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Homecoming

injuries. Colby McQueen then had to step in as the backup quarterback, and the rest of the game was tough for all the boys. They all fought hard to come out with a win, but fell short two points, with the score 32-34.

At halftime the candidates and attendants were announced, which included freshmen Brookelynn Robinson and Aiden Graham, sophomores Dani Van Draska and Brayden Dias, and juniors Lindsay Sherman and Treston Williams. Senior candidates were Maci Duley and Kolton Dias, Amelia Wallace and Tucker Schieber, and Bella Wright and Colby McQuinn. The 2023 Homecoming king and queen were Amelia Wallace and Colby McQuinn.

The *Candyland* themed dance on Saturday concluded Homecoming week. It was held at 8 that night in the multi. All the students and staff had fun the whole week and were excited there was such a great turnout at Homecoming, which wouldn't be possible without the help of StuCo, other committees, sponsors, faculty and staff, and all of the Stanberry community!

Stanberry's "Got Game": Homecoming 2023

By Bella Wright
Staff Reporter



The Stanberry Bulldogs kicked off Homecoming Week 2023 to a theme of "Board Games". Starting off Monday's dress up day was *Monopoly* "Dress Rich" Day. Tuesday was *Apples to Apples* "Twin with Someone" Day. Wednesday was the traditional class color day along with the bonfire and float building that evening. Thursday was *The Game of Life* "dress like your future/past version of yourself," and Friday was black and gold day.

Homecoming week is always hectic with all the classes trying to figure out ways

to make their float the best, the football boys getting prepared for their game on Friday, and just in general all the preparation that goes into making Homecoming a great week. Of course the day that matters most to everyone is Friday, the day of the assembly, parade, and big game against Albany.

Friday morning all the classes made the final touches on their floats; then all the students and staff headed to the gym for the assembly. The cheerleaders kicked off the assembly with a few cheers to

get everyone pumped up, and then some of the football players danced with the cheerleaders. After that, all the football boys and coaches were announced. Then all the senior football players lined up for the winner of the hot legs contest, which was Brayden Hahn. Finally, the winner of the spirit stick was, of course, the seniors. Following the end of the pep assembly was the parade.

The game against Albany later that night was a hard fought game, with quarterback Colby McQuinn and Tucker Schieber being taken out due to

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Maci Duley

Colby McQuinn

Brayden Hahn

Amelia Wallace

Peyton Hume

Evean Cooley

Katlyn James

Morgon Showers



Tucker Schieber

Diego Rivas

Ava Saxton

Jayden Gust

Kolton Dias

Dillon Johnson

Nate Giffin

Alec Saxton



Bella Wright

Leo Fletchall

Tyrell Middleton

Taelyn Derks

Reagan Heyde

Brayden Hague

Lexi Kerwin

Aiden Law

Class of 2024 Make Plans for Future

By Bella Wright
Staff Reporter

As the seniors count down their final days at Stanberry, they all prepare and plan for their future careers. This year there are 24 seniors in the class of 2024. The plans for this years seniors are as follows:


Evean Cooley plans on attending cosmetology school in Kansas City. Kolton Dias wants to study health sciences at the University of Missouri-Columbia. Taelyn Derks wants to attend Metropolitan Community College and study nursing. Maci Duley plans to attend North Central Missouri College and major in health sciences. Leo Fletchall plans to open up a wheel and tire shop and operate a bulldozer. Nate Giffin wants to go to Northwest Missouri State University and major in engineering or psychology and play football.

Jayden Gust is going to Missouri Western and majoring in graphic design. Brayden Hague plans to attend Northwest Missouri State University and major in graphic design. Brayden Hahn plans to go to welding school at MWI. Reagan Heyde plans to go to college for pharmacy. Peyton Hume wants to go to college for engineering. Katlyn James plans to become a teacher. Dillon Johnson wants to go into the workforce and go to MWI. Lexi Kerwin plans to weld and go to college for business. Aiden Law wants to go to MWI for welding. Colby McQuinn plans to go to University of Missouri-Columbia and major in Missouri-Columbia and major in civil engineering. Tyrell Middleton wants to get a job at Bass Pro Shop. Diego Rivas wants to go to school for cosmetology. Alec Saxton has

plans to go to trade school and become an electrician, and after that he wants to get his real estate license. Ava Saxton wants to major in forensic science. Tucker Schieber wants to work for his dad's company, Triple T. Morgan Showers plans to attend North Central Missouri College and major in radiology. Amelia Wallace plans to attend the University of Missouri-Kansas City in pre-dental. Isabella Wright plans to major in accounting.

We wish the very best for all these seniors and hope they all do great things in the future.

SENIOR
class of
2024



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Isabella Loechel Kolsyn Moffat Evelyn Newcomer Laiklee Newman Arianna Lewis Zaylee Ginther Brody Palmer Phoebe Poff John Cullen Denney



Kinzlee Raymond Grayson Rosier Elliott Slagle Brandon Strough Kate Strueby Kane Taylor Benjamin Tucker Aubrey Varney McKinley Vietz



Ely Walder Easton Wiederholt Denver Wilcoxson Mrs. Louiselle Mrs. Parman



Kindergarten Learns the Ropes

By Maranda Evans
Staff Reporter

The kindergarteners have been very busy this year. So far they have learned different letter sounds, positional words, measurements, and they are currently learning about shapes, both two and three dimensional.

The two classes have a total of 31 students all together. Mrs. Mikayla Louiselle has 15 students in her class, and Mrs. Andrea Parman has 16 students in her class. Mrs. Louiselle said, "This year I'm most looking forward to watching the kindergarteners grow into amazing little learners." She also tells us some fun activities they have done this year are a fire safety field trip and creating

shape monsters! Mrs. Parman tells us, "an upcoming event we are excited for is of course Halloween!! The kiddos are so excited to dress up in costumes and have a fun class party." Mrs. Parman also commented, "The kindergarteners are learning to identify their big feelings. They have been practicing a lot with their words and speaking kindly to friends. They also have been learning to share and take turns!"

All of these students have been completing amazing things already and are so very intelligent. Stanberry R-II is looking forward to what the class of 2036 will bring to our community in years to come.

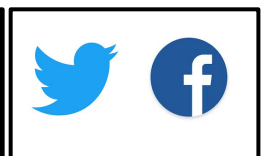
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FCCLA members include front row: Wyatt Taylor, Hannah McQuinn, Marli Hilton, Kolton Dias, Colby McQuinn, Paige Woods, Maci Duley, Decker Heyde, Amelia Wallace, Advisor Jennifer Meyer. Second row: Lexie Rogers, Kaitlyn Van Draska, Madison Wilmes, Baylee Albright, Emily Santa Cruz, Quinn Jensen, Zoey Chambers, Lleianna Aguilar, Drake Ginther, Benton Gregory. Third row: Serenity Keough, Braelyn Williams, Brooke Robinson, Josi Moffat, Harper Heyde, Alexa Horne, Olivia McQuinn, Kiara Willoughby, Dani Denney, McKinley Johnston, Bella Wright. Fourth row: Hannah McMillan, Blanche Eckard, Kaitlin Porterfield, Kylee Runde, Kenzi Santa Cruz, Cayleigh Spaulding, Sam Simbro, Jordyn Wright, Vincent Smithson, Dani Van Draska, Brea Jenson. Fifth row: Mattea Williams, Hudson Groomer, Tamar Tateladze, Trista Lager, Alyssa Wallace, Avery Calhoun, Addison Graham, Eva Cameron, Ally Santa Cruz, Tasha Stoll, Allie Schieber. Sixth row: Alana Evans, Jaren Stoll, Brock Hutchcraft, Colby McQueen, Jax Heyde, Emmett Meyer, Parker Ginther, Katelyn Shisler, Brant Jensen, Parker Evans, Jax Davis. Back row: Jake Holtzclaw, Reagan Heyde, Russell Kerwin, Brayden Dias, Nate Giffin, Aiden Graham, Wes Bashor, Cooper Spaulding. Not pictured: Lindsey Hailey.

FCCLA Shows Their Red at Regional Meeting

By Wyatt Taylor
Staff Reporter



This year the Stanberry FCCLA group is at its largest yet! With 73 members, they all boarded 2 buses and traveled to Northwest Missouri State University for the Family Career Community Leaders of America's Regional Meeting on October 11th.

At the meeting members participated in games, donations, and other activities. This year the guest speaker was Chris Bowers, who focused mainly on telling a story of how you should know the difference between helpful anxiety and unhelpful anxiety. When asked about her thoughts on the meeting, advisor Jennifer Meyer replied, "It

was a good meeting, and the guest speaker sent a good message about anxiety and not sweating about the little things. He also happened to be quite funny and gave all the members a good laugh."

Afterwards members enjoyed lunch on campus and a sweet treat from Sonic and Kris and Kate's Ice Cream Shop. FCCLA President Colby McQuinn stated, "The speaker was confident, and I liked his message about controlling your anxiety."

Overall, the meeting proved to be quite the learning experience for all in attendance, and members look forward to next year's meeting.



Band members grab a quick picture before taking off marching at the Northwest Missouri State University Homecoming parade.

Marching Season Wraps Up for Band Members

By Brayden Hague
Staff Reporter



The band returned for the 68th anniversary of Clarinda Band Days on September 30th. Led by band director Cindy Clements and drum major Brayden Hague, our band had a "learning" experience. After leaving at 6:30, an hour drive, and a 30 minute waiting period, the band finally arrived. Aside from a few mistakes, they did really well. They marched around the square playing "Push It" by Salt-N-Pepa, a catchy song. Judges loved the playing, and people cheered.

With over 50 high schools, and over 2500 students, Clarinda hosts one of the biggest band jamborees in the country for over 50 years now. Since 1955, thousands of students have gathered to play their hearts out and show the world what they are made of, and our band did just that. This year the band did, as we call it, a "fancy" corner. It involves the band folding in on itself, and emerging back into the lines it started in. The band did this corner twice, leaving people puzzled until they emerged as a band, just as together as the moment they went into the corner.

They had, despite the fun times, growing pains with the young members of the band, most of which

are first-year marchers. Junior Decker Heyde commented, "It's fun to finally march in front of other people. The band has practiced every morning since school has started, just for this day." Mrs. Clements said she is "really proud of our performance!" Even though the band didn't place where they wanted to, they still gained experience and learned a lesson or two. Other than competing in a band contest, this event was a time where the band could express the training they endured for months and have an overall, fun experience.

Since Clarinda, the band has also had the opportunity to perform at Northwest Missouri State University's Homecoming parade last weekend. Sporting the same uniforms, same corner, and same song, members learned from their mistakes at Clarinda. They had to start and stop multiple times and played more and more, to fill the longer parade route, and by the end they were very tired. But, despite aching feet, they persevered, and placed 2nd in their division, losing by 1 point. They really showed growth through the marching season. Thank you, band, for the amazing performances!

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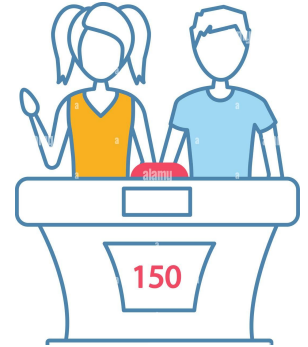
The sixth grade team includes front row: Madelyn Sidwell and Trevor Strough. Back row: Liam Wilson, Jared Henggeler, and Harlan Eckard



The fifth grade team includes front row: Lexi Appley, Brady McMillen, Austin Sterkis. Back row: Isaac Jensen, Alex Holtzclaw, and Ryker Horne.



The fourth grade team includes front row: Maddi Page, Violet Strueby, Jackson Varney. Back row: Avaian Evans, Abigail Jensen, and Trent Strough.



Elementary Academic Bowl

By Reagan Heyde
Staff Reporter

The 2023 elementary academic bowl season has begun and the three teams are ready to get buzzing. Both the fourth and fifth grade teams are coached by Mrs. Kristi Porterfield. The fourth grade team consists of Jackson Varney, Avaian Evans, Violet Strueby, Trent Strough, Maddi Page, and Abigail Jensen. The fifth grade team consists of Brady McMillen,

Ryker Horne, Isaac Jensen, Austin Sterkis, Lexi Appley, and Alex Holtzclaw.

The sixth grade team is coached by Mrs. Terri Holtzclaw and consists of Harlan Eckard, Jared Henggeler, Trevor Strough, Liam Wilson, and Madelyn Sidwell. After a few short interview questions, Mrs. Porterfield shared, "I have been coaching for 9 years. My goal for both teams is to have fun and

hopefully have a winning record. Our first meet was at Stanberry against King City. Fifth grade lost 160-70 and fourth grade lost 65-50. I think both teams were a little nervous, and I'm hoping as the season progresses they will become more comfortable buzzing in." The sixth grade team is improving with each match.

Best of luck to all elementary academic bowl teams in the remainder of their season.

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FFA Barnwarming

By Maranda Evans
Staff Reporter



This year our Stanberry FFA chapter held our annual barnwarming on October 18th at Jonathan Dias's shop. At this event our FFA members had an egg tossing contest, enjoyed line dancing, had a nice hayride, and ate many delicious snacks! Mrs. Noble tells us, "I think it was our best Barnwarming yet! Everyone was dancing, the weather was great, and karaoke was the highlight of the night!"

During the dance many of

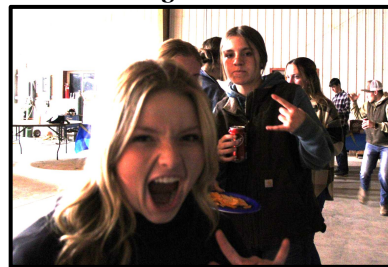
the FFA members enjoyed learning how to swing dance with each other. FFA officer Colby McQuinn stated, "The weather was great and everybody had a great time. The egg toss was disappointing, but credit to Bella and Trista...good job." Good luck to the FFA members the rest of the year. Hopefully, they enjoy what the rest of the year has to offer as much as they enjoyed Barnwarming.



FFA Officers and Mrs. Noble grab a picture during the Barnwarming festivities.



Members participate in some traditional line dancing.



Dani Van Draska and Alana Evans show their excitement to start dancing!



You never know when a chicken (Nate Giffin) might show up to Barnwarming.



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Elementary First Quarter Honor Roll

Regular Honor Roll

4th Grade: Nova Chambers, Easton Fletchall, Olivia Jennings, Parker Runde, Glenn Sterkis, Kenzie Fuller, Lincoln Lindner, Zayne Worley

5th Grade: Owen Dias, Waverly Groomer, Blaze Hutchcraft, Ian Jensen, Kayden Ledford, Austin Sterkis, Sophia Taylor, Gunner Edson, Blakely Hutchcraft, Logan Ortiz, Tanner Runde, Sophia Sager, Owen Shisler, Ruby Wright

6th Grade: Harlan Eckard, Emilee Groven, Trevor Strough, Liam Wilson, Steven Edwards, Brenzlee Moffat, Grayson Wiederholt, Quincy Cameron, Brantly Donovan, Jared Henggeler, Quinn Heyde, Caiden Jensen, Emily McMillan, Gabriella Regalado, Madelyn Sidwell

Principal's Roll

4th Grade: Avaian Evans, Caroline Gillespie, Axton Henggeler, Brylie Luke, Maddi Page, Tucker Runde, Paisley Schwebach, Donny Steinhauer, Jackson Varney, Jase Adcock, Gwyneth Cameron, Myles Evans, Jasper Heyde, Abigail Jensen, Kyler Newman, Trent Strough, Violet Strueby, Elli Wiederholt

5th Grade: Michael Cochran, Hudson Hague, Isaac Jensen, Lily Phipps, Kasyn Redig, Kynnadi Schieber, Lexi Appley, Macie Baumli, Lauren Henggeler, Alex Holtzclaw, Ryker Horne, Brady McMillen, Trevin Smithson

6th Grade: Jaicee McGinley, Kayla McQuinn

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Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA): Complaint Procedures

This guide explains how to file a complaint about any of the programs that are administered by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (the Department) under the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA).

1. What is a complaint? For these purposes, a complaint is a written allegation that a local education agency (LEA) or the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (the Department) has violated a federal statute or regulation that applies to a program under ESSA.
2. Who may file a complaint? Any individual or organization may file a complaint.
3. How can a complaint be filed? Complaints can be filed with the LEA or with the Department.
4. How will a complaint filed with the LEA be investigated? Complaints filed with the LEA are to be investigated and attempted to be resolved according to the locally developed and adopted procedures.
5. What happens if a complaint is not resolved at the local level (LEA)? A complaint not resolved at the local level may be appealed to the Department.
6. How can a complaint be filed with the Department? A complaint filed with the Department must be a written, signed statement that includes:
 1. A statement that a requirement that applies to an ESSA program has been violated by the LEA or the Department, and

2. The facts on which the statement is based and the specific requirement allegedly violated.

7. How will a complaint filed with the Department be investigated? The investigation and complaint resolution proceedings will be completed within a time limit of forty-five calendar days. That time limit can be extended by the agreement of all parties. The following activities will occur in the investigation:

1. Record. A written record of the investigation will be kept.
2. Notification of LEA. The LEA will be notified of the complaint within five days of the complaint being filed.
3. Resolution at LEA. The LEA will then initiate its local complaint procedures in an effort to first resolve the complaint at the local level.
4. Report by LEA. Within thirty-five days of the complaint being filed, the LEA will submit a written summary of the LEA investigation and complaint resolution. This report is considered public record and may be made available to parents, teachers, and other members of the general public.
5. Verification. Within five days of receiving the written summary of a complaint resolution, the Department will verify the resolution of the complaint through an on-site visit, letter, or telephone call(s).

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6. Appeal. The complainant or the LEA may appeal the decision of the Department to the U.S. Department of Education.

8. How are complaints related to equitable services to nonpublic school children handled differently? In addition to the procedures listed in number 7 above, complaints related to equitable services will also be filed with the U.S. Department of Education, and they will receive all information related to the investigation and resolution of the complaint. Also, appeals to the United States Department of Education must be filed no longer than thirty days following the Department's resolution of the complaint (or its failure to resolve the complaint). The Department will initiate an investigation within ten

days, which will be concluded within thirty days

9. How will appeals to the Department be investigated? from the day of the appeal. This investigation may be continued beyond the thirty day limit at the discretion of the Department. At the conclusion of the investigation, the Department will communicate the decision and reasons for the decision to the complainant and the LEA. Recommendations and details of the decision are to be implemented within fifteen days of the decision being delivered to the LEA.

10. What happens if a complaint is not resolved at the state level (the Department)? The complainant or the LEA may appeal the decision of the Department to the United States Department of Education.

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Students Attend DocuDrama

By Marli Hilton
Staff Reporter

This year the sophomore and junior classes went to Hopkins, Missouri to attend the 2023 DocuDrama. This is an event put on by mothers who have lost their children in car accidents, in conjunction with the local police, fire, and EMT departments, along with countless others. Students from various area schools were selected by staff members to take part in the simulated car crash scene that was played out. Senior Colby McQuinn was selected to act as one of the victims. When asked what he would want those who attended to take

away, he stated, "Don't drive distracted because anything could happen at any moment."

There were a total of eleven schools and they all arrived in Hopkins to watch the simulated crash play out. The narrator of the event was Missouri State Highway Patrol Sergeant Dale Reuter. There were three cars at the scene, and the ground was littered with beer cans and empty bottles. EMTs and police officers arrived to assess the damage, and they helped who they could and took them away in ambulances; those who they



Juniors watch the DocuDrama unfold.



Colby McQuinn is attended to by paramedics while acting in the DocuDrama.

couldn't help were put into body bags and put in a hearse. After the scene was cleaned up, the schools went back to Laura Street Baptist Church in Maryville to attend the funerals of those who passed away at the scene. A video played showing those who have actually passed away from car wrecks from schools attending. The students also listened to Adam James talk about how his friends were killed in separate

distracted driving wrecks, and how he and his wife Lisa now take care of his friends three children. Sergeant Reuter closed the presentation by giving firsthand experiences and words of wisdom and guidance.

As a final note, please be aware when you are driving and take all the proper precautions when you get in a car to protect yourself and those around you.

JH/HS First Quarter Honor Roll

Regular Honor Roll

7th Grade: Baylee Albright, Jaxon Baker, Kaleb Evans, Addison Graham, Benton Gregory, Alexa Horne, Quinn Jensen, Brenden Ledford, Paxton Schieber, Katelyn Shisler, Samuel Simbro, Kiara Willoughby, Madison Wilmes, Jayden Wilson

8th Grade: Kynzee Adcock, Audrey Cook, Tess Edson, Faith Gregory, Allie Schieber, Lucian Simmerman, Alyssa Wallace, Rylan Worley

9th Grade: Avery Calhoun, Alana Evans, Parker Ginther, Aiden Graham, Hudson Groomer, Jax Heyde, Zander Heyde, Emmett Meyer, Josi Moffat, Brookelynn Robinson

10th Grade: Evan Gregory, Lexie Rogers, Jaren Stoll, Hayden Swan, Jorjah Webster

11th Grade: Cooper Adcock, Marli Hilton, Jencie James, Brea Jensen, Kaiden Keough, Trista Lager, Colby McQueen, Lindsay Sherman, Wyatt Taylor, Payton Williams, Jordyn Wright

12th Grade: Reagan Heyde, Katlyn James, Aiden Law, Diego Rivas, Alec Saxton, Tucker Schieber, Bella Wright

High Honor Roll

7th Grade: Zoey Chambers, Harper Heyde, Charlotte Jennings, Serenity Keough, Kaci Porterfield, Kylee Runde, Emily Santa Cruz, Kaitlyn Van Draska

8th Grade: Ellie Dias, Blanche Eckard, Parker Evans, Lauren Hengeler, Lane McGinley, Hannah McMillan, Oliva McQuinn, Trinity Regalado

9th Grade: Kaitlin Porterfield

10th Grade: Olivia Blessing, Eva Cameron, Miley Davis, Hannah McQuinn, Ally Santa Cruz, Kenzi Santa Cruz, Vincent Smithson, Dani Van Draska

11th Grade: Maranda Evans, Decker Heyde, Gabe Simbro, Calvin Smithson, Tamar Tateladze, Paige Woods

12th Grade: Taelyn Derks, Kolton Dias, Maci Duley, Jayden Gust, Peyton Hume, Colby McQuinn, Amelia Wallace



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2023 JH boys' basketball team: front row Drake Ginther, Michael Kernes, Paxton Schieber, Jaxon Baker, Drevyn Spence, Sam Simbro, Quinn Jensen, Benton Gregory. Second row: Head Coach Nick Groomer, Rylan Worley, Brant Jensen, Drew Parman, Jake Holtzclaw, Parker Evans, Luke Phipps, Assistant Coach Kirsten Maronde. Not pictured Jude Spence.

JH Boys' Kick Off Season Strong

By Brayden Hague
Staff Reporter



The junior high basketball boys have been practicing hard in preparation for their season, which kicked off last week. Through long after school practices and early morning conditioning, these boys have been working to improve their game and focus on the fundamentals. As soon as the football season was over, the players shifted and adapted quickly to their new sport. When asked about players switching sports so fast, Head Coach Nick Groomer stated, "It is very difficult [for us] coaches to find time to share athletes in the summer." While there isn't much down time, the players have adapted quickly from football to basketball.

The seventh grade players

consist of Drake Ginther, Quinn Jensen, Sam Simbro, Pax Schieber, Michael Kernes, Benton Gregory, Jaxon Baker, Jude Spence, and Drevyn Spence. The eighth grade boys are Rylan Worley, Drew Parman, Brant Jensen, Jake Holtzclaw, Parker Evans, and Luke Phipps. Rylan commented on the season, "basketball is an expense, and rent is due." Coach Groomer's goals for the season are "to get better over the course of the season and prepare the boys for high school basketball."

Their first game on October 17th was at Hopkins, and the Bulldogs walked away victorious. Good luck to the boys on the remainder of their season.



2023 JH girls' basketball team: front row Jayden Wilson, Emily Santa Cruz, Kaitlyn Van Draska, Harper Heyde, Kiara Willoughby, Ellie Dias, Kynzee Adcock, Alexa Horne, Madison Wilmes, Zoey Chambers. Second row: Head Coach Karla McQueen, manager Kayla McQuinn, Olivia McQuinn, Blanche Eckard, Addison Graham, Charlotte Jennings, Avery Adrian-Hatcher, manager Kylee Runde, Assistant Coach Kelli Hilton. Back row: Tess Edson, Tasha Stoll, Emma Mattson, Katelyn Shisler, Hannah McMillan, Alyssa Wallace, Allie Schieber, Kaci Porterfield.

JH Girls' Start with a Bang

By Wyatt Taylor
Staff Reporter



The junior high girls basketball team has a deep bench this year with 23 players out for the team. The players include eighth graders Tess Edson, Olivia McQuinn, Alyssa Wallace, Kynzee Adcock, Ellie Dias, Tasha Stoll, Allie Schieber, Emma Mattson, Blanche Eckard, and Hannah McMillan. Seventh graders are Zoey Chambers, Madison Wilmes, Jayden Wilson, Emily Santa Cruz, Kaci Porterfield, Addison Graham, Kate Shisler, Alexa Horne, Harper Heyde, Kaitlyn Van Draska, Charlotte Jennings, Kiara Willoughby, and Avery Adrian-Hatcher. The team is again coached by Mrs. Karla McQueen and assisted by Mrs. Kelli Hilton. Coach McQueen

stated her hopes for the season were "for the girls to continue to improve every game and everybody to reach her potential."

As in the past, the junior high season is fast and furious. Their first game was last week against Hopkins, and the girls blew them away with an ending score of 71-4. When asked how she feels about her last year of junior high basketball, Tasha replied "sad but also glad because I can't wait for high school, for more competition, and for more games."

The girls have had an awesome start to the season, and we hope they can continue to dominate!

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Senior softball players Maci Duley, Morgon Showers, Amelia Wallace, and Katlyn James take the field for one of their final games of the season.

Softball Wrap Up



By Marli Hilton
Staff Reporter

The girls' softball team ended their season 3-16. Although their record wasn't the best, the team worked together and learned a lot about themselves and each other as the season played out. There were ups and downs, including various injuries toward the middle/end of the season, resulting in position changes. The girls kept working, however, and soon almost everyone was back in their positions.

The Bulldogs had home field advantage going into districts, and they played Ridgeway in the first round, winning 9-1. There were many great plays and hits, including a great catch by Marli Hilton in the outfield, and Maranda Evans and Lindsey Hailey both hit doubles. Amelia Wallace also hit a home run. The girls went on to play Worth County in the second round and put up a good fight. Amelia hit another amazing home run, bringing in three of the four runs scored

that game, getting everyone on the team pumped up. Hannah McQuinn had a great throw down to second, resulting in a third out the girls needed. The game unfortunately ended with a score of 4-9.

When asked what she learned about herself and the team this season, Assistant Coach Riley Gabbert answered, "I learned that I still have a huge love for the game and I like trying to pass that along to my players. Hard work, effort, determination, and teamwork will always pay off in the end. I also have high expectations for myself as a coach and my players." This year's coaches have worked hard and have given the team the resources they needed to play the game of softball. The girls took those resources and their love for the game and played a great season, showing that team work, drive, and trust in each other pays off in the end. Great job this season to the high school girls softball team!



State qualifier Bella Wright putts at one of the earlier meets of the season.

Wright Competes at State



By Isabella Wright
Staff Reporter

As their 2023 season came to a close the girls' golfers ended on a high, with Lindsay Sherman and Bella Wright both receiving all conference honors and Bella qualifying for state her second year in a row.

State golf was held in Sedalia at the country club the 16th-17th of October. The first day of state Bella golfed a 113, following it up on the second day with a 97 to place her 31st overall to wrap up her high school golf career.

Head coach Taylor Wendt stated, "Next year the girls need to work on putting more, it

makes a huge difference in scores, especially in the important meets. I know if Bella would have scored what she did the second day and didn't have the extra putts the first day, she would have been a medalist. Overall, I am very pleased with the results we had this season and proud of the girls."

That concludes the 2023-24 high school girls' golf season. We are very proud of each girl this season and all of their accomplishments and wish the best of luck to the returning golfers next year.

POST SEASON SOFTBALL AWARDS:

GRC West All-Conference:

- 1st Team- Amelia Wallace
- Honorable Mention-Katlyn James

All-District Awards:

- 1st Team
- Outfield-Katlyn James
- Infield-Amelia Wallace
- 2nd Team
- Marli Hilton



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A Loud Start for the Bulldog Cheerleaders



By Wyatt Taylor
Staff Reporter

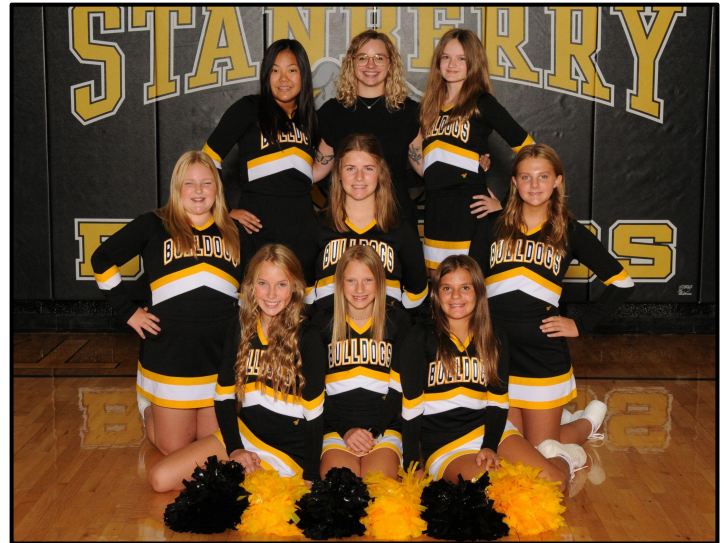
Starting the year off strong and loud, the cheerleaders have worked hard and put in countless hours this year to make this football season one of the best. The high school football cheerleaders are coached by Head Coach Jessica Gaona, and the team consists of seniors Morgon Showers and Maci Duley, this year's captain and co-captain, Ava Saxton, Katlyn James, and Lexi Kerwin; juniors Paige Woods, Tamar Tateladze, Wyatt Taylor and Paige Campbell; sophomores Kenzi Santa Cruz, Ally Santa Cruz, Dani Van Draska, Jorjah Webster and Hannah McQuinn, and freshmen Mattea Williams, Avery Calhoun, and Kaitlin Portfield. When asked what she is most proud of this year, Coach Gaona stated, "I am most proud of the way the squad works as a team and keeps the drama outside the team."

The cheerleaders performed their dance routine and cheered at the Homecoming pep assembly as they brought the student body together to cheer for the football boys for their game later that night. The cheerleaders participated in this year's Homecoming parade performing their fight song and cheering along with the band. When asked what she looks forward to in her future cheerleading years freshman Avery Calhoun replied, "Getting involved more with the community and working more on myself and my qualities as a cheerleader."

As the football season comes to an end, we hope to see some of their faces on the basketball cheer squad as well. Ms. Gaona stated, "I hope to see the cheer program grow and support for the cheerleading program grow as well." Great job this season, cheerleaders!



High school Bulldog football cheerleaders: front row Ava Saxton, Katlyn James, Maci Duley, Morgon Showers, Lexi Kerwin. Middle row: Paige Campbell, Jorjah Webster, Kenzi Santa Cruz, Hannah McQuinn, Dani Van Draska, Cayleigh Spaulding. Back row: Wyatt Taylor, Tamar Tateladze, Avery Calhoun, Paige Woods, Mattea Williams, Kaitlin Porterfield, Ally Santa Cruz, Head Coach Jessica Gaona.



JH cheerleaders include front row: Tess Edson, Madison Wilmes, Emily Santa Cruz, middle row: Kaitlyn Van Draska, Blanche Eckard, Charlotte Jennings, back row: Faith Gregory, Coach Mackenzie Shifflett, Kaci Porterfield.

Junior High Cheer



By Marli Hilton
Staff Reporter

This year's junior high cheer squad consists of a total of eight girls, including seventh graders Emily Santa Cruz, Madison Wilmes, Kaitlyn Van Draska, Blanche Eckard, and Faith Gregory. The team is coached this year by Mrs. Mackenzie Shifflett.

The girls just wrapped up cheering at football games and started this week cheering for basketball, but will only do so at home games. Emily Santa Cruz stated her favorite thing about this season was, "going to away football games and

riding the bus with the other cheerleaders."

Before every game, the team has breakfast to build team spirit. This was Mrs. Shifflett's first year coaching cheer, and she stated, "I learned so much about the girls this season; many of them I didn't know before this, so it has been super fun getting to know each of them!"

The cheer team is larger than it has been in the past, and with so many involved, it looks to have been a great season full of laughter and new opportunities. Great job to the girls on the squad and good luck cheering the rest of the basketball season.

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NFL Recap: Weeks 3-7

By Kaiden Keough
Staff Reporter



Welcome back to my NFL recap, thank you for spending your time on last month's NFL recap of Weeks 1 and 2. Let's get started rehashing the past 5 weeks of NFL action.

Week 3

Week 3 kicked off on Thursday, September 21st with the 49ers vs. the Giants. Brock Purdy, 49ers quarterback, had a good game with 2 passing touchdowns. The Giants did not have Saquon Barkley, their star running back due to an ankle injury, which hurt their offense. The Giants needed Barkley to help with their passing or rushing game. The final score was the Giants-12, 49ers-30. The 49ers have a bye week during Week 4.

The second game of week 3 was the Lions vs. the Falcons. The Lions had a good game with their defense and offense. This showed up unlike the last games they have played, but I guess they have been playing teams that are rebuilding. The final score was Falcons-6, Lions-20. The Lions will play the Packers during Week 4.

Let's talk about the Broncos. I don't know why they are this bad!? They have a Hall Of Fame coach, Sean Payton, who should be aiding in their improvement. The loss was so bad-the Dolphins scored 70 points! The unfortunately bad final score was Broncos-20, Dolphins-70. The Dolphins will play the Bills during Week 4.

The Ravens lost to the Colts 19-22. The Colts currently have their back up quarterback playing due to Anthony Richardson having a concussion, so the Ravens should have had an advantage but still came up short. The Colts will play the Rams next week.

Week 4

Week 4 kickoff on Thursday, September 28th with the Packers vs the Lions. The Lions had an awesome game with David Montgomery, the halfback, rushing for 3 touchdowns. The final score was Lions-34, Packers-20. The Lions will play the Panthers during Week 5.

The Jaguars played the Falcons at Landon Field! This game was okay but if you watched on Disney Plus you experienced a Toy Story themed game and were in Andy's room with some of the toys, which was pretty cool. But, like I said, it was just an ok game to watch. The final score was Jaguars-23, Falcons-7. The Jags will play the Bills during Week 5.

The Chiefs played the Jets and this game was good for both teams, but it felt like the announcers only talked about Taylor Swift and Travis Kelce.

But that's what you get when two famous people start to date. Patrick Mahomes had 1 passing touchdown, and Zach Wilson, the Jets quarterback, had 2 passing touchdowns. The final score was Chiefs-23, Jets-20. The Chiefs will play the Vikings during week 5.

Week 5

This week kicked off with the Bears vs. Commanders. Let's say the Bears showed up against the Commanders with Justin Fields had 4 passing touchdowns and DJ Moore had 3 receiving touchdowns. The final score was the Bears-40, Commanders-20. The Bears will play the Vikings during week 6.

The next big game was the Patriots vs the Saints. The reason the game was big was the Saints destroyed the Pats, with the Pats not scoring a single point! The final score was the Saints-34, Pats-0. The Saints will play the Texans during week 6.

The Chiefs had a good game against the Vikings with Mahomes having 2 passing touchdowns and Kelce having 1 receiving touchdown. Kirk Cousins, the quarterback for the Vikings, had 2 passing touchdowns. This game was close, but the Chiefs had it towards the end. Final Score: Chiefs-27, Vikings-20. The Chiefs will play the Broncos during 6.

Week 6

Week 6 started off on Thursday with the Chiefs playing the Broncos. Let's say this game was kind of boring with the score being low and both quarterbacks not having a good game. Final Score: Chiefs 19 Broncos 8.

The Eagles lost their undefeated streak against the Jets in week 6 with a final score of Eagles-14, Jets-20. The

Eagles will play the Dolphins during week 7.

The Lions are continuing their good season showing why this year is going to be different. Jared Goff had 2 passing touchdowns against the Buccaneers. The Buccaneers are having a hard time with their quarterback Baker Mayfield having 0 passing touchdowns and 1 interception. Final Score: Lions-20, Buccaneers-6. The Lions will play the Ravens during week 7.

Week 7

We start this week with the Jaguars and Saints. Trevor Lawrence had 1 passing touchdown and Derek Carr, of the Saints, had 1 passing touchdown. This game was close, but the Jaguars took it home. Final Score: Jags-31, Saints-24. The Saints will play the Colts during Week 8.

The Chiefs are on top and Patrick Mahomes left this game with 4 passing touchdowns against the Chargers, which means Mahomes is back to MVP form. Travis Kelce had a good game too with 179 receiving yards and 1 receiving touchdown. The Chargers were struggling with Justin Herbert having 1 passing touchdown and 2 interceptions. The final score had the Chiefs winning 31-17. The Chiefs take on the Broncos next week.

The Ravens vs. the Lions was heartbreaking, with the Lions not playing up to their potential. Lamar Jackson, the Ravens quarterback, threw for 3 passing touchdowns and 1 rushing touchdowns. Lamar looked like his 2019 MVP season, running around the defense. The Ravens demolished the Lions 38-6. The Lions will play the Raiders during Week 8.

Stay tuned for next month's edition of *The Bulldog's Bark* where I recap Week 8-11.

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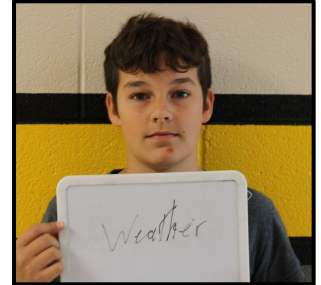


What is your favorite thing about fall?

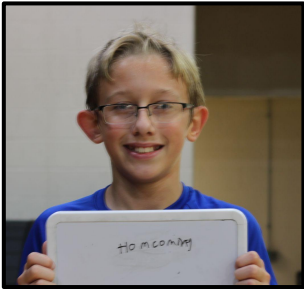
By Maranda Evans
Staff Reporter



**Seventh grader
Delilah Libby**



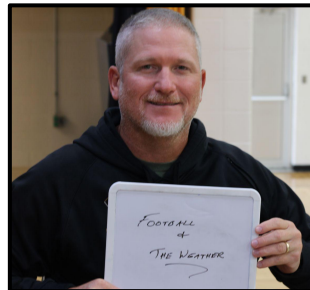
**Seventh grader
Kaleb Evans**



**Fifth grader
Isaac Jensen**



**Fourth grader
Avaian Evans**



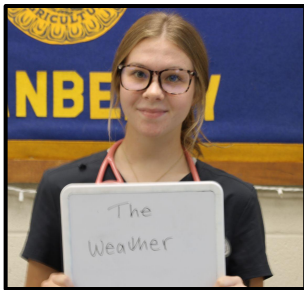
**PE Teacher
Shane Hilton**



**JH Math Teacher
Kirsten Maronde**



**Junior
Payton Williams**



**Junior
Trista Lager**

Survey Results

By Reagan Heyde
Staff Reporter

Students in grades 7-12 were asked the question: *Which of the following is your favorite Halloween candy?*

60 students responded.

Their options included chocolate, Fun Dip, caramel apple sucker, Blow Pop, candy corn, or Smarties.

Smarties
5.0%

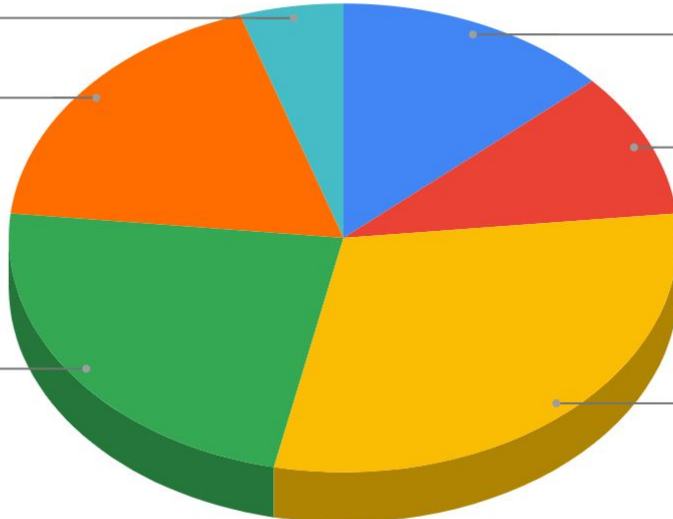
Candy Corn
18.3%

Caramel Apple...
23.3%

Fun Dip
13.3%

Blow Pop
10.0%

Chocolate
30.0%

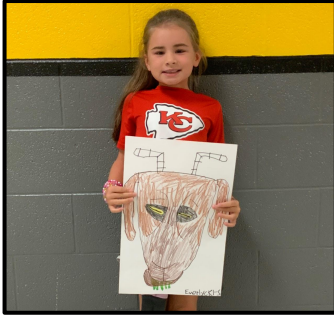


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**First grader
Everly Pierce**



**First grader
Blakely Palmer**



**Second grader
Madison Donovan**



**Second grader
Audrey Jensen**



Artist of the Month

By Reagan Heyde
Staff Reporter

This month's *Artist of the Month* was based on a drawing of a goat resembling a drawing previously created by the late alumni Collin Sager. Collin's vocabulary often consisted of many slang words like drip, clout, and GOAT (Greatest Of All Time) which is a word that can most definitely be used to describe Collin and his achievements.

The students recognized as artists of the month are first graders Everly Pierce and

Blakely Palmer, second graders Madison Donovan and Audrey Jensen, fourth grader Parker Runde, fifth graders Owen Shisler, Ruby Wright, and Michael Cochran, and sixth grader Emily McMillan. In this project, these students created their own personalized goats and included features that were unique to them. This project is just one of the many ways Collin's legacy will continue to live in our school and community.



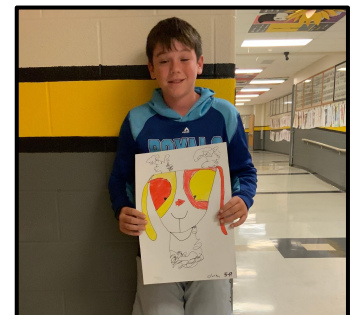
**Fourth grader
Parker Runde**



**Fifth grader
Michael Cochran**



**Fifth grader
Ruby Wright**



**Fifth grader
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**Sixth grader
Emily McMillan**

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Brutus' Corner

By Kaiden Keough
Staff Reporter

Each month *The Bulldog's Bark* will feature a school staff member. It is your job, based on the clues, to guess who the staff member is. The answer will be revealed in next month's issue. In September, the featured teacher was **Mrs. Korinne Noble**. Who do you think October's staff member is?

What is your favorite thing to do you in your free time?

Read

How long have you been teaching for?

3 years

Were you in any school activities growing up?

Volleyball, FFA, Science Olympiad, FTA, & NHS

What is your favorite genre of music?

Country, especially bluegrass

What is your favorite Halloween candy?

Reese's pumpkins

November Activities

Wednesday, November 1-National FFA Convention
Thursday, November 2

National FFA Convention
5:00-JHBB@Home-North Andrew

Friday, November 3

MASC Fall Convention
FFA National Convention

Saturday, November 4-8:00-All District MS/HS Band Tryouts

Sunday, November 5-PTO Shopping Extravaganza

Monday, November 6-9-JH Stanberry BB Tournament

Tuesday, November 7-8:15-ASVAB-Juniors

Wednesday, November 8-4:30-FFA Area Speaking Contest

Wednesday, November 9-8:30-Elementary Dental Screenings

Monday, November 13-6:30-PTO Meeting

Tuesday, November 14-5:00-JHBB @ Albany

Wednesday, November 15-4:30-District FFA Speaking Contest

Thursday, November 16

FBLA Field Trip
4:30-JHBB@Home-Maysville

Friday, November 17-8:00-JH Dance

Monday, November 20-7:00 BOE Meeting

Tuesday, November 21

5:00-VBB@Home-Mound City
5:30-VGW@Lathrop

Wednesday, November 22-Monday, November 27-NO SCHOOL-THANKSGIVING BREAK

Monday, November 27-Friday, December 1st-Albany BB Tournament



By Kaiden Keough
Staff Reporter

Today I will review my favorite movie of all time, *The Mask*. *The Mask* premiered in 1994 and has my favorite actor of all time, Jim Carrey, in the lead role. Supporting actors include Cameron Diaz and Peter Greene.

Let's get to the plot of this movie, the main character Stanley Ipkiss (Jim Carrey) works at a bank but is an outsider with a lot of problems. One night after going to a club, where he was denied admittance, he sees a mask in a river and picks it up. Once he gets home he puts the mask on, and a night of crazy and fun times ensues where he



The Mask
Available on Amazon Prime

ultimately has to decide whether to use his power for good or evil.

I love this movie, it is so good you can see how Jim Carrey put his heart and soul into this movie and so did the other actors. I give this movie 5/5 stars.

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