

Hormonal teenagers disturb students of FC

You've seen them. That couple in the corner of the hallway, pushing the boundaries of what is morally and socially acceptable between in a couple.

Public displays of affection (PDA) is swiftly becoming a problem in the hallways these days. Students should tone down their boyfriend/girlfriend interactions around other students.

While it hasn't gotten worse over the years, PDA is, as it always has been, a serious problem. Teachers describe it as "very inappropriate," while students refer to it as outright disgusting and annoying.

"I don't mind holding hands, but when [students] start to 'nub' all over each other I find it a bit repulsive," said English teacher Karen Mayer-Sebastian.

PDA is most common and noticeable among the underclassmen. Whether it is because they do not know the rules and high standards of FC or because they simply have not learned control of their hormones, many teachers would like to remind them it is inappropriate and should not be in the hallways.

Besides making others uncomfortable, PDA takes away from academics and can make other students jealous. On the other hand, some students only get to see each other during the school days and have a lot of pent-up affection for each other. Younger teenagers tend to be



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more hormonally driven, and therefore more susceptible to PDA in the hallway.

Teenagers should exercise self-control when with their partners. Also, more rules should be created in response to overdrawn public displays of affection. Teachers need to be more strict to ward off any ongoing awkward situations.

There is a time and a place for PDA, but that time is not during school hours or in school at all. Administrators should be aware of and take note of popular hiding places like the "make-out corner" and frequent said places. Students should not be allowed to distract themselves so drastically from the education that will ultimately determine their life.

Offenders take note: whether in the hallways of our education stronghold or in the backseat of a parent's car, maturity and control need to be exercised.

Staff editorial

What is your opinion on PDA in the hallways?



[REBEKAH FAIRBANKS
Senior

"I honestly think it's gross. Especially in front of my locker. I think it's something that should be done in private."



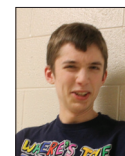
[MEAGAN MOUTOUX
Sophomore

"I think it's wrong because they shouldn't show their affection in front of others."



[NATHAN OSBORNE
Freshman

"You can hold hands and peck and kiss, but hardcore making out I would not allow. There's a lot of it in the hallways."



[JACOB BAUMANN
Junior

"I'm okay with it as long as people don't take it too far. If they makeout in the halls for minutes, it gets kind of uncomfortable."