



# That Fateful Day

The beginning of the new school year and the end of a summer came August 18.

Freshmen were nervous about the year ahead, Sophomores and juniors felt a little more comfortable than the year before, while seniors returned for their last year of high school.

A new tardy policy was in effect for all students. The new format had a warning bell which sent students running. If they did not make it to class on time, students faced being locked out and "swept up."

"I was scared I was going to get lost and locked out," said freshman Byron McCuin.

Finding a class was hard enough for first-year students, let alone getting there on time. However, students were not the only ones facing a nerve-wracking first day. New

teachers also had bad experiences to report.

"When I arrived at school, I found that I did not have any supplies such as pens, pencils, or even chalk," said Spanish teacher, Ms. Jony Rogue.

Some seniors were shocked to find their parking places already occupied by underclassmen. Traditionally the first four rows closest to the building were reserved for the seniors.

Although the first day of school could be a terrifying experience, it was an opportunity to catch up with old friends during extended homerooms. These long homerooms served to orient the freshmen to the year ahead.

—Victoria Cunningham



**A Bright Future.** Sophomores Leah Collette and Carolyn Hazel are ready to face the new school year. The two have been friends since 5th grade.