

practice makes perfect

students continue their education after the normal school day ends

After eight hours of working, the bell finally rang for students to flock out the door and head straight home to relax. Though many students got to go home, students who participated in clubs and sports headed straight to practice.

Junior clarinet player **Tinasha Crawford** marched with the band outside in the sun everyday. Band members spent each afternoon outside during marching season. Right before the state competition, band members came back to the school every evening to practice even longer.

"I really enjoy band, especially during marching season because it is really fun, and I enjoy playing music," said Tinasha.

NJROTC competition color guard commandar junior **Brittany Wiggins** stayed after school every Tuesday and Thursday for practice. "I don't have a problem with practicing extra days, because the more you practice the better you become," said Brittany.

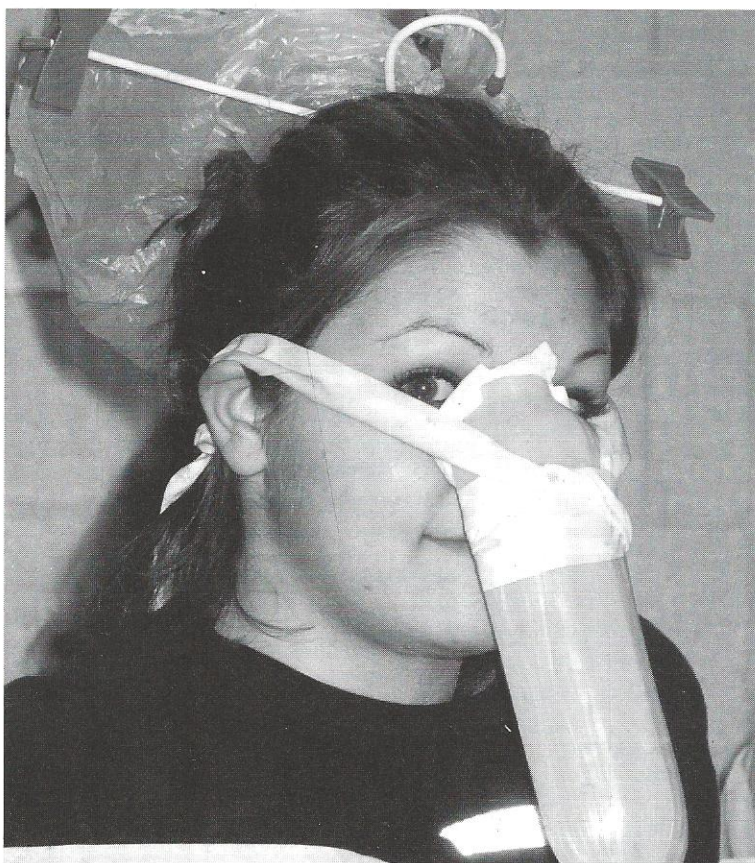
Like Brittany, many members of clubs and teams who were dedicated to doing well agreed that they did not mind extra

practices. Dedicated students also practiced discipline and strategy during school.

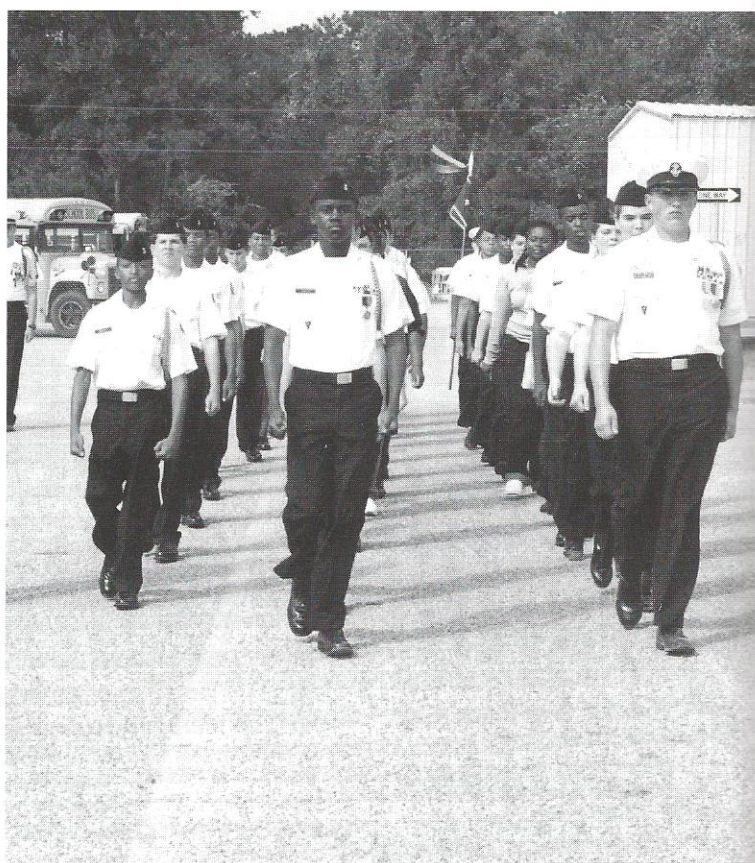
"I try to do my best in class" senior NHS member **Krystal Thomas** said, "I try to make good grades because I'm really concerned about getting into college and making something of myself."

No matter what the activity, most students agreed that practice definitely made perfect.

-Andrea Marotto



Is that a bird? Trying to stay perfectly still, senior **Amanda Johnston** plays a game at a National Honor Society meeting. "We meet on the first Tuesday of every month at 7 or 7:30 pm. We usually play games for the first half of the meeting, and then we get our work done," Amanda said, "We also spend a lot of time doing community service activities."



Drilling in the dust. After school on a hot summer afternoon, the NJROTC members march across the parking lot. "I just moved here from Hanahan this year, but I was really impressed with the NJROTC program. I plan on joining the military after I graduate, and I'm glad I've been exposed to such a great class," senior **Tillisa White** said.