



# SPARTAN SPOTLIGHT



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## QUARTER 1 HONOR ROLL By Jacob Corrado

### Boyd County High School 2023-2024 Quarter 1 Honor Roll

#### A Honor Roll

*The following students have earned a grade average of 93% or above with no grade lower than an 86%. \*indicates all grades were 93% or above*

Seniors	Juniors	Sophomores	Freshmen
Mercedes Brooks	Adrien Baer	Destiny Bennett	Cheyenne Boettcher
*Jacob Corrado	*Elizabeth Bernt	Brandon Boettcher	*Gracen Eckert
*Paige Druke	*Addison Birmeier	Noah Corrado	*Grace Finnegan
*Katelyn Fletcher	*Brooklyn Eckert	Amanda Davis	*Addilyn Janousek
*Amelia Hahl	Gage Keyes	Ashlynn Finnegan	*Kaci Koenig
Derris Hansen	*Mariah Strom	Mazee Johnson	*Alaina McBride
Deegan Johnson		Kayden Kayl	*Madilynn Nolan
*Zoe Kaczor		Jaylee Lechtenberg	Estrella Reyes
*Elizabeth Kersch	<b>8th Grade</b>	*Will Nelson	Kaylee Warnke
Weston Keyes	Gabe Adams	Claire Reiman	Peyton Wickersham
*Brett Koenig	Lance Kopecky	Madalyn Reiser	
*Nathan Koenig	Connor Nelson	Ethan Zeisler	
Lanie Lechtenberg	*Jagger Reiser		
*McKenzie Snyder	*Tanner Reiser		
Trina Wetzal	*Ben Schmitz		
	*Payleigh Sinclair		
	Tomi Whipple		
	Elly Zeisler		
	Ruby Strom		
	*Sydney Thury		
	*Paige Wendt		
	Meg Wyatt		

#### A-B Honor Roll

*Students earned a grade average of 86% to 92.99% with no grade lower than an 86%.*

Seniors	Juniors
Wyatt Heerman	Evan Hammon
Sophomores	Freshmen
Charles Adams	Adam Bernt
	John Wendt



## BC XC STATE COMPETITION

By Lucas Filipis

After the send-off/pep rally for them, the Boyd County boys XC team traveled to Kearney for the 2023 State Championship. Their performance did not disappoint as the team finished 10th out of the 17 other participating schools. Their top runner, sophomore Will Nelson, finished 23rd out of 131 participants, with a time of 18:10. This was 40 places above Nelson's placement last year. Taking second place from Boyd County was sophomore Ethan Zeisler, with a placement of 44th and time of 18:49. Their teammates, Brook Strom (sophomore), Issac Jensen (sophomore), and Grant McGill (junior) all scored favorably, with times of 20:03, 20:34, and 20:42, rounding out the 2023-24 XC season.

## IN-SCHOOL MEDI TRAINING

By Lucas Filipis

Throughout the month of October, all of the students on the Spencer campus were given a basic course on CPR, and later on first aid, both courses organized by Katelyn Fletcher for an FCCLA project. The CPR course, overseen by the school nurse, Kristin Hammon, went over the fundamentals of CPR: what situations to use it in, what CPR stands for, and how to properly carry it out. Later in the month, a farm safety course was instructed by Ellen Duysen, a community outreach specialist from the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC). After introductions and demonstrations of different dangerous scenarios, Duysen had each group practice packing an open wound and using a tourniquet.



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## 2023 FALL YOUTH SPORTS

By Sabrina Ziebro

This is the first year for The Boyd County Youth Sports Organization. This organization was formed to build and maintain a competitive sports program which develops athletes of high character. Many of the youth sports have been ongoing for years but it seemed difficult to find information or find coaches for the individual sports program. The idea of this group is to bring everything together for youth sports to make it easier for parents to find information, for volunteers to know where help is needed and to support our volunteer coaches. The group was formed by parents, community members and former/present coaches of youth sports. Skills Camps Saturdays were formed to provide 2nd-6th graders with a way to learn the rules and fundamentals about volleyball/football, improve skills, learn about being on a team, gain experience, and have fun. There were 26 girls signed up for Volleyball and 27 boys signed up for Football. These teams were organized by volunteers who so graciously gave their time to help these children. These volunteers were Shelby Wihelmsen, JoElla Ohri, Allison Higgens, and Jared Hammon. This group is looking forward to the upcoming Basketball Skills Camps (Boys and Girls) and Basketball Teams for 3rd-6th grade, which already have 62 pre-registered children to participate in. In the Spring, the group also plans to offer Track and Golf Skills Camps. The organization has a facebook page called Boyd County Youth Sports for anyone interested in joining their child. They use this page to communicate with parents and the community about what is happening in Youth Sports and upcoming events. Thank you to Becky Claussen for her insight and involvement with this organization!

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## FCCLA 2023 DLC AT ONEILL

By Sabrina Ziebro

On Wednesday, October 18th, the Boyd County FCCLA Chapter traveled to O'Neill Public High School for the 2023 FCCLA District 9 Leadership Conference. The day began with members purchasing tickets for a variety of basket raffle prizes that were announced at the closing ceremony. The members then listened attentively to the keynote speaker, Brandi Seltje the LIMHP from Laurel-Concord-Coleridge Public Schools, who spoke about finding your pathway to your career and how your role models will play an important role in what you choose to do with your future. The chapters were then dismissed to attend a variety of breakout sessions, such as Crazy for Competition, Raw Milk Products, Entrepreneurship, Human Trafficking, and much more. In between the breakout sessions, members enjoyed walking tacos with a variety of different desserts. After sessions, the chapters gathered into the gym again to participate in the closing ceremony, basket raffles, and a group photo. Concluding the event, members were able to enjoy coffee from the Juju Bean Coffee Co. portable trailer!

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## FBLA BUSINESS COMPETITION AT WAYNE STATE COLLEGE

By Sabrina Ziebro

On Wednesday, October 18th, eleven Boyd County FBLA members traveled to Wayne State College for their Business Competition. These members had the opportunity to compete in a variety of tests, one of which was a job interview. The group were then given a tour of a section of the Wayne State College after their testing sessions. They also were educated about the manufacturing side of business which was quite interesting to the members. The day concluded with the attendance of the awards session. The group left Wayne with many awards and a day full of fun. The following is the participants whom received awards and for what category: McKenzie Snyder- 4th in Business Communications, Madilynn Nolan- 1st in Introduction to FBLA, Cheyenne Boettcher- 2nd in Introduction to FBLA, Addilyn Janousek- 4th in Introduction to FBLA, Zoe Kaczor- 3rd in Business Calculations & 3rd in Personal Finance.