



# Wise Owl

Dell Rapids Public Schools

Dell Rapids, South Dakota

3rd Quarter 2018-19

## QUARRIER OF THE MONTH

Emily Dorn  
OCTOBER



Tayte Gleason  
NOVEMBER



Jayda Knuppe  
DECEMBER



Tim Jaycox  
JANUARY



**Quarrier Pride**  
*"We Empower Each  
Other To Excel"*

## **DRMS would like to announce and congratulate the Students of the Month.**

These individuals have demonstrated positive behavior reflective of the Pillars of Character: trustworthiness, responsible, respectful, fair, good citizenship, and are caring individuals. Thanks to Lunchtime Solutions, Video Plus and Pizza Ranch, Students of the Month recipients will receive gift certificates for these places!



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

5th Grade: Abbey Shellum and Vivica Kreul

6th Grade: Lincoln Fersdahl and Jenna Geraets

7th Grade: Brittany Mauch and Halle Uphoff

8th Grade: Autumn Marglon, Marco Ojeda and Jake Dearduff



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

5th Grade - Parker Zweifel & Cole Harkema

6th Grade - Alana Lynaugh & Marie Moore

7th Grade - Trevor Madland & Emily Miles

8th Grade - Kamren Koster & Mason Ringheimer

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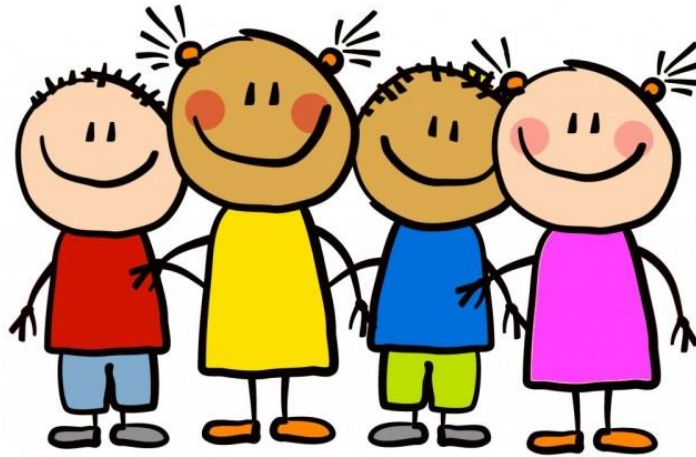
## **Seeking Host Families for Academic Year and Semester**

Hosting an international student is a positive, life-changing experience. You will learn about another culture and have the opportunity to show hospitality to a citizen of another country. The relationship you form with your student will create a bridge between different nations and families, fostering international understanding and a stronger global community.  
[host.asse.com](http://host.asse.com)

If you have any questions, thoughts or want more information you can email [adriane@asse.com](mailto:adriane@asse.com) or call 614-397-6128.







## 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](mailto:laryssa.osheim@kl2.sd.us)**

**Mrs. Tasha Davis - [tasha.davis@kl2.sd.us](mailto:tasha.davis@kl2.sd.us)**

# Kindergarten Screenings

Dell Rapids Elementary will be hosting Kindergarten screenings for children planning to attend Kindergarten during the 2019-2020 school year

**Thursday, March 21, 2019**

**Friday, March 22, 2019**

Children must be age 5 on or before 9/1/2019 in order to register for the screening.

Please register online at  
<https://www.dr-k12.org/>

**or**

Contact Heidi at Dell Rapids Public elementary at  
428-5473 option #6



## Parent Information Meeting

Dell Rapids High School will be holding a parent information meeting for the 2019-2020 school year.

The meeting for current 9th -11th grade students and their parents will be held  
on March 18th at 6:30 pm in the MS Commons.

The meeting for current 8th grade students and their parents will be held  
on March 21st at 6:30p.m. in the MS Common .

## Region V FCCLA Meeting

The Region V FCCLA Meeting was held on Wednesday, December 5 in Madison at the First Lutheran Church. The theme of the meeting was “Believe in Yourself”. Veronica Vanderloo, who served as Treasurer and Faithe Larson, who served as the Junior High Representative for the 2017-18 year helped in the planning and running of the meeting. Members from the 12 chapters in our region were in attendance. Veronica ran for a region office position and was installed as the Region V Co-chair for the coming year in the closing session. Abby Stauffenecker, Sequoia Parr, and Kailena Campbell received a Gold rating and Veronica received a Silver rating on their Illustrated Talks. Abby, Sequoia, and Kailena now advance to state competition this spring. Other members who attended served as door and time keepers for the STAR Event presentations.



Presented Illustrated Talks at regions: Veronica Vanderloo, Abby Stauffenecker, Sequoia Parra, and Kailena Campbell.



Veronica Vanderloo (left) served as Region V treasurer and Faithe Larson served as Jr. High Representative for the past year.



## Grease is the word, is the word that you heard!

Grease is the spring musical this year at DRHS. The cast is hard at work on music and staging. Performances are scheduled for April 12th at 7:00 P.M., April 13th at 5:30 P.M., and April 14th at 2:00 P.M. The April 13th performance will be a dinner theatre sponsored by the Fine Arts Boosters with advance ticket sales available 2 weeks prior to this event. Please watch for more information soon to be available on the FAB website: [www.dellrapidsfineartsboosters.blogspot.com](http://www.dellrapidsfineartsboosters.blogspot.com).

This is the 50th anniversary of the musical Grease, and for many it represents some fond memories. An ear worm is defined by dictionary.com as “a tune or part of a song that repeats in one’s mind.” There is strong evidence so far Grease is one of those musicals full of these pesky ear worms. The humming of “Summer Nights” or busting out with a “Hopelessly Devoted to You” is commonplace around the halls of DRHS. The 60 plus cast and crew hope you are fondly remembering some favorite scenes from this iconic musical right now. Please consider joining us for Grease this spring!



## **Best Buddies is coming to Dell Rapids High School!**



We are so excited to announce that this international program will soon be offered at our high school! Best Buddies is a program that builds meaningful friendships between people with and without disabilities. Through their participation, people with disabilities form meaningful connections with their peers, gain self-confidence and self-esteem, and share interests, experiences, and activities.

We will be holding an informational meeting for anyone who will be in grades 9-12 (next year) who would like to be a Best Buddy, or know more about this program and what a powerful difference it will make in your life! As a Best Buddy, you will be paired up with a student who has an intellectual or developmental disability (IDD), and will have a great time at special gatherings, fun activities, and will enjoy amazing friendships in general.

If you would like to be in a leadership position, a student leadership team will also be selected consisting of a president, vice president, and secretary. The president will have an opportunity to attend the Best Buddies National Leadership Convention in Bloomington, Indiana this summer! We will discuss this at the informational meeting.

**Please join us to hear more about this incredible program on February 20th at 8:00 in the library!**

If you miss this meeting and would like to know more, please contact Nichole North [nichole.north@k12.sd.us](mailto:nichole.north@k12.sd.us) or Jessie Ahlers [Jessica.Ahlers@k12.sd.us](mailto:Jessica.Ahlers@k12.sd.us).



### **Living History Fair**

The 5th grade class would cordially like to invite you to their Living History Fair on February 28th, 2019 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.



During the 2018-19 school year, Junior Achievement (JA) of South Dakota is continuing their partnership with schools across the state to work with and help educate students about money, careers, owning a business, and ethics!

JA of South Dakota is celebrating their 50th anniversary this school year. JA continues to provide the platform for students to have the knowledge and skills to succeed. JA strives to empower students to achieve their dreams, and give them the hope for a better future. Together, our teachers and JA volunteers are preparing our future leaders!

This year, more than 2,200 JA classroom volunteers committed to teaching JA programs that will impact over 55,000 South Dakota students. 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 their future. JA also helps grow their skills so they can become great employees and business owners throughout their careers.

Please extend a special thank you to the volunteers and teachers listed below who participated in JA during the 2018-19 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](mailto:jasd@ja.org).

## **Dell Rapids Junior Achievement Volunteers and Teachers for Program year 2018-2019 Dell Rapids High School**

Teacher	Semester	JA Program	JA Volunteer	Employer
Steve Hansen	Fall	JA Personal Finance	Jeff Buller	Citigroup Inc.
Steve Hansen	Fall	JA Personal Finance	Rita Buller	Sammons Financial Group
Steve Hansen	Fall	JA Personal Finance	Melissa Van't Hof	Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
Steve Hansen	Spring	JA Personal Finance	Ricca Bent	First PREMIER Bank
Steve Hansen	Spring	JA Personal Finance	Blended Programs	
Deb Huska	Fall	JA Excelling through Ethics	Ross Brende	Kahler Funeral Home
Deb Huska	Fall	JA Excelling through Ethics	Nathan Henry	The Local Best of Sioux Falls
Katie Klaassen	Fall	JA Excelling through Ethics	Angela Bitzer	Wells Fargo Financial Cards
Katie Klaassen	Fall	JA Excelling through Ethics	Michelle Bunkers	First National Bank
Jeff Welbig	Fall	JA Excelling through Ethics	Bruce Mogen	Great Western Bank
Jeff Welbig	Fall	JA Excelling through Ethics	Patrick Mullaney	Citigroup Inc.

# 2018-19 Quarter 2 - DR Middle School Honor Roll

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## **6th Grade**

### **GOLD**

Becker, Quinn  
Carda, Chase  
Downs, Gavin  
Fersdahl, Lincoln  
Fletcher, Joshua  
Geraets, Jenna  
Gill, Olivia  
Gruis, Braden  
Hohn, Dawson  
Krull, Peyton  
Lamer, Grady  
Larson, Noah  
Lynaugh, Alana  
Moore, Marie  
Murphy, Kane  
Ober, Jordan  
Olson, Elly  
Randall, Sophia  
Ruesink, Cole  
Schultz, Gage  
Sterud, Joely  
Vanderwerf, Ethan

### **SILVER**

Ahlers, Jackson  
Anderson, Mylie  
Bergstrom, Wren  
Bird, Rylee  
Carr, Quinn  
Cavigielli, Adah  
Crosby, Carson  
Frost, Cooper  
Hight, Mikayla  
Hubers, Aubrey  
Hyatt, Benjamin  
Jensen, Hannah  
Kistler, Madisyn  
Kistler, Makenna  
Kriens, Brynlee  
Kvigne, Katherine  
Lafontaine, Addison  
Lustfield, Laura  
Marglon, Adam  
Millage, Talan  
Miller, Alex  
Prochaska, Kate  
Pudwill, Noah

Randolph, Syanne  
Reider, Alexis  
Ronshaugen, Will  
Rydell, Haley  
Swaney, Owen  
Tjaden, Tad  
Trewin, Paige  
Tudor, Isaac  
Urquijo, Cesar  
Van't Hof, Addison  
VonHoltum, Lauden  
Weiland, Lane  
Zellmar, Ian

### **BRONZE**

Cable, Mason  
Gillette, Kayleigh  
Hendrickson, Zoey  
Jaycox, Andrew  
Jones, Gabriel  
Keener, Lucas  
Merry, Rachel  
Miles, Gavin  
Moeller, Jordan  
O'Meara, Orran  
Prasek, Charlie  
Schmidt, Brandon  
Smith, Avery  
Snyder, Nickolas  
Welch, Tristan  
Wittler, Ethan

## **7th Grade**

### **GOLD**

Anhalt, Hannah  
Berg, Natalie  
Bitzer, Ashlyn  
Carpenter, Madison  
Cross, Makayla  
Fiddelke, Kylee  
Henry, Jackson  
Huss, Halle  
Ingalls, Lexi  
Lebahn, Kylie  
Mortrude, John  
Powelson, Alexis  
VanZee, Reagan  
Welbig, Shelby  
Williams, Sutton  
Wynja, Claire

### **SILVER**

Anderson, Oscar  
Artz, Damiyen  
Campbell, Kailena  
Cynkar, Jaxon  
Eastman, Treyse  
Entringer, Jace  
Evans, Kale  
Fritz, Noah  
Geraets, Aiden  
Godwin, Sophia  
Heibult, Danica  
Hilmoe, Dawson  
Hymans, Isabella  
Kringen, Ethan  
Lensing, Aleya  
Mauch, Brittany  
Miles, Emily  
Montgomery, Jack  
Murphy, Rowan  
O'Meara, Makaylah  
Palmer, William  
Pickard, Micah  
Rall, Ilya  
Royer-Kerns, Jayda  
Schoolmeester, Luke  
Stubbe, Mason  
Uphoff, Halle  
VanZee, Ryder  
Waters, Naomi  
Watkins, Mya  
Weber, Kyra  
Welbig, Shayla

### **BRONZE**

Burggraff, Kain  
De Stigter, Avry  
Dilly, Aliza  
Hanson, Jahlyssa  
Harvey, Keaton  
McDaniel, Ryan  
Nelson, Aden  
Richeal, Konrad  
Tomes, Adam  
Wajer, Jaden

## **8th Grade**

### **GOLD**

Anstine, Jade  
Downs, Hannah

Foster, Rileigh  
Godwin, Olivia  
Greenhoff, Abigail  
Harvey, Austin  
Heinemann, Zach  
Jaton, Will  
Jones, Chase  
Kreul, Katrina  
Lee, Maya  
Mathis, Dylan  
Molskness, Emma  
Nirva, Braeden  
North, Adam  
Price, Elizabeth  
Rechtenbaugh, Joe  
Stadem, Adisen  
Van Regenmorter, Emma

### **SILVER**

Anderson, Jaydn  
Boyle, Kelli  
Clark, Gabe  
Downs, Addyson  
Ellis, Max  
Evans, Ryler  
Geraets, Trevor  
Kindopp, Kerrigan  
Kremer, Kade  
Krull, Kennedy  
Kvigne, Merritt  
Larson, Haley  
Lefebvre, Lizzy  
Miller, Mataya  
Pankonen, Brayden  
Randall, Luke  
Rice, Desmond  
Ringheimer, Mason  
Taubert, Emma  
Traill, Carter  
Xavier, Callista

### **BRONZE**

Chamley, Gunnar  
Dennis, Max  
Fersdahl, Braden  
Nelson, Owen  
Parra, Sequoia



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## **9th Grade**

### **GOLD**

Bittner, Kylie  
Boechler, Aiden  
Carter, Zane  
Davidson, Logan  
Faust, Kira  
Garcia De Loera,  
Alma Yazmin  
Geraets, Josie A  
Gill, Aaron A  
Goeken, Matthew T  
Hohn, Landon F  
Holm, Charles D  
Jensen, Dylan M  
Krumm, Payton M  
LaDeaux, Alexyss V  
Larson, Faithe C  
Lodmell, Tori L  
Person, Taina J  
Pickard, Miriam G  
Reider, Cassandra K  
Rice, Cara J  
Ruesink, Landon A  
Saxon, Aaron D  
Schmidt, Jayme A  
Schmidt, Maggie M  
Spoonemore, Brooklyn T  
Sterud, Paige A  
Stone, Shane R  
Stroschein, Drew  
Van Zee, Peyton R

### **SILVER**

Barnhart, Haileigh R  
Braach, Cassidy  
Crosby, Graci  
De Stigter, Alli M  
Duinkerken, Makayla G  
Erickson, Micah J  
Garry, Mackenzie L  
Golden, Capriccia "Kate"  
Hilmoe, Zoey L  
Knuppe, Victor A  
Krempges, Mallory  
Lacey, Leigha M  
Ljunggren, Madison  
Mason, Weston J  
Merry, Michael

Montgomery, Cariss L  
Nelson, Hunter  
Prochaska, Kylie  
Schrade, Carter  
Strauss, Winston  
Tiernan, Lilly  
Tomes, Autumn  
Trewin, Ashlynn  
VanOverbeke, Madysen

### **BRONZE**

Anderson, Alex J  
DeKnikker, Joshua D  
Horton, Desirae F  
Janiszski, Bryce A  
Krantz, Sidney A  
Mason, Ian M  
McDaniel, Tristen J  
Randall, Luke J  
Rinehart, Rylee F  
Swaney, Connor M  
Tjaden, Tyler L  
Urquijo, Adriana L  
VanOverbeke, Hanna L  
VonHoltum, Landon  
White, Dagen S  
Witte, Michaela A

## **10th Grade**

### **GOLD**

Boechler, Avery  
Dorn, Rebecca  
Fiddelke, Ellie  
Fletcher, Kathryn  
Fritz, Micah  
Gleason, Peyton  
Griebel, Elijah  
Klinkenborg, Mitchell  
Kringen, Madeline  
Maeschen, Coby  
Prasek, Olivia  
Price, Samantha  
Rentz, Colin  
Schmitt, Sadie  
Wajer, Kyra  
Weiland, Andrew  
Wilber, Madelynn

### **SILVER**

Abbott, Megan E  
Anderson, Logan  
Call, Karma M  
Cleveland, Akira  
Eastman, Kaeden  
Flaskey, Tate  
Gee, Brayden  
Hegg, Allison  
Larson, Brady  
Nelson, Courtney  
Nirva, Justin  
Pedde, Austin  
Rentz, Connor  
Schmidt, Elizabeth  
Schmidt, Samantha  
Schrade, Logan  
Sundt, Lathan  
Vietor, Rachael R

### **BRONZE**

Berg, Lucas  
Cavigielli, Kyle  
Clark, Caleb  
Downs, Olivia  
Hansen, Taylor  
Hurlburt, Hanna  
Lensing, Asher  
Letsche, Jakob  
Nelson, Carter  
Nyman, Riley  
Partin, Shayne  
Rieber, Gabriel  
Vail, Gracie  
Vanderloo, Veronica J

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## **11th Grade**

### **GOLD**

Becher, Veronika  
Goeken, Mason  
Gordon, Britton  
Haak, Mallory  
Heiberger, Hannah  
Larson, Erin  
Lee, Cydney  
Meyer, Arny  
Nordstrom, Andrew  
North, Katelyn  
Riswold, Ethan  
Shellum, Sage  
Stelzer, Sydney  
Watkins, Mackenzie  
Welbig, Karsen  
Wood, Tyler G

### **SILVER**

Brech, Morgan  
Carlson, Shannon  
Carr, Gage  
Dorris, Elizabeth  
Gruis, Kade  
Heinemann, Mitchell  
Miles, Jenna  
Oberge, Kaylei  
Peter, Riley  
Schumacher, Cade  
Stauffenecker, Abby  
Stelzer, Olivia  
Syrnens, Anna  
Van Regenrort, Drew  
Yetter, Dylan

### **BRONZE**

Dula, Bianca  
Frevik, Alexis  
Fritz, Joshua  
Grisham, Mackenzie  
Hansen, Aspen  
Kubly, Brandon  
Olivares, Gabriela

Randall, Noah  
Rus, Deziree  
Stroschein, Hannah  
Taubert, Kaela M

## **12th Grade**

### **GOLD**

Benda, Matthew  
Busk, Felix  
Clark, Olivia  
Dorn, Emily  
Emery, Cooper  
Fletcher, Hannah  
Garry, Hunter  
Gleason, Tayte  
Hawthorne, Brooke-Lynn

Heim, Logan  
Hoffman, Ravyn  
Holm, Jay  
Hurlburt, Hailey  
Jackson, Maria  
Jaycox, Katelyn  
Jaycox, Timothy  
Jensen, Luke  
Klein, Brooke  
Klein, Clare  
Knuppe, Jayda  
Kolbeck, Tate  
Kringen, Alex  
Krumm, Paige  
Kruse, Amber  
Lambert, Ashlee  
Lamer, Maxon  
Lodmell, Mercedes  
Mann, Tristen  
Miller, Keegan  
Nemmers, Megan  
Opland, Jaden  
Paul, Emma  
Pedde, Ryker  
Peters, McKenzie  
Posey, Brett

Pudwill, Emily  
Rechtenbaugh, Jacob  
Reit, Taylor  
Saxon, Alec  
Schoeberl, Jenae  
Stange, Krystal  
Sundt, Madison  
Van Dam, Marcus  
Weiland, Bergen E

### **SILVER**

Anderson, Sean  
Boever, Nicholas  
Bradonjic, Nina  
Lueders, Ella  
Moore, Margaret  
Petrik, Thomas  
Pulscher, Brayden  
Schmidt, Raigan  
Shellum, Kenyon  
Wynja, Carter D

### **BRONZE**

Anderson, Malakai  
Boyle, Jaden  
Hollaren, Ethan  
Kitto, Jordan  
Merrill, Bailey  
Peters, Madison  
Price, Edward  
Schultz, EllySue G



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

## Ag In Action

Madelyn Regier, a senior at South Dakota State University, is conducting her student teaching experience at Dell Rapids High School. Ms. Regier grew up on a farm near Mountain Lake, MN and was active in her FFA chapter while in high school. At college, she has been involved in the swine club, college of agriculture, food and environmental science ambassadors, ag ed club, Little International superintendent and student advisory team for Ag Future of America. She will be instructing students in the various classes throughout the spring semester and will finish her experience on April 12.



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, 17 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. Since this class is only a half block, it will last the entire semester allowing students to earn a ½ credit toward graduation.

The second half of 3rd block has fifteen students enrolled in 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. This class is also a half block class and will last the entire semester and is worth a ½ credit as well.

There are twenty-one students enrolled in Ag Processing Technology during 4th block. This class will only last for the third quarter and the main focus is on the processing of various agriculture products. Dairy processing has students analyzing the quality factors of dairy products including fluid milk, butter, yogurt, cheese and ice cream. Using a hand-crank butter churn from the Old Courthouse Museum, the class made home-made butter and sampled it. Ice cream will also made during class using an electric ice cream maker. The slaughter process, quality grading, yield grading and inspection are all parts of the meat processing unit. Other aspects of agricultural processing are also covered included handling, transporting and marketing along with methods of processing, preserving, storing and new technology used in processing.

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. 13 at West Central with Mason Machmiller and Noah Randall participating in the Ag Broadcasting/Journalism event with Noah placing 4th. Tayte Gleason participated in the Employment Skills event and placed 3rd advancing him on to the state event. Becky Dorn, Emily Dorn, Tim Jaycox and Ryker Pedde participated in the Ag Sales event and finished in 5th place. Mason also interviewed for a district officer position.

The State FFA Leadership Development Events were held in Pierre on Dec. 3 where Tayte Gleason represented FFA District 7 and placed 2nd in the Employment Skills event receiving a gold award. The FFA reward trip for members based on past participation had Ethan Hollaren, Clare Klein, Casey Machmiller, Kenyon Shellum, Mason Machmiller and Noah Randall qualifying to attend. These members decided to attend the Black Hills Stock Show and Rodeo on Feb. 2nd and 3rd. They walked through the trade show and viewed items on display ranging from animal health products and equipment to clothing and western art. They were able to watch some sales of purebred cattle that were exhibited at the stocks show. They also attended the PRCA rodeo and enjoyed the indoor water park in Rapid City.

The Agropor Milk Quality and Products workshop in Lake Norden on Feb. 12 will have 10 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 Thursday, Feb. 14 during the half-time of the varsity girl'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. In the FFA, scholarships are available for senior members including 19 different scholarship varying in amounts for members who plan to major in agriculture at a South Dakota University or Technical Institute.

A \$500 scholarship is available for a member planning to enroll at South Dakota State University majoring in Agriculture Education with these



applications due Feb. 22. 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. 22.

The National FFA Week will be celebrated from Feb. 16-23. 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 255 unique career opportunities in the food, fiber and natural resources industry. The theme this year is "Just One". One moment, one encounter, one opportunity is all it takes to radically change the course of our lives. We recognize the importance of each individual "Just One" step toward growth as we work toward our vision of growing leaders, building communities, and strengthening agriculture.

Changing the world sounds like a daunting task at times, yet we believe FFA members can change the world every day by Just One simple action. Just One embodies the idea that our FFA experiences were powerful because we took Just One chance and stepped out of our comfort zones. We encourage members to take Just One risk. Just One step. Just One moment of courage. We are capable of shaping the future of agriculture, our homes, communities and the United States of America, when we believe in the power of Just One! In March the Career Development Events take place in preparation for the State FFA Convention. There are 16 different areas that members can develop their skills in that can eventually lead to career success.

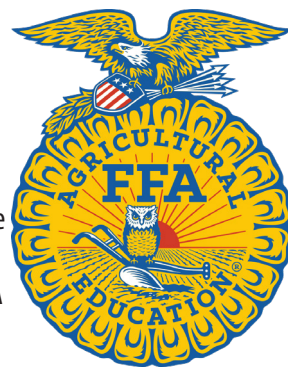
The areas include: Ag Business Management; Ag Mechanics; Agronomy; Biotechnology, Dairy Cattle Evaluation; Floriculture; Food Science; Horse Evaluation; Livestock Evaluation; Meats Evaluation; Milk Quality and Products; Natural Resources; Nursery/Landscape; Poultry Evaluation; Range Plant Identification; and Veterinary Science.

The competitions will be: March 13 at Howard; March 18 at Tri-Valley; March 21 at Flandreau; March 28 at Lennox; and March 29 at Little International in Brookings. The State FFA Convention will be held in Brookings on April 7-9, 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 23 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 24-28 and the other retreat will be held at Camp Bob Marshall near Custer on July 8-12. 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 student 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 5 for the sessions which are: June 4-8; June 11-15; June 18-22; June 25-29; July 9-13; July 16-20; and July 23-27. 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](mailto:tom.wolff@k12.sd.us).



## ALWAYS A ROCKIN GOOD TIME!

Mark your calendars, for this years' **POPS CONCERT**. An entertaining evening put on for you by the Dell Rapids High School Band & Choir. Join them, March 2nd at 7 pm in the MS Commons.

# YOU ROCK!

Here are the fall recipients of the YOU ROCK award. Each staff member was nominated and presented with a YOU ROCK stone provided by LG Everist. Students and parents are encouraged to nominate a staff member for this honor. It's a simple way to show your appreciation for their work and dedication to the children of Dell Rapids. A brief nomination form can be found on the district web site.



**Katie Klaassen**

You are always willing to go the extra mile to teach and reach our students at Dell Rapids. It is always fun to hear about the different activities you are doing in the classroom to make learning Spanish fun. You also go above and beyond your teaching duties to translate and interpret for some of our students and we appreciate that so much!

**Darrell Weinacht**

I would like to nominate our son's bus driver Darrell. Each morning Darrell greets not only our son, but me as well. Darrell goes above and beyond in his job and makes sure our son gets picked up and dropped off safely each day.



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## School Board Election 2019

Two school board positions will be up for election on April 9, 2019. The two 3-year positions, with duties to be assumed in July 2019, will be vacant due to the expiration of the present terms of Matt Weiland and Jody Schumaker.

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 25 and February 22, and must be filed with the business manager no later than February 22, 2019 at 5 p.m.

Voter registration for this election will close on March 25, 2019. 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](http://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](http://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 9, 2019. 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 25, 2019. For information on the election, visit the school website at [www.dr-k12.org](http://www.dr-k12.org) – District – District News, or contact the school business office at 428-5473, option 1.

## Dell Rapids High School ACT Prep Class

Dell Rapids will be providing an ACT Prep class this year to the Junior Class.

The class will include the following sessions:

PRACTICE ACT TEST – Sunday, March 3rd 2:00-5:30

Sunday, March 10th 4:00-6:00 or 6:30-8:30

Sunday, March 17th 4:00-6:00 or 6:30-8:30

Sunday, March 24th 4:00-6:00 or 6:30-8:30

Sunday, March 31st 4:00-6:00 or 6:30-8:30

Sunday, April 7th – make up day in case of inclement weather

Registration fee \$75

Please register with Mrs. Ruesink at [Jennifer.Ruesink@k12.sd.us](mailto:Jennifer.Ruesink@k12.sd.us)



The Dell Rapids School District has its own mobile app through SchoolPointe. The app will keep you in the know and up to date on what is happening around the district. The stay connected app will allow you to receive notifications from the district offices and provide information, announcements, and upcoming events. The app also has a link to the district breakfast & lunch menus, event calendars, staff listings, news and more. To download the stay connected app follow these instructions.

1. Navigate to the Google Play or apple app store.
2. Search for either the Stay Connected or SchoolPointe Stay connected app, and look for the Stay Connected icon.
3. Click on the app and choose install or get.
4. Open the Stay Connected app.
5. Choose Dell Rapids School District. (*You will only need to choose your school once*)

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A few things about the Stay Connected app.

In the upper left corner of the app you will see three bars. This button is the menu button and will provide a list of options that help you navigate around the app. If you click on this button you will notice that it has listed some of the more common tasks users can navigate. These include news, menus, staff listings, and the events calendar.

The app also has the ability to receive notifications sent out by the district. If you wish to modify these settings you can do so by modifying your notification settings on your device.

### Android

1. Settings
2. Notifications
3. Choose Stay Connected
4. Choose your allow notification preferences.

### iOs (apple)

1. Settings
2. Choose Stay Connected
3. Select Notifications
4. Choose your allow notification preferences.



# Dell Rapids Public School 2019-2020

July 2019						
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August 2019						
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September 2019						
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October 2019						
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November 2019						
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December 2019						
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## Special Days

First Day of School- August 22

Last Day of School-May 19 1:00 Release

End of Quarter- Oct. 25 , Jan. 9, Mar. 13

Graduation- May 16

## Parent/Teacher Conferences /Comp Day

Oct. 10 12:30 Dismissal / Conferences 1:00-8:00

Oct. 11 NO SCHOOL

Feb.13 12:30 Dismissal / Conferences 1:00-8:00

Feb. 14 NO SCHOOL

## Holiday Days and Breaks

Sept. 2 Labor Day

Oct. 14 Native American Day

Nov. 27-29 Thanksgiving

Dec. 23- Jan. 1 Winter Break

Jan. 1 New Years Day

Feb. 17 Presidents' Day

March 19- 20 Spring Break

April 10, 13 Easter

May 25 Memorial Day

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

Aug. 20 & 21 , Jan. 10, May 20

## New Teacher Orientation

Aug. 19

## 1:30 Early Release (Staff Development)

Sept. 25, Oct. 30, Mar. 18, Apr. 29

## Student Contact Days

1st Quarter- 44

2nd Quarter-43

3rd Quarter-43

4th Quarter-43

Total Student Days-173

January 2020						
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March 2020						
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April 2020						
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May 2020						
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June 2020						
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Make-up days will be made up after May 19

## IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

**Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup>** - NO SCHOOL (Spring Break)

**Friday, March 15<sup>th</sup>** - NO SCHOOL (Spring Break)

**Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup>** - End of quarter 3

**Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>** - Early Release - Staff Development

**Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup>** NO SCHOOL (Easter Break)



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

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