## **Artful Hallway**



When I had first come to the high school, this was a dimly lit hallway. The tall ceilings and dark blue walls seemed as though they held the epitome of the world's fears packed into them. Today the hallway is full of brightly colored displays and beautiful artwork. There are brightly colored collages, photos and artistic endeavors of new coming students. It displays something that was missing in my freshman year, light and joy. This artful hallway gives the creators a sense of belonging and home in a place that is often filled with stress and worry. In a broader sense this hallway represents my own growth throughout high school, from a nervous and shy girl to someone who is chasing the life that she wants to live. The hallways didn't truly have walls packed of fear, I was the one that sealed it there. These four years have showed me that it wasn't a school bursting with thunder, but rather a sun filled field blooming with flowers.

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