

BE MINE



As Mrs. Bamhill sits at her desk, she patiently waits to be presented with a gift from her admirer. "I was surprised by the love of my life with a dozen of lovely yellow roses," Mrs. Bamhill said.

Valentine's day was a busy day, because gifts flowed in constantly. "Valentine's day meant spending a lot of time with the one I love. When I first saw my big balloon I was overjoyed," former junior Chiffon McNeil said.



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Students celebrated Valentine's Day from year to year without the knowledge of its true meaning. Some believed that Valentine's Day was celebrated in the middle of February to honor the anniversary of St. Valentine's feast day. Others believed its celebration meant to Christianize celebrations of the Pagan Lupercalia Festival. "I love Valentine's Day because it's a time that my boyfriend and I share our true love for each other," former senior Chevon Risher said.

The day was filled with hundreds of balloons, thousands of flowers and some delicious chocolate truffles. Students who received packages from loved ones had to wait until the end of the day to go pick them up. Whatever the reason may be, celebrating Valentine's Day represented a day to reflect on friendship, love, and romance.

-Faith Crosby



Many guys gave gifts to girls that they just had friendships with. "I feel that Valentine's Day is a day for all the men in the world to show respect to the women they claim to love," former senior Sarah Rivers said.

These girls stand, proudly displaying the fruits of another fun Valentine's day. "I was very excited about my dozen balloons given to me by my father, but I couldn't fit them in my car," former senior Holly Hughes said.

