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Avalynn Crawford



Lucas Strueby



Booker Fleetwood



Collin Tucker



Emily Lemons



Violet Strueby



Danny Simbro



Sam Simbro



Wyatt Taylor



Damien Webb



Emmett Meyer



Gabe Simbro



Mrs. Liz Simbro



Mrs. Taylor Wendt



Mrs. Veronica Giedd



Mrs. Mackenzie Wieners



New Bulldogs for 2021-22 School Year

By The Bulldog's Bark Staff

The new school year has brought many new faces to the halls of Stanberry R-II. We would like to introduce and welcome our newest Bulldogs.

The new students and staff were asked the following questions: What is your favorite thing about Stanberry so far, and what is your favorite hobby?

The kindergarten class welcomed three new students to their class this year: Danny Simbro, Lucas Strueby, and Wyatt Taylor. Danny's favorite thing about Stanberry thus far has been having fun with

friends and his favorite hobby is playing. Lucas is loving the playground at Stanberry and in his free time loves riding his bike. Wyatt has been enjoying the warm weather and getting to play outside and his favorite pastime is sleeping.

First grader Collin Tucker's favorite thing so far about Stanberry is the playground. He enjoys playing with Legos. Another addition to the first grade class is Avalynn Crawford. Her favorite thing so far about Stanberry is seeing her friends. She enjoys drawing pictures.

Second grade saw the addition of Violet Strueby. Her favorite thing so far about Stanberry is her friends. She enjoys playing Epic.

Fifth grade had three new students join the class Booker Fleetwood, Emily Lemons, and Sam Simbro. Booker's favorite thing so far about Stanberry is it's a good school in a small town. His favorite hobbies are basketball and wrestling. Emily's favorite thing about our school is learning. Her favorite hobby is helping people. Sam's favorite things so far about Stanberry are the teachers, the

fun activities, and that it's a good school. He enjoys playing sports and video games.

The junior high added one new seventh grader, Emmett Meyer. His favorite thing so far about Stanberry are the teachers. He enjoys hanging upside down.

The high school added two new freshmen, Damien Webb and Gabe Simbro. Damien's favorite thing so far about Stanberry are the classes, and he enjoys playing video games
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New Bulldogs (from page 1)

in his free time. Gabe's favorite thing about Stanberry to date is how nice the people are. He enjoys chilling out.

The Bulldogs added four new staff members to their lineup this year. First up is Elementary Special Education Aid Taylor Wendt. Her favorite thing about Stanberry is the positive vibes. Her favorite hobbies are golfing and doing arts and crafts.

Third grade teacher Veronica Giedd's favorite thing about Stanberry is the small but mighty community. Her favorite hobby is kayaking. Prior to returning to the area, Mrs. Giedd lived in Kansas City where she taught third grade. Mrs. Giedd graduated from Missouri Western State University in 2006 with a B.S. in Elementary Education and

received her M.S. Reading Education from NWMSU in 2016. She is married to Dallas, who teaches at Jefferson, and they have three children.

The 1st grade teacher is Mackenzie Wieners. She currently lives in Maryville, Missouri. She graduated from Northwest Missouri State University in May 2021 and B.S. Elementary Ed and Minor in Social Science. Miss Wieners is certified in Elementary Education 1-6. Some hobbies she enjoys are reading, traveling, and crafting.

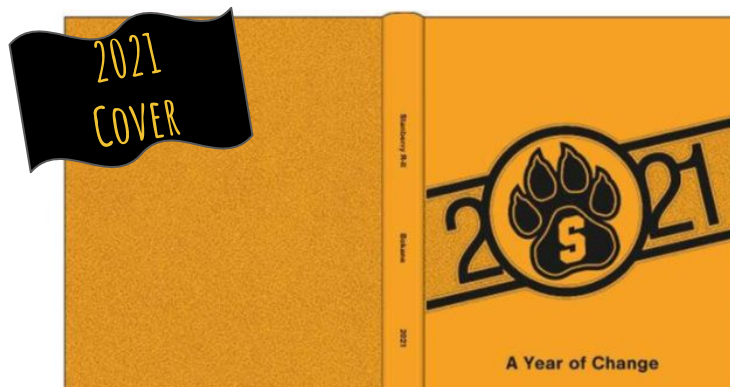
Elizabeth "Liz" Simbro is the new 6th grade teacher. She has three children and is married to Aaron, who currently serves our nation in the Army and for the past 16 years has served as an Apache helicopter pilot. Liz graduated

from Columbia College in 2010 with a B.S. in general Studies and a minor in Elementary Education and Psychology. In her spare time she loves to watch her boys grow up, entertained by the laughter. She also loves reading, baking, and crochet.

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Looking northeast from the high school addition is the future location of the ag classroom and shop.



The current ag classroom and shop will be converted into classrooms for the elementary and special education.

New Building Planned

By Lydia Dokken
Staff Reporter

Stanberry R-II is in the process of adding on a new building. With student enrollment growing, it's necessary to add new space in order to keep classes relatively small. The plan is to build a new ag building by the high school section of the school and renovate the old ag space into three classrooms for the elementary and special education students. This will keep elementary classrooms near the elementary and prevent the long walk high school students face if they are enrolled in any agriculture classes.

The building is still currently in the planning stages, with designs being drawn and perfected. They hope to start building in November and have the project completed by the end of the school year. After that, the old ag room will be

renovated over the summer.

Superintendent Mr. Hedding commented, "I'm very excited for the school and community to see the growing numbers. These projects should carry the school district well into the future." Agriculture teacher and FFA advisor, Mrs. Korinne Noble added, "I am very excited about the new ag building! It will be wonderful to be on the high school end of the building and be closer to the greenhouse that we are building this fall. The new building and greenhouse will provide students with a fresh and exciting learning experience."

Finally, the current weight room will be added onto as a space for the wrestling team and for the community to use. Each of these three phases is planned to be completed by the start of the 2022-23 school year.

2021-2022 Bulldog's Bark Staff

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Organizations Prepare for Year

By Austin Hill
Staff Reporter



Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) advisor Sidney Eckard has many plans this year. The organization plans to do 50/50 raffle, district contest in Maryville, build an FBLA float for homecoming, have a Christmas pizza party, and maybe even take a rewards trip to Top Golf. They will be having their first meeting soon.



FFA just had their pork BBQ. Their advisor Korinne Noble also plans on doing fruit sales beginning September 21st, the National FFA convention during the last week of October, Barnwarming on October 2nd, a Christmas party, Greenhand Degree Night, and speaking contest and career development.

Student Council advisor Roxanne Hoover is going to be very busy this year. As usual, StuCo will be planning Homecoming and Sportswarming. They will also be making locker tags, giving new students welcome gifts, planning Red Ribbon Week, doing Buckle Up/Phone Down activities, football halftime contests, Veterans Day Breakfast, making Thankful Trees, decorating the lobby for Christmas, running the food drive, running a drive for North Point Women's Shelter, doing popcorn sales, and planning game days.



National Honor Society (NHS) advisor Sheryl Walker has big plans for this year. NHS plans to have a float for the homecoming parade, provide snacks for the October Parent Teacher Conferences, team up with Student Council to have cake raffles at basketball games to raise funds for Adopt-A-Family, sell lollipops, and recognize students who demonstrate monthly Character Traits.



Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) just held a blood drive. This year advisor Jennifer Meyer plans to hold cinnamon roll sales, the Leadership Convention on October 13, Mr. Bulldog during the spring, Star Events, and a Taste of Fall booth at the Fall Festival, selling pie slices.

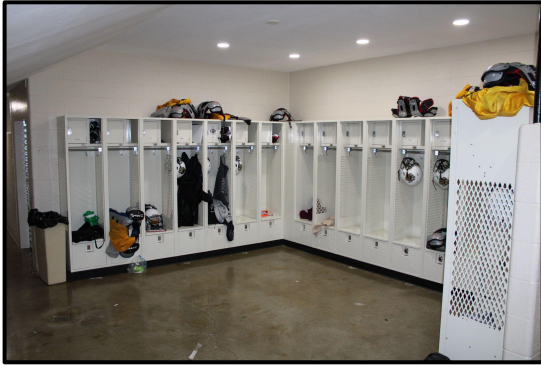
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Updated lockers and floors in the junior high boys locker room.



View of the west side of the newly painted gym and updated basketball hoops.

Summer Building Updates

By Lydia Dokken
Staff Reporter

Over the summer, a lot of changes were made to the Stanberry R-II building. The gym was repainted and given a “facelift”. There are new basketball goals, and the junior high boys’ locker room was also redone. It was repainted and got new showers and lockers. The elementary students got new desks and chairs. The entire district has a new clock system. The track and football field facility also saw improvements with a remodeled concession stand, crowd’s nest, and a brand new storage building.

The weight room will be added onto, hopefully before the end of the year, with a training facility. There will be

new playground equipment and a greenhouse in the near future. The old boiler room will be remodeled for storage, as well as a space to do laundry.

My personal new favorite addition to the school is the cow in Mr. Dias’s room. The poster seems to follow you with its eyes, judging you silently for not knowing the answers to your Trig homework. I asked Mr. Hedding about his favorite changes. He said his favorite thing was “getting so much done thanks to maintenance, staff, and local vendors”. Austin Hill also gave his input saying, “I guess the clocks, because they work.”



Special Education Public Notice

All responsible public agencies are required to locate, evaluate, and identify children with disabilities who are under the jurisdiction of the agency, regardless of the severity of the disability, including children attending private schools, children who live outside the district but are attending a private school within the district, highly mobile children, such as migrant and homeless children, children who are wards of the state, and children who are suspected of having a disability and in need of special education even though they are advancing from grade to grade. The **Stanberry R-II School District** assures that it will provide a free, appropriate public education (FAPE) to all eligible children with disabilities between the ages of 3 and 21

under its jurisdiction. Disabilities include autism, deaf/blindness, emotional disorders, hearing impairment and deafness, intellectual disability, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, other health impairments, specific learning disabilities, speech or language impairment, traumatic brain injury, visual impairment/blindness and young child with a developmental delay.

The **Stanberry R-II School District** assures that it will provide information and referral services necessary to assist the State in the implementation of early intervention services for infants and toddlers eligible for the Missouri First Steps program.

The **Stanberry R-II School District** assures that

personally identifiable information collected, used, or maintained by the agency for the purposes of identification, evaluation, placement or provision of FAPE of children with disabilities may be inspected and/or reviewed by their parents/guardians.

Parents/guardians may request amendment to the educational record if the parent/guardian believes the record is inaccurate, misleading, or violates the privacy or other rights of their child. Parents have the right to file complaints with the U.S. Department of Education or the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education concerning alleged failures by the district to meet the requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

The **Stanberry R-II School District** has developed a Local Compliance Plan for the implementation of State Regulations for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). This plan contains the agency’s policies and procedures regarding storage, disclosure to third parties, retention and destruction of personally identifiable information and the agency’s assurances that services are provided in compliance with the General Education Provision Act (GEPA). This plan may be reviewed **during regular business hours from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday when school is in session.**

This notice will be provided in native languages as appropriate.

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Morning preschoolers show off their painting skills!



Two members of the afternoon preschool class play with Legos.



Afternoon preschoolers play dress up.



Morning preschool students show Mrs. Jensen their excitement for learning!

Preschool Excited for First School Year

By Jackson Williams
Staff Reporter

The newest Bulldogs are starting school for the first time! They are excited to begin learning at Stanberry R-II and are ready for their next 14 years of school.

This new class consists of 27 students and is taught by Mrs. Jensen. The classes consist of Rylee Beggs, Casey Billingsley, Justin Cook, Everleigh Crawford, Amantha Denney, Kaleb Dias, Elyana Farnsworth, Cooper Fisher, Sawyer Gibson, Emma Gillespie, Daniel Johnson, Madilynn

Ledford, Addilyn Libby, Whittaker Linder, Ava Luke, Carli Luke, Jayce Luke, William Luke, Mallory McQuinn, Bentley Mercer, Oliver Newman, Blakely Palmer, Everley Pierce, Claire Rosier, Brody Segó, Carter Strough, Clayton Weatherd, and Mavryck Worley.

Mrs. Jensen says she "is excited to have the opportunity to teach these kids". May their excitement towards school continue through their next 14 years of school.

Information Notice

The Stanberry R-II School District designates name, address, and telephone listing as "directory information". Historically the Stanberry R-II School District does not release this information to third parties. Under the *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001* and the *National Defense Authorization Act for the Fiscal Year 2002* schools are required to provide these directory lists upon request to military recruiters. They are to be used specifically for armed services recruiting purposes and for informing young people of the

scholarship opportunities associated with the military. Under law, parents may also opt out of providing this directory information to third parties as well as military recruiters upon notification to the school. While we will accommodate our armed services we will continue to be cautious in releasing information as we have in the past unless law requires us to do otherwise.

Lisa Craig
Principal
Stanberry High School



Dear Parent,

The U.S. Congress has passed education legislation entitled "No Child Left Behind." One of the requirements of this legislation is parent notification if a class is going to be taught by someone other than a highly qualified (fully-certified) for four weeks or more. This notification would apply if a long-term substitute teacher who is not fully certified for the assignment, *even though that person does hold a state-issued certificate to substitute teach*, were assigned to cover a class. This would also apply if the school district were waiting on issuance of a teaching certificate or renewal of a certificate from the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). Technically the teacher has the credentials, but the process of issuing the certificate could take longer than four weeks.

At this time, the teachers of the Stanberry R-II School District all hold valid certificates, and we do not anticipate any longer term substitute situations. We are fulfilling the requirements of No Child Left Behind by issuing this notice. We are very proud of all our staff members, and we can assure you that your child is receiving a quality education. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (660)783-2136.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bob Hedding
Superintendent

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Video Game Review: Red Dead Redemption 2

By Jackson Williams
Staff Reporter



Red Dead Redemption blew everyone away when it was released. It set a new record for opening weekend, making over \$725 million. Red Dead Redemption 2 is the highly anticipated prequel to the first Red Dead Redemption.

The game has two main game modes it can be played in. First, you can play story mode which lets you live the life of a cowboy gang on the run from the law. You can also play in online mode with other players. In online mode, you create your own character and you can decide how to live back in 1898. The online mode is set before the story mode so you can meet up and do missions for characters in the gang.

With the roles, you always have something to do in the game: a cowboy on the run

from the law, a bounty hunter, a moonshiner, a collector, a trader, and a naturalist. The game always has something happening with its random chance events so it never gets boring to play. What makes this game better than the first game is all of the new features it created, like being able to create your own outfits instead of buying preset outfits. The second game is also a better story than the first, making you fall in love with the game and gang all over again.

Even though you learn what happens to everyone in the first game, you want to keep learning about Arthur's adventures so you can figure how the gang fell apart and all the bad blood with John and the rest of the cast of characters.



Survey Results

Students in grades 7-12 were asked the question: *If you were in a zombie apocalypse what would you do?* 86 students responded.

Their options included: barricade yourself in Walmart, fly to Antarctica, form an army and fight, become a zombie, or make a cure?

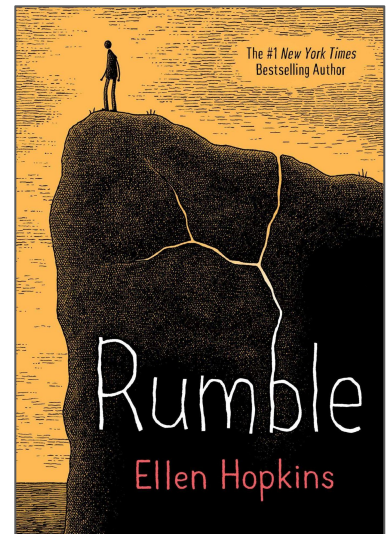
Book Review

By Lydia Dokken
Staff Reporter



Over the summer, I only found the time to read one book. *Rumble*, yet another book by Ellen Hopkins, is a book about a young adult, Matthew Turner, who has to grapple with his parents' separation, the recent loss of his brother, and his own flaws throughout the story. As things progress, he begins to realize the vast differences between his morals, and his girlfriend (Hayden)'s.

There's not much more I can summarize without spoiling the story. This may have honestly been my least favorite of Ellen Hopkins' books. Although I was invested at the beginning of the book, a lot of things were left unresolved in the end. It almost feels like the author herself lost



Rumble
by Ellen Hopkins

interest in the story. The main character hurts a lot of people and does a lot of bad things that never really get addressed as being issues. We never see the result of most of the terrible things he does - it felt like a whole lot of buildup to a whole lot of nothing. I would give this book a 2/5, for a compelling story with a completely disappointing resolution.

Make a cure

6.8%

Fly to Antarctica

6.8%

Become a zombie

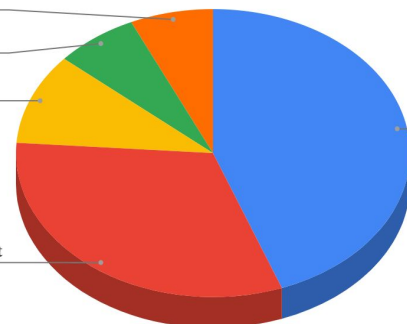
10.2%

Form an army and fight

31.8%

Barricade yourself in...

44.3%



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It's
Your
Call

By Austin Hill
Staff Reporter

What are you most
excited for this school
year?



Jax Heyde is "looking forward to football!"



Eighth grader Kenzi Santa Cruz says she's "excited for football games!"



Third grader Owen Shisler is "looking forward to hanging out with friends."



Second grader Kyler Newman is "ready to hang out with friends."



High school math teacher Mr. Jason Dias is "excited about all the new updates to the school."



Preschool Mrs. Jensen is excited to "have the opportunity to work with students and parents who are new to school."



Sophomore Katlyn James is ready "for sports!"



Senior Benjamin Messner is anxious to "see where football goes."

Song Review



By Austin Hill
Staff Reporter

This month, I'm reviewing the song *Fireflies* by Owl City. This song was released for Owl City's album *Ocean Eyes* in 2009.

Adam Young of Owl City wrote the song based on his experience with insomnia and a summer camping trip to Minnesota. When he wrote the song, he tried to emulate the experience of seeing a meteor shower.

I enjoy listening to this song because it reminds me of when I was a little kid hearing it all the time. I also enjoy the beat and the magical electronic quality it has, and it feels like a time warp back to the 2000s.



Song: *Fireflies*
Artist: Owl City
Album: *Ocean Eyes*
Release: 2009

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2021 Bulldog Football Team. 1st row: Jackson Williams, Austin Colvin, Landon Marticke, Tyler Schwebach, Austin Schwebach, Benjamin Messner, Ethan Oldham, Korbin Fletchall. 2nd row: Head Coach Shane Hilton, Treston Williams, Colby McQueen, Kaedon Showers, Brayden Hague, Randall Harbour, Zac Summa, Leo Fletchall, Jordyn Wright, Assistant Coach Jeffrey Maronde. 3rd row: Brody Carroll, Decker Heyde, Tucker Schieber, Gavin Cameron, Reagan Heyde, Evean Cooley, Alec Saxton. 4th row: Colby McQuinn, Chuck Burton, Adam Jensen, Lance Wallace, Kolton Dias, Cooper Adcock, Calvin Smithson, Brayden Hahn. Not pictured: Assistant Coaches Chris VanDraska & Jerry McMillen

2021 Football Team Looking for Redemption this year

By Austin Colvin
Staff Reporter

The Bulldogs are ready to take the 2021 football season into their grasp after a great season the previous year. This year's lineup is looking great. The starting lineup consists of Landon Marticke, Austin Schwebach, Tyler Schwebach, Austin Colvin, Ethan Oldham, Lance Wallace, Tucker Schieber, Benjamin Messner, Colby McQuinn, Kaedon Showers, and Gavin Cameron.

The season got underway at Appleton City. With 10:58 left in the second quarter, the Bulldogs were up 44-0 on the opposing team. Tucker Schieber carried the ball for 3 touchdowns, Tyler Schwebach scored on punt return, Ethan Oldham had a running touchdown, and Austin

Colvin had a blocked punt and scored. Tyler Schwebach stated, "We scored early and held them on defense. That's how the game played out the whole night."

Heading back home for game 2, Stanberry faced the Albany Warriors in a beatdown. Stanberry started with a touchdown taking only 5 plays to get Schieber in the endzone. Next series, the Bulldogs forced a 4 and out and Schieber ran it 61 yards to the house. Stanberry finished the game at halftime with a score of 50-0. They advance 2-0 on the year (1-0, GRC-8). Head coach Shane Hilton said, "we are off to a good start this season both in practice and on Friday nights. The boys have been doing a good job of staying focused through all the

heat and other distractions. I am looking forward to seeing how we progress and improve as the season continues." Heading to the defensive side, assistant coach Jeffrey Maronde stated, "we have executed really well. Definitely had a lot of fun. Our competition will step up significantly so we will see how that plays out. It is great to have some much experience on the team so that the seniors can be the leaders of the team."

On the road to King City, the Bulldogs faced the number 2 team in the state. It was the "game of the year." The game started off very slow, with only 3 scores in the first quarter. The second quarter was all defense on the field with no one scoring. At halftime, the Bulldogs had the lead with 14-8. Stanberry received the ball right out of the gate and they took the ball down the field to the endzone. The ball went back and forth until the Wildkats stopped the

Bulldogs on a 4 and out. They took the ball to the endzone for the lead. With the game on the line, the Bulldogs rolled out on a pass, Austin Schwebach kept the ball and took it in for the touchdown. For the lead, Schwebach again kept the ball and took it straight up the gut for the 2-point conversion. Score is 34-32. Stanberry stopped the Wildkats on defense and ran the clock out for another Bulldogs victory. They advance to 3-0 (2-0, GRC-8) on the season.

Heading to week 4 the football boys were to face Osceola. They were ready to take down anyone in their way. However, Osceola's team came down with Covid and they were forced to forfeit. Stanberry was bummed they couldn't face them, but they kept their heads up and prepared for week 5 against the Pattonsburg Panthers.



Football team breaks huddle and prepares to destroy Albany.

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2021 Softball Team 1st row: Sadie Runde, Lexi Craig, Tarynn Mattson; 2nd row: Paige Campbell, Maranda Evans, Jencie James, Morgon Showers, Brea Jensen, Marli Hilton; 3rd row: Katelyn Stoll, Marissa Webster, Assistant Coach Taylor Wendt, Assistant Coach Shannon Craig, Head Coach Brittney McClurg, Katie Angle, Katlyn James, 4th row: Trista Lager, Taelyn Derks, Kiley Mattson, Sylvia Redmond, Amelia Wallace, Jayden Gust, Payton Williams.

Softball Girls Excel in Season

By Landon Marticke
Staff Reporter



The softball team started off the season looking good with twenty members rounding out the team. Head coach this year is Brittney McClurg and she is assisted by Taylor Wendt and Shannon Craig. Senior Tarynn Mattson stated, "I'm excited to grow as a team and see how far we can go this season."

They participated in the Albany Tournament to start the season finishing 4th. In their first regular season game the Lady Bulldogs pulled off a 5-2 win over North Harrison taking the lead late in the game. The Bulldogs were led by senior Lexi Craig on the offensive side with 2 hits on 4 at bats. On the defensive side, senior Sadie Runde played a huge role giving up only 2 runs on 7 hits with three strikeouts and 1 walk.

Thursday, September 9th the Bulldogs traveled to

Ravenwood to face off with the Bluejays. The Bulldogs had a hay day tallying up 8 total hits in the game on a 4-2 win. Sadie Runde pitched a 13 strikeout game to lead them to victory.

The team played North Andrew at home on Tuesday September 14th where they fell short 9-6. The game went into 3 extra innings before falling short.

Coach McClurg says, "I'm excited to watch leadership skills develop and witness how much we grow this year. We have a lot of determination this year. Platte Valley, we're coming for you!" The girls played a hard fought game against North Andrew and are looking to bounce back in the upcoming games.

Good luck to the girls on the rest of their season, and we hope to see you at the games.



2021 Bulldog Golf Team: Grace Mattson, Lindsay Sherman, Emma Phipps, Isabella Wright, Bailey Wallace

Girls Golf Off to Great Start

By Landon Marticke
Staff Reporter



The girls' golf team started their season hot this year. The team has added a few more to their squad to finally be able to put up a team score, unlike their 3 person team last year. Their coach Ronda Carroll stated, "I'm happy to finally have a full team and watch how much success the group has this year. I think we have a great chance at making it to state."

In their first meet at Albany, Bailey Wallace placed first, followed by Isabella Wright taking second. They also placed first as a team in the meet with the help of their

teammates Grace and Lindsey.

Next, in Bethany on September 7th, Bailey placed 4th individually. They rallied to a 2nd place team finish as well. Senior Bailey Wallace said, "I'm excited to see how far we can go now that we finally have a full team. I'm also very excited for the rest of the season because of how much potential I see in all of us."

The team is looking very prominent this season and seem to be working towards great things. Good luck to the girls on the rest of their season.



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Junior High Football Under New Management

By Jackson Williams
Staff Reporter

This year's junior high football team has received a new head coach and assistant coach, Mr. Nick Groomer and Mr. Nate Horne are taking over the helm. Coach Groomer said about his new team, "Our team only has twelve players, but every single player has improved so much from day one. That is what junior high football is about, improving everyday so they are ready to join the high school football

team one day."

The 8th grade players are Jaren Stoll, Brayden Dias, William Ellsworth, and Vincent Smithson. The 7th graders are Max Hilton, Emmett Meyer, Hudson Groomer, Zander Heyde, Parker Ginther, Wes Bashor, Jax Heyde, and Aiden Graham. The team has been working hard each game to walk away with a win and hoping they can reach that goal by the end of season. Best of luck boys.



2021 Bulldog JH Football. 1st row: Jax Heyde, Max Hilton, Emmett Meyer, Vincent Smithson, Parker Ginther, Hudson Groomer, Zander Heyde; 2nd row: Jaren Stoll, Aiden Graham, Wesley Bashor, Brayden Dias, William Ellsworth, Head Coach Nick Groomer. Not pictured: Assistant Coach Nate Horne.

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2021 Bulldog JH Softball. 1st row: Miley Davis, Brookelynn Robinson, Kenzi Santa Cruz, Hannah McQuinn, Danielle Van Draska, Josi Creason. 2nd row: Head Coach Michele Kelley, Eva Cameron, Lindsey Hailey, Katie Libby, Alana Evans, Ally Santa Cruz, and Assistant Coach Rachael Luke.

Junior High Softball Ready to Attack

By Austin Colvin
Staff Reporter

The junior high softball team is looking to improve their skills this year. The returning 8th graders are: Hannah McQuinn, Kenzi Santa Cruz, Eva Cameron, Ally Santa Cruz, Katie Libby, Miley Davis, Dani Van Draska, and Lindsey Hailey. Only a few 7th graders are on the team and they are Josi Creason, Brookelynn Robinson, and Alana Evans. They are coached by Michelle Kelley and assisted by Rachael Luke.

Coach Kelley shares with us on how the year is going so far, "these girls are such a fun group to work with! They work

hard and support each other from beginning to end. As a team, I'm especially proud of their teamwork and defensive skills, and they continue to improve with each game."

The junior high girls are still working hard to get their first win, but are still using this year to build and improve their skills. They have high hopes and plan on coming back to having more winning seasons in the future. Kenzi Santa Cruz says her favorite thing about this year is "the team and how we work together as a whole." Best of luck to the junior high girls as they conclude the season.

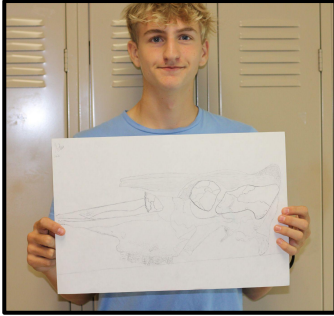


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Junior Adam Jensen with his cow skull drawing.



2nd grader Kyler Newman displays his chalked cupcake.

Artist of the Month

By Jackson Williams
Staff Reporter

Junior Adam Jensen and Second Grader Kyler Newman were chosen for artist of the month because of their drawings.

Adam's drawing was of a cow skull to learn about

contour lines and the detail was pretty spot on.

Kyler used chalk to create a picture of a cupcake after learning about Wayne Thiebud who drew many colorful desserts.

Brutus' Corner

By Austin Colvin
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. The information on the first staff members is to the right. Who do you think it is?

Do you have any kids, if so how many?

Three

Where did you graduate high school?

Stanberry

How many years have you been teaching?

16 years

If so, how long have you been married?

14 years

What is your favorite part about teaching?

Enjoy being around kids everyday, they keep me young.



October Activities

Friday, October 1st

3:15-Cheer Clinic grades 4-6

6:30-Senior Night (FB, Band, Golf, Cheer)

7:00-Varsity Football @ Home vs. North Andrew

Saturday, October 2nd

8:00-Clarinda Band Jamboree

6:00-FFA Barnwarming

Monday, October 4th-HOMECOMING WEEK

9:00-Girl's Golf @ Cameron-GRC

5:00-Junior High Football @ Home vs. St. Joe Christian

5:00-Varsity Softball @ Home-St. Joe Lafayette

Tuesday, October 5th

8:00-Elementary Dental Screenings

3:45-Elementary Academic Bowl @ Home

6:30-Senior Scholarship/Financial Aid Night

Wednesday, October 6th-9:00-Bonfire

Thursday, October 7th

9:00-FFA Fall CDE

5:30-Varsity Softball @ Home vs. Stewartsville-Senior Night

Friday, October 8th-HOMECOMING-7:00 Varsity Football vs. North Shelby

Monday, October 11th

9:00-Girls Golf-District Tournament

5:00-JH/JV Football @ Grant City

Tuesday, October 12th

Varsity Softball Districts @ King City

4:00-Elementary Academic Bowl @ Maysville

Wednesday, October 13th

Northwest College Fair

FCCLA Leadership Conference

Friday, October 14th-12:45-Picture Make Up Day

Monday, October 15th

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7:00-Varsity Football @ Tarkio

Monday, October 18th

Girls Golf State Tournament

3:15-Homework Alert 1st Quarter Detention

7:00-Board of Education Meeting

Tuesday, October 19th

3:45-Elementary Academic Bowl-Home

5:30-JH Basketball @ Hopkins

Thursday, October 21st-NO SCHOOL-PARENT/TEACHER Conferences

Friday, October 22nd

No School

7:00-Varsity Football @ Grant City

Tuesday, October 26th

National FFA Convention

3:45-Elementary Academic Bowl @ Home

5:30-JH Basketball @ Home versus King City

Thursday, October 28th-5:30-JH Basketball @ Home vs. Worth County

Friday, October 29th

Book Fair

2:30-Halloween Class Parties

Saturday, October 30th-9:00-NWMSU Homecoming