Battle of the Classes

On Friday, May 2nd AHS held its annual Battle of the Classes! A selection of students from each grade level was chosen from a raffle to compete against one another in various activities. They were given the opportunity to sign up for one of the many activities offered. The 6 activities offered were tug of war, trivia, sumo wrestling, karaoke, a donut eating contest and a relay race. Throughout the week during lunchtime, students were encouraged to earn points for their class by doing certain tasks, which would later contribute to their total Battle of the Classes score.

“It was cool seeing different people from our class volunteering to participate in the fun activities they had set up during lunch,” Junior Hassa Koroma said.

At the end of the week, the main event was scheduled to occur and the points earned from the lunchtime actives were tallied up and added to each class’s overall score.

This year, The Battle of the Classes theme was the Hunger Games and each class had a specified district. Freshmen were District 9, sophomores District 10, juniors District 11, and seniors District 12.

“I think the theme was really good because a lot of people love The Hunger Games books and the theme really fit with the competition,” junior Seham Ahmed said.

The event kicked off with all participating students being introduced by Leadership’s new President Marem Atef, and Vice President Brooke Thadeus. Participating students were seated in a special section of the bleachers reserved for the “tributes”. After the tributes had been seated the event began with tug of war.

After it had been narrowed down to two districts, the juniors
and seniors faced each other to determine who would be the ultimate winner of tug of war. Both classes put in all their strength tugging back and forth, but ultimately the seniors took the win!

Once the tug of war winner was determined, the next event to occur was the donut-eating contest. In this activity each class offered up one tribute to eat a hanging donut without the use of their hands. As seniors and juniors came toe to toe, the seniors took the win.

After the donuts had been devoured, the tributes returned to their seats as their teammates prepared to sing karaoke style. Tributes put their singing to the test and were given some popular songs to sing. In this event the sophomores took the win with the song Firework, by Katy Perry.

“I’m actually really glad that we won. Kasey did a good job and our class did great helping her out too. Watch out class of 2016, were coming back bigger and stronger next year,” sophomore Fatmata Kamara said.

After hearing the tributes sing along to some popular songs, it was time for some trivia! Tributes from each district were given questions to answer, and if they answered incorrectly they were disqualified. During this activity Kevin Folli’s intelligence took the win for the juniors!

Preceding trivia was relay race and sumo suits! The seniors showed their effective maneuvering skills in the relay race as they crawled under chairs and did hurdles taking the win for District 12. While juniors showed their sumo skills as they took the win in the sumo wrestling competition. As points were being tallied to determine the Battle of the Classes winner, students all gathered around to watch a voted Coach Bianchi get pied!

To tie up the event, the seniors were announced the winners of Battle of the Classes along with an energetic performance by
Kid Jc and Astro Davis.