

Living life in our world is like no experience we'll ever have again.

Living our world

Every person, every word, every moment that has ever drifted through the halls of Ashley High School makes up **our world**. Memories of things that have come before, events we are experiencing at **exactly** this moment, visions and expectations of what is to come...all of the things that happen to us, and **us alone**, are what puts us in a world of our own.

No one else has ever experienced our nacho days, our free-lotion-Fridays. **No other** school has an atmosphere exactly like ours. We are truly **the originals**, truly the individuals.

We make our own rules, our own norms, our own values. We have **our own dreams**, our own hopes, our own expectations for the people we send off to that other world, the world beyond our own.

As the outside world focuses on the presidential election and its many **scandalous** issues, on the lawsuit between Napster and many musicians, and on the **rising use of guns** among both famous adults and scared teenagers, our world goes on. We continue to grow and **succeed**, despite the adversity the outside world pushes in on us.

It's said that your high school years are the **best years** of your life. If that's true, then we're living the best years in the **best possible place**. We're living these years **'in a world of our own.'**

Kari Deming