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ATTENTION TO ALL STUDENTS: Winter survival kits are now available in the main office. The kits are getting shipped out, and they should be available soon. The kits are filled with items to help you survive when it is cold. One kit can can sustain you for around 2,500 calories due to protein bars. If you are out in the snow and feel cold while driving a motor, make sure you are not black and not running contrary to the flow. Please be sure to stay safe behind the wheel. Although there are so many fatalities, many just slide into a ditch or hit a big snow pile with no harm done. However, some can sustain an injury that requires an emergency. Many of these items might not all be necessary, but it is important to have a flashlight, batteries(blink, leftover), granola bars, a jacket, gloves, hot chocolate, winter shorts, a hat, and a face sweater. If you are stranded, you should carry a blanket and my North Face sweater. If you are stranded, food and clothing and other things are important. If an accident occurs at night, then a flashlight would be very important to have. Extra batteries for the flashlight are good to have because one may be stuck in the car for a long period of time with no access to food or drink. Carry bottled water and some granola bars or crackers for a snack if there is a long wait. For those who didn't shine at science class, jumper cables as well as water bottles with some granola bars can help get your vehicle back up again. These items might not all be used, but they are good to have if you need them. If you look in your car manual, you will find it is common sense to have these things at all times. In bad conditions and not have some of this stuff on hand is a must.

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THE HOBBIT: THE DESOLATION OF SMAUG

By Hannah Demouch

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The Hobbit movie poster hangs outside AMC Showplace 14. The movie is now open.

The newest Hobbit movie, which was theatres Friday, December 13, is a must see. For those who haven't seen the movie before, Peter Jackson's film adaptation of J.R.R. Tolkien's book is still a good film to watch.

This action adventure, science fiction and fantasy has been sequel to the other two films in the series.

The plot revolves around how it will make you sit on the edge of your seat and want more. The film is about 2 hours and 40 minutes long.

The second Hobbit movie contains the main character of Bilbo Baggins. He is treading with wizards and dwarves on an adventure to recover a mysterious one ring from Smaug, the dragon king.

As friendship and wisdom are concerned, the journey will tell how far these friends will go for each other.

The ending will definitely leave you wanting more.

The main characters consist of Ian McKellen, Martin Freeman and Richard Armitage.

If you have not seen the first Hobbit or areimus on the Lord of the Rings, you are in for a treat. The Hobbit: Desolation of Smaug is a fantastic film. The 4th movie in the series, it has the same actors as the first two films so you know what to expect. It is also a lot better than the first two films. The story is about the hobbit Bilbo Baggins and his quest to destroy the one ring. It is a story about friendship and wisdom.

The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug is a fantastic film and is must see for any hobbit fan out there.