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#### SPECIFIC BIRDS OF PREY

BY FIELDING CRAVENS

This week I will be talking about individual species. The first is the red tail. This one is the first because I have one. redtails are not necessarily a hawk, They are a buteo or buzzard. They are not a vulture. They primarily hunt small mammals. They are around 3.1 million living redtail hawks. They have a calm nature to them, they are a Soaring Hawk with pretty moderate wings and a tail. You can see them on electrical lines, poles and trees. Next the Goshawk. They are a true Hawk or astur. They can catch basically anything. There are around 2.5 million left in the wild. They are crazy and fast, they have short-rounded wings for flying in the forest with long tails. You can primarily only see them in the forest, but we have them all around us. Next, we are going to my favorite animal the Peregrine Falcon. They are the fastest animal, going up to 240 mph diving like a muscle hitting prey basically knocking them out right away. Then, if it's still not dead, they go to it and then break their neck with the tooth beak, they primarily hunt only birds; their nickname is the duck Hawk. There are around 140,000 living Peregrine Falcons left. They were close to extinction but with conservation efforts and lots of falconers helped their population back up. They are long wings, they have skinny long pointed wings and a heavier mass than goshawks and red Tails. You can see them on high buildings or cliff edges including in the Grand Canyon. That's all I'll cover for now.

#### WAFFLES OR PANCAKES

BY DANIKAH GIDDENS

- I wanted to conduct a survey to see
- which is better; Waffles or Pancakes.
- I asked 46 students and teachers at
- Maine Consolidated to see their opinion. Here are the results:

Pancakes: 21

Waffles:25

- Delilah quotes "they are both the
- same and delicious also they both fill
- me up." Cadence said "Waffles because they are crispy." Miss Olson quotes "chocolate chip pancakes with
- strawberries and whip cream." Elsie
- quotes "Waffles because they hold
- syrup!" Fielding quotes "they are both
- the same." In the end, waffles were the big winner!





### MIDDLE SCHOOL ELECTION RESULTS

BY FLSIE AND DELILAH

Middle school had elections the past week and the results are in! This student council is goated! Thank you 6th, 7th and 8th graders for voting in the 2025-2026 student election!









President Camden Tanner

VP Pearce Mortensen Secretary Halle Peer Treasurer Delilah Miller

## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT MIDDLE SCHOOL



CAMDEN TANNER
FAVORITE COLOR: GREEN
FAVORITE ANIMAL: ELK
FAVORITE SUBJECT: P.E.

### STUDENT SPOTLIGHT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



KAYCEE PERKINS
FAVORITE COLOR: PINK

FAVORITE ANIMAL: COW

LIKES LEARNING ABOUT APPLES

#### ART ELECTIVE

BY PEARCE MORTENSEN

















