

Opposing Views

Where's our spirit?

Loud and proud

It is a deeply embedded and anticipated tradition to dress up at Baton Rouge High. The opportunity comes just once a year during Fall Fair Week in October.

In past years, students have utterly gone crazy. This year, however, we have noticed a severe lack of participation in Spirit Week Days.

The reason is not simply an inadequate selection of dress up day themes. Indeed, we have always had an eventful "Decade Day" in the past.

Is the reason for lack of participation actually apathy or are students "too cool" to dress up anymore? We hope that everyone here still holds onto at least a small part of his childhood.

"Life is what you make it." These wise words should not be taken with a grain of salt.

Truly, if students would only try to have fun, would only go with the flow, Spirit Week would be a much brighter display of all the diversities and personalities at Baton Rouge High.

Olivia Parsons

Should we scream loud and proud, or should we keep our heads in the books?



Olivia Morgan

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Morgan Matchett

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What about academics?

For the past few weeks, school spirit has been thrust upon the students of BRMHS due to all of the school spirit activities.

If we didn't dress up for Spirit Week, go to see the school sponsored plays, or go and watch our volleyball team compete, we were looked down upon. We cannot catch a break.

These people that are accusing us of having no school spirit may not be realizing that we need the extra class time to do homework.

With piles of schoolwork and projects growing, we can't all be loud and proud about our school.

We have to show our pride in subtle ways. We can buy a Bulldog t-shirt. We can volunteer for a BRMHS sponsored club. We can tell other people how much we love our school and the opportunities it gives us.

Don't give up hope on school spirit altogether. We can continue to show our school spirit in our own unique ways.

If our school spirit was better understood and respected, BRMHS would be better shown as a unique school.

Morgan Matchett

Current Quotes: "Do we have enough school spirit? If not, how can it be improved?"



"You bet we do! Our school spirit is flawless. It needs no improvement."

-Chelsea Bennett, 12



"Yes we do, but not everybody. It's only a small fraction. The rest of the student body seems like they could care less. Its almost like there's a spirit fraction dedicated to uplifting the school spirit, and I think it's more annoying than anything. I think one way we could raise school spirit is to have school wide sports like football and basketball."

- Jesse Jackson, 10

"Some people do, but not all. Better themes for Spirit Week would have improved school spirit."

-Dustin Nguyen, 9

"I believe that BRMHS needs to improve their school spirit by increasing their support towards the drama and arts department and our schools sports teams. It's somewhat sad how few people show up to events."

- Desiree James, 12

"Yeah, it definitely has school spirit. We have more school spirit than most schools do."

-Jonah Andrews, 9



"BRMHS has school spirit, sometimes a little too much. There is no room for improvement."

-Suzán Hartford, 10

"Yeah we have school spirit. We have a whole week devoted to it. No need for improvement."

-Jude Abshire, 12

"Yes, it does need improvement because everyone should treat each other like brothers and sisters instead of strangers."

-Lamar Burton, 12

"Some people do have school spirit, others don't. The ones who don't are focusing on academics. We should have more social activities for people to get to know each other better and from that we can bond and have more school spirit."

-Nyles Walker, 9



"We got spirit yes we do. We got spirit. How 'bout you?"

-Nhi Nguyen, 11

"Yes, Baton Rouge High School has enough school spirit. One only had to hear the senior class sing at the Spirit Day Rally."

- Aaron Moore, 12

"Not really. For spirit week a lot of freshman dressed up, but as you get older Spirit Week gets old and you participate less and less."

-Courtney Abshire, 9

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