## The Dragon Chronicles

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## OPINION: SOCIETY SHOULD NOT SEPARATE PEOPLE BY GENDER

By Gabby Z-D

Many people don't realize that we live in a world where society separates people by their gender. But I've come to realize that many people don't like the idea of being separated by gender roles. In my opinion, society should not separate people by their gender because gender roles are harmful, some people don't want to be confined to only one gender, and most of all because some people don't want to be called them and they, him and he, or her and she.

For example, some people get bullied because they don't **represent** their "real" gender. Also, a teacher at BVHM said that being a girl or boy is "whatever you want it to be", but some people don't like that. They think it's just either you're a boy or a girl.



Society should not separate people by gender because some people don't want to be confined to only one single gender. I believe that some people just don't want to be the same gender every day. They are two genders every day, or some days.

For instance, having only three genders (them, male and female) is very limiting. And many people don't like that somebody else tells them what gender they are. They want to make their own gender.

## A Note from your Principal...

Dear students,

Can I tell you how excited I am that we finally have a student newspaper to call our own?

The newspaper club meets in the library on Mondays from 12:30-1:10 to discuss upcoming stories and to work on them. If you can't make it during that time, you can still submit articles (or ideas for articles) to my box outside of my office. I will bring them to the meeting and help your story come to life on these pages!

I want you to know that all BVHM students are wonderful writers and that even if you think you aren't, you have great ideas that we can help you develop and revise until you feel good about sharing what you have to say with your community.

This newspaper will be a great place for the students of this school to share their thoughts with each other-- so come on down and drop us a line! Our team of journalists can't wait to work with you!

### Kitty Twins Advise

Dear Kitty twins,

My best friend has started ditching me for her other friend, even when she promises to hang out with me When I try talking to her about it she just changes the subject. I don't know what to do!

help me, Friendless

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# BVHM History

By Maya Brenes Cardenas

Have you ever wondered about your school's history? Well if you go to Buena Vista Horace Mann I can tell you a little bit about our school's history.



Buena Vista School wasn't always Buena Vista Horace Mann. Before, it was just Buena Vista, a regular K-5th Elementary school. Buena Vista was San Francisco's first immersion school and 2nd oldest in California.

Horace Mann was a 6-8th middle school same as a regular middle school had all the same classes as all middle school. Horace Mann was one of San Francisco oldest school's too!

#### How they merged into one

They merged because they wanted to keep the bilingual community going into middle school too so when kids grow up the can speak both Spanish and English. That can help you get a good job in life it will also help you go into a good college.

In conclusion, we can both agree that Buena Vista Horace Mann is a great school for kids of all ages like k-8. Continue on page 2.

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Although society should not separate people by their gender because gender roles are harmful, society should not separate people by their gender most of all because some people don't want to be called them and they, him and he, or her and she. Lots of people feel out of place in their gender, and mostly because society chooses it. This is why our society should not separate people by their gender!

#### GLOSSARY:

**GENDER**- the state of being male or female **GENDER ROLES**- the role learned by a person as appropriate to their gender, determined by how the society you were born into

**SEPARATED**- divided by how you look, think, or are **SOCIETY**- a group of people living together in a more or less ordered community

**REPRESENT**- someone being an example of the group they are in

**CONFINED**- restrain or forbid someone from being someone different

## Cafeteria Food: Flavor and Nutrition Facts

By Hazel Sheppard



Cafeteria food, what's really in it? A lot of people eat it every day at school.

Fourth-grade student, Fiona Rowe says: "The pancakes are flavorless and when you want more flavor, you can't even get the syrup out! The omelet is just a round piece of egg with a tiny bit of cheese on it, and who wants that?! Also, the 'sausage' is gray!" - she added.

Some things a lot of students and staff really like are the hot dogs, the burgers, and the tamales. The food doesn't include nutrition facts except for on the milk which has 130 calories. Some items of cafeteria food can be quite good, like lemon muffins and french toast.

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Dear Friendless,

We think that you should tell her how you feel. And even if she tries to change the subject, don't stop, tell her that you really need to talk to her and if she dismisses you then, then she's not a real friend.

Good luck, The Kitty Twins

### **Weather Report**

By Amelie Wicke And Orlena Glaser

We are in 3rd-grade with maestra Mira, and the school that we are in is BVHM in San Francisco. Last week, there was strong wind and rain that caused a blackout in the city. Because there was so much wind, the power went out around 7:30 pm in Mission Terrace. The blackout lasted three hours that day.

#### This Week's Weather looks like this:

Monday: Sunny, cool.
Tuesday: Sunny, cool.

**Wednesday**: Cool and cloudy. **Thursday**: Cool and sunny.

Friday: Sunny.





### **Flag Competition**

by Billie Shelby

You may not have noticed but in the garden, there's a pole without the flag. That will not be for long. For an upcoming event, there will be a flag design contest, it's a competition for making the best flag. If you have an idea make sure you develop it so you have a chance of winning the contest. There will be two winners- one from middle school and one from elementary. You could be the one to design the flag for the empty pole! The flag will represent our school mascot, the Dragon, and one side it will feature the winning drawing from an artist in the Elementary grades. The other side will feature the art of a Middle Schooler. In addition, it could represent anything else, our school values, our goals. For example, the dragons, the school goals, or just a creative idea. It is open to all BVHM students. It could be more than one color or just one if you prefer. It could be many patterns or just one.



There will be a middle school side and an elementary side. One elementary student's and

one middle school student's design will be selected to be on the elementary or middle school side of the flag. Once the school picks the winners, we will create a flag from the images and then have a properBVHM flag raising ceremony. All students will have time to work on their submissions during art class when we return from Spring Break.



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