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# Braaten and Boehmer State Finalists for Presidential Award

*Press Release from Carrington High School*

Two Carrington High School teachers were honored at the ND State Council of Teachers of Mathematics and Science Teachers Association Conference held on March 16-17, 2018, in Valley City, ND. Andy Braaten and Pat Boehmer were named 2017 State Finalists for the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST). The PAEMST is

the highest recognition that a kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade mathematics or science teacher may receive for outstanding teaching in the United States. The awards were established in 1983.

In the field of science and math education, it would be difficult to identify a teacher that can match the abilities and skills of Andy Braaten. His vast depth of knowledge in the area of mathematics and the physical sciences is not only a result of his college education, but also his unquenchable thirst for knowledge and his unwavering work ethic. While his recent acquisition of a master's degree provides clear evidence that he values formal education, his path to becoming the master teacher he is today has been paved with countless hours spent preparing

for his classes. Only the master teachers realize the amount of time required to create just one class period full of engaging, exciting instruction, and in



this category of teacher, Andy is a leader. The design of his classroom instruction is clearly focused on student learning, and he continues to find new and greater ways to change his teaching to reach this goal. With the increased accessibility of technology at Carrington High School through a one-to-one mobile device initiative, Andy has led the CHS staff in the utilization of applications and programs that individualize instruction and maximize opportunities for student learning.

As an experienced, successful basketball coach, Andy is well-trained at motivating his students to perform and at providing constructive, positive feedback. As an expert in observing student performance and adjusting

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## CHS Close Up Tours DC and New York

by Matt Hone

The Carrington High School Close Up students recently made their annual trip to Washington, DC and New York. Nineteen students attended this year's trip on March 18-25. The trip provided many learning opportunities, created many lifelong memories, and allowed students from Carrington to meet other students from all across the country.

The first phase of the trip began in Washington, DC, where students attended daily workshops to learn about the national government and their role as citizens. They heard and participated in debates, discussed diverse points of view, learned the history of today's current events, and conducted a mock congress. When not in workshops, students toured Washington, DC. The Lincoln, Jefferson, Franklin Roosevelt, and Martin Luther King Jr. Memorials, as well as the WWII, Korean War, and Vietnam War memorials were all on the agenda. Students also toured Arlington National Cemetery, The National Archives, several Smithsonian museums, Union Station, and were able to view the White House and visit the Saudi Arabian Embassy.

Wednesday was Capitol Hill day. The group was able to sit in the U.S. Senate Chamber, where they were able to hear Senator Heidi Heitkamp speak from the Senate floor. On Wednesday afternoon students were able to hear Senator Heitkamp and Senator John Hoeven speak to their group and answer questions in the Hart Senate Office Building. Later that afternoon the students were able to ask questions of staff members from Congressman Kevin Cramer's office. Wednesday was capped off as the group was taken to dinner in Georgetown followed by

a night tour of Washington monuments. The Washington phase of the trip concluded Thursday with a banquet and dance.

On Friday morning, Close Up transitioned to New York City. The students were able to tour Central Park, Wall Street, Times Square, and attend a Broadway show. Saturday, lessons focused on immigration and included tours of the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island. The afternoon brought a visit to the 9-11 Memorial and viewing of the new World Trade Center Complex. Saturday night ended with taking in the views from the top of Rockefeller Plaza.

The trip was a tremendous opportunity to broaden horizons, learn citizenship lessons, and view the national government and the nation's largest city up close. The trip capped many months of fundraising and preparation. The Carrington Close Up would like to thank everyone who supported a Close Up fundraiser over this school year. A thank you to Dakota Central, Dakota Growers Pasta, Carrington Dental Care, Garr Dental Care, Carrington Drug, Central Pharmacy, Wholesale Ag. Products, Farmers Union Insurance, Farm Credit Services, and Bickett Insurance for their contributions to help make the trip a possibility as well.



Close Up Students, Front, L-R: Haley Hewitt, McKayla Scanson, Zach Magnuson, Jessica Gussiaas, Addie Lipetzky, Senator Heitkamp, Abbey Neumiller, Halle Lipetzky, McKayla McIntosh, Megan Weninger, Willow Johnson, Hannah Bichler, Emerson Hoornaert, Bailee Finch. Back L-R: Carlen Hone, Matt Hone, Garrett Bickett, Brady Davis, Kolton Vetter, Jayden Shipman, Hayden Schmitz, Zach Johnson.

## Academic Pursuit Teams Complete Outstanding Season

by Kristen Hewitt

The Carrington High School Academic Pursuit teams finished an exemplary season recently, closing out their year with a home meet preceded by a regional competition in Milnor and the annual meet in Wing. At their meets, students work in groups of five to answer questions in the areas of English, math, science, social studies, current events, and electives.

At this regional meet in Milnor on March 13, the senior high team of Emerson Hoornaert, Madeline Allmaras, Adam Gorseth, Kaylee Weninger, and Marah Schmitz finished in a tie for fourth place. At the regional meet, the first-place team moves on to the state competition.

A week and a half later, on March 26, both the junior high and senior high teams traveled to Wing, and had a perfect showing. Both teams came away with the first-place trophy,

having defeated very worthy teams from Kidder County, Linton, Napoleon, Shiloh Christian, Washburn, and Wilton. The first-place junior high team consisted of Kenzie Edland, Anna Irion, Dawsyn Anderson, Bella Garr, Alli Guthmiller, and Max Beumer. The first-place senior high team consisted of Jill Endres, Zach Johnson, Hayden Schmitz, Willow Johnson, and McKenna Wangen.

On April 3, CHS hosted its home meet with seven visiting teams in attendance. Carrington had two teams in both the junior high and senior high divisions, and all four teams took first and second place in their respective rounds. In the junior high round, Turtle-Lake Mercer took third, and Griggs County took fourth. For the senior high teams, Midkota took third, and Turtle-Lake Mercer came in fourth. The members of the Carrington teams are pictured and named below.



Top left, Second place junior high team: Mya Schroeder, Haley Wolsky, Kenzie Edland, Bella Garr, Alli Guthmiller.

Top middle, First place junior high team: Kennedy Wendel, Dawsyn Anderson, Max Beumer, Jacob Rexin, Allison Jarrett.

Top right, First place senior high team: Addison Hoornaert, Zach Johnson, Garrett Bickett, Hayden Schmitz, Madeline Allmaras.

Left, Second place senior high team: Adam Gorseth, Emerson Hoornaert, Jill Endres, Willow Johnson, Marah Schmitz, McKenna Wangen.

Below, Photos from Wing Meet:

Junior High Team, Back: Dawsyn Anderson, Kenzie Edland, Alli Guthmiller. Front: Bella Garr, Max Beumer, Anna Irion.

Senior High Team: Zach Johnson, Willow Johnson, Jill Endres, Hayden Schmitz, McKenna Wangen.



# Message From the Elementary School Principal

by Jenna Helseth

## “Elementary School Highlights”

In March, the Carrington Elementary School celebrated Reading Month. A committee made up of Mrs. Nowatzki, Mrs. Lura, Ms. Braaten, Mrs. Foth, Mrs. Laib, and Mrs. Helseth planned the activities. Various dress-up days here held to go along with reading themes such as “Warm up with a good book and wear sunshine yellow” and “We are CRAZY about reading” (dress crazy/wacky). Local professionals, grandparents, and guest teachers were invited into classrooms to read to students. March 2 was Dr. Seuss’s birthday! All students were treated with a cupcake and celebrated by reading for fifteen minutes. Two reading contests were held, and the students who read the most minutes per grade level were awarded a prize. The committee wanted to include poetry into the month, so each morning a student read a poem over the announcements. Flashlight reading took place in the gym as students were partnered up with a student from another grade level. Mrs. Helseth read *Green Eggs and Ham* to all students at an assembly. Green eggs and ham were also served for breakfast on that day, and our food service personnel were recognized for National School Breakfast Week. We also recognized our library staff at a separate assembly. We partnered with the Carrington City Library and our local Subway to reward students who visited the city library outside of school hours with a certificate to Subway. Each grade level also took a field trip to the city library. We are grateful for our community involvement! Parents were also invited to participate by sharing with their children about their favorite book. Students who participated received a reward from their teacher. Our annual Bingo for Books also took place and was a success with a plentiful supply of donated books! We thank our parent volunteers: Kasey Eversvik, Krystal Neis, and Szilvia Yuja. Because eighty-two percent of students made their AR goal for quarter three, Mrs. Helseth received a pie in her face at an assembly to wrap-up the month’s activities. If students can increase that to 90% next year, Mrs. Helseth will drastically change her hair color!



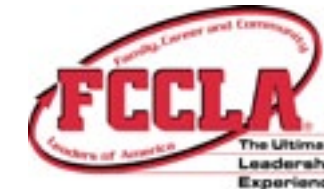
5168 Books



Second graders at Bingo for Books.



Kate, Macy, Molly and Paige Fiebiger’s grandpa, Bruce, reading to Mrs. Tweed’s second graders.



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HOST STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE  
APRIL 15-17, 2018  
RAMKOTA HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER  
BISMARCK, ND

Student members, advisors, and chaperones from across North Dakota gathered in Bismarck April 15-17 to participate in the 73<sup>rd</sup> Annual North Dakota Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) Leadership Conference. The theme of this year’s conference was “North Dakota – Inspired! By FCCLA”.

With the theme in mind, delegates participated in general sessions, workshops, and experienced conference exhibits that assisted in strengthening their leadership abilities as individuals and community members. The keynote speaker was North Dakota’s own Miss America 2018, Cara Mund. Ms. Mund shared her story of becoming Miss America along with her work with the Make a Wish Foundation, and Children’s Miracle Network, one of ND FCCLA’s service projects.

Over 175 delegates participated in Students Taking Action with Recognition (STAR) Events. Receiving a gold medal was Destiny Stedman. Her event focused on Job Interview. Receiving a bronze medal was Destiny Stedman & Kaylee Weninger. Their event focused on a Chapter Service Project for the Daily Bread. STAR Events are competitive events in which members are recognized for proficiency and achievement in chapter and individual projects, leadership skills, and career preparation.

FCCLA: The Ultimate Leadership Experience is unique among youth organizations because its programs are planned and run by members. It is the only career and technical student organization with the family as its central focus. Participation in national programs and chapter activities help members become strong leaders in their families, careers, and communities. FCCLA is supported by the North Dakota State Board for Career and Technical Education.



FCCLA participants, Back row: Kaylee Weninger, Hannah Hagel, Kadyne Mehring, Kambree Kvamme, Sayge Bonn, Bailee Finch. Front row: Anna Irion, Carmen Entzminger, Tessa Page, Miss America Cara Mund, Kaitlyn Nannenga, Destiny Stedman, Advisor Jessica Skadberg.

## March Students of the Month

Every month, teachers nominate students from each grade to be Students of the Month based on positive attitude, school spirit, citizenship, involvement, and academic effort. A faculty vote is taken to determine the SOM.

### Kael Kovar- Grade 7

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Jozie and Kip Kovar

**Family Members:** Kendall, Kullen

**Hobbies and Interests:** Band, Xbox, sports

**Favorites:** Pizza, green, Maze Runner

**Favorite Class:** Gym

**Person Most Admired:** Dad

**Future Career:** Undecided



### Madison Richter- Grade: 10

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Jyl Kostelnik, Joe Kostelnik, and Chris Richter

**Family Members:** Alli Richter, Kaley Kostelnik

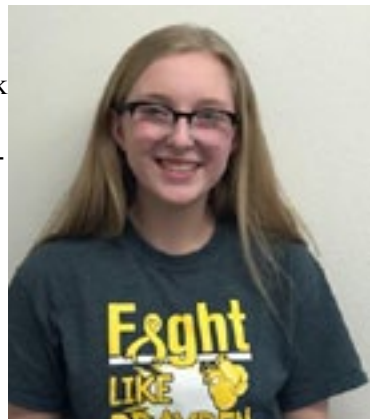
**Hobbies and Interests:** Camping, drawing, traveling, hanging out with friends and family

**Favorites:** Orange, mashed potatoes, *Wonder*, Ed Sheeran

**Favorite Class:** Biology

**Person Most Admired:** Mom

**Future Career:** Special Education teacher



### Jacob Rexin- Grade 8

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Michelle and Michael Rexin

**Family Member:** Kacie

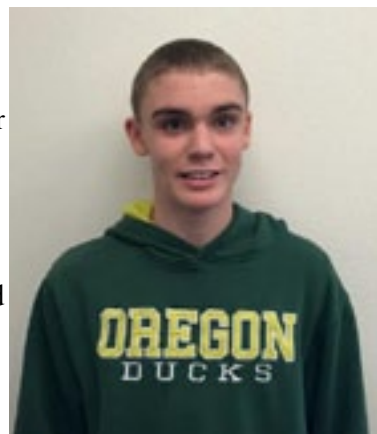
**Hobbies and Interests:** Sports, reading, running

**Favorites:** Pizza, blue, Star Wars

**Favorite Class:** Gym

**Person Most Admired:** Dad

**Future Career:** Undecided



### Sylvie Pate- Grade: 11

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Jeff and Julie Pate

**Family Member:** Kaylin

**Hobbies and Interests:** Studying anatomy, choir, FBLA, jamming with friends, reading, music, traveling

**Favorites:** Purple, *The Orphan Train*, friends, running

**Favorite Class:** Chemistry

**Person Most Admired:** Uncle Dave

**Future Career:** Pediatric Trauma Surgeon



### Anna Irion- Grade: 9

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Laura and Ed Irion

**Family Member:** Christian

**Hobbies and Interests:** Sports, traveling, going to the lake

**Favorites:** Pasta, Cleveland Cavaliers, Hawaii Five-O

**Favorite Class:** Math

**People Most Admired:** My parents

**Future Career:** Sports medicine



### McKayla Scanson- Grade: 12

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Dan and Lisa Scanson

**Family Members:** Tyler, Travis, Tyson

**Hobbies and Interests:** Band, reading, Science Olympiad, hanging out with friends

**Favorites:** Blue, NF, any Marvel movie, ice cream

**Favorite Class:** AP Biology

**People Most Admired:** My parents

**Future Career:** Psychologist



## April Students of the Month

### McCoy Beckley- Grade: 7

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Brook and Tyler Beckley

**Family Members:** Kaitlyn, Layne

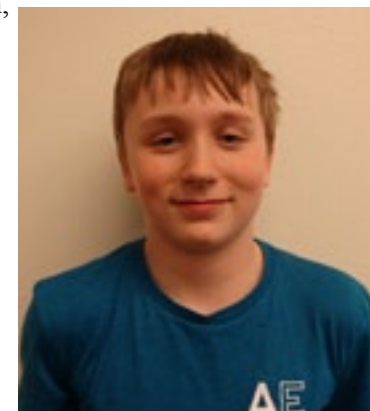
**Hobbies and Interests:** Football, video games, hanging out with friends

**Favorites:** Pizza, Ed Sheeran, Chris Pratt, *Waterboy*, red

**Favorite Class:** Math

**Person Most Admired:** Dad

**Future Career:** Farmer



### Seth Nelson- Grade: 10

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Jacqui and Mo Nelson

**Family Members:** Maara, Alex

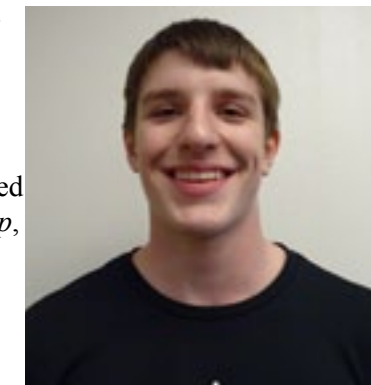
**Hobbies and Interests:** Sports, hanging out with friends, *Fortnite*

**Favorites:** Fruit, Drake, Ted Z, *White Men Can't Jump*, maroon

**Favorite Class:** Ag class

**Person Most Admired:** Father

**Future Career:** Undecided



### Dawsyn Anderson- Grade: 8

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Robin and Glenn Anderson

**Family Members:** Bridger, Cedar

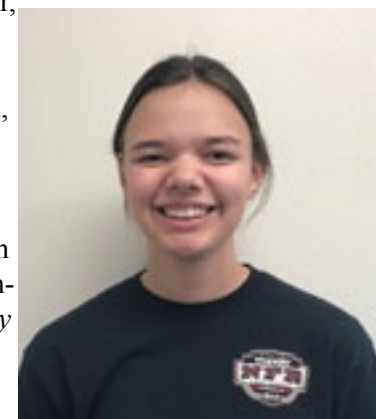
**Hobbies and Interests:** Golf, reading, basketball, Netflix, Academic Pursuit, helping Grace with art

**Favorites:** spaghetti, Jason Day, Nathan Cheng, Dennis, blue, *Grey's Anatomy*

**Favorite Class:** Art

**Person Most Admired:** Grace Rindy

**Future Career:** Oncologist



### Savanna Friedt- Grade: 11

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Myrna and Alex Friedt

**Family Members:** Sage, Sydney, Sierra, Irene

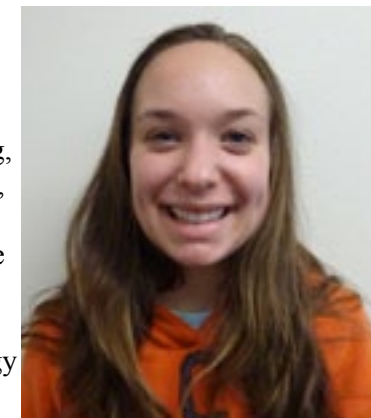
**Hobbies and Interests:** Dance, ballet, yearbook, FBLA, drawing, napping, hanging out with friends, making Spotify playlists

**Favorites:** Netflix, Charlie Puth, Disney, traveling, purple, soup, and pasta

**Favorite Class:** Physiology

**People Most Admired:** Sage and Mom

**Future Career:** Neonatal Surgeon



### Treston Lura- Grade: 9

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Troy and Billie Lura

**Family Member:** Tesslin

**Hobbies and Interests:** Working on the farm, taking care of the animals, wrestling, hanging out with friends

**Favorites:** Brownies, cookies, cereal, blue and green

**Favorite Class:** Intro to Ag

**Person Most Admired:** Dad

**Future Career:** Farmer



### Justin Lee- Grade: 12

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Brent and Joanna Lee

**Family Members:** Tyler, Beth, Nicole, Abby, Jennie

**Hobbies and Interests:** Ranching, FFA

**Favorites:** Pulled pork, blue, *8 seconds*

**Favorite Class:** Ag class

**Person Most Admired:** Dad

**Future Career:** Ranching



# May Students of the Month

## Kaylee Barone - Grade: 7

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Shanna Barone

**Family Members:** Grant, Shanna, Gwen Lee

**Hobbies and Interests:**

Reading, drawing, writing, listening to music, playing games, musicals, books, movies, video games

**Favorites:** Spaghetti, Twenty One Pilots, Panic at the Disco, Chris Pratt, red, Jacksepticeye, Marz

**Favorite Class:** Choir

**Person Most Admired:** Sean Mclouglin

**Future Career:** Artist/writer/photographer



## Bella Hone - Grade: 10

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Matthew and Carlen Hone

**Family Members:** Emma, Justin

**Hobbies and Interests:**

Volleyball, basketball, hanging out with friends

**Favorites:** Ice cream, movies, music, hoop earrings

**Favorite Class:** Algebra 2

**Person Most Admired:** Callie Krause

**Future Career:** Physical therapist



## Keiley Slorby - Grade: 11

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Terri Hennings and Tim Slorby

**Family Members:** Sam, Brianna, Liam, Caleb

**Hobbies and Interests:**

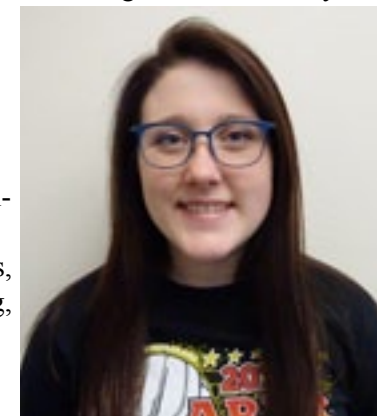
Hanging out with friends, longboarding, drawing, singing, watching Netflix

**Favorites:** Music, movies, shows, drawing, singing, ice cream, pizza

**Favorite Class:** Choir

**Person Most Admired:** Dad

**Future Career:** Photographer or graphic designer



## Logan Pierce - Grade: 8

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Anna Grenz and Wade Pierce

**Family Members:** Amber, Emy, Bailey

**Hobbies and Interests:**

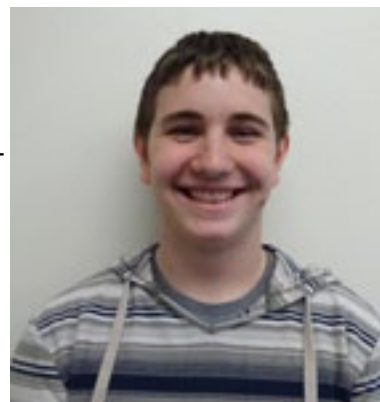
Cleaning, playing games with friends, playing basketball

**Favorites:** Random foods, relaxing music, *Game of Thrones*

**Favorite Class:** IE

**People Most Admired:** My parents

**Future Career:** Zoologist



## Madeson Smith -Grade: 12

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Cory and Cassie Smith

**Family Member:** Sydney Buckle

**Hobbies and Interests:**

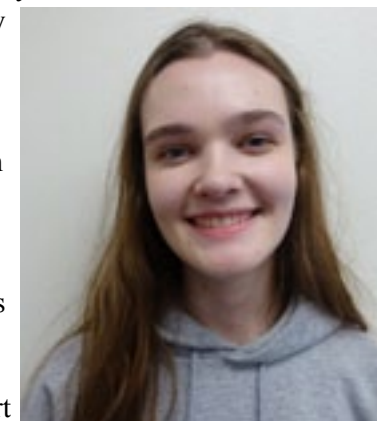
Painting, listening to music, hanging out with friends

**Favorites:** Pizza, yellow, Netflix

**Favorite Class:** Ceramics

**Person Most Admired:** My sister

**Future Career:** Get an art degree



## Tessa Page - Grade: 9

**Parent(s)/Guardians:** Nikole and Culley Hoggarth and Mitch Page

**Family Members:** Tyler, Tate, Trevor, Trace Hoggarth; Lexus, Jacob, and Bryar Page

**Hobbies and Interests:**

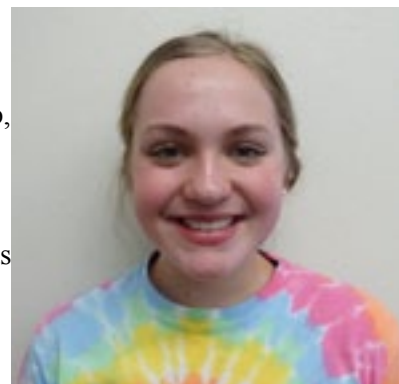
Basketball, volleyball, hanging out with friends

**Favorites:** Music, Netflix, orange, sports

**Favorite Class:** German

**People Most Admired:** My mom and dad

**Future Career:** Undecided



# Construction Update

by Dr. Brian Duchscherer

I want to thank the students, school employees, and the public for your patience and understanding this past school year as we all experienced some inconveniences during the construction process.

The past twelve months have been exciting to see our new facility slowly transform from an open lot into a new elementary school and gymnasium that will be ready to use this fall when the new school year begins. The contractors have made great progress to date and will be completing the following projects this spring and summer:

- All classrooms still need floor covering, ceiling tiles, electrical finishes, and doors.
- All hallways still need wall covering, floor covering, ceiling tiles, electrical finishes, and doors.
- Gymnasium still needs flooring, bleachers, and electrical finishes.
- Exterior wall brick and metal siding need to be completed along with exterior doors.
- Exterior parking lots and landscaping need it be completed.
- Exterior playground equipment needs to be installed.

The school district will be moving desks, tables, library books, and other classroom supplies from our current site to the new facility this summer. The school may need some assistance with our move, so please listen for any announcements. You or your group's help will be very much appreciated.

We are hoping to be relocated by early August and are planning to have a ribbon cutting ceremony along with an open house before the first day of school. The exact date and time will be announced this summer. Thank you for a great school year, and have a good summer.



## School Calendar

May 10	HS Spring Concert, 7 P.M.	May 27	Graduation, 2 P.M.
19	Regional Track	29-30	Boys State Golf, Mapelton
23	Last Day of School		Girls State Golf, Hankinson
21-23	Regional Baseball, New Rockford	31-June 2	State Baseball, Jamestown
25-26	State Track, Bismarck		

## CHS Students Participate in Jamestown Math Meet

by Andy Braaten

Twenty Carrington High School students competed in the annual Jamestown College math meet on Tuesday April 17. The team of Zach Johnson, Adam Gorseth, Bella Hone, and Kenzie Edland took first place among Class B Schools in the team test competition.

McKayla Scanson took third place in the Class B 11-12 grade individual test.

Addison Hoornaert and Cassidy Neuman were the highest Carrington placers in the 9-10 grade individual test.



Top left, Kenzie Edland, Bella Hone, Adam Gorseth, and Zach Johnson take first place in Class B schools in team competition.

Bottom left: McKayla Scanson takes third place in Class B 11-12 grade individual test.

Bottom right: Addison Hoornaert and Cassidy Neuman were the highest Carrington placers in the 9-10 grade individual test.



## 2018 Science Olympiad Results

by Pat Boehmer

On March 29, the Carrington Sr. and Jr. High Science Olympiad teams traveled to Bismarck for the Southwest Regionals. The senior high placed 2<sup>nd</sup> overall and was the number 1 class B team. The junior high placed 3<sup>rd</sup> overall and were the number 1 class B team.

On April 21, both teams advanced to the state competition. The junior high team was 3<sup>rd</sup> overall and the number 1 class B team. The senior high was 11<sup>th</sup> overall and the number 4 team in Class B. Great job by all the students who participated in the region and state levels of competition.

### 2018 Regional Science Olympiad medal winners

#### Senior High

Ecology	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bella Hone/Laurie Struxness
Dynamic Planet	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Marah Schmitz/Madison Solwey
Astronomy	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sean Nichols/Madison Solwey
Microbe Mission	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Maddy Nichols/Chayla Kuss
Towers	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Madeline Allmaras/Madison Solwey
Hovercraft	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Maddy Nichols
Chemistry Lab	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Adam Gorseth/Maddy Nichols
Mouse Trap Vehicle	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sean Nichols
Forensics	1 <sup>st</sup>	McKayla Scanson/Maddy Smith
Herpetology	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Madeline Allmaras/Marah Schmitz
Materials Science	1 <sup>st</sup>	Maddy Smith/Adam Gorseth

#### Junior High

Mystery Architecture	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jake Page/Max Beumer
Solar System	1 <sup>st</sup>	Jake Page/Jacob Rexin
Potions and Poisons	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hannah Hagel/Abbie Stedman
Ecology	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Hannah Lange/Gavyn Anderson
Microbe Mission	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Max Beumer/Hannah Lange
Fast Facts	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Emma Hone/Anna Irion
Hovercraft	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Hannah Hagel/Trevor Hoggarth
Dynamic Planet	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lucas Hendrickson/Jacob Rexin
Meteorology	1 <sup>st</sup>	Jacob Rexin/Ella Nowatzki
Disease Detectives	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Emma Hone/Dawsyn Anderson
Hermodynamics	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Kenzie Edland/Trevor Hoggarth

### State Science Olympiad Medal Winners

#### Junior High

Dynamic Planet	1 <sup>st</sup>	Jacob Rexin, Lucas Hendrickson
Meteorology	1 <sup>st</sup>	Jacob Rexin, Ella Nowatzki
Mystery Architecture	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Max Beumer, Jake Page
Motions and Poisons	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Hannah Hagel, Abbie Stedman
Solar System	1 <sup>st</sup>	Jacob Rexin, Jake Page
Wright Stuff	1 <sup>st</sup>	Max Beumer, Lucas Hendrickson

#### Senior High

Dynamic Planet	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Madison Solwey, Marah Schmitz
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# Speech Team Earns Sixth at State Meet

by Michele Seil

At the state meet on Saturday, April 28 in Mandan, the CHS speech team finished in 6<sup>th</sup> place. Finalists were Savanna Friedt 3<sup>rd</sup> in radio, Mason Rose 5<sup>th</sup> in humorous, Caedon Pederson 6<sup>th</sup> in dramatic, Kaylee Weninger 7<sup>th</sup> in impromptu, Savanna Friedt and Caedon Pederson 7<sup>th</sup> in humorous duo, Laurie Struxness 7<sup>th</sup> in entertain, and Destiny Stedman 8<sup>th</sup> in inform and extemp speaking. Mason Rose was also awarded Superior Speaker in Serious. Five CHS speech team members were named to the All State Team: Savanna Friedt, Caedon Pederson, Mason Rose, Destiny Stedman, Laurie Struxness and Kaylee Weninger.

The speech team had 9 students with 15 state qualifying entries. In addition to the state award-winning entries, state-qualifying competitors were Laurie Struxness in poetry, Ella Nowatzki in persuade, Kaylee Weninger in inform, Bella Garr in persuade and EPR, and Janice Overby in EPR.

The speech team won the Region V tournament, held on April 14 in Cooperstown. CHS lead the tournament by winning 12 of the 14 events and earning 194 points. Earning regional awards were Mason Rose 1<sup>st</sup> in serious and humorous, Savanna Friedt and Caedon Pederson 1<sup>st</sup> in humorous duo, Savanna Friedt 1<sup>st</sup> in radio, Caedon Pederson 1<sup>st</sup> in dramatic, Laurie Struxness 1<sup>st</sup> in poetry and entertain, Destiny Stedman in 1<sup>st</sup> extemp speaking and 2<sup>nd</sup> in inform, Ella Nowatzki 2<sup>nd</sup> in persuade, Kaylee Weninger 1<sup>st</sup> in impromptu and inform, Bella Garr 1<sup>st</sup> in EPR and persuade, and Janice Overby 2<sup>nd</sup> in EPR. Also earning awards for CHS were Carter Larson 5<sup>th</sup> in humorous, Carrie Hovdenes 8<sup>th</sup> in humorous, Rori Richter 4<sup>th</sup> in poetry, Lexi McClean 7<sup>th</sup> in poetry and 5<sup>th</sup> in dramatic, Macee McClean 7<sup>th</sup> in serious and 6<sup>th</sup> in dramatic, Jessalyn Thomas 3<sup>rd</sup> in radio and inform, Rori Richter and Ella Nowatzki 4<sup>th</sup> in serious duo, Carter Larson and Jake Page 4<sup>th</sup> in humorous duo, Carrie Hovdenes and Janice Overby 8<sup>th</sup> in humorous duo, and Jake Page 3<sup>rd</sup> in extemp speaking.

The regional tournament culminated a successful competitive season for the Cardinal speech team. The speech team participated in nine invitational tournaments. The team faced tough competition in the season opener on January 13 at Valley City and finished in 5<sup>th</sup> place, then went on to win team awards at all the following tournaments: 3<sup>rd</sup> in Rugby on January 20, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Devils Lake on February 3, 3<sup>rd</sup> in Rolette on February 10, 1<sup>st</sup> in Northwood on February 24, 3<sup>rd</sup> in Carrington on March 3, 1<sup>st</sup> at the Midkota meet on March 10, 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Barnes County North meet on March 16, and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Cooperstown on April 3.

The team was coached by Jon Gussiaas and Michele Seil.



Regional Speech Team, Front: Carrie Hovdenes, Laurie Struxness, Savanna Friedt, Rori Richter, Janice Overby. Middle: Mrs. Seil, Caedon Pederson, Jessalyn Thomas, Bella Garr, Carter Larson, Lexi McClean, Jon Gussiaas. Back: Mason Rose, Kaylee Weninger, Jacob Page, Ella Nowatzki, Macee McClean.

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Above: Jacob Boeshans, Mrs. Helseth, and Carter Beckley.



Left: Cyrena Kuss on Crazy About Reading Day.

Above: Sixth graders at the City Library with Vivian Overby, Librarian.

Shelley Skytland reading to Mrs. Miller's kindergarten class on Professionals Day.

Below: Mrs. Park and Mrs. Helseth recognizing the library staff.

Mrs. Helseth gets a pie in her face.



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his approach to meet the needs of his student athletes, he is capable of effectively instructing students across the academic spectrum. He is able to accurately determine the prior knowledge of his students and then provide the challenging instruction that will push them to the next level.

Outside of the classroom, Andy has served in many leadership positions. At Carrington High School, he has served as a leader in the math department, and he is largely responsible for the math dual-credit opportunities that CHS currently offer. He is one of the most widely respected basketball coaches in the state of North Dakota and has served as an officer in the coaches association. He frequently presents at math and science education conferences, with audiences that range from high school teachers to college instructors. Most importantly, Andy is willing to fulfill the types of service leadership roles that make him an invaluable member of our school and our community. Whether it is driving students in a school bus to an activity, running the school clock at the football game or volleyball match, or refereeing the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade basketball game, Andy is always willing to provide his time and talents for the service of students.

In the area of life science education, it is hard to imagine a teacher that has inspired more students to pursue a science-related career than Pat Boehmer. His encyclopedic knowledge in the life sciences may have begun with his college education, but has continued to grow over the last thirty-plus years due to a life-long drive to learn. Through the study of professional science publications and journals, Pat has continued to expand his knowledge of the current discoveries and innovations in the areas of genetics, physiology, and biochemistry. During his career, he has provided numerous trainings for science teachers regarding the use of biochemistry and genetics kits. These trainings have not only allowed Pat to share his expertise, but have also allowed him to acquire sharper skills and modern materials for his own students. In his classroom, he is clearly focused on student learning and continues to find new and greater ways to help his students reach an understanding of the material. Pat frequently uses the art of storytelling to help his students understand the often difficult and abstract concepts they encounter in the lif <https://pbs.twimg.com/media/DcEUk-yVMAEDikg.jpg:large> e sciences. These stories include relevant examples and analogies that the students not only find relevant to their lives, but also find humorous and entertaining. Many of his students would credit their high degree of information retention to the very personable and engaging style with which Pat teaches. In addition to his engaging instructional style, Pat incorporates inquiry-based laboratory activities in all of his classes. He has written numerous grants to acquire current equipment and material for his classroom, including digital microscopes. In his genetics and physiology courses, he conducts lab activities and

experiments that students would usually experience only in a college setting. In a high school setting, these college-level experiences are extremely powerful when conducted by an instructor with the academic prowess that Pat possesses.

The excitement and energy that Pat brings to his classroom is similar to that of a first-year teacher. While many teachers at this point in their careers struggle to find the passion to teach the same concepts year after year, an unaware observer of Pat's classroom might conclude that he has just discovered the concept and can't wait to tell his students for the very first time. His energy is infectious, and his students find themselves engrossed in the curriculum by the conclusion of the lesson.

Outside of the classroom, Pat is a leader in his field of education. He frequently presents at science education conferences to audiences of high school teachers from across the state. On numerous occasions during his career, Pat has served on state committees for the ND Department of Public Instruction designed to create, review, and implement standards for science education.

As state finalists, both Braaten and Boehmer move on to the next level of the competition, which includes a national selection committee composed of prominent mathematicians, scientists, mathematics/science educators, district level personal, and classroom teachers reviewing finalist applications and choosing Presidential Awardees from each state. Each Awardee receives a certificate signed by the President of the United States and a \$10,000 award from the National Science Foundation. Awardees also are honored during rec-



*North Dakota Studies students touring Ronald Reagan Minuteman Missile State Historical Site by Cooperstown, ND.*