the festival. Even casual listeners can appreciate that two of the genre's greatest bands, Green Day and Blink 182, are both performing in the same night. To the millennials and early Gen Z's who miss the explosive and poppy era of punk music from the late 90's to 2005, ollie your way down to the Las Vegas Festival grounds on October 21st!

While Chicagoans are patiently waiting for a Lollapalooza lineup, those who enjoy a wide range of music might have to book multiple plane tickets across the country throughout the year. First, from June 9th to 11th, The Governors Ball returns to New York City with Lizzo, Odesza and Kendrick Lamar as headliners! (I'd also stop by for Lil Uzi Vert, Haim, Omar Apollo, Lil Baby, Rina Sawayama, Lil Nas X and Giveon) The Bonnaroo Music & Arts Festival in Manchester, Tennessee also provides a diverse lineup for concert-goers who are into more than one genre. Zeds Dead + Liquid Stranger, Kendrick Lamar, Odesza, and the Foo Fighters will be headlining. Foo Fighters is a case that intrigues me, especially after the band's tragic loss of longtime drummer Taylor Hawkins. 070 Shake, Baby Keem, Lil Nas X, JID, Pixies and Paramore are also some must see artists.



Rami Afifi

## A COACHELLA TO REMEMBA'

Of course, we can't talk about music festivals without mentioning Coachella. The iconic two-week long spring festival is being held in Palm Springs from April 14-16 and April 21-23, with a packed lineup of relevant and influential artists split among three days.

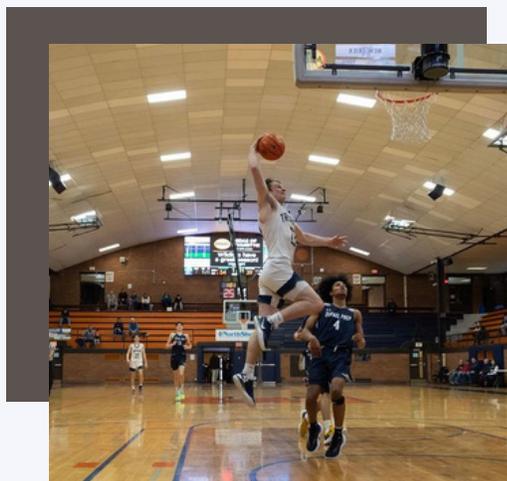
One aspect of Coachella that caught my eye and the eyes of many others is the diverse headliners. Bad Bunny, a pioneer in modern Latin music who's broken some of the biggest records in music, takes the main stage as the festival's first Latin headliner. K-Pop has its time to shine on Saturday April 15 and 22 with one of the genre's biggest girl groups, BLACKPINK, performing as the first Asian headliner in Coachella history.

The news that surprised everyone was the announcement of Frank Ocean as a headliner. For six years, the Grammy-winning artist had been on hiatus from music so he could focus on his jewelry brand "Homer." He also took the director's chair for an A24 produced film, and his "Blonded Radio" program.

# THE BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM CONTINUES TO ROLL

Daniel Stein

Sitting atop the Central Suburban South at 22-4, the Trevs are having another stellar season. A key part of their success this year has been their undefeated record at home, as the Trevs have won all 10 games. Highlights of the season so far have been Head Coach Scott Fricke winning his 300th game, New Trier's epic win on the road at Rolling Meadows, and their electric victory at Welsh-Ryan Stadium against Evanston.



With tough games against Glenbrook North and Evanston ahead, I look forward to seeing how the boys do down the road. There's no doubt that this team has another chance to go far in the IHSA state tournament.



# WINTER PLAYLISTS

Izza Virani



Mellow Music Playlist

Grey winter days can present challenges to our daily focus on tasks. Sometimes, the best way to center yourself can be through a calming playlist. Mellow Music is great playlist to listen to as background noise to help focus on homework, chores, or even just to unwind and relax.



Everyone Needs a Good Cry  
Playlist

As much as some of us love the winter, the winter can also get to us with its early nights, grey days, and cold temperatures. With seasonal depression around, all you may need is a good cry. That's what this playlist is for. If you're ever in need of letting your emotions out, this playlist is perfect.

# THE GRAMMYS

Rami Afifi and Izza Virani

Here are our my predictions:

## Record of the Year

- "Break My Soul" by Beyoncé
- "Easy on Me" by Adele
- "As it Was" by Harry Styles

Rami and I are basing our predictions for this category on both fan-service and publicity along with critical acclaim. Although "The Heart Part 5" by Kendrick Lamar and "You And Me On The Rock" by Brandi Carlile both present higher levels of musicality, both were not as widely publicized as our choices. Furthermore, although Steve Lacy has been widely acclaimed among fans, Rami and I believe that he is too new to win this year. But, we are definitely expecting him to win big in the future.

## Album of the Year

- "Renaissance" by Beyoncé
- "Mr. Morale & The Big Steppers" by Kendrick Lamar

Knowing how the 2017 Grammys went, Rami and I believe that it's Beyoncé's turn to get this award. Furthermore, considering Beyoncé's recognition in Grammy history as one of the most nominated and prized female artists of our time, she seems a likely winner. Seeing how *Lemonade* was snubbed, Beyoncé deserves her first win in this category.

As a second option, Rami and I think that Kendrick Lamar has a good shot of winning Album of the Year because he has come close twice. He lost to Taylor Swift's "1989" in 2016 and Bruno Mars's "24K Magic" in 2018.

## Song of the Year

- "The Heart Part 5" by Kendrick Lamar
- "All Too Well (10 min version)" by Taylor Swift
- "About Damn Time" by Lizzo

Rami and I believe that Kendrick has the best shot at winning this category due to his influence over the rap scene in the past decade. His song, "The Heart Part 5," details the culture and the violent history of hip hop. A win for Kendrick would result in the first rap artist to win song of the year in almost five years. As for our second options, we believe "All Too Well" has a shot at winning due to its high popularity among fans, as well as "About Damn Time" for its widespread radio coverage.

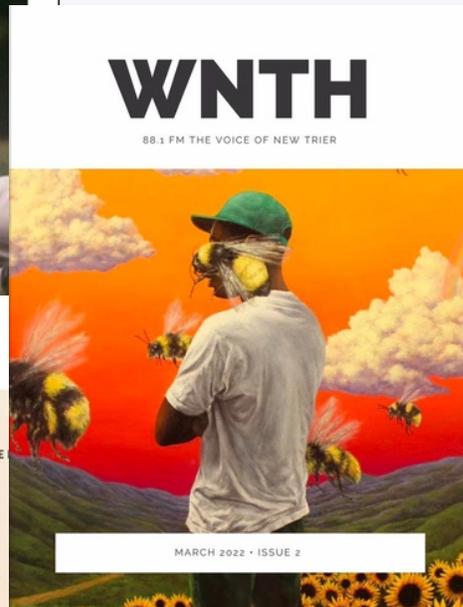
# RADIO UPDATES

RAINA PATEL

During our fall field trip to Columbia College, we were introduced to the software platform used by WCRX-FM: Wide Orbit. Wide Orbit is used by most radio stations around the world, and we are excited to announce that WNTH will become a part of this group in 2023. With the voice tracking feature Wide Orbit provides, WNTH members will improve their efficiency on air. We would like to thank the gracious alumnus who granted us this wonderful opportunity in improving the station for future radio students.

We also implemented two new shows, Cellmates and Clubhouse Trivia. Cellmates is designed as a debate show where hosts discuss different pop culture moments. Clubhouse Trivia features our sports team and is a listener-friendly trivia competition between Juniors and Seniors. Be sure to tune in!

Finally, Radio Board will be renamed Radio Production for the 2023-2024 school year. Additionally, the invitation only requirement is being removed. With this transition, we hope to create a more inclusive radio class, and allow a broader range of students to learn the skills of being on-air.



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