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Eggleston Earns 100th Win

GREELEY—On Friday, January 25, the South Loup Bobcats made the trek to Central Valley to face many excellent wrestlers. Three Cats placed, along with senior Tayten Eggleston earning his 100th win! South Loup placed 7th as a team out of 20 teams. Neligh/Oakdale won the tournament by a large the 132 Ib. weight class.

"It's hard to imagine that I have won 100 matches. It has been one of my goals since I started my freshman season. It was not an easy goal to reach but I knew I could get it done this year," commented Eggleston.

Senior Gavin Robertson

in the 145 Ib. weight class. It wasn't an easy day for Kunkee, as he was not feeling his best, and he had a nearly full bracket, but he wrestled hard first round and got his pin not far into the 2nd quarter. During the 2nd round, Kunkee wrestled his hardest but didn't quite get the win. During the next 3 matches,



projected to be

margin.



an easy one, and that's exactly how he made it look. He started out his match by scoring 10 points, but nearly half way into the first period, he pinned his opponent. The South Loup crowd was on their feet, along with the entire gym giving their applause for such a great accomplishment. He finished out the day with 3 wins, and a 2nd place medal in

(170 Ib.) earned yet another 3rd place medal. He started out winning two matches by fall, but had to face a tough wrestler during the Semifinals. Although he didn't pull out the win, he wrestled his way back up to earn the bronze.

Sophomore Dalton Kunkee wrestled hard throughout the day and earned his way to the bronze

however, Kunkee proved he came to medal.

The South Loup wrestlers will travel to Dunning on Friday, February 1, for the MNAC Conference tournament.

South Loup Wrestling

By: Kylee Lehmkuhler, Sophomore;

Twin Loup

By: Eli Taylor, Sophomore.

SARGENT – The South Loup Bobcat wrestling team attended their season opener in Sargent on December 7th. The Cats came home with 4th place as a team, as well as 5 athletes placing individually. Two placed first in the meet.

Three South Loup Bobcat wrestlers qualified for the state tournament last year and the coach has high hopes for sending more this season. Tayten, Eggelston (Senior), Gavin Roberston (Senior), and Spencer Bloomer (Senior) returning state qualifiers, opened their season strong.

Tayten ended up on top in the 132lb. division. Started out the season strong with a record of 3-0. Two out the three wins were pins. Logan Peterson (Sophomore) started out the season strong with a record of 4-1. Three out of the four wins were pins.

Spencer started out the season by getting first place. Both of his wins were pins.

"For the first meets of the year they wrestled outstanding. We still have room for improvement but for the first meets of the year they wrestled great.," Said assistant coach Todd Phelps.

The wrestling team traveled to Merna on December 8 for their third meet.

Tough Meet Brings Good Lessons

SUTHERLAND—The

South Loup Wrestlers traveled to Sutherland on December 15th, for what could very well be the hardest meet of the season. With 22 teams and many state ranked wrestlers, the Cats had to wrestle hard all day. Senior Tayten Eggleston, receiving 2nd, was the only SLB wrestler that placed. Amherst won the team award.

Eggleston brought home the silver in the 132 Ib. weight class. He won with 2 pins, and a major decision. In the championship match, Eggleston wrestled Brady Gracey from Mullen. This wasn't the first time this match up has happened, and both wrestlers put up a fight. Eggleston barely fell short, losing by decision, 0-1.

"My plan was just to stay in tight but be a lengthy wrestler. I think I executed my game plan. He

wasn't able to shoot, or work anything," commented Eggleston.

As assistant coach Jim Johnson said, "You

have to take a step back to go forward." Even though the Cats didn't do as well as they had hoped, they learned lots and gained experience.

"It was probably the best I wrestled because of the coaches working us, and pushing us to get better. The competition showed us what we need to improve and gave us a glimpse of what we might see at districts," said sophomore Jesse Connell.

The Cats will travel to Broken Bow on Friday, December 21st for their last meet before Christmas. Starting time is scheduled for 10:00.

Cats Face More Tough Competition

BROKEN BOW—On December 21, the South Loup Wrestling team traveled to the home of

the Indians for yet another very tough meet. They encountered over 15 class C schools, and had 2 Cats place. The team did not place, but that is nothing to be ashamed of, as many of these wrestlers were state qualifiers in class C.

Senior Tayten Eggleston got 4th on the day in the 132 Ib. weight bracket. Starting out, he wrestled Patrick Powers of Broken Bow. It was a close match through the first 2 periods, but Eggleston didn't quite get the win. Eggleston then went on to win his Consolation Semi match with a pin in the first period. For the 3rd place match, Eggleston had another close match but didn't quite

> get the win, losing 3-1.

Sophomore Logan Peterson also brought home a 4th place medal in the 113 Ib. weight class. Peterson's first match was against a tough

wrestler from Sidney. Logan held out through the whole match, but lost by decision. Peterson went on to win his Consolation Semi match with a pin, but lost his 3rd place match.

All the Cats wrestled hard throughout the day, but had some very tough matches. The Bobcats will continue to work hard through Christmas Break until January 5, when they travel to Amherst. The meet is scheduled to begin at 10:00.

Cats Start Out The New Year Strong

AMHERST—The South Loup Wrestling Team was excited to be back on the road after Christmas, traveling to the home of the Broncos. On Saturday, January 5, the Cats started out again

with determination and the will to win, as 4 Bobcats brought home medals, along with the team placing 6th with 85.5 points out of 17 teams. Plainview placed 1st in the meet with 194 points.

Senior Tayten Eggleston has brought home a medal from all the meets he has attended, but this week he got the pleasure of bringing home his 132 Ib. weight bracket

with a gold. Eggleston started out winning with a pin, following with win by tech fall. He continued his day winning be decision, and finished out win-

Senior Gavin Robertson also added another medal to his collection, getting 3rd

championship

match.

in the 170 Ib. weight bracket. Robertson won with a pin during his first match, but his second match didn't end how he wanted, losing by fall. However, Robertson fought his way back, winning his Consolation Semifinal match with another pin and winning his 3rd place match.

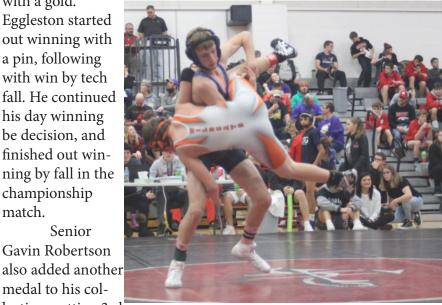
Senior Spencer Bloomer added 4 more wins to his record, as well as earning himself the 3rd place medal in the 182 Ib. weight class. Bloomer won his first 2 matches with pins, but unfortunately lost during the semifinals. Bloomer wrestled back, winning by fall, gaining his place in the 3rd place match, which he won by decision.

Sophomore Logan Peterson was determined to prove he had a place on the risers, and indeed he did. Peterson got 3rd in the 113 Ib. weight class. He came out strong winning by fall. Unfortunately during the semifinals, Peterson couldn't quite put together a win. During Consolation Semifinals and the 3rd place match, Peterson racked in 2 more wins, both by decision.

The Cats continue with a busy weekend to follow. They travel to SEM on January 11 starting at 12:00 p.m., along with Shelton on January 12 starting at 10:00 a.m.

Weekend of Medals

SUMNER—To start out the weekend, the South Loup Wrestling team traveled to SEM on January 11. The Cats continued their winning streak with two wrestlers placing 1st, along with one wrestler



placing 2nd, and one wrestler placing 4th. The Bobcats placed 5th as a team with 105 points. Maxwell won the meet with 127 points.

Senior Spencer Bloomer gained his first gold of the season on Friday in the 182 Ib. weight class. He won all three of his matches that day with pins.

Senior Tayten Eggleston gained his second gold of the season as well in the 132 Ib. weight Shelton on Saturday for their next meet, which started at 10:00.

SHELTON—The Cats were on the mat yet again on January 12 at the home of the Bulldogs. They didn't let the tiring day before slow them down, but rather they used it as momentum to do better the next day. The Bobcats had four wrestlers place 2nd, one wrestler place 3rd, and two wrestlers place 4th. South Loup placed 4th as a team with 116 points. Sutton placed first in the meet with 182 points.

Senior Spencer Bloomer gained a 2nd place medal in the 182 Ib. weight class after winning two matches by fall. He worked hard during the championship match, but couldn't quite up his placing.

Senior Gavin Robertson went 4-1 on the day, earning his 2nd place medal in the 170 Ib. weight bracket. He won his first four matches with pins. He wrestled all the way through his championship match, trying to gain one more win, but lost by decision.

Senior Tayten Eggleston showed Bobcat nation yet again that he was a tough, and tenacious wrestler gaining the 2nd place medal in the 132 Ib. weight bracket. Eggleston won his first four matches by fall, and worked hard all the way to the last whistle, but lost by decision in the championship

Sophomore Dalton Kunkee



class. He won his first two matches by fall, and his championship match by decision.

Senior Gavin Robertson gained a silver on Friday in the 170 Ib. weight class. He won his first three matches with pins, but unfortunately lost in the championship round.

Sophomore Logan Peterson

his first 2nd place medal of the season in the 145 Ib. weight class. Kunkee won two of his matches before advancing to his championship match.

Sophomore Logan Peterson had a tough bracket on Saturday, but still fought to get the 3rd place medal in the 113 Ib. weight class, gaining 7 points for the team.

Freshmen Talon Crago and Jacob Heusman both gained their first medals of the season. Each earned 4th place, Crago in the 120 Ib. weight bracket, and Heusman in the 182 Ib. weight class.

As the Bobcats head towards the end of their season, they are mostly looking to stay on track and make little improvements as they go.

"Our offense needs some work, as far as shooting and controlling the match, but we just need to stay focused," commented Peterson.

The Cats will be staying on their home mat this week, as the

South Loup Invite is scheduled for Friday, January 18. The meet will begin at 12:30 p.m. in Callaway.

Little Cats Put On A Show







By: Kylee Lehmkuhler, Sophomore.

The up and coming little lady Bobcats were up and ready to show spirit early in the morning on January 11. The girls worked hard until noon on several different cheers and a dance that they would later perform at two home games, one being that night in Callaway, and the other being the next week in Arnold. There were around 50 little cheer cats at the camp, insturcted by the seven South Loup Cheerleaders and their coach Lena Biel.

"The camp went great! The girls got to learn three cheers and a short dance choreographed by the South Loup Cheerleaders, along with play games and eat a snack," commented Biel. "It's great for the high school girls to get to work and teach the younger girls in the community! It is fun to watch the younger girls look up to the high school girls!"

One Acts

By: Cecilia Wonch, APS Sophomore

On November 13, the Arnold One Acts crew put together a special time so that their school could watch the progress they had made over the course of their season. The cast and crew did a marvelous job and finally got their play under time, at around 28 minutes. They had a fine time showing

Mantinee Arrival

off their polished play as districts and MNAC Conference were right around the corner.

Even with having a short amount of time to get costumes on and makeup completed, the group did a phenomenal job. They received a lot of laughter from the younger students, which gave the One Acts team a new burst of confidence

Previous One Act's coach, Bernie Crow said, "I am really impressed with the ensembles and the synchronization of the group parts. All parts are so well casted and the actors have obviously put in a lot of time. The transitions are so smooth and it doesn't take away from the overall effect. This troop will be hard to beat in the next contests and are headed for the top!"

Districts Taking Place Yonch, APS Sophomore tween the conference competition

By: Cecilia Wonch, APS Sophomore

And that's a wrap. Arnold's One Act team ended their year at Ansley Public Schools on November 28. With tough D1-5 competition from Anselmo-Merna, Ansley, Brady, Callaway, Eustis-Farnam, Sumner-Eddyville-Miller, and Stapleton, Arnold was recognized as one of the best!

Arnold was the last school to perform in front of the three judges. Every person had a specific job to do, whether it was making the transitions smooth as can be or perfecting the timing of lights and sounds. Preparing the blue sky, putting the trunks in position, and making amulets and star stuff glow! Props needed to be set up in the right places. Everything had to be perfect! The judges were left in awe due to this amazing cast and crew. One judge commented, "Peter and the Starcatcher was by far the best acting and performance of the day."

"District competition was our best performance of the year, the kids nailed it! We made big changes and some small changes be-



The Cast and Crew performing their last performance for the year.

and districts, they embraced the changes and pulled it off beautifully," commented Assistant Director, Leta Connell.

The competition was steep. In the end, Arnold received District Runner-Up. Among the best outstanding actors were Tayten Eggleston, Leighton Bubak, Tatum Cool, Jarret Buchholz, Landyn Cole, Cooper Atkins, and Dylan Nelson.

Arnold's one act team proved to the town and surrounding communities they were worth watching and are an amazing group to compete against! Everyone can always look towards to One Act next season.

Head Director, Lana Cool shared, "I could not be more proud of this team. I loved every minute of this season. I am blown away by the level of commitment, talent, creativity, and hard work this group showed every single day. I hope they realize how amazing and valuable they are. What they accomplished was beautiful and magical and I feel lucky to have been a part of something special!"

As Arnold's play came to an end, Peter, or Leighton Bubak's triumphant, "Ca-caw," could be heard across the gym at the MNAC Eastern Conference.



Starcatcher is a Winner!

By: Cecilia Wonch, APS Sopho-

Side One Acts competition, which was held at Ansley. After hours of learning lines, early morning and late night practices, and competitions, the Arnold thespians finally took home the MNAC East Title.

Not only did Arnold's cast and crew successfully claim this prestigious award, but Tatum Cool and Jarret Buchholz also earned the Runner-up Best Female Actress and Runner-up Best Male Actor awards.

Our neighboring town and sister school did well also, as they received Runner-up. The third place finisher was Brady Public Schools. Coming from Callaway, the Best Female Actor went to Ellana Willis and Best Male Actor went to Dalton Kunkee.

The competing schools were Anselmo-Merna, Ansley, Brady, Callaway, Litchfield, Sargent, and the winner, Arnold!

"I'm so proud of our team. They are extremely committed, talented, hardworking, and fun! I think that's part of the magic of this year. The ensemble scenes are so well done because the team works so well together and enjoys each other in the creative process," said Lana Cool. The school is proud of this exciting accomplishment and looks forward

The Cast posing a picture as their characters.

to the district competition on November 28, which will also be held at Ansley.

Welcoming New NHS Inductees

By: Eli Taylor, APS Sophomore

On December 19, Arnold Public Schools had their Annual National Honor Society Inductions. It started off with the Vice President Lydia Connell who stepped in for President Leighton Bubak who could not make it. Lydia first talked about what Honor Society is and then welcomed guest speaker Lindsey Divan from the Custer County Foundation.

Lindsey focused on the importance of the NHS ideals in building a stronger community. Those ideals include academics, character, service, and leadership.

plays an important role in recognition as students apply for scholarships and internships or jobs.

Service and leadership often go hand-in-hand because individuals develop leadership skills as they focus on serving the community and improving the features that citizen's value in it. "

"If you want to get into Honor Society you need to have a B average or be on a college track. Students must apply filling out an application that stresses extra curricular activities, service and community activities, work experience, recognition and awards, as well as writing a short essay demonstrating evaluates each potential member on performance in the areas of leadership, service, and character," stated Sponsor Debby Moninger (11-12 English teacher).

Before this induction the National Honor Society only had six members Leighton Bubak, Lydia Connell, Tatum Cool, Jarret Buchholz, Logan Coleman, and Cooper Taylor (all Seniors).

Mr. Morgan welcomed all of the new inductees that included Cole Gracey (Senior), Kenna Rogers (Junior), Bailey Schwarz (Sophomore), Kylee Lehmkuhler (Sophomore), Jadeyn Bubak, (Sophomore), Kacee Dvorak



Above left to right: Bailey Schwarz, Kylee Lehmkuhler, Kacee Dvorak, Landyn Cole, Jadeyn Bubak, Kenna Rogers, Cole Gracey, Lydia Connell, Cooper Taylor, Logan Coleman, and Jarret Bucholz.

Divan stressed that character often plays a role in how the community views individuals so students should strive to do their best to build a reputation of being kind and working hard. The reputation that an individual develops often how their personal leadership and service skills will enable them to be a strong NHS member.

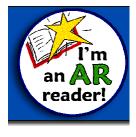
Input is requested by teachers and administration about students who applied focusing on the NHS pillars. The Faculty Council

(Sophomore), and Landyn Cole (Sophomore).

After these students were welcomed, Mrs. Moninger shared the goal of the Honor Society that would impact the school and community.

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SLB Lady Basketball

Lady Bobcats Dominate Season Opener

By: Jadeyn Bubak, APS Sophomore CALLAWAY— On November 7, the South Loup Lady Bobcats faced the Twin Loup Wolves at home for their first game of the 2018-19 season. The Cats definitely started out their season strong, as they took the victory 53-10.

The Bobs took no time getting started in the first quarter, as they outscored the wolves 19-3. The Lady Bobcats hustled defensively, and their full-court pressure gave the Wolves lots of difficultly getting the ball up the floor. In total, the girls worked hard to grab 19 steals on the night.

"I thought the girls played a great season opener. Defensively, we played well and our press really gave Twin Loup problems. Offensively, we shot the ball really well, especially from the outside and the free throw line," said Head Coach Abe Hinman.

The second quarter went just as smoothly for the Cats, as they brought in 19 more points and held Twin Loup to zero points in the quarter. Several of those buckets came from the charity stripe, as throughout the game, the Bobs were able to knock down 9 free throws.

Coming out of half time, South Loup decided to work on developing parts of their game that they hadn't focused on as much in practice.
Despite this, the Cats still outscored the Wolves 11-3 in the third quarter, and went 4-4 with them in the final quarter.

Scoring was very well rounded for the Cats, as eight players put points on the board. Leading

in scoring was Jessie Sallach, who brought in 16 points for the Cats. Sallach also dominated down low to grab 6 rebounds. Behind Sallach in scoring was Bailey Schwarz, who shot well from the outside, bringing in 7 points.

"Our upcoming schedule is tough going on the road, but I'm very confident in our team, and the girls have really embraced the process of getting better each day," commented Coach Hinman.

The girls' next matchup was against the Hershey Panthers at Hershey on December 4.

Cats Fall to Panthers

By: Jadeyn Bubak, APS Sophomore HERSHEY— On December 4, the Lady Bobcats hit the road to Hershey for their first of three away games on the week. Battling hard throughout the whole match,

the Bobs came up just short, losing to the panthers 38-44.

Despite the game ending in a loss, the girls still proved that they could hold their own with any team. The Bobcats started off the first

quarter strong, quickly putting



Pictured above is Jadeyn Bubak, as she pushes the ball up the floor against the Panthers.

8; however, the Cats rallied back in the fourth, bringing in 12 pointing to Hershey's 9.

Overall, South Loup performed very well on the night.

Jessie Sallach again dominated the floor, as she had 14 points on the night. Also working hard was Landyn Cole, who put up 11 points of her own. Offensively, the Bob-

points on the board. However, as

the quarter went on, the Panthers

were able to match their momen-

with the teams tied at 6-6.

South Loup 14-12. The third

tum, bringing the quarter to a close,

again a battle, as Hershey outscored

quarter also went the Panthers way

with them scoring 15 to the Cats

The second quarter was

outside shots to fall, where the Panthers were able to knock down 4 deep three-pointers. The Bobcats schedule didn't

cats had a hard time getting their

The Bobcats schedule didn't get any easier, as the Cats would travel to Cambridge on December 7 for their next game.

Lady Cats Come Up Short Against Trojans

By: Jadeyn Bubak, APS Sophomore CAMBRIDGE— Hitting the road again, the South Loup Lady Bobcats made the long journey to Cambridge on December 7, where they would fall to the Cambridge Trojans 47-38.

The Lady Bobcats played



Pictured above dominant post Jessie Sallach shoots from behind the arc.

hard all night, but they struggled to shut down Cambridge's lead scorer, Korynn Clason, who was able to put 24 points on the board against the Bobcats.

Struggling to get their momentum going, the Cats only scored 6 points to Cambridge's 14 points in the first quarter. The Bobs began to pick up speed in the second quarter putting up 10 to the Trojan's 11 points. The third quarter again went Cambridge's way; however, the Cats came alive in the fourth quarter, scoring 17 to the Trojan's 9 points.

Leading scorers for the Bobcats were Jessie Sallach with 19 points and Kalie Glendy with 7. Working hard defensively for the Cats were Landyn Cole and Megan Donegan, who each had 3 steals on the night.

South Loup's next game was against the Pleasanton Bulldogs at Pleasanton on December 8.

really came down to chemistry. It just seemed as if we just weren't on the same page in those games, but in the Pleasanton game it seemed as if the girls were all on the same page," reported Head Coach Abe Hinman.

South Loup played stellar defense all night, shutting down Pleasanton's

normally dominant offense. The score heading into half time was close, as Pleasanton was up 20-16. The Lady Bobcats came out strong in the second half, determined

> for the win, outscoring the Bulldogs 7-4 and 15-9 in the third and fourth quarters, respectively. "We really controlled the ball well at the end and put the game away at the free throw line," said Hinman. Putting up

22 points for the Cats on the night was lead scorer, Jessie Sallach. Bailey Schwarz made 5 points on the night, making crucial shots in the fourth quarter for the South Loup squad.

"It was such an amazing team effort vs. Pleasanton, which is what we really need going forward.," commented Hinman. The Lady Bobcats next game was against the SEM Mustangs on December 11.

Bobcats Prevai l 0ver Mustangs

By: Jadeyn Bubak, APS Sophomore



CAL-LAWAY— On December 11, the South Loup Lady

To the left,

Schwarz

from behind

the arc.

Schwarz is

a dominant

outside

shooter for

the South

Loup Lady

Bobcat

squad.

Bobcats took to their home court, where they added another victory to their season. Defeating the SEM Mustangs 44-28, the Lady Cats brought their season to a win-loss record of 3-2.

South Loup's defense to start the game off was stellar, as the Cats held the Mustangs to just 7 points in the first half. The Bobs performed well in every aspect of the game, as they secured 40 total team rebounds in the game, which included 16 offensive rebounds. Hustling was also a key in the match, as the Bobcats were able to snatch 7 steals.

"I think we knew that we had to play good defense against Pleasanton and we did and I believe it carried over into the SEM game. We knew we needed to come out strong and prove to everyone it wasn't luck that we beat Pleasanton and we had to play good against SEM to do so," commented Kalie Glendy, a junior point guard.

South Loup lost some speed heading into the second half, but they still maintained enough distance between them and SEM to secure the win. The Cats defense wasn't their only strength on the night, as they also played very well offensively. Glendy had an excellent game as she brought in 10 points, 5 rebounds, and 2 steals against the Mustangs.

The Bobs are only improving their team chemistry as the season goes on. Their next matchup was against the Medicine-Valley Raiders at Curtis on December 14.



Above South Loup's guard Landyn Cole defends Cambridge's Korynn Clason.

Bobcats Claim Unexpected Victory

By: Jadeyn Bubak, APS Sophomore PLEASANTON— On December 8, the Lady Bobcats traveled to Pleasanton, where they defeated the Pleasanton Bulldogs 38-33. This win over the Class D-1 Number 1 rated team broke up the Cats 2-game losing streak, giving the Bobs more confidence heading into the rest of the season.

"I really think that the games vs. Hershey and Cambridge

Bobs Have Success Over Raiders

By: Jadeyn Bubak, APS Sophomore Curtis— On December 14, the South Loup Lady Bobcats defeated the Medicine Valley Raiders with ease. Bringing their season to 4-2, the Lady Bobs beat the Raiders 57-23.

Starting in the first quarter, the momentum of the game was in the Cats favor. Jessie Sallach was unstoppable in the game, as Medicine Valley had little height to match-up against her. She picked up 13 points, 5 rebounds, and 3 blocks.

The Cats continued to expand their lead in the 2nd quarter. South Loup played tough defense all night, forcing Medicine Valley to have 22 turnovers. Out of their turnovers, the Bobcats were able to pick up 16 total team steals.

South Loup greatly expanded their lead in the 3rd quarter, as they added 18 points to their score, where Medicine Valley only picked up 6. Freshman Megan Donegan had an exceptional night. Donegan put up 11 points, 2 of which were 3-pointers. Other Bobcat scorers were Landyn Cole with 9, Bailey



Senior Mikayla McFate is shown driving to the hoop. McFate's drive is unstoppable on the court!



Pictured above is the South Loup Lady Basketball team with their Maxwell Holdiay Tournament Championship plaque!

Schwarz with 8, and Kalie Glendy and Jadeyn Bubak with 5 each.

"Against Medicine Vallev's 2-3 defense, we were able to hit more outside shots. The Raiders defense always shifted really far over with the movement of the ball, so the guards had a lot of open shots, especially if we threw a skippass," said Bailey Schwarz. See next week's paper for the result of the Maxwell Holiday Tournament. The gym moratorium will start Saturday, December 22 and ends December 26. Following winter break, the girls will battle the Sandhills-Thedford knights at Arnold on January 3.

Cats Dominate

Holiday Tourney

By: Jadeyn Bubak, APS Sophomore

MAXWELL— On December 17 and 18, the South Loup Lady Bobcats not only added two more wins to their season, but also took home the plaque as champions of the Maxwell Holiday Tournament.

For the first day of the tourney, the Cats went up against the Brady Eagles, and they defeated them easily 57-27. The Bobs outscored the Eagles in every quarter of play, and were on top at half leading 34-12

The Bobcats ran the floor exceptionally well, earning

many easy-layups through transition. South Loup's press also flustered the Eagles, giving them even more opportunities for quick steals, which resulted in buckets.

"I think the key in defeating Brady was running the game tempo and making the short shots! Running the floor well was also crucial! I think we have improved on moving the ball faster and picking up our game speed as the season has went on. Defense is a real strong suit of ours and continues to improve with each game," said senior Atlynn Witthuhn.

Leading scorer against
Brady was Jessie Sallach. Sallach
racked in 18 points and 10 rebounds on the night. Kalie Glendy
and Landyn Cole also shot exceptionally well, putting 12 points up
each for the Bobcats.

For the championship match, the South Loup Cats went up against the Maxwell Wildcats. The game was again a triumph, as the Bobs were victorious 46-26.

The Bobcats played very well defensively, as Maxwell never scored more than 10 points in a quarter. Offensively, the Bobs shot very well from behind the arc. As a team, the Cats went 4-9 at the three-point line, shooting at an impressive 44 percent.

Sallach put up 19 points for the Cats, and Cole again had a great shooting night scoring 11 points of her own. Megan Donegan performed well, earning 6 points and 3 rebounds.

The last game for the Bobcats before the break was against the Amherst Broncos on December 20 at Callaway.

Lady Cats Lose in Tough Overtime

By: Jadeyn Bubak, APS Sophomore CALLAWAY— On December 20, the South Loup Lady Cats battled with the Amherst Broncos through four close quarters and one overtime, but came up just short 46-40. This was a rescheduled game, and with this loss, the Bobcats ended the 2018 year 6-3. Leading in scoring for the Cats on the night was Jessie Sallach, who put up 19 big points. Sallach also had 8 rebounds. Kalie Glendy scored 9 for the Bobs and Jadeyn Bubak had 7 points of her own.

The Broncos players were very tall and long, making it difficult for the Bobs to maneuver passes. As a result, Amherst made a quick run in the 1st quarter, pulling ahead of the Cats 14-9.

After halftime, the Bobcats came out stronger and with more momentum. In the third quarter, the Cats outscored the Broncos 16-10, making the score very close heading into the fourth.

Late in the fourth, South Loup was up by two, but Amherst was able to knock-down two freethrows to tie the match. With less than 10 seconds remaining, the Bobs had the final shot attempt, but weren't able to knock it down, taking the game into overtime.



Pictured above is point guard Kalie Glendy taking a shot against the Amherst Broncos!

During the overtime,
Amherst was able to hit
several quick buckets, pulling ahead from the Cats
early. The Bobcats weren't
able to capitalize on their
possessions, for Amherst's
pressure defense caused
the Bobs into several turnovers. The Bobs hustled
and played hard the entire
game, but they were not
able to claim the victory in
overtime.

The Lady Bobcats next match-up will be against the Sandhills-Thedford Knights on January 3 at Arnold.

Battle of the Bigs

By: Jadeyn Bubak, APS Sophomore

ARNOLD—After a long winter break, the South Loup Lady Bobcats took to their home court at Arnold on January 3. The game proved to be a tough battle, but the Cats prevailed, claiming the victory over the Sandhills-Thedford Knights 35-26.

After tight first-quarter play, the teams were tied up 5-5. South Loup's Jessie Sallach and Sandhills-

Thedford's Marlee Taylor provided a tough matchup, as both of them used their 6-foot frames to negate each other's scoring. Despite this, Sallach was still able to put up 9 points and also grabbed 5 rebounds for the Bobs.

"We had to find ways to use our outside shots more since Jessie and Marlee were such a tight match-up. Also, since Sandhills-Thedford didn't have any other taller girls we really had to use our other posts because of the height differences," commented Bailey Schwarz.

The second quarter was another fight, as the teams remained 1 point apart at half, with the Knights leading 13-12.



Shown here is senior Atlynn Witthuhn powering through Sandhills-Thedford's defense to score a layup.

After halftime, the Lady Bobcats took control of the momentum of the game and gained a lead on the Knights. Kalie Glendy extended this momentum into the fourth quarter, as she hit a huge half-court shot at the buzzer. Glendy would end the night with 5 points, 5 rebounds, and 4 assists.

The Bobs again outscored the Knights 13-10 in the fourth quarter, sealing their first win of 2019. Another outstanding performer of the match was Landyn Cole, who put 9 points on the board. As a team, the Bobcats played very well defensively, as the Cat squad had 15 steals on the night.

The Bobcats next game was against the Bertrand Vikings on January 5 at Callaway.

Bobcats Defense Leads to Victory

By: Jadeyn Bubak, APS Sophomore CALLAWAY— The South Loup Lady Bobcats added another win to their season on January 5, as they defeated the Bertrand Vikings handily 42-17. With this victory, the Lady Cats moved their record to 8-3.

Defense was a huge factor



Shown above freshman Faith Bierman shoots and scores against the Eagles in the JV game.

the game, as the Bobs prevented any Bertrand player from scoring more than 3 points. South Loup out-rebounded the Vikings 39-20 and also earned 11 steals.

The Cats outscored the Vikings in every quarter of play, and led the game heading into half with the score at 28-11. With no height to match that of Jessie Sallach, she was able to easily shoot over her defenders, bringing in 17 points for the Bobs. Sallach also had 9 rebounds and 5 steals.

The momentum was definitely with South Loup in the third quarter, as they created a fast-pace game adding in their press. In fact, the Lady Bobcats outscored the Vikings 16-2, giving them a large lead heading into the fourth quarter.

The Bertrand squad subbed out their starters with 5 minutes left remaining in the match, declaring the victory for the Cats. Mikayla McFate had an excellent game, as she drove to the bucket, earning not only a quick layup but also later on drawing a foul and knocking down one of her free-throws.

"Our defense was something we definitely did well against Bertrand. But I also think we were patient with our offenses. We played the offenses smart and took

our time against their defenses to either get the ball inside or for a good opportunity to shoot outside. I think our defense shut them down because we trusted each other on screens. There was lots of communication and that helped us trust there was someone to help out! Our chemistry also really showed throughout this game," said Mikayla McFate.

The South
Loup Lady Bobcats next games
will be against
the Maxwell
Wildcats on
January 11 and

Brady Eagles on January 12.

Bobs Win Over Wildcats

By: Jadeyn Bubak, APS Sophomore ARNOLD— On January 11 the South Loup Lady Bobcats took to the court to face off against the Maxwell Wildcats for the second time this season. The Lady Cats battled hard, and claimed the victory 44-38.

The first half of the match was a fight, as both teams were pushing the game speed and running the floor well. Heading into half, the Wildcats were leading the Bobs 21-18. Despite this lead, the girls would prevail in the second half, outscoring the Wildcats 26-17.

South Loup starter, Jessie Sallach, only played the second half of the game as she was still recovering from an ankle injury earlier in the week. South Loup fed off the momentum of her return, and earned a lead in the fourth, causing the Wildcats to foul. This inevitably led to the Cats knocking down 21 total free throws in the match.

Maxwell again played the

girls in a tough 1-3-1 defense, but Kalie Glendy took advantage of this, as she knocked down 3 three-point shots. Glendy would end the night as lead scorer with 15 points. Other high scorers were Jadeyn Bubak with 9, Jessie Sallach with 8, and Landyn Cole with 7.

"We capitalized on Maxwell's zone defense and shot the ball well from the outside throughout the first half. During the second, we focused on driving to the hole to get to the free-throw line," commented guard Landyn Cole.

Cats Triumph Over Eagles

By: Jadeyn Bubak, APS Sophomore ARNOLD— For some high school basketball teams, it can be difficult to defeat a team twice in one season; however, on January 12, the Bobcats proved that beating the Brady Eagles once again would be no problem. The Bobs left no doubt that they were the top team, as they defeated the Eagles 55-20.

The Cats had an exceptional first half, as they dominated the Eagles 31-8. Overall, the Bobs outplayed the Eagles in every aspect of the match. The girls outrebounded the Eagles 22-9, with 8 of the rebounds being offensive.

South Loup also shot well from behind the arc, knocking down 3-6 three-point shots.

Lead scorer for the Cats was Jadeyn Bubak, who put 8 points on the board. Bailey Schwarz and Landyn Cole each had 7 points, and each of them also hit one beautiful three-pointer.

Other high scorers were Calyn Liable, Kalie Glendy, and Atlynn Witthuhn with 6 each.

Seniors Mikayla McFate and Cheyney Loper played well, as McFate drove in for 4 points and Loper added 2 of her own. Freshmen Faith Bierman also scored her first varsity points, as she cut to the basket and put in a two-pointer.

"I think we put pressure on the ball well and fought for every loose ball. I think we shot free throws well and when we stole the ball we did a good job of turning the steal into a two-point shot or a free throw opportunity," said Calyn Liable.

The South Loup squad continues to impress as the season goes on, and they're now at an impressive 10-3. The Bobs next game was against the Arcadia-Loup City Rebels on Tuesday, January 15.

Cats Hustle to Another Victory

By: Jadeyn Bubak, APS Sophomore ARNOLD— On January 15, the Lady Bobcats defeated a tough Arcadia-Loup City team 53-37. The game was a close, high-speed match, but the Bobs hustle and never-quit attitude led them to a well-earned victory.

Both teams came out fiery at the start, but the Bobcats were ahead at half with a 25-19 lead. For a majority of the game, the Rebels played a tight man-to-man defense, which gave the girls opportunity to drive to the hoop and make passes inside.

In the second half of the match, ALC tried out their 1-3-1 defense in an effort to stop the ball from getting inside, but this only allowed for more outside shots for the Cats. Shooting exceptionally well was Bailey Schwarz, who knocked down three shots from behind the arc. Schwarz would finish with 10 points.

The Rebels played big down low, but the Bobs were still able to out-rebound them 31-20. South Loup also shot well from the charity stripe, as they were able to knock down 11-14 free throws, ending the

night 79% from the free throw line.

Jessie Sallach worked her post moves hard and put 12 points on the board for the Bobcat squad. Other high-scorers were Jadeyn Bubak with 8, and Atlynn Witthuhn, Kalie Glendy, and Landyn Cole with 6 each.

With this win, the Cats improved to an impressive 11-3. The Ansley-Litchfield games, which were postponed due to illness, have been rescheduled for January 29. The Cats next games will be part of the MNAC tournament.

Lady Cats Take MNAC Runners-Up

By: Jadeyn Bubak, APS Sophomore NORTH PLATTE— The week of January 21 kicked off the MNAC tournament games. It was a busy week, and the South Loup Lady Cats ended the tournament as MNAC Runners-Up, falling short to Mullen in the championship game 25-37.

As the first seed heading into the tournament, the South Loup Lady Bobcats had a bye the first round of competition. For the second round, the Cats faced off against the Brady Eagles at Merna. The Bobs took the games with ease, claiming the victory 53-17.

South Loup's defense was a crucial part in the win, as they held the Eagles to zero points in the first half, a feat not easily completed.

Scoring went the Bobs way every quarter, as the scoring went as followed: 12-0, 16-0, 13-12, and 12-5. Another impressive stat for the girls was their 17 steals, resulting in many easy layups.

Leading scorer for the match was Kalie Glendy, who drove to the hoop all night, earning 14 points for the Cats. Also playing well was Landyn Cole, who put 11 points on the board for South Loup.

For the third round of games, the Bobs were cross-bracketed and set to play the Cody-Kilgore Cowgirls. The girls gave an immense effort in this match, securing their spot in the championship game and beating the Cowgirls 48-33.

South Loup outscored Cody-Kilgore every quarter of the match. They also out-rebounded the Cowgirls 36-21. Leading scorer for the Cats was standout player Jessie Sallach, who had no problem shooting over the short competition to put 15 points on the board. Sallach also had 13 rebounds and 4 assists. Kalie Glendy also gave a great effort in this match, as she scored 12 points for the Cats.

In the championship game, the Bobs faced off against the Mullen Broncos. The girls had a hard time getting anything done offensively in the first half, as they only scored 6 points to Mullen's 18. Despite this, the Bobcats did not give up, as they outscored the Broncos in the second half of play 19-16 and held them to just 3 points in the second quarter.

Sallach again was lead scorer, with 10 points in the match. Other scorers were Landyn Cole and Jadeyn Bubak with 4.

"I think we fought extremely hard in each conference game. We played great defense, especially in our first two matchups. Before districts I think we need to work on getting more outside shots and handling the defensive pressure the other team puts on us," commented Cole.

The Cats will have a chance for revenge though, as they will play the Broncos again on February 1 and then Southern Valley on the 2. Despite this loss, the Bobs are still an impressive 13-4 and continue to make the Bobcat nation proud.



Above is the South Loup Lady Basketball team with their MNAC Runners-Up plaque.

Bobcat Boys Basketball



SLB's Strong Start to Season

By: Landyn Cole, APS Sophomore CALLAWAY-- The South Loup Bobcats boys basketball team kicked off their 2018-2019 season with a win over the Twin Loup Wolves. The Bobcats won the game

by a staggering amount, taking the game 61-18. The Junior Varsity game was also a success, with the Bobcats winning the game 45-2.

South Loup's tough press was too much for the Wolves to handle, as the Bobcats racked in steals to layups.

As a team, the Bobcats' quickness allowed them to finished the game with 19 steals.

During the 1st quarter, SLB went on a 19-0 scoring streak; it wasn't until the last 3 minutes of the quarter that the Wolves were able to score again.

Kalen Dockweiler started his senior year of ball with an impressive performance, scoring the first 11 points for the Cats before Leighton Bubak snatched up a steal and put in the layup. Dockweiler finished the game with 18 points and 6 steals.

Next leading scorer was Jace Connell, who added 13 points to the board.

Quarter 1 ended 25-7; the second quarter finished at 44-11; quarter 3 was 54-13; and the 4th ended with a final score of 61-18.

It is without a doubt that the Bobcats have the potential to have a very successful season. The Bobcats' next game was played on Friday, the 7th at Cambridge.

Cats Come Out On Top Over Cambridge

By: Landyn Cole, APS Sophomore CAMBRIDGE—On Friday, December 7, the Bobcats made the long trip to Cambridge for their matchup against the Trojans. The first half of the game was a close one, but the Cats limited their turnovers in the second half and ran away with the score, winning 54-30.

"As a team we calmed down and started playing a lot smarter on both sides of the ball in the second half, which allowed us to really stretch the lead and get a good win," said Bubak.

Despite Cambridge's tough defense, several South Loup players added high amounts of points to the board, including Dockweiler with 21, Connell with 10, and Jones with 7.

The Bobcats also played aggressively on the defensive end, having a team total of 12 steals. Dockweiler and Jones led the team with 4 steals each. Bubak and Gracey had 2 apiece.

The Bobcats' win against the Trojans brought their season record to 2-0, and they played their next game on December 8 in Pleasanton.

Bobcat Boys Suffer First Loss

By: Landyn Cole, APS Sophomore PLEASANTON—The Bobcat Boys Basketball team suffered their first loss of the season to the Pleasanton Bulldogs on December 8. While the Bobcats fought hard,

they were unable to get their shots to fall on the offensive end. Pleasanton put up 53 points compared to the Bobcats' 32.

Dockweiler led in Bobcat team points, finishing the game with 12. Dockweiler hit three 2-point field goals, one 3-pointer, and three free-throws.

Due to injury, Jones was unable to play, but Sophomore Drew Vickers stepped up to fill the starting post position, putting up 10 big points and grabbing 11 total

rebounds.

While the outcome wasn't what the Bobcats wished for, the match only fueled SLB's desire to do well in the coming games.

"Coach has said it all year round—rebounding, taking care of the ball, and foul trouble! Against Pleasanton we struggled to do these three things. Another thing we can take from the Pleasanton game is knowing multiple positions. We were forced to play different personnel due to foul trouble, and consequently couldn't get going on the offensive end," said Dockweiler.

After the loss, the Cats' record is 2-1, and they played their next game in Curtis against Med-Valley.

Bobcats Secure the Win Over Medicine Valley

By: Landyn Cole, APS Sophomore CURTIS—The Medicine Valley Raiders were no match for the Bobcat boys basketball team, as SLB won the matchup on December 14 by a landslide—69-35.

The Bobcats held their own, despite lacking two essential posts—Vickers and Jones—due to injury. Eddie Berger stepped in to

start for the Cats, and performed well, finishing with 3 points, 3 steals, and 2 assists. Tak-

Taking advantage of Medicine Valley's lack of numbers of players, SLB ranthe floor, gaining many

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Gracey puts in the easy layup against Twin Loup

tion layups.

"Going into the game we knew that we had to be on top of our game because we were missing our two big guys, Drew and Grant. Our starting lineup was pretty short, Cole is 5'11 and jumped for the tip at the beginning of the game. Since we were so short we knew we had to get out and use our speed against them. We advanced the ball as fast we could and got a

lot of layups off of that. Once they started crashing down on our drives to the hoop we kicked the ball out and shot confidently as a team and knocked down some outside shots. We played great defense and that led to forcing turnovers and breakaway layups," said

Jace Connell.

Dockweiler makes the long jumper against the Wildcats

Connell was the leading scorer for the Bobcats, putting up 23 points, and snatching 4 rebounds. Behind him was Cole Gracey, who had 12 points of his own. Connor Rosfeld and Leighton Bubak were also big scorers in the game, with Rosfeld having 10 points and Bubak having 9.

Due to South Loup getting a big lead early in the game, the whole bench received quality playing time. Brett Halstead came into the game and knocked down two inside shots to add 4 points to the board. He was also a big on the block, having 5 total rebounds.

The Bobcats' next matchup was against Brady at the Holiday Tournament held in Maxwell on December 17. The Cats then played in the second round of the tournament on the 18. South Loup boys now have a record of 3-1.

Bobcat Boys Champion of Holiday Tournament for Third

Consecutive Year

By: Landyn Cole, APS Sophomore

MAXWELL—The Bobcat boys won the Maxwell Holiday Tournament for the third straight

> year! The South Loup boys took on the Brady Eagles on December 17 in Maxwell for the first round of the tournament. The Cats won the game 60-The first half

of the game was close in score, with the second quarter ending 25-21 in favor of the Bobcats. During the second half, the Cats applied more

defensive pressure and worked the press to run away with the score.

"Defensive pressure was the key to the second half. We did a better job of communicating,

scrambling, and taking away passing lanes, making Brady struggle to handle the ball," said Grant Jones.

Leading the Cats in scoring was Dockweiler who added 22 points to the board. He knocked down four 3-pointers and 5 inside shots.

Behind Dockweiler in points was Connell who finished the game with 12. Other high scorers were Gracey with 11, and Iones with 8.

The Bobcats' stellar performance advanced round of the tournament, where they battled the

Maxwell Wildcats.

The Bobcats took the championship game 60-27. South Loup took the lead from the start, ending the first quarter 25-8, and finishing the first half 39-12.

Many SLB players contributed to the score. Connell had 14 points, Dockweiler had 13, Jones finished with 10, and Gracey had 9.

As a team, the Bobcats had 24 steals compared to Maxwell's 8, and shot well from behind the arc, knocking down seventeen 3-point-

The Bobcats played their next game on December 20 in Callaway against the Amherst Broncos.

Bobcats Beat Broncos

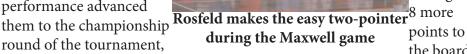
CALLAWAY—The Bobcats finished the 2018 year strong, beating the Amherst Broncos on the Bobcats' home court in Callaway. The final score was 55-42.

The South Loup boys gained back key-player, Drew Vickers, who was out due to injury; he played exceptionally well, putting up 13 points.

The Cats' leading scorer was Jace Connell, who had 15 points. After Connell was Vickers who had 13; Grant Jones finished the game with 10 points; Cole Gracey and Kalen Dockweiler each had 6.

The Cats played close with Amherst in the 1st quarter, with the score being 15-12 with the Bobcats ahead at the buzzer. After the first quarter, the Bobcats held the lead





the board with the Bobcats only putting up 6.

In the 4th quarter, the Broncos once again outscored the Bobcats, but couldn't quite come back from the big lead the Bobcats had gotten in the first half. The game ended 55-42 with the Bobcats on top.

The win brought the Bobcats' record to 6-1. They Bobcats will play their next game on January 3rd against Sandhills-Thedford at Arnold.

Bobcats Secure Win Over Sandhills-Thedford

ARNOLD—The Bobcat boys basketball team played hard at their first game located in Arnold on January 3. South Loup beat the Sandhills-Thedford Knights 59-41.

Vickers and Connell both played exceptionally well, tying for leading scorer with 12 points each. Gracey, Jones, and Berger all added 8 points to the board.

The Cats came out fiery and aggressive, putting up 20 points in just the first quarter; the Bobcats' tough defense held the Knights to 7 points. At the end of the first half, the scoreboard read 36-19, with the Bobcats on top.

The second half was a much closer game scoring-wise, with Sandhills-Thedford adding 13 points to the board in quarter 3 compared to South Loup's 12 points. Throughout the 4th, the Knights put up 9 points and the Bobcats added 11 points to the board.

The Sandhills-Thedford game was the first of a long stretch of home games, as the Bobcats played in Callaway on January 5, and then in Arnold on January 11, 12, 15, and 17. The Bobcats now have an excellent win-loss record of 7-1

SLB Boys Beat Bertrand

CALLAWAY—On January 5, the Bobcat boys basketball team battled, and beat, the Bertrand Vikings, with the final score being 62-46.

The game was close the first half. A half-court buzzer beater made by a Bertrand player at the end of quarter 2 brought the score to 25-23, with the Bobcats still in the lead.

Momentum was in South Loup's favor in the second half, and the Cats ended quarter 3 on top with the score being 40-31. The Bobcats then ended the game strong, finishing 62-46.

Leading scorer for the Bobcats was Dockweiler, who put an impressive 22 points on the board. Other high scorers were Vickers and Bubak, who each had 9 points. Gracey trailed just behind with a hard-fought 8 points.

The win over the Bertrand Vikings brought SLB's record to 8-1. There next game was played on January 11 in Arnold versus the Maxwell Wildcats.

Bobcats' Success Continues

ARNOLD—On January 11, the Bobcat boys basketball team added yet another win to their record, beating the Maxwell Wildcats 72-40.

Several players had points in the double digits; Gracey and Jones each had 12, Berger and Connell both ended with 11, and Dockweiler had 10.

All players suited up for the Varsity game got at least one quarter of playing time, allowing many

players the chance to come off the bench and add points to the board. Scorers off the bench include Connor Rosfeld, Eddie Berger, Sam Cool, and Trevor Ross.

"We executed our offenses well and ran the floor," said Cool.

The Bobcats' work on the offensive end and effort on the defensive end made the game fun to watch. The score at the end of quarter 1 was 17-9, with the Bobcats in the lead. At half time, the board read 41-22. After the 3rd, the score was 63-28, and the game ended 72-40.

Connell attacks the hoop and makes the bucket over the Amherst player

Bobcats Beat Brady from Behind the Arc

ARNOLD—The South Loup Bobcat boys dominated over the Brady Eagles during their matchup on January 12 in Arnold. The Bobcats beat the Eagles 74-50.

The Cats were on fire from behind the arc, knocking down 13 total 3-pointers as a team. Eddie Berger came off the bench and put in all 6 of his attempted 3-pointers. Berger ended the night with 20 points.

"We shot lights out!" said Berger.

Kalen Dockweiler also found his rhythm, making 4 of his 5 attempted 3-pointers and knocking down 3 inside shots to finish the game with 21 points, all of which came in the first half.

Dockweiler, Leighton Bubak, and Sam Cool were successful in their free throws, as all shot 100% from the line.

South Loup played their next game in Arnold against Arcadia-Loup City on Tuesday, January 15.



Bobcats are on a Roll

ARNOLD—The South Loup Bobcat boys pulled out the win over the Arcadia-Loup City Rebels in the exciting game played in Arnold on January 15. The game was a back and forth battle between the two teams, but the Bobcats' willpower led to their victory.

The Bobcats started the game slow, only putting up 8 points compared to the Rebels' 20 in the first quarter. The Bobcats fought back in the second, adding 12 more points to the board and holding ALC to only 10 points. This brought the end of the firsthalf score to 30-20, with the Rebels ahead.

Kalen Dockweiler gave the Rebels trouble, as he was unstoppable on the offensive end. Dockweiler put up 21 total points throughout the game, with nearly half coming from the free-throw line. He finished the match with one 3-pointer, six 2-pointers, and 6 free throws.

Cole Gracey also came out scrappy and aggressive, adding 11 points to the board and snatching 2 steals, plus an offensive rebound. Gracey also shot 100% from the free-throw line.

Despite trailing the Rebels by 10 points at the end of the first half, the Bobcats won the second half with their won't-quit attitudes. At one point in the 3rd quarter, the Bobcats were down 17 points to Arcadia-Loup City. However, SLB fought hard and cleaned it up to make a big comeback.

"They stopped turning the ball over and their shots started to fall," said head coach Jeff Cole.

The Bobcats added 25 points to their score in the 3rd quarter, and 19 more in the 4th to win the game.

The Bobcats' next game was played on Tuesday, January 22. It was South Loup's first game of the MNAC tournament. The Ansley-Litchfield game that was scheduled on January 17 was cancelled due to illness and has been rescheduled to Tuesday, January 29.

Records are Broken and

Bobcats are Back-To-**Back MNAC** Champions

Tied During

Quarterfinal

MERNA—The Bobcat boys won their second round game of the MNAC tournament versus the Ansley-Litchfield Spartans on January 22. The Bobcat boys didn't have to play first round, as they were seated second and received

The game was fastpaced and intense. The Bobcats battled back and forth with the Spartans, whose lineup was filled

with quick, athletic players. Despite the tough competition, South Loup was victorious over Ansley-Litchfield 58-52.

Dockweiler was resilient against the opponents, putting up an outstand-

ing 34 points; 🍱 this tied the previous South Loup record for points in a game, which is a record Dockweiler has already tied once before. Dockweiler also had 6 steals, 6 assists, and 6 defensive rebounds. His aggressiveness put him at the free throw line 13 times; he made 8 of his

13 free shots.

Grant Jones makes the inside shot over the Brady player.

The Bobcats struggled to get things rolling on the offensive end, and were down 33-24 at the end of the first half. The Cats were more

aggressive on offense throughout the second half, adding 34 points to

> the board. Their defense was also stronger throughout half 2, as they held the Spartans to only 19 points.

Another impressive individual stat for the game goes to Grant Jones. Despite the numerous 6' Spartan players, Jones still battled and finished the game with 18 rebounds. This broke the previous SLB rebounding record.



for the two-point bucket.

Jones also added 7 points to the board and blocked 2 shots.

Cats Shoot

Lights Out in Semifinal

MPCC AT NORTH PLATTE—The Bobcats won their semi-final game versus the Mullen Broncos on January 24. The stands were packed full of SLB fans. The Bobcats utilized the deafeningly loud gym to their advantage, using the noise to fire them up. The final

score of the game was 45-27.

Although the Bronco players are quick on their feet, the Cats took care of the ball on the offensive end. On the defensive side, the Bobcats' tough defense forced the

Broncos to 5 turnovers.

Eddie Burger found his shooting rhythm yet again, swishing five total 3-pointers for a total of 15 points. Dockweiler and Jones also contributed on the offensive end, finishing with 7 and 6 points.

The Bobcats' win over Mullen had them fired up for the championship game.

Connell's Shot for the Win

MPCC AT NORTH
PLATTE—On Saturday, January
26, South Loup took the title of
MNAC Champions for the second straight year. The game was



Connell knocks down the gamewinning shot in the MNAC Championship.



as close as it could get, and came down to a nail-biting finish. The Bobcats won the game 63-62 over the Anselmo-Merna Coyotes.

The Bobcats came out on fire, scoring 21 points in the first quarter compared to the Coyotes' 13. In quarter 2, the momentum switched to favor the Coyotes, as they scored 21 points compared to the Bobcats' 14. At half time the score was 35-34 with South Loup in the lead.

Kalen Dockweiler and Jace Connell dominated on the offensive end, with Dockweiler having 26 points and Connell finishing with 15. Dockweiler was invincible from every spot on the court, making 6 inside shots, knocking down 3 buckets from behind the arc, and putting in 5 shots from the line.

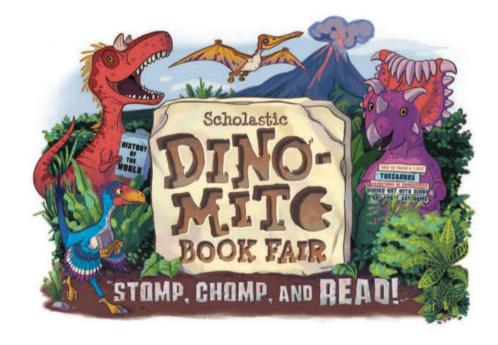
In quarter 3 and 4, both teams put the same amount of points on the board. In the third, 12 points were added to both teams' scores and in the fourth both teams scored 16 more points.

Connell's performance was incredible, with 9 of his 15 points

coming from behind the 3-point line. Connell's final bucket of the game—a rushed 3-point shot from the top of the arc with around 3 seconds left in the game—was the game winning shot for the Bobcats. The assist for Connell's spectacular shot can be credited to Eddie Berger.

"All I could think of was 'Just shoot it.' I didn't want to get too worked up since I knew it would be the last shot of the game. After the shot went in I was pretty excited and thankful that I got the opportunity to make the game winning shot," commented Connell.

The Bobcats fought hard to win the MNAC Championship title, and will have to fight just as hard to win the rest of their regular season games, as South Loup's schedule for the remainder of the season is tough. The Bobcats met up with the Ansley-Litchfield Spartans yet again on January 29 in Arnold.



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SLB VB Athletes

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By: Jadeyn Bubak, Sophomore

Nebraska Prep Zone Allstate:

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Addie Hild, Sr. Jadeyn Bubak, So.

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Leighton Bubak, Sr.

Play Production

Tatum Cool, Sr. Jarret Buchholz, Sr.

SLB FOOTBALL HONORS

By: Jadeyn Bubak, APS Sophomore

Class D1-8 All District Foot-

ball Selections:

First Team Offense

Running Back, Jace Connell Jr.

First Team Defense

Linebacker, Cole Gracey Sr.
Defensive Line, Gavin Robertson
Sr

Defensive Line, Cooper Taylor Sr. Linebacker, Grant Jones Jr.

Second Team Offense

Offensive Line, Weston Kunkee Sr. End, Grant Jones Jr.

Second Team Defense

Defensive Back, Jace Connell Jr. Defensive Back, Leighton Bubak Sr.

Honorable Mention

Defensive Back, Tayten Eggleston Sr. **Bobby Mills 1,000-yard Club** Jace Connell, Jr.

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Honorable Mention

Gavin Pobertson, Sr.

Gavin Robertson, Sr. Cole Gracey, Sr. Leighton Bubak, Sr. Jace Connell, Jr. Grant Jones, Jr.

<u>Lincoln Journal Star:</u>

Honorable Mention

Gavin Robertson, Sr. Grant Jones, Jr. Jace Connell, Jr.

North Platte Telegraph All Area Team:

Defense

Linebacker, Grant Jones Jr. Defensive Back, Cole Gracey Sr.

Honorable Mention

Gavin Robertson Jace Connell Leighton Bubak

Music Students Show Success

APS Students have been accepted into the following Honor Bands and Choir Festivals:

UNK Honor Band and Choir Festival

Honor Band:

Landyn Cole Zoey Borah

Festival Choir:

Kenna Rogers Jarret Buchholz

Women's Choir: Cecilia Wonch

North Platte Middle School Honor Band

Silas Cool, Alto Sax Lance Jones, Trumpet

Oregan Trails Honor Band

Zoey Borah, Flute RayLee Downing, Flute Carly Gracey, Clarinet Landyn Cole, Tenor Saxophone Colby Streit, Trumpet

Upcoming ACT Test Dates:

Test DateDeadlineLate DeadlineFebruary 9, 2019January 11, 2019January 12-18, 2019April 13, 2019March 8, 2019March 9-25, 2019June 8, 2019May 3, 2019May 4-20, 2019July 13, 2019June 14, 2019June 15-24, 2019

Second Annual Geography Bee

By: Eli Taylor, APS Sophomore

On January 16, Arnold Public schools held their second renowned Geography Bee that was brought back by the National Junior Honor Society.

The winner Josie Christensen (4th grade) won after 8 tiebreaker rounds and she had 14 total rounds. Josie learned the answer to her final question was when her fourth grade class went

to the Henry Doorly Zoo in Omaha. Her question was what is the driest content south of the equator with the answer of Antarctica.

It all started off with Mrs. Moninger (11-12 English) welcoming everyone for coming and saying that



Left to right: Silas Cool (8th), Ethan Furne (6th), William Moninger (7th), Gracie Neth (7th), Rio Remund (7th), Gabe Smith (5th), Aj Starr (6th) Crew Witthuhn (5th)



Left to right: Josie Christensen 1st, Crew Witthuhn 2nd, and Devin Peterson 3rd.

Mr. Peterson (7-12 History) would be asking the questions so all questions would be pronounced correctly.

It was tough competition with there being only six kids after the first round of eliminations. After the second round they where down to two kids Josie and Crew Whitthuhn (5th grade). Who where some of the youngest kids there.

After a winner came out on top they brought back four kids to decide a 3rd place incase the date for the local Geography Bee doesn't work out. It only took one round to decide the tiebreaker for 3rd place that was Devin Peterson (8th grade).

Join us for the

10th Annual Arnold Public School Spelling Bee!

The Spelling Bee will be held on

January 30th at 2:00 p.m.

in the Arnold Public School Gymnasium.

Public is welcome to attend!

The contest will feature students from

grades 4-8.

Classroom winners in grades K-3 will be honored

Eight students will advance to the Custer County Spelling Bee, which will take place at Ansley Public School on February 13th.



Superintendent Dawn Lewis Principal......Joel Morgan Editor-in-Chief.....

Nicole Badgley

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Breakfast and Lunch Prices

Breakfast: K-12 \$1.40,

Adults \$1.65

Grab-N-Go Break Pric-

es: \$0.45-\$0.65

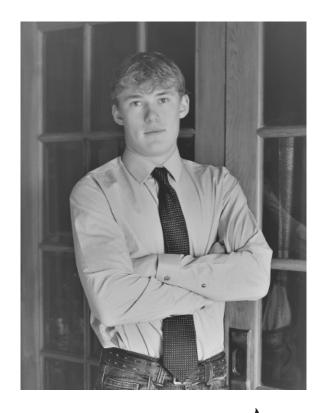
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Students: \$0.60 - \$2.10

Lunch: K-6 \$2.40, 7-12

\$2.65, Adults \$3.65

Senior Spotlight



Cooper Taylo

• WHAT IS YOUR FAVOR-ITE THING ABOUT YOUR HOMETOWN?

There is always something that needs done, whether it is schoolwork or chores around the house

• DESCRIBE THE LAST FEW MONTHS OF BEING A SENIOR IN THREE WORDS... Ready To Leave

•WHAT UNNATURAL THING WOULD YOU NOT LIVE WITHOUT?

I wouldn't be able to live without Firearms.

•WHAT IS THE TOP ITEM ON YOU BUCKET LIST?

I want to go to Australia

• WHO IS YOUR HERO AND WHY?

My hero is Matthew Collins (Cheesy). He never graduated high school, but today he travels across the country making \$150,000 a year. Matthew is proof that you can make it anywhere if you work hard enough.

SO FAR WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT BEING A SENIOR?

I like the freedom of being a senior.

•WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO THE UNDER-CLASSMEN?

Work hard on your school work and turn it in on time.

•IF YOU COULD PICK A MOVIE CHARACTER TO BE YOUR COLLEGE ROOMMATE, WHO WOULD IT BE? Dwains The Pock Johnson

Dwaine The Rock Johnson because he is hilarious.

-WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE CHEESY MOVIE QUOTE?

"I should've burned this place down when I had the chance." -Michael Scott

•WHAT WAS THE CRAZI-EST THING YOU'VE DONE IN HIGH SCHOOL?

The craziest memory I've had in high school would be working in human feces.

2018 Christmas Concerts High School Carols Jolly Elementary

By: Cecilia Wonch, APS Sophomore

You could hear the sounds of Christmas through the halls of Arnold Public Schools on December 6th. The concert was directed by music teacher, Chrysanne Bailey. The High School concert was performed by the 6th to 12th graders. The High School and Junior High band provided the entre of the concert, playing two songs including a clarinet solo from Carly Gracey.

Among the bands was the sixth grade band, that also played two songs of its own. Next, the Arnold Junior High Choir sang their melodious songs.

Junior High Choir sang their melodious songs.

The beautiful individual solos dazzled the crowd in awe and wonder. Soloists included Stella
Lewis, Lorraine Wonch, Layla Rivera, Cecilia Wonch, Kenna Rogers, and Jarret Buchholz. Then, with hopes of a winter wonderland this Christmas, the sixth grade singers strutted onto the stage.

The High School came upon the stage with the presence of angels, caroling four songs. As the night ended, the whole gym sweetly sang "Peace, Peace" to finish the jolly concert.

Bailey stated, "I think the High School choir was the strongest performance. I enjoyed the solos, and the Junior High came so far. I thought it went well from all of the groups that we had."

By: Cecilia Wonch, APS Sophomore

This season, the elementary expressed their love in holiday music on December 13th. With the help of the director, Chrysanne Bailey, the elementary impressed the crowd.

Every grade sang at least three songs of their own with cute little dances and props. Their bells, home-made horns, and Christmas cookies brought the Christmas spirit into the crowd. To begin and end the program, the whole elementary, from Kindergarten to Fifth Grade, sang "When the Holidays Come" and "Christmas Jubilation."

Fourth Grader, EvaLynn Wonch exclaimed, "I liked that we had props this year. I thought it was jolly!"



Pictured above the Forth Grade is shown singing one of their songs for the night.



Pictured to the left the High School and Junior High choirs are shown preparing for their last song for the night.

Box Tops

Arnold Public Schools will again be collecting box tops for education with a goal of earning \$500 to purchase items for classrooms. In the past, a Smartboard was purchased and some other nice equipment. The Box Tops



campaign is a school fundraising program started by General Mills in 1996. To date, Box Tops has raised over \$200 million to help purchase school supplies, playground equipment, technology items, and so much more. You can support our school by saving box tops and sending them with your student to the school, take them to Finch Memorial Library, or to Reed's Food Center. Thank you for your support.

Peter Sarpy Performance Inspires New Geniuses

By: Cecilia Wonch, APS Sophomore

History came alive when Peter A. Sarpy spread the story of the beginning of Nebraska to students! On January 8, 2019, Arnold Public School was introduced to Peter A. Sarpy, a French American who had witnessed and helped in the development of the state of Nebraska. Darrel Draper played the great Peter A. Sarpy, so he could carry on Sarpy's legacy.

Peter A. Sarpy was a man of great success, a fur trader and a steamboat owner on the Mississippi River. While entertaining the students, Draper, acting as Peter A. Sarpy, integrated both teens and elementary students as props for his stories. He explained how and why the United States gained the Louisiana Territory from the French, how much fur really cost back then, and shared pioneer stories about crossing the river on his own steamboat!

Sarpy witnessed the pioneers heading on the Oregon Trail, the Mormons, and even the California Gold Rush! He also led the pioneers to safer trails because not all lands are like they appeared, especially in Nebraska!

Keeping the crowd interested with his stories, Darrel Draper did an amazing job as representing Peter A. Sarpy.

Questions where soon brought out of the crowd, asking things like, "How much money did you make?" The response was, "Sarpy had \$93 thousand when he died, which would be in today's money more than \$4 billion."

Darrel Draper later answered a few of his own questions out of character. After a listener asked on what his favorite thing is while playing in character as Peter A. Sarpy, Draper answered, "To see the looks on people's faces when they heard something they never heard before!"

Growing up in Nebraska, Draper really knew a lot about Nebraska's past from hearing people telling stories and he was dedicated to learn more.

Peter A. Sarpy stated, "Big problem comes with big genius!" several times throughout his performance.

The Forth Graders performed their own Nebraska biography essays on January 11. Prior to Peter Sarpy's performance, the fourth graders already had their papers completed on their famous Nebraskan people. They then put on their costumes and performed just like Darrel Draper.

Mrs. Crow stated, "I feel that dressing up like their hall of fame member and presenting their essay about them is going to help them remember it and appreciate Nebraska history more."

The Humanities Nebraska and the Nebraska Cultural Endowment funded Darrel Draper's visit as Peter Sarpy. Darrel Draper donated the portion that wasn't covered by the grant.



Peter Sarpy using Jamison Lamphear, Trey Connell, and Gabe Smith to represent America.



Jade Hunt and Morgan Luera playing as Spain and France for Peter Sarpy's demonstration.



Josie Christensen posing as Susette LaFlesche Tibbles who's step grandfather is Peter Sarpy.

Senior Spotlight



MattaLynn Stienike

• WHAT IS YOUR FAVOR-ITE THING ABOUT YOUR HOMETOWN?

I'm originally from Omaha so I would have to say going to the skating rink.

• DESCRIBE SENIOR YEAR IN THREE WORDS.

Freedom, quick, stressful

•FINISH THIS SENTENCE... I COULD NOT LIVE WITHOUT...

my family

•WHAT IS THE TOP ITEM ON YOU BUCKET LIST? Make it through college.

• WHO IS YOUR HERO AND WHY?

My mom, she has been through many obstacles in her life. She is the strongest person I know.

•SO FAR, WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT BEING A SENIOR?

Being able to prepare myself for being an adult and being on my own.

• WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO THE UNDER-CLASSMEN?

Don't slack just because it's your freshman year. It will come back and bite you in the butt your senior year.

• WHAT HAS BEEN THE HIGHLIGHT OF YOUR SE-NIOR YEAR?

I'd have to say art class. We have the option to do whatever kind of project we'd like so I've been taking advantage of that. Also, trying new things. I've never joined speech. It's a good experience.

• WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO MISS THE MOST AS YOU GO ON TO THE NEXT CHAPTER OF YOUR LIFE? Honestly, not having to pay bills, and buy groceries.

• WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FOR AFTER HIGH SCHOOL? Work all summer then start college at Josephs Beauty School in Kearney in August.

Arnold's 2019 Quiz Bowl Schedule

High School:

February 20 at Broken Bow

February 25 MNAC Meet at Halsey

March 13 at Callaway

March 25 ESU 10 Meet at Kearney

Merna Meet T.B.A.

Junior High:

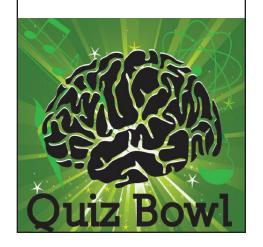
February 21 at Broken Bow

March 4 ESU 10 Meet at Kearney

March 4 MNAC Meet at Merna

March 18 at Merna

Good Luck To All Quizbowl Members!



Arnold Public Schools

UNUSAL HOBBIES

By: Eli Taylor, APS Sophmore

Ms. LIZ BROWN

Special Education
Mrs. Brown likes running in the snow.



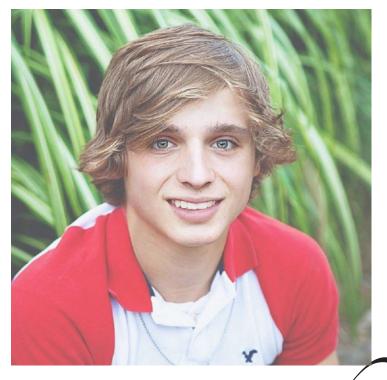
MR.TODD PHELPS
Second Grade Teacher
Mr. Phelps likes going on



HEATHER HAGLER
Secratary
Mrs. Hagler likes to dumpsterdive to find treaures to repurpose or reuse.



Senior Spotlight



Ian Smith

•WHAT IS YOUR FAVOR-ITE THING ABOUT YOUR HOMETOWN?

All of my friends and having a lot more things to do.

• WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE SCHOOL MEMORY? Having lunch with my friends.

•FINISH THIS SENTENCE... I COULD NOT LIVE WITH-OUT...

Having made the decisions I made that changed me.

ON YOU BUCKET LIST?

To go to Amsterdam or Vancouver.

• WHO IS YOUR HERO AND WHY?

My mom because she really came from nothing. She is the definition of a hardworker.

•SO FAR, WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT BEING A SENIOR?

You know, not a lot, because

I know I'm going to miss school.

• WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO THE UNDER-CLASSMEN?

Keep up with your homework, because if you don't it'll pile up quick.

• WHAT HAS BEEN THE HIGHLIGHT OF YOUR SE-NIOR YEAR?

Probably getting to practice wrestling for one day, and getting to see the potential talent in the room.

• WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO MISS THE MOST AS YOU GO ON TO THE NEXT CHAPTER OF YOUR LIFE? Not having to pay bills.

WHO HAS BEEN THE MOST INFLUENTIAL PERSON IN YOUR LIFE?

My stepdad, Brandon.

Honor Roll

Quarter 2 Honor Roll Semester 1 Honor Roll

9th Grade

Faith Bierman Reagan Cool Stella Lewis Colbi Smith

10th Grade

Jadeyn Bubak Landyn Cole Samuel Cool Kacee Dvorak Kylee Lehmkuhler **Bailey Schwarz**

11th Grade

Jace Connell

12th Grade

Leighton Bubak Jarret Buchholz Logan Coleman Lydia Connell Tatum Cool Mattie Stienike

9th Grade

Faith Bierman Reagan Cool Stella Lewis Colbi Smith Shayla Tickle

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11th Grade

Jace Connell Kenna Rogers

12th Grade

Leighton Bubak Jarret Buchholz Logan Coleman Lydia Connell Tatum Cool Cole Gracey Mattie Stienike

Super Senior Christmas Readers

In the season of giving, the seniors decided to go give a little cheer to the younger grades. The seniors, first, read to the first graders, hoping to give the younger grades more encouragement to keep on reading on. The books influenced the reading promotion by reading Christmas books.

On Wednesday, December 17, the seniors went to the third grade. The older generation told the younger generation their Cinderella stories while the younger generation presented theirs. And at the end, they celebrated with a delicious Hot Cocoa bar.

On the day after the 17, the seniors helped the third grade make some rubber band ball launchers!

Debby Moninger said, "The elementary kids love when the seniors go to their class. It gives the seniors a chance to teach the elementary academics. Academics are important and can be fun."



Pictured here Tayten Eggleston, Te' Andre Oberg, and Lane Long are reading a book together.

Coke Cap Collection

You can help out the school by collecting your Coke product bottle caps and numbers on the inside of Coke product boxes. We accept caps and cardboard cutouts from the products you get from convenience stores, the grocery stores, vending machines, at ball games, and other places may all have the promotional codes on them. Coca-cola committed itself to supporting education by enabling schools to collect donated points and then redeem them for a variety of school rewards including playground equipment, supplies, classroom materials, cameras, sound equipment, and more. You can send your Coke caps (and other Coke products) to



the school office and they will redeem them. For more information, you can go to the http:// www.mycokerewards.com/ schools. Thank you for your support.

School Calendar **Subcription - NEW!**

If you are interested in subscribing to the school calendar on your phone or computer, there is a new address to use. (Last year's calendar runs out very soon.)

Type in the following address, or copy and paste the address from the announcement tab on the school web page. http://ical. schedulestar.com/iCal_NOW. cfm?i=12435EDA-BE50-E29D-644F86352E7C93E3

As the calendar is udpated, your calendar will update too!

Guess That Handwriting Staff

Use the clues to guess the handwriting of staff from Arnold Public Schools. You can find the answers on page 33.

Happy Valentines Day 2. This para makes the most scrumptious pies, and always wears a smile on her face.
4. He taught us numbers, not just because he was good with them, but we all know handwriting was not going to be a good job for him. Happy Valentines Day 6. Her delicious food, and bubbly personality make for the best lunch around.
ow, and he acher looks 8. We can go to her for anything, at any time of day. Whether that advise about what to do, or just to see what food she hat that day. 9. This teacher and coach has more jobs than we can imagine but always knows how to make them.

Junior Honor Society **Babysitting**

The APS Junior Honor Society Members are offering baby sitting services!

WHEN: Parent-Teacher Conferences

WHERE: Mrs. Badgley's Classroom

TIME: 1 p.m. - 8 p.m.

There will be cookies, juice, games, books, movies, and lots of fun!



fun and joke around with his students.

Guess That Handwriting Students

Use the clues to guess the handwriting of students from Arnold Public Schools 6-12. You can find the answers on page 33.

Valentines Way V

1. (Above) This sophomore is known for having long, curly hair. He can also be seen with the top down on the convertable when it's below 40 degrees.

Happy Valentines Da

3. The above 7th grader is known for his shenanigans, loud voice, and always being able to make people laugh.

Valentines Day 87

2. The above freshman student is known for her unknown sicknesses, hight and ability to make anyone laugh at any time.

Valentines Dau

5. (Above) You know her as the sophomore who always has a blanket around her waste You may also know her for her spontaneous coffee runs.

Happy valentines Day O

8. (Above) This sophomore is always willing to help contagious laugh and smile. you out, and he is almost always wearing a smile, even when he is a little overweight for his next wrestling meet.

Happy valentines Day

9. The above 7th grader is shy when you first have fun.

Happy valentines Day 20

4. The above senior is capable of making anybodys day great, and not being afraid to talk to Mr. Morgan about calling a snow day.

lappy Valentines Day 7. The above freshman has curly hair, and is known for his

Happy Valentines Day

6. (Above) You will never see this senior without a smile on her face, and you can guarentee she will do anything to make you smile with her.

meet him, but once he gets to meet you, you will Happy Vallentives Day of 10. (Left) This bubbly freshman can be seen on stage acting or

<u>Capri Sun Bags</u>

Mrs. Crow is collecting Capri Sun bags again this year to help fund classroom projects. Please save those bags and send them to school with your student!



Year In Review Z

By: Jadeyn Bubak, APS Sophomore

Top Rising Country Artist: Luke Combs



Most Popular Video Game: Red Dead Redemption 2



Most Watched YouTuber:
Pewdiepie

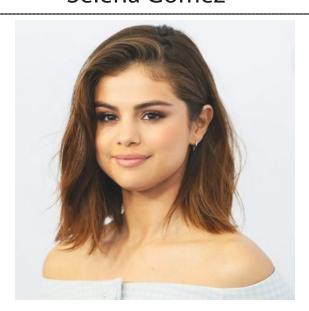


Top Netflix Series: Stranger Things

Most Downloaded Song: God's Plan



Most Followed Person on Instagram:
Selena Gomez



Most Popular Athlete: Lebron James





New Year's Resolutions

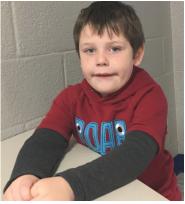
By: Landyn Cole, APS Sophomore



Brayden Brown: "I will look both ways before crossing the street to go to the park."



Ruby Hagler: "I want to make a snowman."



Isaac Jarmin: "Captain underpants."



Jeremiah Morgan: "I want to get better at Fortnite."



Maverick Bierman: "I would go to the zoo to see an ostrich, but I wouldn't get too close to the fence because the ostrich will peck me."



Aden Smith: "I want to try a slingshot."



Kenzie Connelly: "I want to swim more."



Olivia Doggett: "I want to try a rollercoaster."



Xander Hunt: "I want to go bowling."



Declan Teahon, Paiton Tucker, and Makenna Weinman: "I want to play in the snow."



Zeva Tickle: "Everything in life is great."



Ava Bierman and Bree Blowers: "We want to go to the zoo to see an elephant."

From the Superintendent's Desk



Winter weather has set in, and we are definitely feeling the effects on our calendar of events! Between snow and illness we have had to cancel and postpone events. Stay tuned for information regarding the reschedule of events when possible. As of now, we will not need to make up snow days, as we have some cushion built into the calendar.

I am excited to share with you all that CAPABLE, our Custer County group of school leaders and business leaders, has decided to partner with CAPS. This acronym stands for the Center for Advanced Professional Studies centered out of Blue Valley in Kansas. Jenny Fox and I did a lot of legwork researching this group last spring/summer, and pitched it to the rest of the group late summer. Other superintendents and leaders visited schools with the program in action, and the full board voted last month to become a part of the program. We are certain their expertise will enable us to provide more in-depth work-based learning experiences and career exploration for our students, beginning with exposure in elementary classrooms and culminating in intense internship/capstone projects for our oldest students in high school. The possibilities are endless, and we can't wait to get started as we plan to roll out next spring.

Arnold Public Schools is also undergoing the ReVISION process, which should aid in aligning our Career Tech Ed course offer-

ings with the NDE standards, and ensure we are offering courses that prepare students for career opportunities that align with the future needs of our region. We have had our first meeting with NDE and our community engagement meeting. Our next step will be to meet with NDE again and roll out the data gathered from our stakeholders. We are excited to see how our ReVISION efforts will support our proposed plans to create a Makerspace.

From the Principal's Desk



On December 21st, the Nebraska Department of Education released the new education profile for each district. The Arnold School District received an overall AQuESTT classification of "Great". The elementary and high school received separate ratings of "Great", while middle school rating was "Good". These ratings were based on state test scores, ACT, along with items like attendance rate, graduation rate, as well as an analysis of programs and processes here at Arnold.

On December 31st, the Nebraska Department of Education released our latest State Assessment Performance. As a district, we were 70% proficient in English Language Arts, 64% proficient in Math, and 73% proficient in Science. These district numbers were all above the state average. Our education profile is available to the public on the Nebraska Department of Education website.

As we head into these next couple months, we will begin to prepare for state testing this Spring. On April 2nd all Juniors will be taking the ACT here at school. There is no cost to the students for this ACT test since this is a state wide mandate.

Just a reminder that on February 7th there will be a 1:30PM

dismissal with parent/teacher conferences running from 2:00PM-8:00PM that day. Also, there will be no school on Friday, February 8th. On Wednesday, February 13th there will be a 1:30PM dismissal to allow time for staff professional development.

It has certainly been an active winter for cold and flu season this year as well. If your child is going to absent for any reason, please make sure you notify the office as soon as possible. If your child needs to leave during the school day for any reason, the school needs to be notified and students need to check with the office before they leave school grounds. If students are absent and the office is not notified, it will be marked as an unexcused absence.

With colder temperatures during the winter, students in grades K-5 will continue to go outside for recess as the weather permits. Please make sure your child has gloves, stocking caps, and coats to be prepared for colder conditions.

Helping Children Learn Tips Families Can Use to Help Children Do Better in School February 2019

Title 1 Cooperative Educational Service Unit #10

Simple activities help your child explore the world of science

Like many parents, you may be unsure how to help your child learn science. You don't have to have a science background or expensive equipment to do it. Just encourage your child to observe the science that is going on all around him.

Try these activities together:

- Begin a collection of items from nature, such as rocks or shells. Each time your child adds something new, help him record where it came from and describe its features.
- Keep a weather chart. Help your child keep track of the temperature and other conditions every day for a month.
- Take a walk on a warm night and look at the stars. Can your child identify constellations? If not, look for a book or an app that can help.
- Figure out how the spin cycle of the washing machine gets the water out of the clothes.
- Visit a park or nature preserve at different times of the year. Have
 your child record and classify the animals he sees—as mammals, reptiles,
 insects, etc. Does he see different animals in different seasons?
- Use a magnifying glass to look closely at leaves on a house plant, a bug or a hair from your child's head.



To express her thoughts effectively in writing, your child must combine a variety of skills. Here are five ways you can help her tackle the challenge:

- Ask your child to think out loud before starting. Clear writing starts with clear thinking. Talking through her ideas with you can help her clarify them.
- Encourage your child to take notes and make an outline before she starts to write. This will help her organize her thoughts.
- Have her focus on what she wants to say in a rough draft.
 After she gets her ideas down, she
- can edit for spelling and grammar and create a final draft.
- 4. Give more praise than criticism. Be specific: "Your description really told me how Ali felt when she was lost." It's OK to point out some errors, but don't let your child think you look only for what's wrong.
- Be patient. Learning to write well takes time. With your support, your child's skills will improve.

Practice analytical thinking

Comparing and contrasting are important ways students learn to think analytically. Encourage your child to sort things into groups, then talk about their similarities and differences. Ask questions like, "How are fish and humans the same? How are they different?"

Stop clowning around

It's great to have a sense of humor. But constantly disrupting class with jokes and body sounds is no laughing matter. Being the class clown can negatively affect your child's learning and his relationships with classmates. If your child is acting up in class:

- Talk to the teacher about what may be triggering his behavior.
- Talk to your child about when it's OK to be silly and when it's not. Let him know what behavior you and the teacher expect. Set consequences for misbehavior.

Source: L.A. Barnett, "The Education of Playful Boye: Class Clowes in the Classicom," Fraction in Psychology, nissoc.com/ down.

Serve foods that feed your child's brain

The food your child eats can have a big effect on his performance in school. Students who skip breakfast don't do as well in school as kids who start their day with a healthy meal. And when children eat meals that are high in fat and sugar, their bodies tend to crash, and they become very tired—making it hard to concentrate.

To help your child learn to make healthy food choices, buy only the food you want him to eat—such as lean proteins, fruit, vegetables and whole grains. He can't eat unhealthy food if it isn't around.

Source: Childhood Nutition Facts, Centers for Disease Captrol and Proportion, piece-com/nutrition.

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Activity Passes



Activity Passes, which get you into all home games at Arnold and Callaway, all year, will cost \$20.00 for students, \$40.00 for parents, and \$80.00 for a family. These passes will be good for all events except NSAA sponsored activities, and conference events. Everyone can get them at the office.

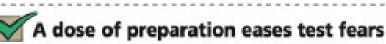
Title 1 Cooperative Educational Service Unit #10

Meaningful responsibilities teach life skills and build confidence

When you give your child responsibilities to fulfill at home, she learns practical skills that help her see herself as a capable person. She also strengthens skills that go hand-in-hand with responsibility, such as planning and accountability. These are all things that will serve her well in school and in life.

Some kids are ready for certain tasks before others are. Take your middle schooler's development into account, then consider giving her responsibility for:

- Scheduling. Have your child track her appointments, extracurricular activities and social events. She can mark them on the family calendar and help coordinate transportation.
- Budgeting. Put your child in charge of managing some of her expenses.
 If she wants to purchase something, encourage her to make a plan. How much allowance will she have to save, or what odd jobs can she do to reach her goal?
- Contributing. Ask for your child's opinions and consider them. Expect
 her to participate in discussions about things that affect family life. For
 example, have her do the research for a weekend excursion your family
 could take together. Asking your child to contribute her ideas makes her
 feel valued. It may even encourage her to participate more often in class.



Does the thought of a test make your child's stomach ache and his hands get clammy? The best medicine for test anxiety is preparation. To help your child relax and get ready for tests:

- Ask why he's anxious. Just voicing his concerns out loud may make them seem less scary.
- Remind him of his strengths. "Even though you were worried about the big science test, you studied hard and did really well."
- Create a cozy study spot.
 Carve out a quiet place at home where your middle schooler can study. Make sure he has all the

supplies he needs—including a nutritious snack—when he sits down to hit the books.

Help him plan study time.
 Have him schedule some time to study each day leading up to the test. Discourage cramming the night before.

If your child does well on the test, celebrate. If he doesn't, discuss how he can prepare better next time.

Ask for an explanation

In middle school, just giving an answer is not always enough. Your child may have to give examples to support it. To help her practice, have her explain her decisions. "I'm excited that you decided on swimming. Tell me why you chose that sport." Explaining will help her clarify her reasoning in her own mind.

Discuss social media issues

Use of social media sites such as Snapchat, Instagram and YouTube is on the rise among middle schoolers. To help your child make the best choices while on social media sites, monitor his activity. Additionally:

- Talk about privacy. Kids care most about how their posts affect their reputation among their peers. Remind your child to think carefully about whether posting or sharing an item could damage his or someone else's reputation.
- Talk about values. If he wouldn't say or do something in real life, your child shouldn't say it, do it or share it online.

Source: A. St. John, "Wirning Kids About Digital Privacy Doesn't Work. Here's What Does," Consumer Reports, niswc.com/smattchoices.

Share tips for taking notes

Learning to take useful class notes will help your child throughout her school career. Encourage her to:

- Develop a system. Have your child come up with abbreviations and symbols for frequently used words and highlight phrases the teacher emphasizes.
- Edit notes after class. While the information is still fresh in her mind, your child should read her notes and clarify or expand them as necessary. She can also try to write a short summary.

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- http://www.arnoldpublicschools.org/activity-calendar
- On the announcements tab, scroll to the bottom
- Link to the school newsletter: http://www.arnoldpublicschools.org/journalism
- Links to newsletters prior to the 2015-2016 school year: https://sites.google.com/a/esu10.org/mrs-badgley/school-newsletters
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Elementary School

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- 1. Try a new mode of transportation with your shild, such as a train or bus.
- 2. Go to the library and encounage your child to check out some books. Cherk out some books for yourself, too!
- 3. What are your child's academic interests? Talk about how those topics can help him outside of school.
- 4. On a thin piece of cardboard, have your child draw a scene or write a quotation from a book to make a bookmark.
- 5. Review your child's schedule. Does she have enough "down time"?
- 6. Challenge family members to get creative in the kitchen. See who can invent the greatest tasting new pizza topping.
- 7. Look in the newspaper or online for a list of things to do in your town. Which ones appeal to your child!
- 4. Encourage your child to write a Valentine's message to someone who is sick or lonely. Mail it to that person
- 9. Have your child dissolve some salt in a glass of scater. Watch for a few
- days. Talk about what happens. 10. Set aside time today to work on a hobby with your child.
- 11. Have your child pretend to be a news anchor and give you a report about his day.
- 12. Ask your child if she has ever been bullied or witnessed bullying in school. If she has, be sure to alert the school.
- 13. Find a world map. Show your child where his ancestors came from.
- 14. Show and sell family members that you love them.
- 15. Put three items in a bag. Challenge your child to use them as props in. an improvised skit.

- - 16. Cherk out a joke book at the library. Take turns sharing jokes at dinner.
 - 17. Read a favorite fairy take to your child.
 - 16. Make a crosswood puzzle out of your drild's spelling words. Solving it will help her review

 - 19. When your child makes a good decision, sessard him with praise.
 - 20. Ask your child about people she admires and why she admires them. 21. Playe each family member bring an interesting fact to dinner.
 - 22. It's George Washington's birthday. Help your child learn something. new about the first U.S. president.
 - 23. Discuss outer space with your child. Teach him to remember the order of the planets using "My Very Elegant Mother Just Served Us Noodles" (Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiser, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune).
 - 24. Ask your child to make a list of isens in your home that come from plants
 - 25. Make math yammy. Give your child raisins or mini marshmallows to use as manipulatives when adding and subtracting
 - 26. Have your child write a poem or story from the point of view of an appliance or a family per
 - 27. Tie a string between two chains. Use a balloon to play indoor volkyball with your child.
 - 28. Have your child read to you as you're cleaning up after supper. Or read



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<u>Answers</u> Guess That Handwriting

Students: 1. Brett Halstead, 2. Carly Gracey, 3. Dawson Doggett, 4. Cole Gracey, 5. Kacee Dvorak, 6. Zoey, 7. Jake Halstead, 8. Logan Peterson, 9. Jamie Tickle, 10. Layla Rivera.

leachers: 1. Mrs. Badgley, 2. Melissa Bierman, 3. Ms. Bailey, 4. Mr. Schwarz, 5. Mrs. Hagler, 6. Rose Bierman, 7. Mr. Peterson, 8. Ms. Nansel, 9. Mr. Cole, 10. Mr. Jagler.

Middle School

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- 1. Do a taste set with your child. By different brands of a food you like Which one tastes better?
- 2. Talk with your child about what to do in case of a kitchen fire.
- 3. Ask your child. "If you had to name your three best qualities, what would you say!"
- 4. Today is the birthday of Rosa Parks. With your child, learn more about this woman who changed history.
- 5. Teach your child symbols that speed up note-taking, such as say for seich.
- 6. Talk with your child about mistakes. What should people do when they make a mistake? (Admit it, try to fix it and learn from it.)
- 7. Make up trivia questions about your family. Quiz each other at dinner.
- 8. Have your child write a Valentine's message to someone who is sick or londy. Mail it to that person.
- 9. Challenge your child to figure out how many square feet of carpet it would take to cover her bedroom floor.
- 10. Ask your child what he would do if a friend of his stole something from a store.
- 11. Pick a subject, Together, think of as many things as possible that are connected to it.
- 12. Have your child estimate how many bowls of cereal can be poured from one box. Keep track until the box is crupty.
- 13. Look for a food label written in several different languages. Can your child guess what languages they are?
- 14. Tell your child one specific thing you love about her.
- 15. Does your child have homework to do over the weekend? Make sure he sche fules time to complete it.

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- 16. At the library, help your child research a docum career.
- 17. See if your child can list the planets other than Earth.
- 16. Don't let your child watch TV or videos while studying (except those about the topic), no matter how much she wants to do so.
- 19. Look at a map of the U.S. or Canada with your child. Point to a region has never visited. What does he know about it?
- 20. Remind your child not to reveal personal information online.
- 21. Check on your child's supply of paper, pentils and other school supplies. Replace needed items.
- 22. Help your child set priorities when studying. Which assignment is most important? Due first? Most difficult?
- 23. Start a long-term project with your child such as a jigraw puzzle. Don't sire up.
- 14. Set aside some time to spend one-on-one with your child today.
- 25. Ask your child what would happen if everyone ignored laws for a day.
- 26. Talk with your child about what it means to be a gracious winner and a good loser.
- 2.7. Watch your child's favorite TV show with her. Ask questions, such as "Who is your favorite character?"
- 28. Listen to a piece of music that has no lyrics. Have your child write his own words to the song.



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In the App Store if you search for the Powerschool app, you will find a quick and easy way to access your student's grades with your mobile phone.

Simply download the free app. It will ask you for your District Code (a 4 digit code) immediately. The code for Arnold Public School is: **SNPX**

Then you can use your regular username and password from last year. If you are unable to remember your password, then please contact Heather at the school office by phone 308-848-2226.

Education Quest Foundation College Planning Bulletin

A monthly college planning guide for Nebraska high school students

February 2019

Seniors...where are you in the FAFSA process?

Getting financial aid for college involves more than completing and submitting the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Make sure you get through each step of the process so that you don't miss out on money for college.

Did you complete and submit a 2019-20 FAFSA? If you haven't, complete the form at FAFSA.gov using 2017 income tax data. Before you start, you and a parent must each get an FSA ID at fsaid.ed.gov. You'll need the FSA IDs to access and sign your FAFSA.

If you DID submit a FAFSA, here's what happens next:

- Expect a Student Aid Report (SAR) via an email link. The SAR acknowledges that your FAFSA was re ceived and lets you know if you need to take further action before the form can be processed.
- You might receive a "verification" notification. The college(s) you listed on your FAFSA may contact you requesting documents to verify information you included on your FAFSA. You must provide those documents before your financial aid can be processed.
- Watch for an award letter from the college(s) you listed on your FAFSA. This will detail the types and amounts of financial aid they are offering you. You must have been accepted for admission before the college will send an award letter.

It's critical that you watch your email and/or student portal carefully to ensure you don't miss important information about admission and financial aid.

What you need to know about scholarships!

Most scholarships are based on academics, but others are based on community service, school involvement, or talent. Some are based on financial need as determined by the results of your FAFSA.

Here's where you can find scholarships:

- ScholarshipQuest at EducationQuest.org houses over 2,000 Nebraska-based scholarships. After you cre ate a profile, you'll be matched with scholarships that fit your criteria.
- Your school counselor's office. Visit regularly to check on local and national awards.
- The college you plan to attend. Contact the school for a list of scholarships they provide and application procedures.
- National search sites such as College Board, Peterson's, and Chegg.
- Other resources could include your coach, clubs and organizations, and your parents' employers and civic organizations.

Follow us on social media and you might win a \$500 scholarship!

Nebraska students in grades 9-12 are encouraged to follow EducationQuest on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram for a chance to win a \$500 Get Social Scholarship.

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- Facebook drawing when we hit 7,750 followers
- Twitter drawing when we hit 3,750 followers
- Instagram drawing when we hit 1,500 followers

EducationQuest will continue to award \$500 Get Social Scholarships each time we reach an additional 500 followers on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram.

February "To Do" List

Semois.
If you haven't already, complete the FAFSA.
Expect financial aid award notifications from the colleges you listed on your FAFSA.
Apply for scholarships.
Juniors:
Start preparing for the ACT. Here are test-prep resources to consider.
Register by February 8 for the March 9 SAT.
Register by March 8 for the April 13 ACT.

For free help with college planning, contact EducationQuest Foundation:

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