

# *Sneaking up on students . . . Striking Quick, The Silent Killer.*

What one word can make most students feel guilty — procrastination. Webster's dictionary defines it as "to put something off until later." Most students define it as "letting papers, reports, essays, and tests sneak up on one unaware."

"I would think that I had plenty of time," commented junior Sherri Iriel, "but deadlines and due dates would appear out of nowhere." This was a common feeling among most students.

Some of the quick remedies were the ever-popular Cliff Notes and renting movies. However, students could not always rely on these. Procrastination also proved to cause a series of all-nighters. It was not uncommon for procrastinating students to stay up to the wee hours of the morning in order

to get the work done.

Some of the results of procrastination were late term papers, incomplete projects, and poor test grades. With the papers and projects, procrastinating students would practically live at the library the week before it was due.

At the end of the year the cost of procrastination hit the hardest as seniors realized that graduation was approaching fast. Teachers seemed to assign double loads as they realized that the grading period was coming to a close. Sophomore Doug Robinson commented, "Things just pile up. Before you know it, they are due." Junior Cynthia Herr agreed, "You just could not find the time to get what you needed done, done."

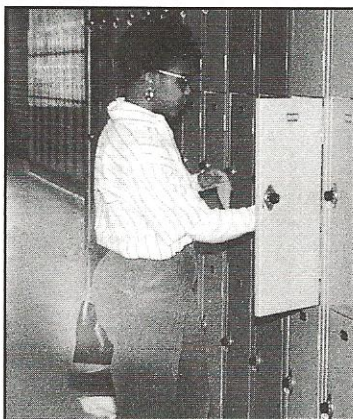
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## ACADEMICS

### A-Z

**W**orry — *What a student starts to do when he/she procrastinates.*

**X**erox — *What students do to avoid taking notes from a book.*



Running to her locker just before the bell, Senior Hope Lights tries to grab what she needs for her next class. Hope was a member of the Varsity Cheerleading Squad.

