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**Walk up challenge**

Max Slavin ’22 posted his walk-up song, “Ring of Fire,” as part of the Walk Up challenge for baseball players. The trend starts by a player nominating a few others, then those individuals post their own songs and nominate more friends. “I did this trend because our season got taken away from us, so we didn’t get to share certain things like our walk up song,” Slavin said. Photo courtesy M. Slavin

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- **11,591 Total Deaths** (Italy as of 3.31.20)
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**Faculty Meeting**

March 12, Principal Abner called a meeting with all faculty after school to address coronavirus concerns. At the meeting, Abner told teachers to prepare two weeks of lesson plans for the possibility of remote learning. “We understand that this is going to present challenges. Try to think outside the box,” Abner said to staff.

**The First Closure**

March 13, Douglas County School District Superintendent Thomas Tucker announced that all DCSD schools would be closed from March 14-March 27. The closure included a week for spring break and one week of remote learning. The Friday before spring break, March 13, teachers went over plans for remote learning in their classes. Students and teachers helped to cover classroom supplies in plastic sheets, to protect them from the chemical sanitizer that would be sprayed over break.

**Extending Closure**

Governor Polis announced the evening of March 18 that statewide school closures would be extended through April 17. According to the Centers for Disease Control, long school closures could help to mitigate the spread of coronavirus. All state-wide standardized testing was canceled. At the time, there were 160 presumptive positive cases of coronavirus in Colorado.

**Everything on Lock**

After the number of coronavirus deaths nearly doubled in Colorado, from 11 to 19 in one night, Governor Polis announced a state-wide lock-down March 25. The lock-down affects all 5.7 million Coloradans, requiring them to stay home except for essential business, health or food shopping.

**Prejudice**

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**Spread Positivity**

Rachel Benner ‘22 participated in the ‘Spread Positivity’ challenge, where girls share a beautiful photo of themselves and tag 10 others to do the same. The trend was meant to showcase women supporting women in the time of quarantine. “It’s always a good feeling when you make someone smile just by posting a post like this,” Benner said.

**Photo Courtesy:** R. Benner

"It’s really upsetting that spring sports are canceled because I do lacrosse, it’s my season as a junior to be able to get recruited,” Teagan Osoba ‘21 said. “Without that opportunity, it prevents me from being able to follow my dream [of becoming] the best player that I can be.”

**CHSAA Legislative Council meeting, and speech and debate postponed until April 18.**

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