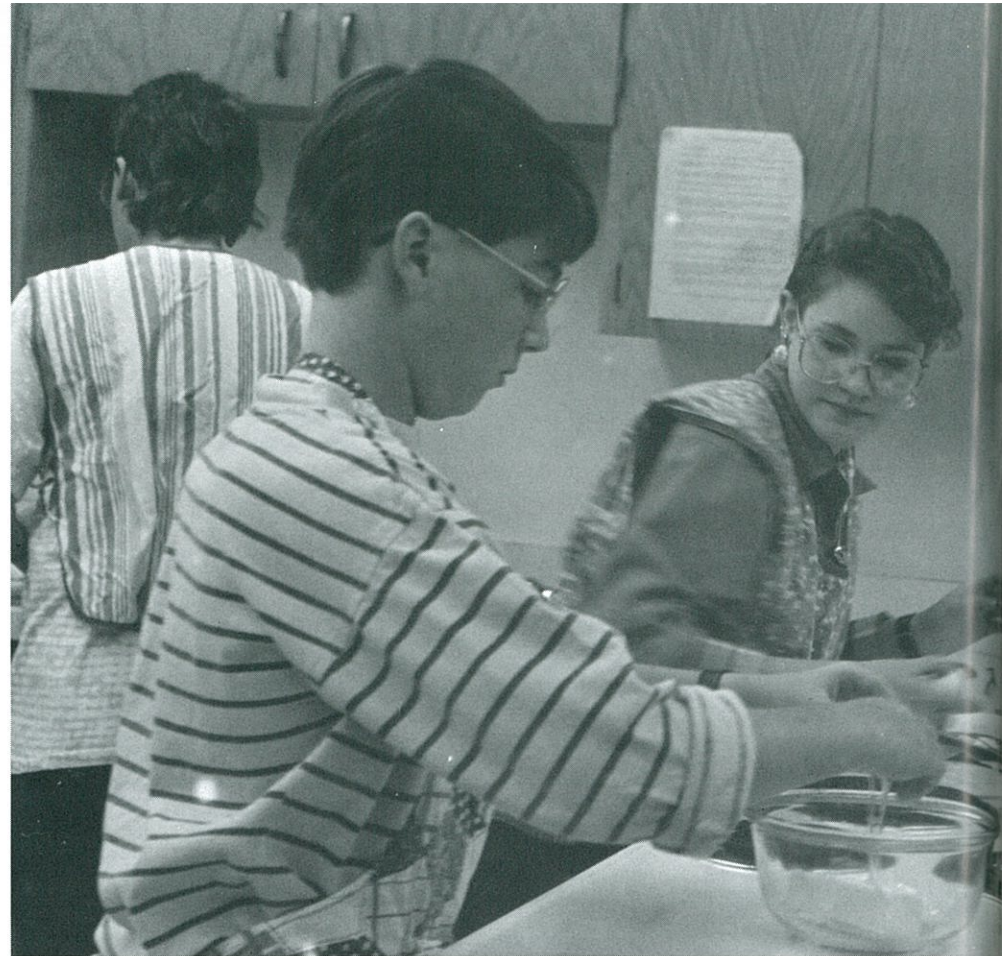


Tina Wilson and Casey Carlton follow the recipe for an edible puzzle. Ryan Crow had the dreaded job of dish washing.

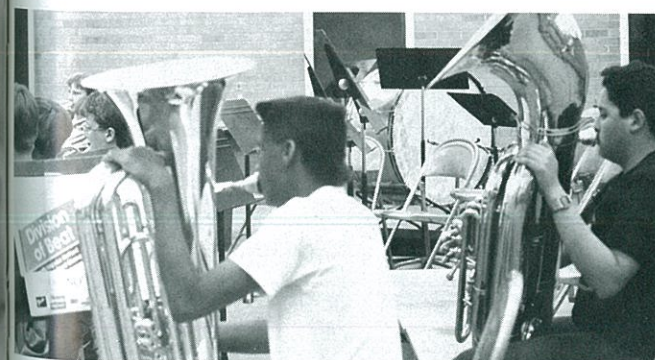


Jodi Carlton and Amanda Gonzales pay close attention in their math class.



Josh Haynes spots a friend in the new athletic program.

Eighth grader Misty Dewell works hard on her computer assignment



Sally Carrillo and Ashley Robertson practice to be future state volleyball players.

The seventh grade band practices for better musical sounds.

Time After Time

For some seventh and eighth graders, junior high brings the excitement of leaving elementary; and for others it's the excitement of going to high school.

Right now seventh and eighth graders are in the middle of their school years, the transition between childhood and adulthood. These are years for them to learn how to take on the responsibility of becoming young adults.

In addition to teaching history, Miss Paula Lockhart also prepares her students by teaching responsibility and discipline. "There is a dramatic jump in maturity between seventh and eighth grade. I enjoy watching the change," Miss Lockhart said.

Junior high students must cope with spurts of physical growth and physical changes as well as mental challenges.

The seventh and eighth grad-

ers have also experienced changes in their school activities. The eighth graders now have seventh period athletics and they also get to march with the high school band. On Parent's Night seventh grade band members got to play. In English, with a new teacher, this group has read novels and poems. The seventh graders have read Dickinson, Sandburg, Frost and Roethke. They also studied grammar and composition. The eighth graders have studied mythology along with grammar and composition and focused on writing original poetry. In home economics they have learned how to cook, manage money, care for children and other life skills. Science now has a eight foot boa constrictor that they have learned to feed. Mr. Randy Gray said, "I would like to spark their interest in snakes."



Eric Hawkins, J.J. Lopez, Michael Moya, and David Dickle gather for a social visit at lunch.