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### Behind the Smiles

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The best of friends.
That's what people see.
Always together,
Laughing at a private joke,
Sharing a secret.
There for each other,
As friends should be.
The friendship everyone wants.
Nothing could ever come between them.

But there is another side.
One that people do not see,
Hidden behind the smiles and the laughs.
A side of competition and rivalry.
Grades, popularity, and just "being cool."
Each wanting to surpass the other.
Yet neither can.

For they are the same.
When one triumphs, the other celebrates.
When one falls, the other cries.
A friendship strong enough to last.
Mixed with love and rivalry.
A strange, yet beautiful thing.
The best of friends.