

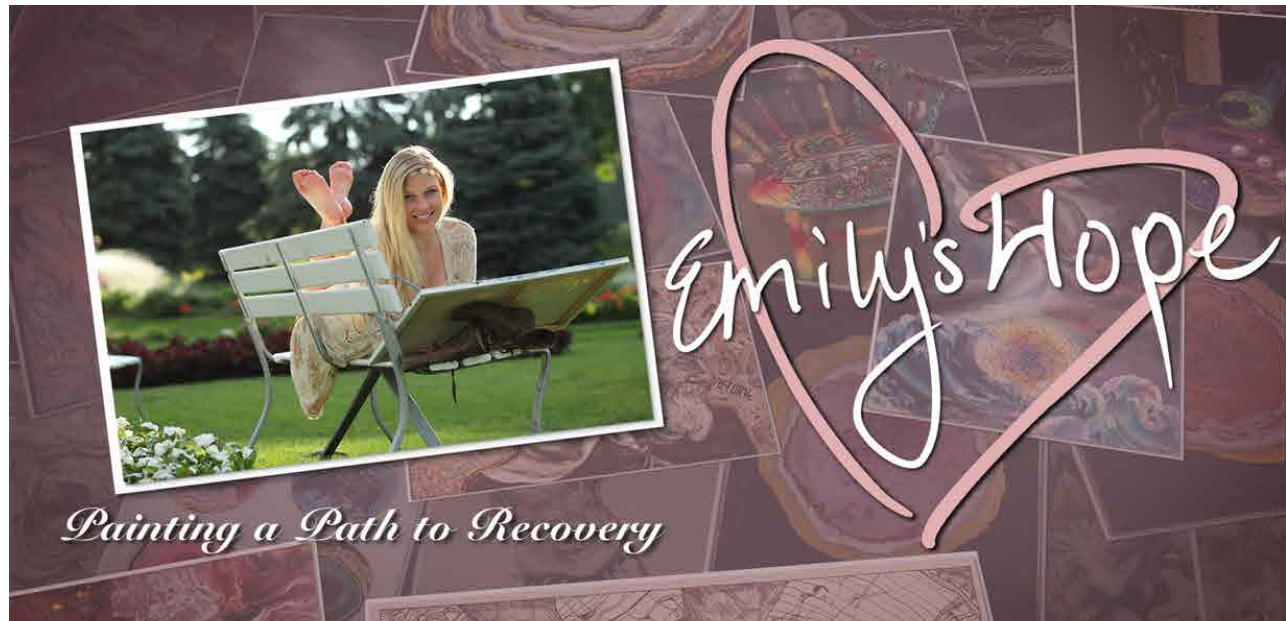


Wise Owl

Dell Rapids Public Schools

Dell Rapids, South Dakota

3rd Quarter 2019-20



CONNECTIONS

for a healthy community

Dell Rapids Opioid Crisis Forum Wednesday, March 4th 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Dell Rapids Middle School

Award winning investigative reporter and broadcast journalist, Angela Kennecke, has spent three decades keeping people informed on the evening news. Her investigative reports led to changes in laws. In recent years, many of Angela's stories focused on the growing opioid crisis. On the day her 21-year-old daughter, Emily, died of an overdose, Angela was working on a story on Good Samaritan Laws and overdose deaths.

Emily died of fentanyl poisoning. Angela has taken Emily's story nationwide and even internationally. Angela speaks tirelessly about the issues surrounding opioid addiction, a parent's frustration and sense of helplessness and tells it all from the perspective of a mother who has lost her child. Angela started a charity called "Emily's Hope," because she never gave up hope on her daughter and now wants to offer hope to other families struggling with addiction.

QUARRIER OF THE MONTH

CYDNEY LEE
NOVEMBER



SHANNON CARLSON
DECEMBER



“Reach for the Stars”

DRHS PROM - Saturday, April 4th, 2020 in the high school gym.

Doors will open at 6:30 pm for those students signed up to attend prom, with Grand March beginning at 8:00 pm. There will be a \$2 charge for adults and a \$1 charge for any student who wishes to watch the Grand March. This admission helps offset the cost of the night's festivities.

We look forward to a wonderful night and can't wait to see you all there!

DRMS would like to congratulate the Students of the Month. These individuals have demonstrated positive character traits in and outside of the classroom. Thank you to Lunchtime Solutions, Pinz Bowling, Buffalo Wild Wings and Pizza Ranch, for providing Students of the Month recipients with gift certificates for these places!



**Congratulations to our December
Students of the Month:**

5th Grade- Gauge Bunkers & Jocelyn Amundson
6th Grade - Eimy Lopez Cruz & Hannah Grinde
7th Grade- Daniel Glammeier & Quinn Carr
8th Grade - Kylie Lebahn & Jace Entringer



**Congratulations to our January
Students of the Month:**

5th Grade: Lily Harkema & Nicholas Hansen
6th Grade: Juliet Braam & Kyler Miller
7th Grade: Lucas Keener & Carson Crosby
8th Grade : Aiden Geraets & Ashlyn Bitzer



**Congratulations to our February
Students of the Month:**

5th grade - Tayden Johnson and Becket Nelson
6th grade - Monty Kolasa and Summer Schmidt
7th grade - Lexi Reider and Kate Prochaska
8th grade - Oscar Anderson and Jack Henry



WHAT IS KINDERGARTEN PREP?

Kindergarten Prep is a differentiated program that is designed to help the Kindergarten-aged child transition into a routine of everyday, all-day school.

Kindergarten Prep will provide a supportive environment for your child and will focus on social and emotional development, physical and motor development, as well as academic skills needed to prepare your child for kindergarten. Research suggests that children greatly benefit from programs that address school readiness. The children are nurtured emotionally, socially, and academically to achieve their potential and feel valued as learners. A combination of small group instruction and whole group activities allows the children to develop as cooperative learners. The Kindergarten Prep experience fosters a safe learning environment and fuels the children's natural curiosity and desire to learn.

Please feel free to email with any further questions about our program!

Ms. Laryssa Osheim - laryssa.osheim@kl2.sd.us

Mrs. Tasha Davis - tasha.davis@kl2.sd.us



Kindergarten Screenings

Thursday, March 5, 2020 (day/evening)

Friday, March 6, 2020 (morning only)

Dell Rapids Elementary will be hosting kindergarten screenings for children who plan to attend kindergarten OR kindergarten prep during the 2020-2021 school year. Children must be age 5 on or before September 1, 2020 in order to attend kindergarten or kindergarten prep next year.

To register please visit our district website at

<https://www.dr-k12.org/>

OR

Contact Heidi at Dell Rapids Elementary at 428-5473 at option #6

Living History Fair

The 5th grade class would like to cordially invite you to their Living History Fair on March 12th, 2020 in the Dell Rapids Middle School Commons. Our wax museum will be taking place from 9-10 am and 3:30-4:30 pm. Please remember to bring your loose change, because that is what brings our characters to life. The money collected will then be donated to a charity of the 5th grade classes' choosing. We hope to see you there!

Reminder:

Students eligible for free or reduced price lunch are also eligible for free or reduced price breakfast.



7th grade:

Bottom row (l-r): Dylan Flogstad, Carson Crosby, Gabe Jones, Josh Fletcher, Talan Millage, Isaac Tudor, Shaun Ness, Oran O'Mearra, Alex Miller, Aiden Crisp

Second row: Logan Donovan, Grady Lamer, Noah Larson, Jordan Oberg, Nick Snyder, Gavin Downs, Mason Cable, Cole Ruesink, Braden Gruis, Etahn Vanderwerf, Lucas Keener

Back row: Coach Timperley, Adam Marglon, Atticus Miles, Brandon Schmidt, Daniel Glammeier, Gage Schultz, Ethan Wittler, Dawson Hohn, Tad Tjaden, Jackson Ahlers, Cooper Frost, Lincoln Fersdahl, Will Ronshaugen, Coach Schmidt



8th grade:

Bottom row (l-r): Keaton Harvey, Micah Pickard, Ryder VanZee, Konrad Richeal, Jackson Cynkar, Ethan Narigon

Second row: Trace Eastman, Noah Fritz, Gavin Downs, Mason Cable, Dawson Hilmoe, Ethan Kringen

Back row: Coach Timperley, Jack Henry, Jaden Wittler, Luke Schoolmeester, Coach Schmidt

Not pictured: Ryan McDaniel

Region V FCCLA Meeting

The Region V FCCLA (Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America) held their meeting in Hartford on Wednesday, December 4. Several members of the Dell Rapids chapter attended and participated in the event. Receiving a Gold rating on her Career Investigation STAR Event was Abby Stauffenecker and Desirae Hallem also received a Gold on her Professional Presentation. Both will now advance to state competition in April. Veronica Vanderloo served as the Region Co-chairman for the past year. Faithe Larsen was a candidate for region officer. She was elected and installed as Region V President for the coming year and will also serve as one of the state officers for the coming year. Other members who attended served as door or timekeepers and runners for the STAR Event competition. Members also had an opportunity to attend several workshops during the day.



Dell Rapids Chapter News

The Dell Rapid FCCLA Chapter received a grant from the SD Department of Agriculture. Four computer tables were constructed and donated to the Dell Rapids City Library. Three members presented a Halloween safety skit to the 4 sections of first grade students in the elementary school. Members also made approximately 50 fleece blankets for babies and small children which were donated to the Ronald McDonald House, Sanford Children's Hospital, and Avera Hospital. 80 fleece scarves were made and donated to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation and Union Gospel Mission in Sioux Falls. Another project members completed was to make several hot dishes, quick breads, bars, and cookies that were given to both Ronald McDonald Houses in Sioux Falls. Several projects and activities including a basket raffle, with the proceeds being donated to the Dell Rapids Food Pantry are being planned for FCCLA Week.

Shoes for Shoeless Program

Do you have shoes in your home that are no longer needed or worn by a family member? If so, consider donating them to the "Shoes for Shoeless" program. They will be collected and given to the needy in the Sioux Falls area. Slightly used, wearable shoes of any size whether for children, teens, women, or men can be used and will be accepted.

Your donations may be brought to the main office of the Dell Rapid Public School in the high school, middle school, or elementary school through Friday, March 6. This project is sponsored by the Dell Rapids Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) Chapter.



News from the Fine Arts Boosters

The Fine Arts Boosters support band, choir, drama, journalism, and quiz bowl. These are a few of the projects we've worked on so far this year:

- \$7000 donation toward the purchase of new stage curtains
- \$1839 for a set of 7 intercom headsets and 7 spare batteries for drama tech
- \$1049 for a low light zoom lens for journalism
- \$345 for themed team shirts for 18 quiz bowl members
- \$330 for banners for 11 fine arts seniors

We're still in the process of getting a new banner for the junior high marching band and some costume and prop organization for the backstage area.

We need some new officers! We currently have three officers. Two of our officers' fine arts students graduated last year and one has a student who graduates next year. We need new people to get involved so the next group of parents can take over!

As you can see from the list above, we work on some worthy projects to help out our kids and the fine arts programs at Dell Rapids. We've been working on making our fundraising as easy and efficient as possible, with the hope that it can be something new people could take over easily.

We currently only do three events: the Quiz Bowl Supper, the Pops Concert Chili Supper, and the Dinner Theatre. Two of the three are catered events and the quiz bowl meal is well supported by our volunteer list and quiz bowl parents.

Our election of officers happens at the May meeting so please give this some thought. We'd love to have you join us for a meeting to find out what we're all about.

DELL RAPIDS FINE ARTS BOOSTERS

Chili Supper

Monday, February 24, 2020

DOORS OPEN: 5:15PM

SERVING: 5:30PM TO 6:30PM

POPS CONCERT: 7:00PM

Chili supper tickets: All ages \$6

Pops Concert: Free

The DRHS Drama Department presents:

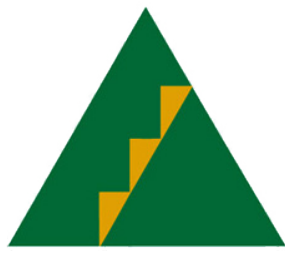


**Friday
April 24, 2020
7:00pm**

**Saturday
April 25, 2020
7:00pm**

DR Fine Arts Boosters
DINNER THEATRE
Saturday, April 25, 2020

Watch our Facebook page for advanced ticket information!



Junior Achievement[®]

During the 2019-20 school year, Junior Achievement (JA) volunteers came into classrooms across South Dakota to share their knowledge about money, careers, owning a business, and ethics!

By sharing their personal and professional experiences, JA volunteers guide students to make the connection between what they are learning in school and how it applies to the “real world.” JA provides classroom activities and insights to support students in becoming productive and successful employees, employers, and business owners.

Together with classroom teachers, JA volunteers work to provide students with knowledge and skills to succeed. JA strives to empower students to achieve their dreams and seeks to instill hope for a promising future. This year, more than 2,300 JA classroom volunteers committed to teaching JA programs reaching over 55,000 South Dakota students.

Please extend a special thank you to the volunteers and teachers listed below who participated in JA during the 2019-20 school year. If you would be interested in sharing your knowledge and business experience with students in our community or would like to sponsor a student for \$25, please contact the JA office at (605)336-7318 or jasd@ja.org.

Dell Rapids Junior Achievement Volunteers and Teachers for Program year 2019-20 Dell Rapids High School

Teacher	Semester	JA Program	JA Volunteer	Employer
Darwin Daugaard	Fall	JA Excellence through Ethics	Michelle Bunkers	The First National Bank
Steve Hansen	Fall	JA Personal Finance	Ricca Bent	First PREMIER Bank
Steve Hansen	Fall	JA Personal Finance	Melissa Van't Hof	Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
Steve Hansen	Spring	JA Invest for Your Future	Drew Bunkers	Dell Rapids High School
Deb Huska	Fall	JA Excellence through Ethics	Angela Bitzer	Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
Katie Semmler	Fall	JA Excellence through Ethics	Ross Brende	Kahler Funeral Home
Katie Semmler	Fall	JA Excellence through Ethics	Nathan Henry	The Local Best of Sioux Falls

**DELL RAPIDS HIGH SCHOOL
2020 ACT PREP CLASS REGISTRATION FORM**

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Registration fees:

Payment due with registration (payable to **Dell Rapids School District**). Return registration form and payment to Mrs. Ruesink. Please indicate which section you are registering for **(4:00-6:00) or (6:30-8:30)**. Each section will be capped at 25 students.

Registration includes:

\$75.00 – Includes student copy of *The Official ACT Prep Guide Book*, content-specific review and instruction in each of the four content areas led by Dell Rapids teachers, test-taking strategies for the ACT, and a full-length ACT test simulation.

\$50.00 – Includes content-specific review and instruction in each of the four content areas led by Dell Rapids teachers, test-taking strategies for the ACT, and a full-length ACT test simulation.

Registration Deadline: Friday, February 14th or until class is full

PRACTICE ACT TEST – Sunday, February 23rd 2:00-5:30

Sunday, March 1st 4:00-6:00 or 6:30-8:30

Sunday, March 8th 4:00-6:00 or 6:30-8:30

Sunday, March 15th 4:00-6:00 or 6:30-8:30

Sunday, March 22nd 4:00-6:00 or 6:30-8:30

Sunday, March 29th – make up day in case of inclement weather

Classes will be held at Dell Rapids High School.

These prep classes are to prepare for the Saturday, April 4th ACT test.

2019-20 Quarter 1 - DR High School Honor Roll

9th Grade

GOLD

Anstine, Jade
Beebe, Victor
Boyle, Kelli
Downs, Hannah
Foster, Rileigh
Greenhoff, Abigail
Harvey, Austin
Heinemann, Zachary
Jaton, Will
Jones, Chase
Kreul, Katrina
Lee, Maya
Mathis, Dylan
North, Adam
Parra, Sequoia
Price, Elizabeth
Rechtenbaugh, Joseph
Ringheimer, Mason
Schaaf, Ashton
Stadem, Adisen
Van Regenmorter, Emma
Xavier, Callista

SILVER

Anderson, Jaydn
Andrews, Makaylynn
Clark, Gabriel
Downs, Addyson
Evans, Rylar
Fersdahl, Braden
Godwin, Olivia
Krull, Kennedy
Kvigne, Merritt
Lefebvre, Lizebeth
Marglon, Autumn
Miller, Mataya
Nelson, Owen
Nirva, Braeden
Traill, Carter

BRONZE

Chamley, Gunnar
Dennis, Maxwell
Ellis, Max
Geraets, Trevor
Heidelberger, Dylan
Judd, Nadia
Koster, Kamren
Larson, Haley
Molskness, Emma
Ness, Shane
Ojeda, Marco
Pankonen, Brayden
Randall, Luke
Schmitt, Samuel
Taubert, Emma

10th Grade

GOLD

Bittner, Kylie
Boechler, Aiden
Braach, Cassidy
Duinkerken, Makayla
Erickson, Micah
Geraets, Josie
Gill, Aaron
Goeken, Matthew
Krumm, Payton
LaDeaux, Alexyss
Larson, Faithe
Ljunggren, Madison
Mason, Weston
Pickard, Miriam
Ruesink, Landon
Schmidt, Jayme
Schmidt, Maggie
Spoonemore, Brooklyn
Sterud, Paige

SILVER

Davidson, Logan
De Stigter, Alli
Hohn, Landon
Lacey, Leigha
Merry, Michael
Person, Taina
Reider, Cassandra
Rice, Cara
Rinehart, Rylee
Tiernan, Lilly
Urquijo, Adriana
Van Zee, Peyton
Witte, Michaela

BRONZE

Barnhart, Haileigh
Crosby, Graci
DeKnikker, Joshua
Henry, Austin
Janiszkeski, Bryce
Jensen, Dylan
Knappe, Victor
Krempges, Mallory
Lodmell, Tori
Mason, Ian
Nelson, Hunter
Randall, Luke
Saxon, Aaron
Schrad, Carter
Stone, Shane
Stroschein, Drew

2019-20 Quarter 1 - DR High School Honor Roll

11th Grade

GOLD

Boechler, Avery
Dorn, Rebecca
Fletcher, Kathryn
Fritz, Micah
Griebel, Elijah
Kringen, Madeline
Pedde, Austin
Prasek, Olivia
Price, Samantha
Rentz, Colin
Schmidt, Elizabeth
Schmidt, Samantha
Schmitt, Sadie
Thompson, Grace
Wajer, Kyra
Wilber, Madelynne

SILVER

Cavigielli, Kyle
Downs, Olivia
Fiddelke, Ellie
Gee, Brayden
Rentz, Connor

BRONZE

Abbott, Megan
Anderson, Logan
Berg, Lucas
Clark, Caleb
Cleveland, Akira
Eastman, Kaeden
Larson, Brady
Maeschen, Coby
Nirva, Justin
Nyman, Riley
Vanderloo, Veronica

12th Grade

GOLD

Brech, Morgan
Clement, Seth
Dorris, Elizabeth
Emery, Sydney
Fisher, Chloe
Gordon, Britton
Gruis, Kade
Haak, Mallory
Heiberger, Hannah
Heinecke, Ramsey
Larson, Erin
Meyer, Amy
Miles, Jenna
North, Katelyn
Randall, Noah
Rus, Gabriella
Shellum, Sage
Stelzer, Sydney
Stone, Logan
Symens, Anna
Watkins, Mackenzie
Wood, Tyler

SILVER

Carlson, Shannon
Ellingson, Logan
Goeken, Mason
Lee, Cydney
Mutcher, Brayden
Nordstrom, Andy
Peter, Riley
Rentz, Carter
Stamp, Mackenzie
Stauffenecker, Abby
Yetter, Dylan

BRONZE

Carr, Gage
Cristea, Cristina
Frantz, Dillan
Frevik, Alexis
Geurts, Ethan
Graham, Kyra
Grisham, Mackenzie
Hansen, Aspen
Hilmoe, Thane
Mortrude, Zoe
Rus, Deziree
Schumacher, Cade

2019-20 Quarter 2 - DR High School Honor Roll

9th Grade

GOLD

Anstine Jade
Beebe Victor
Clark Gabriel
Downs Hannah
Downs Addyson
Evans Rylar
Foster Raleigh
Greenhoff Abigail
Heidelberger Dylan
Heinemann Zachary
Jaton Will
Jones Chase
Kreul Katrina
Kvigne Merritt
Lee Maya
Mathis Dylan
North Adam
Price Elizabeth
Schaaf Ashton
Scherff Katelynn
Stadem Adisen
Van Regenmorter Emma
Xavier Callista

SILVER

Anderson Jaydn
Boyle Kelli
Chamley Gunnar
Ellis Max
Fersdahl Braden
Godwin Olivia
Harvey Austin
Lefebvre Lizebeth
Molskness Emma
Nirva Braeden
Parra Sequoia
Rechtenbaugh Joseph
Traill Carter

BRONZE

Cavigielli Sam
Kindopp Kerrigan
Krull Kennedy
Larson Haley
Marglon Autumn
Miller Mataya
Nelson Evan
Pankonen Brayden
Ringheimer Mason
Schmitt Samuel
Taubert Emma

10th Grade

GOLD

Boechler Aiden
Braach Cassidy
Carter Zane
Davidson Logan
Duinkerken Makayla
Garcia Yazmin
Geraets Josie
Gill Aaron
Goeken Matthew
Jensen Dylan
Krumm Payton
LaDeaux Alexyss
Larson Faithe
Ljunggren Madison
Lodmell Tori
Mason Weston
Pickard Miriam
Rinehart Rylee
Ruesink Landon
Schmidt Jayme
Schmidt Maggie
Spoonemore Brooklyn
Sterud Paige
Van Zee Peyton

SILVER

Bittner Kylie
De Stigter Alli
Erickson Micah
Henry Austin
Hohn Landon
Knappe Victor
Lacey Leigha
Merry Michael
Person Taina
Prochaska Kylie
Randall Luke
Reider Cassandra
Rice Cara
Saxon Aaron
Stone Shane
Stroschein Drew
Tiernan Lilly
VanOverbeke Madysen
Witte Michaela

BRONZE

Barnhart Haileigh
Crosby Graci
DeKnicker Joshua
Garry Mackenzie
Golden Kate
Hilmoe Zoey
Janiszski Bryce
Krempges Mallory
Mason Ian
Montgomery Cariss
Nelson Hunter
Tjaden Tyler
Tomes Autumn
Urquijo Adriana
VanOverbeke Hanna
Viereck Alex

2019-20 Quarter 2 - DR High School Honor Roll

11th Grade

GOLD

Boechler Avery
Dorn Rebecca
Fletcher Kathryn
Kringen Madeline
Pulscher Katy
Pedde Austin
Price Samantha
Thompson Grace
Schmidt Samantha
Schmitt Sadie

SILVER

Abbott Megan
Anderson Logan
Cavigielli Kyle
Cleveland Akira
Fritz Micah
Gee Brayden
Griebel Elijah
Larson Brady
Miller Kiya
Nelson Carter
Nirva Justin
Nyman Riley
Prasek Olivia
Rentz Connor
Rentz Colin
Rieber Gabriel
Schmidt Elizabeth
Schrader Logan
Wajer Kyra
Wilber Madelynne

BRONZE

Berg Lucas
Clark Caleb
Downs Olivia
Eastman Kaeden
Fiddelke Ellie

Flaskey Tate
Gleason Peyton
Maeschen Coby
Mullinix Christina
Narigon Isabella
Partin Shayne
Paterson Tee
Schreier Zacharey
Steineke Nychole
Weiland Andrew

12th Grade

GOLD

Brech Morgan
Carlson Shannon
Carr Gage
Fisher Chloe
Goeken Mason
Hansen Aspen
Heiberger Hannah
Heinecke Ramsey
Larson Erin
Meyer Amy
Miles Jenna
Nordstrom Andrew (Andy)
North Katelyn
Oberg Kaylei
Randall Noah
Riswold Ethan
Rus Gabriella
Schoeberl Jessica
Schumacher Cade
Shellum Sage
Stelzer Sydney
Stelzer Olivia
Stone Logan
Van Regenmorter Drew
Watkins Mackenzie
Welbig Karsen
Wood Tyler
Yetter Dylan

SILVER

Cristea Cristina
Dorris Elizabeth
Emery Sydney
Frantz Dillan
Frevik Alexis
Heinemann Mitchell
Kubly Brandon
Lee Cydney
Martell Camille
Mortrude Zoe
Peter Riley
Rentz Carter
Rus Deziree
Schumaker Zebadiah
Stauffenecker Abby
Steineke Katelyn
Symens Anna

BRONZE

Clement Seth
Ellingson Logan
Geraets Brandon
Geurts Ethan
Grisham Mackenzie
Hilmoe Thane
Machmiller Mason
Stroschein Hannah
Welbig Avery



**HAVE AN IMPORTANT
EVENT OR ARTICLE YOU
WOULD LIKE POSTED?
PUT IT IN THE WISE OWL.**

Ag In Action

Fundamental Ag Mechanics is the class offered the first half of 1st block. The 11 students enrolled in this class will have the opportunity to apply safety skills with engineering applications with mechanical equipment, structures, land treatment, power utilization and technology; exercise basic skills in blueprint and design development to create sketches, drawing and plans with estimate costs; develop skills required to use construction/fabrication equipment and tools; use a variety of concrete and masonry products; apply math and science principles to identify soil and water engineering and their properties. They have started the semester with a unit on hydraulics and have designed a hydraulic device using medical syringes and plastic tubing acting as cylinders. This half block class will last the entire semester and is worth a ½ credit toward graduation.

The second half of 1st block has thirteen students enrolled in the Fundamental Plant Science class. In this class, students will be exposed to the principles of anatomy and physiology in plants in both domesticated and natural environment, the environment to promote optimal growth in plants, fundamentals of production and harvesting of plants, pest management plans, and handling, storing and marketing of various crops. The students have gone over plant anatomy and have planted various types of seeds and are monitoring their growth under the grow lights. This class is also a half block class and will last the entire semester and is worth a ½ credit as well.

Because of the high number of students wanting to take Introduction to Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources, another section is being offered the second semester. The 24 second block students have had the opportunity to learn about the role of the FFA organization in Agriculture Education. Other areas covered during the semester will include defining and discussing the concepts of natural resources, demonstrating an understanding of animal science systems, demonstrating an understanding of plant structure and function, relating basic food science technology principles to production agriculture, summarizing basic food science technology, and summarizing basic principles involved in agricultural

systems technology. They will also have the opportunity to learn about shop tools and shop safety, project design and construct a small wood project.

During the first half of 3rd block, 20 students are enrolled in the Fundamental Animal Science course. In this class the students will apply knowledge of anatomy and physiology to produce and/or manage animals in a domesticated or natural environment; recognize animal behavior to facilitate working with animals safely; provide proper nutrition to maintain animal performance; know the factors that influence an animal's reproductive cycle; identify environmental factors that affect an animal's performance. These students have been going over terms and production practices used when raising various species of animals. Since this class is only a half block, it will last the entire semester allowing students to earn a ½ credit toward graduation.



Ag Business Sales and Marketing is offered during the second half of 3rd block. The 10 students in this class will: examine skills necessary to obtain gainful employment in agribusiness occupations; examine effects of personality on job performance; use principles to accomplish an agribusiness marketing objective; use sales principles to accomplish an

agribusiness objective; use computer technology and documents to manage agribusiness inventory; explore opportunities for marketing of agricultural products throughout the world. The job skills unit ended with a mock interview to expose students to real world situations. They are now working on marketing. This class is also a half block class which will last the entire semester earning students a ½ credit toward graduation as well.

One part of the FFA mission statement, FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education, includes developing leadership. The FFA District 7 event was held on Nov. 11 at West Central with Noah Randall and Mason Machmiller competing in the Ag Broadcasting Event. Noah finished in 7th place and Mason finished in 11th place. Katie Scherff and Sydney Klein competed in

the Employment Skills Event with Katie placing 6th and Sydney placing 8th. The members met at PINZ bowling for a quick meeting on Dec. 16 and then had the opportunity to bowl. Mason Machmiller and Noah Randall completed the application for the State FFA Degree and after being reviewed on Jan. 10, it was determined that they met the qualification to receive their state degree, which will occur during the State FFA Convention in April. Katie Scherff participated in the Livestock Evaluation event held on Saturday, Jan. 25 during the Sioux Empire Winter Farm Show. The Agropor Milk Quality and Products workshop in Lake Norden on Feb. 11 will have 14 members learning about defects that can occur in milk and characteristics used to identify cheese. The students will also have the opportunity to tour the processing plant. The FFA chapter will be conducting a fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis on Tuesday, Feb. 18 during the half-time of the varsity boy's basketball game. A 3-point shot event will allow anyone to attempt a 3-point shot by paying \$1 and if the shot is made, they will receive a pop. Another hoop shoot will be held on Saturday, Feb. 22 during the half-time of the varsity girl's basketball game. The amount brought in from those two events will be matched by the FFA chapter and donated to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. In the FFA, scholarships are available for senior members including 26 different scholarship varying in amounts for members who plan to attend a University or Technical Institute. A \$1,000 scholarship is available for a member planning on majoring in Agriculture Education with these applications due Feb. 21. Younger members can apply for the four \$500 scholarships to attend the Washington Leadership Conference held during the summer with the application deadline also Feb. 21. The National FFA Week will be celebrated from Feb. 22-29. This FFA Week embraces more than 90 years of FFA traditions while looking forward to the organization's future. Designated a national week in 1947, the week of George Washington's birthday, National FFA Week runs from Saturday to Saturday and gives FFA members an opportunity to educate the public about agriculture. During the week, the chapter will conduct a variety of activities to help others in the school and community learn about FFA and agricultural education. Today's FFA members are the innovators and leaders of tomorrow. Through agricultural and hands-on learning, they are preparing for over 300 unique career opportunities in the food, fiber and natural resources industry. In March the Career Development Events take place in preparation for the State FFA Convention. There are 15 different areas that members can develop their skills in that can eventually lead to career success. The areas include: Ag Business Management; Ag Mechanics; Agronomy; Dairy Cattle Evaluation; Floriculture; Food Science; Horse Evaluation; Livestock Evaluation; Meats Evaluation; Milk Quality and Products; Natural Resources; Nursery/Landscape; Poultry

Evaluation; Range Plant Identification; and Veterinary Science. The competitions will be: March 16 at Howard; March 24 at Lennox; March 26 at Flandreau; March 27 at Little International in Brookings; and March 30 at Tri-Valley. The State FFA Convention will be held in Brookings on April 19-21, where our members will compete against other members from across South Dakota with the top placing team advancing onto the national event. To recognize the members on their achievements from the year, the FFA will be holding the FFA Parent/Member Banquet on Tuesday, April 28 in the Middle School Commons at 6:30 pm. The summer also has opportunities for members to develop their leadership skills by attending one of the State FFA Leadership Retreats. One retreat will be held at Swan Lake near Viborg on June 23-26 and the other retreat will be held at Storm Mountain near Rapid City on July 7-10. By attending one of these retreats, FFA members will develop and enhance their leadership skills and self-confidence through interactive learning. There will be workshops that help members discover the value of servant leadership, character, attitude, a focused vision, communication, trust, and responsibility. Another leadership opportunity would be to attend the Washington Leadership Conference. The five-day conference is based on the four stages of personal development: Me, We, Do, Serve. Building upon each of those stages will help students become engaged citizens, who can make a measurable positive difference in their communities. This conference is held seven different weeks throughout the summer to allow members flexibility to attend this action-packed week that will help them gain self-confidence and leadership skills to bring back to the FFA chapter and share with other members. Registration opens March 3 for the sessions which are: June 2-6; June 9-13; June 16-20; June 23-27; July 7-11; July 14-18; and July 21-25. FFA offers a wide variety of areas for students to gain knowledge and skills that they can utilize in their future. If you have any questions about the agriculture program or the FFA organization, please contact Mr. Wolff at tom.wolff@k12.sd.us.





DELL RAPIDS VOLLEYBALL

CAMP INFORMATION

If you are interested in attending summer volleyball camps, I have created a page on my website with links to camp information and registration materials. Please check back periodically as I will update the site whenever I receive new information about additional camp dates and places.

DR camp information (sessions for K-3 & 4-6) will be available once gym availability and dates are confirmed after basketball is finished. We will also be hosting a KAIROS clinic at DRES on July 17th for 5th-8th graders. Cost and sign-up information for that camp is already available on my website and can be completed now.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me at: erica.fersdahl@k12.sd.us.

My Website Link: <https://tinyurl.com/v2b4o33>



School Board Election 2020

One school board position will be up for election on April 14, 2020. The 3-year position, with duties to be assumed in July 2020, will be vacant due to the expiration of the present term of Jeff Traill.

Nominating petitions, along with information on how to circulate a petition, are available in the school district business office at 1216 Garfield Avenue. Petitions may be circulated between January 31 and February 28, and must be filed with the business manager no later than February 28, 2020 at 5 p.m.

Voter registration for this election will close on March 30, 2020. Failure to register by this date will cause forfeiture of voting rights for this election. If you are in doubt about whether you are registered in the Dell Rapids School District 49-3, you can check the Voter Information Portal at www.sdsos.gov or call the county auditor at (605) 367-4220 in Minnehaha County or (605) 997-3161 in Moody County.

Voter registration may be completed during regular business hours at the county auditor's office, municipal finance office, secretary of state's office and those locations which provide driver's licenses, SNAP, TANF, WIC, military recruitment, and assistance to the disabled as provided by the Department of Human Services. You may contact the county auditor to request a mail-in registration form or access a mail-in form at www.sdsos.gov. Voters with disabilities may contact the county auditor for information and special assistance in voter registration.

Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 14, 2020. All precincts will vote at the Lutheran Church located at 701 North Orleans Avenue in Dell Rapids. Absentee voting by mail or in person will be available beginning March 30, 2020. For information on the election, visit the school website at www.dr-k12.org – District – District News, or contact the school business office at 428-5473, option 1.

School Board Member Code of Ethics

Associate School Boards of South Dakota

1. I will view my service on a school board as an opportunity to serve my community, state, and nation because I believe public education is the best means to promote the welfare of our people and to preserve self-government.
2. I will work unremittingly to help the people in my community understand the importance of public education and to willingly support the highest level of education we can afford.
3. I will try to make decisions in terms of the best interests of the educational welfare of children. I will seek to provide an equal educational opportunity, open to all children regardless of ability, race, creed, sex, or location of residence.
4. I will recognize that my responsibility is not to run the schools but to see that the schools are well run. I will confine my board action to policy making, planning, and appraisal.
5. I will refuse to represent special interests or partisan politics or to use the schools for personal gain or for the gain of friends or supporters.
6. I will arrive at conclusions only after I have discussed matters fully with members of the professional staff and board members. Once a decision has been reached by the majority of the board assembled at the meeting, I will graciously support it.
7. I will recognize that authority vests with the whole board assembled in meeting and that I have no legal status to bind the board outside of a meeting.
8. I will support and protect school personnel in performance of their duties. I will vote only for competent and trained technical and professional personnel who have been properly recommended by the appropriate administrator.
9. I will refer all complaints, including my personal criticisms, to the appropriate administrator for solution and will only discuss such matters at a regular board meeting.
10. I will observe and enforce laws and regulations pertaining to public education.
11. I will respect the limited intent and scope of executive session and respect privileged communications from executive sessions and other administrative sources.

Dell Rapids Public School 2020-2021

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Special Days

First Day of School- August 26

Last Day of School-May 21 (1:00 PM Release)

End of Quarter- Oct. 29 , Jan. 14, Mar. 18

Graduation- May 15

Parent/Teacher Conferences /Comp Day

Oct. 8 12:30 Dismissal / Conferences 1:00-8:00

Oct. 9 NO SCHOOL

Feb. 11 12:30 Dismissal / Conferences 1:00-8:00

Feb.12 NO SCHOOL

Holiday Days and Breaks

Sept. 7 Labor Day

Oct. 12 Native American Day

Nov. 25-27 Thanksgiving

Dec.22 (1:00 PM release) - Jan. 1 Winter Break

Jan. 1 New Years Day

Feb. 15 Presidents' Day

March 19 Spring Break

April 2 & 5 Easter Break

May 31 Memorial Day

Staff In-Service Days/Work Days (NO SCHOOL)

Aug. 24 & 25, Jan. 15 , May 24

New Teacher Orientation

Aug. 20

1:00 Early Release

Sept. 30, Oct. 28, Dec. 22, Feb. 24, Mar. 31, Apr. 28 May 21

Student Contact Days

1st Quarter- 44

2nd Quarter-44

3rd Quarter-42

4th Quarter-43

Total Student Days-173

*Built in snow days contingent upon 1 week notice

Additional emergency days will be made up after May 21.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

Wednesday, March 18th - Early Release - Staff Development

Thursday, March 19th NO SCHOOL - (Built in Snow Day)

Friday, March 20th NO SCHOOL - (Spring Break)

Friday, April 10th NO SCHOOL - (Easter Break)

Monday, April 13th NO SCHOOL - (Built in Snow Day)



Please check the Dell Rapids School Website (dr-k12.org) for School Lunch Menus and **COMPLETE** and up-to-date athletic and activity schedules.

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