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## The Lizzie Borden Chronicles

Christina Ricci was born to play the role of Lizzie Borden, an infamous woman suspected of murdering her father and step-mother in the late 1800s.

The series is set following the aftermath of her father and step-mother's murders and subsequent trials that took place in 1892.

In the opening episode, Lizzie is seen trying to restart her life, but a Texas Pinkerton agent played by Cole Hauser shows up determined to learn the truth about the murders.

On top of that, her father's ex-business partner comes back

and demands Lizzie pay him back a large debt that her father owed him.

This eight episode mini series is a dark thriller that will keep you on the edge of your seat until the very last episode. If you are squeamish at the sight of blood or gore, then this show is not for you.

While Lifetime opted not to produce any more episodes in June 2015, the end of the eight episodes leave nothing to be desired. It's a satisfying end.

The question you begin to ask yourself as you click for the next episode to load is will anyone survive Lizzie's brutal killing spree?

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## Better Call Saul

"Breaking Bad" fan favorites Saul Goodman (Bob Odenkirk), Mike Ehrmentraut (Jonathan Banks) and Tuco Salamanca (Raymond Cruz) return to show the series of events that led up to small-town lawyer Jimmy McGill becoming the infamous Saul Goodman.

The prequel takes place six years before the beginning of "Breaking Bad" and it's lot like the original, minus the exposition and middle aged men in tighty whites.

"Better Call Saul" will keep you on the edge of your seat because you want to know the series

of events that lead a man to become a sleazy "criminal lawyer" that runs his business out of cheesy commercials, bus benches, and a storefront.

Odenkirk's eponymous character is explored as he transforms from living broke in the back of a massage parlor to becoming the manager of a Cinnabon in Omaha.

The show employs a magical mix of suspense and comedy, and the expert writing from Odenkirk and Vince Gilligan will keep you bingeing. If you liked "Breaking Bad", the ten episodes on Netflix are definitely worth a watch.

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## Cuckoo

"Cuckoo" can be described as an English - American hybrid starring American comedian Andy Samberg, British comedian Greg Davies and British actor Helen Baxendale.

The story line follows an English family struggling to deal with the sudden addition to their family. Cuckoo (Samberg) marries Ken (Davies) and Lorna's (Baxendale) daughter, Rachel, while she was away on her Gap Year.

Cuckoo turns the house upside down with his hippie practices, such as meditating naked on the kitchen counter, and kooky comments.

Samberg's typical dopey humor is a nice addition to the dry British humor of Davies and Baxter.

In season two, Samberg is replaced by Taylor Lautner. Samberg left the show because of previous commitments to his show "Brooklyn Nine-Nine."

Quite the contrast in both appearance and comedy, Lautner is refreshing and adds an interesting element of youth to the show.

The second season begins with Lautner in the role of Dale Jr., Cuckoo's son who comes looking for his father and stays with Ken and Lorna.

Although Lautner is not on the same level of comedy as Samberg, Lautner plays Dale Jr. well and has audiences coming back for more.

# What's my locker combo again?

## Lack of convenient lockers causes heavy backpacks

by Arjun Thakkar

At New Trier, students neglect assistants that surround their everyday lives. They know they have one, but rarely take advantage of the weight they take off their shoulders. Now, they are the scourge of the hallways.

These menaces are lockers. With a tight schedule and several materials for each class, why don't most students use their lockers to lessen the load they carry around school? Several students cite location as the primary factor that influences their decision to store items in their lockers.

Junior Lily Rasof said she seldom uses her locker. "I don't use my locker because it isn't really near any of my classes," she said. "I'd use it more often if it was in a better location."

Sophomore Justin Sun faces a similar issue with storing his supplies. He prefers to plan ahead and leave unnecessary materials at home to limit what he brings to school.

"If I have a textbook for a class, then I don't need it in class everyday," Sun said. "I would keep it at home to use for homework."

Other students, who have lockers in a more convenient location, store extra valuables daily. "My locker is right off the first floor rotunda, so it is very convenient to grab stuff after lunch," said sophomore Matt Cacioppo. "I put in my coat and my binders that I'm not using. I definitely wouldn't use my locker as frequently if it was located in a more inconvenient spot."

Many students don't even know where their lockers are because they were previously located in the T-Wing, which was demolished for the Winnetka Campus Facilities Project. Those advisories moved to



A frustrated senior forgets the combination to his empty locker | Scherman

the Mobile Classrooms in the back of the school and their lockers were relocated.

Staff members told students that their lockers were in the basement, but students don't know where the lockers are.

Sophomore adviser, Andrew Docktor, said that many of his advisees don't know where their locker is.

"Many of my students don't even know what their locker combinations are," Docktor said. "They check in on the first day, but later, they don't recall where their locker is or what the combination is, so they don't use it as much as they should."

Docktor also said that his advisees rarely ever use their lockers, even when they are located in a convenient spot right next to their advisory room.

"They don't use [their lockers] as much as they should. It'd be better if they used them so they're not lugging around what they need for the entire day," Docktor said.

While it is common for students to bring their backpacks with them everywhere they go at New Trier, previous high school students who went to other schools faced different expectations at school.

Docktor noted how going to his locker was almost expected of him. "My locker wasn't in a convenient location, but I made it a point to go to it every couple of periods to get

anything I needed," Docktor said. "It would've been unusual to carry around everything like students do here."

English teacher Jay Rosenberg also weighed in on the locker issue with his own experiences. He said that the extra time high schools used to give students in passing periods would allow them to visit their locker more often.

"At my high school, we had modules, which were fifteen-minute periods that could be combined to form a larger class, or they could split up classes by incorporating small breaks in between courses," said Rosenberg. "You rarely had three classes in a row, so you could visit your locker and get whatever you needed."

The rigor of courses that students take also seems to impact locker usage. "With so many courses packed into a tight schedule, and the path around the school you have to take, it's more of an impediment to try and use your locker," Rosenberg said.

Ultimately, it's up to students to work out their schedule and see if using a locker is beneficial, or if it is more of an inconvenience.

"Carrying everything in your backpack is much easier than having to walk over to a locker," Sun said. "I have easy access to anything I might need."

## New Trier defined as "scum" by rivals

### Sticks and stones may break our bones, but words will never hurt us

by Grace Cucco

New Trier is a well known school with an air of elitism. Its name is recognized all over the country.

Due to its fame, New Trier is called out by other schools for its white gown graduation, Ivy League acceptance letters, Grammy-winning music program, and "nauseating sense of pride."

Urban Dictionary, a satirical crowdsourced online dictionary of slang words and phrases, has over three pages of definitions of 'New Trier' and even more of related words, such as "North Shore," "Winnetka," and "Trevians."

The first definition to be posted about New Trier was in 2007. It claimed, "New Trier is a place where everyone thinks they are the best when in reality they suck. No one is jealous of them but themselves (which is really sad by the way) and they are completely self absorbed with things that are not fixable, (like their ugly faces). They cheat at their sports, and know it, anything to win (which is beyond lame and just pathetic)... No one cares about them. No one wishes they were them. They over

rate themselves which is so unbelievably lame it's not even funny. So bottom line, new trier [sic] is basically the scum that infects the germs that infects a cut...just to break it down for you."

This definition is one of the most hostile and aggressive, but others convey similar ideas of the school.

An overwhelming majority of the definitions of "New Trier" and "North Shore" have to do with money and attitude. From entries stating, "Senior parking lot is full of BMW's and Jeeps that willingly pay \$300 for a spot," to "way too much money and way too little attention from their parents," the wealth of New Trier students is often attacked by these definitions.

"New Trier is a place unlike anywhere else. Not only do all the girls have Kate Spade or Herve Chapelier bags, they have Louis Vuitton day planners that rest inside them. If we were to add up the outfit of a typical Trevian girl on a 'dress down' day, it would cost as much as some people's monthly salaries, probably because they needed to spice it up with a few pieces from their Tiffany's jewelry collection," said user "fracker."

Many claims are also made about the school's rumored drug problem. "Where the grades are high and the kids are higher," one user said. Another review referenced the 1996 Time article, "High Times at New Trier High," which explored the drug-use issue plaguing the school.

The "top definition" for New Trier on Urban Dictionary reads, "A place where you won't find too many black people."

Whether Trevians feel that these assumptions are accurate assessments of New Trier or not, they clearly reflect the negative opinion that is shared by the students who attend our rival schools.

Other social media platforms seem to be in agreement with the reviews on Urban Dictionary. In a simple Twitter search of "New Trier kids," tweets from students of nearby schools show that many share the same opinion as those who posted on Urban Dictionary.

"I seriously can't believe how immature the kids at New Trier are. It astounds me every single day," said one Twitter user. Another added, "New Trier kids have no chill."

New Trier students don't seem to particularly mind the harsh criticism from the Internet and are able to see some merit behind their statements.

Senior Robbie Angarone, WNTH's station manager, said on behalf of the radio board, "We are in agreement with the Internet's opinion."

"We are good at everything, we work really hard, the school does a really a good job at maintaining our prestige, and we meet the teachers halfway by putting in the effort," said senior Audrey Gordon.

"The other schools are just told they need to hate us."