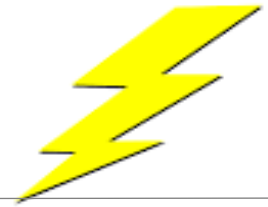


March, 2024

CHARGER CHATTER



Hamlin Education Center

State Champions



The Hamlin Chargers won the 2024 State A Championship. Winning the title after defeating Sioux Falls Christian 53 to 50 in overtime.

Evan Stormo, Easton Neuendorf, and Tyson Stevenson were named to the All-Tournament Team.



State Art Competition

Our district "Team" tied for 6th out of 12 Class A schools competing.

Anni Levijoki was awarded 2nd in Crafts, 3rd in Digital Art/Graphic Design, and 3rd in 3-Dimensional

Lucy Kaski won 3rd in Photography

Tristan Sarff scored 4th in Functional Ceramics

"I am so proud of all the students whose work went along to state this year."
- Mrs. Dorn

State Powerlifting



Tristan Sarff 90kg 3rd place
Squat 430, Bench 225,
Deadlift 430, Total 960



Ella Levijoki 100kg
1st place Squat 225, Bench
110, Deadlift 245, Total 580



Gavin Maag 56kg 1st place
Squat 365 (State Record),
Bench 185 (State Record),
Deadlift 365 (State Record),
Total 915 (State Record)



Sawyer Trowbridge 67.5kg
3rd place Squat 345, Bench 215,
Deadlift 400, Total 1085



Maddie Bos 82.5kg 1st place
Squat 235, Bench 105,
Deadlift 295, Total 635

Cats or Dogs?

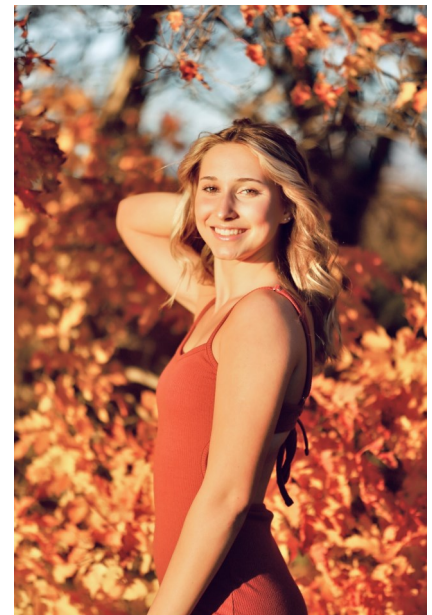
- Estelle W. – Dogs
- Elvera C. – Dogs
- Annie S. – Cats
- Lincoln J. – Dogs
- Jack K. – Dogs
- Nadia T. – Dogs
- Isaac S. – Cats
- Janica K. – Dogs
- Greyson R. – Dogs
- Clara C. – Cats

If you could have any super power what would it be?

- Mrs. Bawdon – Time Travel
- Jose M. – Spiderman Powers
- Harper N. – Speak any Language
- Joel K. – Unlimited Strength
- Adrianys C. – Invisibility
- Mrs. Dorn. – Super Strength

Senior Spotlight: Marissa Bawdon

Marissa Jean Bawdon was born on March 2nd, 2006. Her brothers are Connor and Rylan. Her most embarrassing moment was that freshman year at track in Estelline she forgot her jersey back at camp, so in the middle of the 4x2 race all of her teammates had to transfer jerseys. The most influential people in her life are her parents. Her greatest accomplishment was winning State basketball in a 25-0 season. Her advice to her younger self is to not wait until the last minute. In her free time she hangs out with friends, goes shopping, eats out and goes to movies. Her plans after high school are to attend Mount Marty University for a degree in Nursing while also being on the track team. She will always remember Mrs. Jacobson and going/competing in all the State tourneys and meets.



Senior Spotlight: Kendric Lewno

Kendric Isiah Lewno was born on November 11th, 2005. He has two siblings: Evett and Jaykayla. His most embarrassing moment he had was when he had to act stuff out in front of the class. The most influential person in his life is Cleo Fulton, and his greatest accomplishment was getting a pickup. If he could change one school rule it would be allowing phones in class. His advice to his younger self is, "Never give up and keep going." He will always remember Mrs. Jongeling because she is always positive. His plans for after High School are to attend MTC and take the Electrical Construction and Maintenance course, then go to Muth Electric. He will always remember when he helped his cousin change the fuel pump in the parking lot.

Senior Spotlight: Gage Arnold

Gage Dakota Arnold was born on June 9th, 2005. His siblings are: Hunter, Brylie, Ruby, Roselie and Tian. His most embarrassing moment was when the sensor for his diabetes went off in class and everyone was asking what the noise was. The most influential person in his life is his dad, Robb Arnold. His greatest accomplishment was having no math or science his senior year. If he could change one school rule it would be that all seniors can get senior privileges. If he could give advice to his younger self it would be to stop procrastinating. In his free time he hangs out with friends and goes to the gym. He will always remember Charlie Schafer and skipping a week of choir with Charlie, with Mrs. Petersen only catching them one day. His plans after high school are to attend Evangel University to become a youth pastor.

Senior Spotlight: Brexton Hennen

Brexton David Hennen was born on October 27th, 2005 to Jeremy and Victoria Hennen. He has one sister named Lili. His most embarrassing moment was when he broke his leg during warmups for football. The most influential people in his life are his parents. His greatest accomplishment was maintaining his lifetime friendship with Noah. If he could change one school rule it would be the phone rule. His advice to his younger self is, "Set goals and start lifting sooner, focus on yourself and stay faithful. DO NOT JOIN FOOTBALL!" In his free time he plays video games with his friends and lifts. He will remember Mrs. Jacobson and early mornings and after school lifting with Freddy. His plans for after high school is to go to college for either Pre-Chiropractic or Human Biology, then get his doctorate.

Senior Spotlight: Grace Opdahl

Grace Lee Opdahl was born on August 15th, 2006. She has three siblings: Sara, Savanna and Hunter. Her most embarrassing moment was when she 100% thought that George Washington was in World War one. The most influential person in her life is Mrs. Grantham. This is because, "She always has a good attitude and loves everyone. She's always smiling and always is down to have a conversation." Her greatest accomplishment is passing U.S. and World History. If she could change one rule she would change senior privileges being based off of State Testing. If she could give advice to her younger self she would say, "Do not let people walk over you and do not let the little things bother you, For real not that deep." In her free time she hangs out with friends, drives around, and plays volleyball. She will always remember her friends, Mrs. Grantham, and Mrs. Jacobson. After high school she plans to attend USD and major in Psychology and minor in deaf education. She will always remember her morning routine in her first pe-

Senior Spotlight: Nicole Gallardo

Nicole Gallardo was born on October 27, 2005. She has seven siblings: Lizbeth, Anayell, Alondra, Paola, Aylin, Meianie, and Victoria. Her most embarrassing moment in school was when she tripped at a pep rally in front of everyone. Someone who made her who she is today is Paola because she made her realize that there is more to life and made her confident. She also is someone who can tell everything without judging her. She changed her by telling me she can complete all of her goals with her supporting her all the way. She feels like getting through high school is a big accomplishment for her also being in sports and not giving up or quitting when it is tough. Something that she would change is that all seniors have privileges once school starts. Something she would like to say to her younger self if she could would always be confident because life is too short not to be. Something that she likes to do in her free time is hangout with Tristan and Jacob. She also likes to do some online shopping. Someone that she will always remember is Mrs. Jacobson, she would just understand us and she always put a smile on our faces even though she was going through tough times. Her plans after high school is to attend LATC and get a business degree. One thing that she will remember in the boys state basketball getting chased by a mall cop.

Class of 2024