



#ThrowbackThursday: A Look Back at Our Most Viewed Pieces Not Written this Year

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Some of our pieces have resonated with our readers even though they were written years ago. Many of the pieces below have more views than the pieces we wrote this year. Let's find out what stuck with our audience.

5. 2019 – 5 Reasons Why I Love Being a Principal

Writer David McGuire served as a principal for years. Back in 2019, he shared what he loved so much about the job. This was a welcome change to the noise on social media when administrators and teachers (some rightfully so) complain about being educators.

4. 2018 – Why Teacher Attendance Matters

McGuire also wrote about the importance of teacher attendance. Chronically absentee teachers have an impact on students.

3. 2018 – The Food Pyramid Is Wrong and We Need to Stop Teaching It in School

This food pyramid piece has been a bit of a running joke at Indy K12. Since it was published, it has remained one of our top-viewed pieces each year. The joke ... although we know this was well written (do you expect anything less from us), we feel we have written some other pieces that should have garnered more views. Nonetheless, we just write and don't worry much about that mystery.

2. 2018 – Older Students Need Recess Too

Believe it or not, recess can become a contentious topic, especially in the elementary grades when teachers take it away as a punishment. Pillow approached the topic from a different angle and advocated for recess for older students.

1. 2021 – Pros and Cons of Having E-Learning Days in Place of Snow Days

Written almost a year ago, Pillow's pros and cons piece about snow days was actually our most viewed piece in 2022. As a former English teacher, I have a guess as to why: students. This piece has at least 20 comments. If you read the comments, you can tell most writers are students. As a former English teacher, I have taught persuasive writing. Typically, students search pros and cons of a topic so they can address the other side in their paper. Since snow days have become a thing of the past in some districts because of e-learning days, I suspect students have chosen this as a topic to write about in English class.

One commenter named Mimi wrote, "i think that we should have snow days without remote learning. snow days allow children like us to have some time to play in the snow but also we

have some time to catch up on homework and other assignments that need to get done.
Slay:)"

We appreciate all of our readers, both young and old. We hope you will stick around and continue to support us in 2023