

Jim Knott – High School Principal
Douglas County West High School

Board Report
April 15, 2024

As we approach the end of the school year, many important events are either happening or are on the horizon at the high school. We recently finished administering the state-required Nebraska ACT on March 26. Eighty-one out of eighty-three juniors arrived on time and ready to test that morning - an accomplishment in itself. The two students that were absent made up the test on April 9. Thanks go out to our ACT team of Dr. Dawn Marten, Ron Michael, Nikki Billedeaux, John Brockhaus, Maggie Dailey, Jared Wiemer, Lisa Leonard, Alyssa Lindahl, Sean Pralle, and Cyndi Thomas. The amount of time this group spent organizing and administering the test according to strict ACT standards is definitely appreciated. We should receive preliminary ACT results before the end of the school year.

On Saturday, March 30, Prom was held at the “A View Event Center” on West Shores Lake. Thanks go out to Steve and Brandi Goldapp for the generous donation of the prom venue. The theme was “Tangled” and was open to all DC West Juniors, Seniors, and their individual guests. Post-prom was sponsored by the Junior Parents and was held from 11:00PM - 2:00AM at Omaha Sports and Games Company. We would also like to thank Lindsey Boardman, Maggie Dailey, Jenny Finck, Barb Feldhacker, Nathan TerBeest, and Deputy Paulison for all of their help organizing and supervising the Prom.

We recently interviewed and hired for two HS positions for next year. They are listed below. There are also two High School Special Education positions currently open.

- 1) HS Counselor – Hired Katie Richards – Ms. Richards is originally from Ashland and attended the University of Nebraska, Lincoln. She taught Family and Consumer Science for four years at Giltner High School and was the Middle School Guidance Counselor at DC West this school year. Along with her counseling duties, she will teach three sections of College Preparation in the fall.
- 2) HS Math – Hired JD Gagner – Mr. Gagner is originally from Sitka, Alaska, student taught math with Ms. Cox at DC West, and graduated from Midland University in the spring of 2023. He was hired by DC West Middle School to teach STEM this year and will be moving to the High School Math Department next year. He will teach Algebra I, Algebra I Support, and Pre-Algebra.

The third quarter honor roll is attached to the second page of this report.

Quarter 3 Honor Roll of Distinction 2023-2024

SENIORS

Eric Asher *	Jaylee Negley *
Paige Bias-White *	Taylor Patterson
Laney Bissailon *	Angelina Ramos Garcia
Anna Borner *	Raya Satterm *
Brandon Christensen *	Ashton Scott
Brook Cooke *	Carley Shaw
Savannah Grabenstein	Madison Taft *
Gage Gratopp *	Zachary Uehling
Hemeny Gutierrez	Kylee Vaughan
Grace Holm *	Ryker Wohlers
Elizabeth Jensen- Robinson *	Charles Wood
Caleb Johnson	Jack Woodward
Harley Kaven *	Lily Wright *
Cheyenne Kilmer	
Megan Kopocis *	
Kale Kotil	
Aubree Liss	
Ellie Lloyd	
Daniel Luna-Garza *	
Terry Luthy III *	
Maria Malousek	
Olivia Malousek *	
Nathan Martin	
Zachary McArdle *	
Jonas Meairs-Richman	

JUNIORS

Karsten Alexander	Gavin Lakner *
Sydney Atkins	Bryce Larsen *
Jamison Badje	Cameron Madden
Jaeda Bakken *	Grant Mayer
Will Bergsten	Colton Meduna
Kelan Bohlen *	Madelyn Mitchell *
Tieler Collette	Sarah Perkons
Trent Davidson *	Carli Ptacek
Carleigh Dembinski *	Evan Steele
Jagger Denker	Mitchell Sullivan *
Lyla Elsaesser	Zoe Teitler *
Huston Farrens	Kayden VerMaas
Alexis File *	Brody Walsh
Austin Fletcher	Colton Willmott
Robert Graves IV	Dakota Wolter
Ramses Graves	Maddison Zach
Chloe Greve	
Ava Grimm *	
Aidan Heim	
Stella Higginson	
Brody Hillyer *	
Bryar Jensen	
Catherine Johnson	
Remy Kirby *	
Miles Korb	

SOPHOMORES

Bailey Anderson	Madelyn Phillips *
Bella Anderson	Anella Pralle *
Nolan Asher *	Abby Rayer
Kayden Foster	Kyler Rippe
Joslyn Giles	Jetta Satterm
Ian Gleason	Trey Schieber *
Nylee Hayner	Waylon Schroeder *
Adora Hays-Lavender	Jackson Schuiteman *
Tess Henrichs	Joseph Stammer
Barrett Hinrichs	Addison Strong *
Maren Jarecke	Jaxon Swierczek *
Emma Kincanon *	Jadie Vieth
Cade Listenberger	Jasmine West
Damian Monroe	Beau Wilcox
Kolten Nelson	Rowan Williams
Amelia North	Evan Winters
Benjamin Oien	Zane Wohlers *
Trey Olsen	Izzabella Zach
Mason Pettit	
Alexander Phillips *	

FRESHMEN

Hailey Albrecht *	Emma Kopocis *
Trent Alexander	Tucker Korb
Liliana Balus	Lillian Lakner *
Noelle Beyl *	Jack Landauer
Peyton Bias-White	Falon Mathes
Lydia Bonacci	Jesse Mentzer
James Bussen	Kinley Nelson
Allyson Cooke *	Carina Ray
Brynlee Dasher	Aubree Richards
Casey Dembinski	Ryder Songer
Hayden Gottsch	Katelyn Stanton
Julian Gottsch	Carson Stanzel
Angel Hernandez	Gage Travis
Kami Herrington	Aspen VerMaas *
Eva Hert	Talia Walsh *
Scarlett Higginson	Ava Walvoord
Brayton Holding *	Brody Wiese
Hunter Holding *	Ella Wiese *
Halaina Hunter	Sindee Zook
Adisan Jeffrey	

Quarter 3 Honor Roll of Merit 2023-2024

SENIORS	JUNIORS	SOPHOMORES	FRESHMEN
Ty Bevington	Jackson Denker	Kyle Gregurich	Garrett Blunt
Levent Capan	Markus Dorson	Saybra Hermanson	Analia Braun
Michael Croom	Trenton Guardipee	Caiden Hoops	Mikayla Cappello
Lillyan Duncan	Brayden Hayden	Kai Jorgensen	Will Dugan
Darby Giles	Lily Herman	Blaine Martin	Emily Fletcher
Hudson Jarecke	Aspen Huber	Molly Moehling	Hudson Harlow
Alexandria Johnson	Kiya Johnson	Grant Parr	Johanna Luthy
Lukas Johnson	Caiden Marksmeier	Colton Trost	Anthony Neto Almenares
Payton Lawler	Roen Murdoch	Paul Valadez	Yhosvel Perez Pages
Aspen LeCureux	Samuel Musson		Chloe Saathoff
Jayden Paulson	Grant Scott		Dalton Schnatz
Will Reeves	Luke Thimmesch		Mallory Shaw
Brady Singer			Lane Smith
Makynna TenEyck			Wyatt TenEyck
Cameron Wiese			Remington White
Mesfin Wilson			
Antwan Wright			

