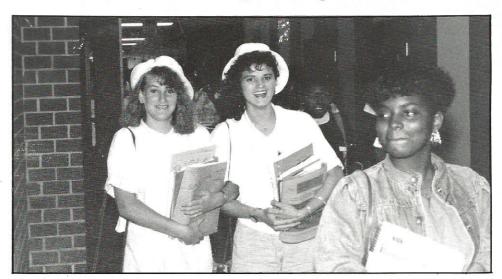
WAITING FOR THE 3:10 BELL



Students are always ready for the 3:10 bell to ring so that they can do various activities of their choice. Monica Hickman, Daphne Blocker, Cynthia Pencile and other students rush out of classes. They walk quickly, sometimes even run, to their afternoon destinations. Despite all the "pit stops" many have to make, they are seldom late for their buses. Working through the maze of people is sometimes frustrating and time consuming, but these girls are not bothered by this quick-paced crowd.

It was 3:09. Student's hearts were pounding. They were anxiously awaiting the end of another school day. Finally at 3:10 the bell rang and the hallways became filled with students rushing in all directions. While some rode buses home, drove their own cars, or were picked up from school, others chose to work or to attend after-school practices.

Band members were one group who were required to stay after school. Junior Kim Nelson expressed, "Band practice is long and hard, but in the end, it is worth it because we are one of the top bands in the state." Football players also stayed after school to practice and to prepare for games.

Besides staying after school for practices, some students stayed for academic purposes. The Academic Team spent two afternoons each week testing their trivia skills to prepare for competitions. In addition, some stayed after school to be tutored or to attend club meetings.

Clearly, the 3:10 bell marked the beginning of an active afternoon for many students. It also marked the close of another school day.

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