Dreher's Bragging Rights for 2023-2024

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Achievement in Academics

* **Lena Trask-Trafton**, **Aidan Dong, Jeremiah Trimble**, **Naja Weinkle**, **Larrabee Ellenberg** and **Charlotte Peavy** are National Merit Semifinalists.
* **Aidan Dong, Larrabee Ellenberg, Charlotte Peavy, Lena Trask-Trafton, and Naja Weinkle** are National Merit Finalists.
* **Tori Rasmussen** is a National Commended Scholar.
* Dreher was awarded a **Bronze Badge** on the 2023 AP School Honor Roll.
* Of all the AP exams taken in the spring of 2023, Dreher students passed 77% of them.
* **Kylie Thomas** was elected Sergeant at Arms of SC SkillsUSA.
* Our principal, **Lawrence “Joe” Eberlin**, was awarded his doctorate from Arkansas State University.
* **Aidan Dong** won the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dream Keeper Scholarship.
* US News and World Report places Dreher at **eleventh in the State** and **third in the Columbia metro area** in its latest ranking of public high schools.
* **Sophia Francis and Oliver Phillips** received gold awards on the National German Exam. Other students awarded for excellence on National German Exam were **Mikki Harris, Aydle Gibson, Peyton Mooney, Abigail Boyes, Merryn Courie, Kai Hagen, and Carla Holt.**
* Six dozen seniors qualified for the District’s designation as Academic All Stars and/or High School schol**ars: Campbell Andrews, Hugh Barker, Katherine Bauer, Brooks Bell, Logan Boesl, Frances Boyd, Sophia Britting, Sadee Broughton, Joseph Carter, Emily Clark, Liam Cook, Aidan Dong, Larrabee Ellenberg, Karmen Faraj, Kristin Fuller, Amelie Galimba, Lila Gillam, Amelie Gosselin, Madison Green, Kyra Grindley, Brandon Gross, Giovanni Guido, Elizabeth Hardin, Tyra Helper, Matthew Hill, Johnathon Houdeshell, Ella Humphrey, Samuel Humphries, Sara Jacobs, Josephyne Kalish, Emma Keller, Madeline Koenigs, Madeline Kuester, Rachel Langley, Emmi Lee, Davis Maldonado, Benton McLean, N'diyah Miller, Shelby Mode, Emily Montague, Elizabeth Moore, Jacob Muir, Emily Mustian, Aza Nyberg, Jackson Painter, Charlotte Peavy, Miller Peele, Victoria Rasmussen, Porter Reyes, Eli Roth, Samuel Schatz, Lynda Shavo, Russell Sloop, Reed Smith, Haleigh Smoot, Gabriel Struhar, Lena Trask-Trafton, Jeremiah Trimble, Naja Weinkle.**
* **Parker Tyner and Alice Wang** scored in the top ten in the SC Local Chemistry Olympiad and qualified for the National Chemistry Olympiad.

Achievement in the Arts

* Winning awards at the 2023 State Fair Art Exhibit were 1st place in

2D – **Juliet Jones;** 3rd place in 3D – **Larrabee Ellenberg;** Honorable Mention – **Tori Rasmussen. Cassie Collins** won first place in 3D among 11th grade entries. In 10th grade entries 1st place in 2D –**Ava Rodriguez;** 2nd place in 3D – **Sophie Martin;** 1st place in Photography – **Neha Sivankoil;** Honorable Mention – **Quentin Hilley.** Three 9th grade entrants received Honorable Mention: **Sophia Francis,** **Sophia Lin,** and **Mary Shuler.**

* Senior **Emmi Lee** was selected to the Broadway Dreams Showcase on Broadway in November.
* At the District Theatre Festival, performances by the following students were recognized as Superior or Superior with Distinction:

*Solo Musical -* **Raelyn O'Briant** - Superior with Distinction, **Emmi Lee** - Superior with Distinction, **Zoe Smith** – Superior, **Abi Tuorto** – Superior, **Leila Pregnall** - Superior

*Duet Musical -* **-/Leila Pregnall** - Superior with Distinction, **Lynda Shavo/Raelyn O'Briant** - Superior with Distinction

*Group Musica*l- **Bend and Snap** - Superior with Distinction

(**Emmi Lee, Raelyn O'Briant, Bri Palmer, Elizabeth Vance, Leila Pregnall, Lynda Shavo, Sara Brown, Dorothy Weaver, Marjorie Weaver, Ben Palmer, Sophie Robinson, Lacy Eaddy, Rhyan Horton, Kathryn Adler, Spire Wilson, Sophia Francis**)

*Solo Acting -* **Josh Graham** - Superior with Distinction, **Aza Nyberg** - Superior with Distinction

*Duet Acting*- **Marjorie Weaver/Lucinda Pringle** - Superior with Distinction

*Group Acting-* **Kyra Grindley/Larrabee Ellenberg/Josh Graham** - Superior with Distinction, **Max McCornell/Jolie Byers/Lacy Eaddy** - Superior

*Technical Theatre -* **Spire Wilson** - Superior with Distinction

*Short Film*- **Rowan Ibrihim/Alicia Housseau** - Superior with Distinction

* Selected to sing in the District Honor Choir were **Adelle Fuller, Amelie Galimba, Angel Figueroa, Arilia Thompson, Ben Palmer, Bri Palmer, Bryce Peeples, Caleb Evans, Carys Santiago, David Landholt, Emma Walsh, Emmi Lee, Hannah Barr, Hannah Langley, Honyst Blake, Jahvanna McCornell, Jordan Ibekwe, Kyra Grindley, Liam Vanadore, Lucia Parker-Harley, Marjorie Weaver, Max Francis, Mia Amos, Mia Jones, Mia Rodriquez, Mi’Kaya Singleton, N’diyah Miller, Parker McLean-Hasinger, Pax Malson, Quenia Taylor, Quinnie Mustian, Sam Siceloff, Sara Brown, Sophia Francis, Tanisha Goodpaster, Thomas White, Tryston Gardner, Zoe Smith.**
* Selected to sing with the All-Region Choir were **Bri Palmer, Emma Walsh, Quinnie Mustian, Zoe Smith, Adelle Fuller, Mia Rodriguez, Tryston Gardner, Amelie Galimba, Caleb Evans, Max Francis, Thomas White, Sam Siceloff** and **Ben Palmer.**
* Selected for All-State Chorus are Hannah **Barr, Adelle Fuller, Quinnie Mustian, Zoe Smith**, and **David Landholt**. David ranked tenth best bass in the State.
* The **Marching Band** finished fifth in AAA State Championships, the highest placement in school history.
* Five dancers were selected to the District Honors Dance Company: **Lucy Kisner-Drennan, Logan Green-Richardson, Malana Pinckney, Jaylah Simons,** and **Morgan Summers.**
* Selected to the All-State Orchestra are **Kaden Lim** (13th chair, 1St violin), **Micah Doberne-Schor** (11th chair, 2nd violin), **Diego Thrasher** (6th chair, 2nd violin), **Sarah Bobertz** (1st alternate, cello), and **Daniel Rose** (3rd chair, bass).
* Selected to the District Honors Orchestra are **Micah Doberne-Schor, Diego Thrasher Sam Schatz, Courtney Jolly, Alex Greytak, Kaden Lim, Ava Rodriguez, Courtney Bookert, Diana Lopez Aguilar, Berkeley McCants, Trista Montgomery, Bayron Serran-Martinez, Savannah White, Kimberly Bookert, Journee Preston, Rajan Boddie, Campbell Ellington, Katie Marsh, Drew Bethune, Sa'Von Goodwin, Hailey Burgess, Jude Knoepp, Kathryn Adler, Amelie Galimba, Braylan Peeples, Alice Wang, Daniel Rose, and Cullen Bryant.**
* Selected to the All-State Senior Band are **Hannah Barr** (flute) and **Spencer Bush** (alto sax). All-State Clinic Band honorees are **Wynn Lee** (oboe), **Ashton Cutler** (clarinet) and **Maria Sloop** (clarinet).
* All-Region Band members are **Hannah Barr, Ryan Wood, Kai Hagen, Coleman Hughes, Spencer Bush, Tyson White, Eli Roth, Mia Amos, Russell Benjamin Sloop, Christopher White, Rajan Bodie, and Sara Jacobs**. Named to the All-Region Clinic Band was **Paul Jenkinson.**
* The **Dreher Steel Band** played with the SC Philharmonic Orchestra in a concert performance.
* **Desmond Huggins, Mia Amos, Sara Jacobs, Ryan Wood and Christopher White** participated in the 2024 USC Band Clinic. **Ryan Wood** earned a chair in the prestigious USC Honor Band.
* Dreher’s **wind ensemble** received a “Superior with Distinction” rating during the South Carolina Band Directors Association’s concert performance assessment.
* **Rylin Hubbard, Sophie Martin, Peyton Mooney, Tori Rasmussen, Ava** **Rodriguez and Adena Weinkle** were selected to display their work at the 2024 ArtFields Jr. exhibit and competition.
* At their Concert Performance Assessment the orchestra was rated “Excellent.”
* **Our band** joined the Presbyterian College Pep Band at the first round of the Women’s NCAA Tournament.
* Ten students were named to the All State Guitar Program: **Katie Bauer, Lane Oana, Alex Kolomoets, Ezra Good, Aiden Dong, Samuel Schatz, Caleb Liu, Beckham O'Neill, Alec Hamilton,** and **Wyatt Merland** (top score in the state).
* The following students were ranked superior at SCMEA Orchestra Division: Solos: **Kaden Lim, Courtney Jolly, Alex Greytak, Micah Doberne-Schor, Drew Bethune, Denzel Moran-Olguin, Sam Schatz, Kimberly Bookert**. Duets and Trios: **Sarah Bobertz, Micah Doberne-Schor, Diego Thrasher, Kathryn Adler, Kaden Lim, Jude Knoepp, Braylen Peeples, Campbell Ellington, Ava Rodriguez.**

Athletic Achievements

* Both the **Girls and Boys Swim Teams** are Region Champions and Coach Jonathan Frye is Region 5-3A Coach of the Year.
* **Cheer Squad** was voted best in the district.
* The **Girls Tennis Team** are Region Champions.
* **Sydney Sanderson** was named All-Region in Golf.
* **Boys and Girls Cross Country Teams** are Region Champs.
* **Laila Brown** and **Isabel Smith** are All-Region in Volleyball. **Laila** was also named All-State in Volleyball.
* The **Boys Cross Country** team finished fifth at the State Championship and the **Girls** finished in 13th place.
* **Zyon Williams-Hayes** was honored as a WLTX Player of the Week in football.
* Named to the All Region Defensive Team in football are **Jayden Haygood, John Pohlman & Willie Smith**. All-Region Offense are **Riley Croxton, Colby Fuller, Nathan Lino, Caleb Mickens and Zion Williams-Hayes**. **Gustavo Zamora-Moreno** is Special Teams All-Region.
* **Charles “CJ” Jeffcoat** was selected to play for the South’s Defense in the North South All-Star Football Game.
* Congratulations to our 23-24 All-Region cheerleaders:  **Asia Albert, Amber Harris, Rachel Langley and Jordyn Morris.**
* On the All-Region Boys Basketball Team are **Jordan Barr** and **Martaz Owens**. **James Singleton** was named as the Region’s Newcomer of the Year.
* Six wrestlers qualified for the State Championships: **Franco Pressley, Jordan Davis, Timyran Lippett, Tyrell Bowens, Willie Smith, and Maddie Coco.**
* **Eli Roth** set at new school record in the 800 m.

Outstanding Activities

* Members of **National Art Honor Society** decorated a six-foot model of a

speckled trout as a contribution to Mayor Rickenmann's "Columbia Streams Art," a fundraising auction to benefit projects of the City of Columbia.

* Through the efforts of the **Key Club and Kindness Club**, **Dreher was able to raise just over $1600 in cash and checks (6400+ meals) and 567 pounds of nonperishables (680 meals) for the hungry in the community.**
* Thanks to the efforts of the **National Honor Society** and the **Key Club**, 28 units of blood were donated to the Red Cross, potentially saving 84 lives.
* The **National Honor Society** sponsored a warm clothes drive during December.
* Congratulations to **Zaniiya Norris, Ashlee Murphy, Brianna Robinson,**and**Bria Powers.**  Under the direction of Business Education teacher and CTE Department Chair **Kelly Brooks they won the SC Finance Challenge.**
* The Mock Trial team qualified for the State Mock Trial Championships. **Siya Bakshi** won Most Effective Witness and **Marjorie Weaver** won Most Effective Attorney. Team members are **Joshua Graham, Tyler Dewar, Marjorie Weaver, Dorothy Weaver, Rylin Hubbard, Ella Pockl, Willa Zug, Siya Bakshi, Annabelle Kip, Olivia Mikes, CJ McBrayer-Donath, Hollis Gwin, and Jordan Ibekwe**.
* Miss Blue Devil 2024 is **N'diyah Miller.** *Miss Senior*is**Ariyana Hughes.** *Miss Junior*is **Azariyah Davis.** *Miss Sophomore*is **Ta'Mirah Stearns.** *Miss Freshman* is **Jon'Victoria Furgess.** *Miss Congeniality*is **Mikayla Gibson.** *Judges Choice*is **MaKayla Moody.**
* Art teacher **Katie Pfrommer**, Dreher’s 2024-2025 Teacher of the Year, is a finalist for the Richland One Teacher of the Year.
* The **Key Club** sponsored a Mini-Dance Marathon for Children’s Hospital and raised $1296, exceeding their goal of $1000.
* **Elizabeth Link** was named the “SC Chemistry Teacher of the Year” by the SC Section of the American Chemical Society.
* **Mia Amos** was featured in a District video about the benefits of the Teacher Cadet Program.
* Orchestra Director **Adam Rafferty** was named the USC College of Education’s “Outstanding New Teacher.”
* English teacher **Amari Paulovic** was nominated as “America’s Favorite Teacher”