Good morning Eagles!

Happy Monday! Did everyone survive the cold weather this weekend?

Keep scrolling to read more about what's coming up, Ariana Grande's newest song, 10-year-olds in Sephora and more.

What's Coming Up?

JANUARY 22-26

Tuesday, January 23

- Pizza with a Purpose
  - IAB 2026, 5:30p.m.

Wednesday, January 24

- Spring 2024 Boro Browse
  - Russell Union Rotunda, 11 a.m.
- Women’s Basketball vs. Georgia State
  - Hanner Fieldhouse, 6 p.m.

Thursday, January 25
- Polar Plunge & S'mores Roast
  - RAC Outdoor Pool, 6:30p.m.
- Safe Haven Percentage Night
  - Saucy Shrimp, 11 a.m.

Saturday, January 27

- Women’s Basketball vs. Marshall
  - Hanner Fieldhouse, 2 p.m.

Reflector Reviews: “Yes, And?” Ariana Grande’s Return to Music
Vanessa Alcala
After a 3-year break, Ariana Grande returned to the music world on January 12 with her new single “yes, and?”. The track is three minutes and 44 seconds long, it is upbeat, catchy, and it’s what some may call ‘pop perfection’.

I thoroughly enjoyed this song from start to finish, and it is now on all of my playlists. By using some parts of the hit 1990 song “Vogue” by Madonna, Grande tuned into that 80s-90s sound, which is very popular nowadays.

I asked four students what they thought about the song, here is what they had to say:

“I really liked the song, especially because it’s Ariana and I feel like she can’t make a bad song. My favorite part of the song is when she hits the riffs, it sounds so good.”
- Nyema Smith, Freshman

“When I first listened to the song I thought it was a banger, but when I kept listening, my opinions started changing a bit. My favorite part of the song is the beginning.”
- Jaedyn Charleston, Freshman

“So, I didn’t dislike the song. It had a really good beat and an overall good beat and an overall good message and vibe. It just isn’t something I would listen to on the regular. My favorite part of the song is the beginning with the repetition.”
- Cole Snellgrove-Block, Junior

“The song really wasn’t the vibe for me. I think Ariana is a great singer but I also don’t think the techno feel isn’t her arena.”
- Kenyon Castle, Sophomore

You can watch the music video for the song [here](#). On January 17, Grande announced that her 7th studio album, titled ‘eternal sunshine’ will be released on March 8.

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**Tweens in Sephora?!
Fayth Werner**
It’s now 2024 and the newest trend circulating is the many videos of, and opinions on, 10-year-olds in Sephora.

**What’s so bad about 10-year-olds in Sephora?**

Videos feature children throwing tantrums, messing up the displays, congregating in loud groups, yelling at workers, and their own parents. Absolute chaos if you ask me. Why are they doing this though, where did the interest even come from? After speaking to a couple of anonymous beauty store employees, the answer truly differs from person to person. However, it’s quite possible that it’s largely due to social media and the ease of access that kids nowadays have to it.

“I would say there are young girls, some like Elementary School age, seeing all these ‘get ready with me’s’ and it’s 20 something year old girls on tiktok who do their makeup, and it’s all Drunk Elephant and things that 10-year-olds really don't need on their skin,” one employee said.

**What is Drunk Elephant?**

If you’re anything like me you’ve probably never heard of Drunk Elephant before, so allow me to explain. Drunk Elephant is a skin-care brand known for being “anti-aging”, using chemicals such as retinol, and for its adorable packaging.

Essentially what’s happening is these children are seeing this beautiful/flawless influencer using a product with really cute packaging, and they immediately
want that product because of the fact that a beautiful person is using it, without knowing what the product actually is or does. So what are the dangers of using products, such as Drunk Elephant (which contains retinol), at that young of age?

“Well it can cause irreversible damage to your skin at that age. To put it into perspective, it’s like taking too much medicine when you’re sick then getting sick because of it, and needing medicine to fix it but you can’t because of the tolerance you’ve built up in the process,” another employee said. “These young girls are using anti-aging products on skin that hasn’t even started the aging process, and so rather than never aging, their skin would be aging faster, so instead of looking 20 in their 20s, they’d look a year, or even several years, older.”

All in all, I’d say that shopping for skincare products and makeup that young is a little wild, but to each their own as long as they’re staying safe and treating their skin nicely.

What are your thoughts on 10-year-olds in Sephora?

The RU Show - Back Like We Never Left
Who Do You Think Is The Most Overrated Celebrity?

"Taylor Swift. She’s kind of invading the NFL."  
Ryan Smith

"Beyonce because she does too much."  
CeeCee

"Taylor Swift, because I like sports and she’s all over the NFL."  
DJ

"Morgan Wallen, because he has kind of fallen off."  
Ellis

Click the photo to watch the full episode!
What's You Watching?
Source: Kathryn Lanham

What is Jaliyah Miller watching? *13 Reasons Why!*

What is *13 Reasons Why?*

- Released 2017 to 2020
- 4 seasons
- Genre: Drama, Mystery, Thriller
- Rating: TV-MA with a Content Warning for substance abuse, sexual assault, and suicide.
- A series of recordings come to light after a tragic suicide that creates the question, what is really happening at Liberty High.

Why is Miller watching *13 Reasons Why?*

- It educates young people about issues with bullying, Miller said.
- They like *13 Reasons Why* for the main character's flashbacks.

*Watch *13 Reasons Why* on Netflix*