



**1. Pep Rally.** Maddie James works with Ms. Berry Hooper to cover a pep rally.

**2. Edit, Edit** Allyssa Ferguson works on editing a show.

**3. Rolling.** Olivia Hanby records Rayne Ware who is doing a stand up report.

**4. Rolling.** Ella Friloux introduces a story on the collision repair class.



## National Coverage

### WTHS Covers Presidential Rally

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Many crowded in the BancorpSouth Arena on November 1 to see President Trump as he came to rally support for Tate Reeves, the Republican candidate for Mississippi Governor.

In addition to the President, the national media was also here including members from ABC, CNN and Fox News. THS' own WTHS staff members sophomores Ari Giorgenti and Ethan Robbins were also present as official members of the media. These two were able to obtain media passes to be able to cover the rally alongside the bigger reporting networks.

"I thought it was really cool because I learned a lot of stuff about camera work. Some people from Fox News and WTVA showed me some stuff if I needed help at different times," Robbins said.

Being high school students with only school equipment alongside these bigger networks with bigger and better equipment could be intimidating.

"There were sometimes I [felt] intimidated when we just had school equipment. And there were people with cameras that were like two feet long," Robbins said.

"Everybody there was really welcoming and we met a lot of people. But everybody was really nice. So I did not feel intimidated while covering the rally," Giorgenti said.

"It was a lot more official feeling, like I said, there's Fox News and CNN around me and people were all having these big cameras and there's



Photo courtesy of Katrina Berry Hooper

Ethan Robbins covers the Presidential Rally along with members of the national media.

security everywhere. And we got special stuff like special badges. And you don't usually get stuff like that at school," Robbins said.

Covering this rally had a different feeling from covering school events like pep rallies and school programs.

"There was a lot of press media there. So it was really cool to see everybody from WTVA to CNN or Fox News. So it was cooler than covering a school event," Giorgenti said.

Being able to cover this rally as a high school student was a great way to open the eyes of the two students to the wonders of journalism as a career.

"I think I learned more about my future more than anything else, probably because journalism is something that I've been considering. So it was just a real eye opener," Giorgenti said.

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**But the show must go on:** In the midst of the quarantine, WTHS shifted gears and continued to produce shows from their homes.

## WTHS At Home Edition:



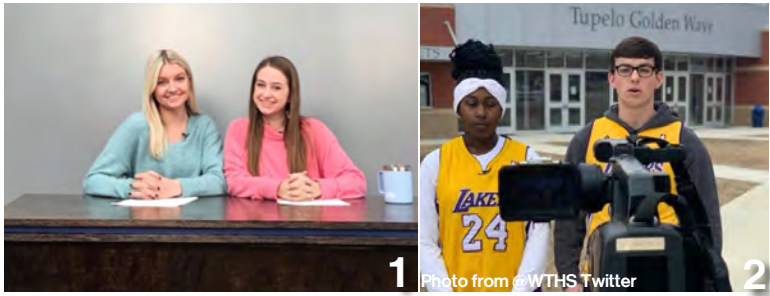
We hope you are staying safe and healthy. With social distancing and a shelter at home order, WTHS students were able to produce their first "at home" version. In today's episode, Sarah Buzzzell talks with a couple of seniors and teachers about their adjustments to distance learning. Plus, Mya Vance shares highlights from the recent band trip to Disney. #staysafe



This week on WTHS, Ari talks to a couple of students about preparing for next year, while still unable to meet together as a team. Ari also talks with Dr. Moore about the future of athletics. Ava interviews a doctor who specializes in infectious diseases and checks in with students about how they are coping with the changes. Plus, seniors pick up their caps and gowns in preparation of their big day!



THS just wrapped up three days of graduations for more than 450 seniors. KP Shoemaker anchors her final WTHS broadcast. She talks with a couple of seniors about what's next for them after high school and what advice would they give to the freshmen. Ava Lacey discusses with an infectious disease doctor about what could be next when it comes to this pandemic. #staysafe



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**1. Anchor Desk.** Morgan Robbins and Lucy Hill anchor the broadcast show.

**2. RIP Kobe.** Ramiyah Vance and Will Sandroni film a special tribute to Kobe Bryant.

**3. Sports Coverage.** Marissa Michael films a stand up on the sidelines for her story on Tupelo Football.

**4. Field Anchor.** Best Sports Coverage Finalist - Ginny Gray and Paris Lehman anchor Sports for a broadcast segment.

**5. Cotton Candy** Ari Giorgenti holds up her dinner at the Presidential rally. Media members had to arrive so early, she didn't have time to eat before the event.



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**1. Back story.** Ethan Robbins and Ginny Gray write and edit for upcoming stories.

**2. Recording** Abigail Henderson prepares to interview Allie Winter.

**3. Signing Day.** Ava Lacey interviews Kenzie Sharp as she signs to play basketball with North East Community College.

**4. Fun and Games.** Rayne Ware takes a moment to be silly between takes.

**5. Setting Up.** Aaron Friloux sets up for an interview with Emilie Chandler.