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FALL SPICES



By: Meg Yoder

It's October! That means it is time for lots of seasonal flavors. Popular flavors this season include: Pumpkin spice, cinnamon, chai, maple, apple, brown sugar, hazelnut, and pecan. All of these flavors can be used in various ways such as a drink or dessert.

Pumpkin: Pumpkin pie, pumpkin spice latte, pumpkin bread, pumpkin cupcakes, and pumpkin cookies.

Cinnamon: Cinnamon rolls, oatmeal, cinnamon butter, and iced cinnamon latte.

Chai: Chai latte, chai custard, chai roasted pears, and chai ice cream.

Maple: Maple cookies, maple candy, and maple espressos.

Apple: Apple pie, apple cider, apple tarts, caramel apples, and apple cinnamon crumb muffins.

Brown Sugar: Brown sugar pound cake, brown sugar pie, brown sugar cookies, brown sugar espresso, and brown sugar pop-tarts.

Hazelnut: Chocolate hazelnut cake, hazelnut bars, hazelnut pudding, and hazelnut lattes.

Pecan: Pecan pie, pecan bars, chocolate pecan cake, pecan muffins, and pecan crunch lattes.



Five people were asked what their favorite fall flavors are and these were the results:

Eli Crilley: Cinnamon

Journie Smith: Pumpkin Spice

Emily Laughman: Apple

Brenna Locker: Apple

Parker Crow: Pumpkin spice

SPORTS

RECORDS CRUSHED!

By: Dylan Bauer

In case you have been under a rock this whole time, the athletics this year have been nothing short of excellence. Within the past few weeks, several records have come crashing down. To begin with, Breanna Ingle broke the school record for most career shutouts as the girls' varsity soccer goalie. Breanna is a veteran senior who held opposing teams to 0 for over 21 total games across four years of high school soccer. The next record was set by another senior on the volleyball team, Sienna Montgomery. She achieved the most kills in a single season with over 331. Finally, freshman Michaela Flora took down two records in cross country; setting the standard for the 2-Mile with a time of 12:18, (a distance that is only ran once a year), and 5k with a time of 19:12. Great job girls and congrats on the magnificent season!



ATHLETES OF THE MONTH

Michaela Flora

As a freshman on the girl's cross country team, Michaela has certainly been turning some heads. She led the team in placement for most of the season, often finishing within the top 5 at each meet. Her proudest athletic achievement was being awarded WOAC runner of the year. Michaela also managed to place 4th at the regional meet this past Saturday. She will continue on to race in Columbus at the DIII OHSAA State Meet this coming Saturday. Great job Michaela!



Isaac Beidelman

Isaac is a captain and senior on the varsity boys soccer team and has played soccer since he was four years old. This season, he had the most goals on the team with 18 as the attacking mid. His proudest athletic achievement was being offered a spot on his competitive club team. Way to go Isaac!



Q&A

1. What animal do you think would be best at your sport?

Michaela: An American antelope (pronghorn).

Isaac: Cheetah.

2. What is your sport's most satisfying sound?

Michaela: The watch stopping. Duh.

Isaac: Scoring a winning goal and hearing the roar of the crowd

3. Waffles or Pancakes and why?

Michaela: Waffles, they just are. (By the way, people that put peanut butter on waffles are strange).

Isaac: Waffles because they are good.



WOAC RECOGNITIONS

ATHLETES OF THE YEAR

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

WOAC RUNNER OF THE YEAR

MICHAELA FLORA

VOLLEYBALL

WOAC PLAYER OF THE YEAR

SIENNA MONTGOMERY

COACHES OF THE YEAR

AUBREY HUGHES

WOAC GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY COACH OF THE YEAR

JEFF ARMENTROUT

WOAC BOYS SOCCER COACH OF THE YEAR

CHAMPIONS

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WOAC CHAMPIONS

ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS

BOYS SOCCER

WOAC ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS

GIRLS SOCCER

WOAC ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

WOAC ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS

VOLLEYBALL

WOAC ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

WOAC ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS

VOLLEYBALL

WOAC ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS

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ENTERTAINMENT

SAYING GOODBYE TO A PART OF HISTORY

This past month Liam Payne, a member of One Direction passed away in Argentina. This death took a toll on every single fan of One Direction, including our very own Newswriting Advisor, Miss Rhea. Growing up with One Direction is a different experience than listening to them now that they have taken a break. Hearing the news of Liam Payne was a shock and brought Miss Rhea right back into her “Directioner” identity. As a way of coping she has been exposing the Smoke Signal editors to the wonders of One Direction starting with their iconic music videos. As a class we watched three videos from each album, only a very small snippet of their musical genius. We watched “What Makes You Beautiful”, “One Thing”, “Gotta Be You”, “Kiss You”, “Live While You’re Young”, “Little Things”, “Best Song Ever”, “Story of My Life”, “Midnight Memories”, “Steal My Girl”, “Night Changes”, “18”, “Drag Me Down”, “If I Could Fly”, and “History”. While their music may not be for everyone, it is in fact made for teenage girls, there is no denying the history that One Direction has made in the music industry. It is heartbreaking to think that there will never be a time where One Direction will be complete again. Regardless of opinions on the band or Liam Payne himself it is important to remember that he was a human being who left his family behind. A son no longer has a father and a mother no longer has her son. Remember him for his music and the positive impact he had on so many fans around the world. After listening to some classic One Direction songs, curated by Miss Rhea, here are some of our favorites: Meg chose “Live While You’re Young”, Liam chose “Kiss You”, Vivien, Candace, and Dylan chose “Story of My Life”. Miss Rhea could never chose a favorite but some of the top would be “Gotta Be You”, “Little Things”, and “Night Changes”. While Miss Rhea may seem to be doing okay, the little girls the picture below, at a 2014 One Direction concert in Chicago on Liam Payne’s birthday sporting his favorite superheroes are not doing so well.



ARTIST OF THE MONTH

By Liam Woods

Your October Artist of the month is Peyton Schutz!

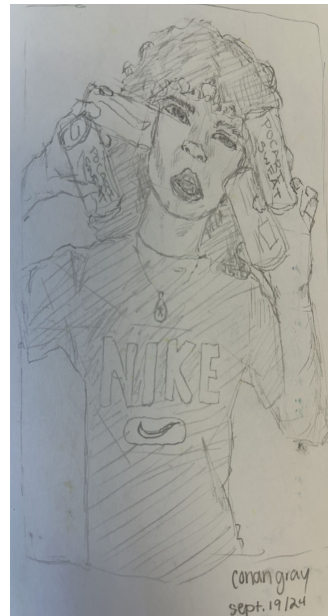
When did you get into art? I got into art in 5th grade.

What is your favorite art medium? I mainly do graphite drawings and a bit of watercolor.

What does your art consist of? I enjoy doing art of things I like and things I'm familiar with. Mainly people and some animals.

What motivates you to make good art? I watch a lot of sketchbook tours on YouTube and scroll through my Pinterest page for a bit.

Do you plan on pursuing a career in art after graduation? I want to be an art therapist, so technically yeah. I want to help others express how they feel through art.



MOVIE REVIEW



Hocus Pocus is a class Halloween film from 1993. It tells the story of the Sanderson Sisters who come back to life for one night on Halloween after they died during the Salem witch trials. The main characters, Max, Dani, and Allison are working together to stop the sisters from completing a spell that would allow them to live forever. We will leave it at that because if you have not seen it we do not want to ruin this classic spooky movie for you. Our editors give their thoughts, "It was really good, I really liked the cat" says Meg. Liam says, "I think it is a very fun halloween movie for all ages to enjoy because it is not too scary but still enjoyable" Vivien agrees it was worth the watch, "It was an enjoyable movie to watch every once in a while like once a season is enough for me." Candace also thinks it is good in moderation, "For somebody who doesn't like Halloween or Halloween movies it was an okay movie and I would maybe watch it again sometime in the far future" and finally Dylan says, "Their dance moves were really bad, but it is a fun family Halloween movie full of cheesy jokes."

On a scale of 1-5 Candace and Vivien give it a 3.5, Liam gives it a 4, Dylan with a 4.1, Miss Rhea and Meg gives a 4.5. It is a great Halloween movie if you want something festive but not scary!

EDITOR'S PICK



By Meg Yoder

La La Land is one of my favorite romance movies. Everything about it is perfect. The plot, the dancing, the music, the color scheme, and the setting are all beautiful. It is emotional and not what you expect. I definitely recommend it if you like romance movies, but just be prepared to cry.

By Candace Shellenberger

Spookley the Square Pumpkin is a family friendly fall based movie. It shows how much you can do if you put your mind to it. It is one of my favorite movies to watch with my younger siblings in the fall. I would recommend watching it if you are with younger siblings or kids you babysit for a fun family movie night!

By Liam Woods

Scott Pilgrim vs the World might be my favorite movie of all time. It has everything you want in a movie, action, comedy, romance, interesting plot, and loveable characters. I would recommend it to anyone because I think there is something in it for everyone.

By: Vivien Clark

Children of the Corn is a "spooky" movie, but personally I find it to be quite comical. The movie was made back in 1984 so naturally it's not the scariest movie anymore. If you use common sense while watching the movie you can pretty well guess the plot. It is one of those movies where it probably was scary, but now it is just not. I do find it funny because you can just guess what will happen next and if the main characters would use their brains they would not be in the place they are. I recommend this movie and will watch it again.

By: Dylan Bauer

When it comes to Fall movies, you can't go wrong with a good classic, and *It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown* certainly delivers. From Snoopy's comical antics to the catchy soundtrack that Charlie Brown is famous for, there's nothing not to love about this wholesome film. I would recommend this movie if you're feeling nostalgic because odds are it's been a while if you've seen it before.



NEWTON LIFE

TEACHER OF THE MONTH

By Candace Shellenberger

This month's teacher of the month is Mr. Fryman. He has been in education for more than 31 years. In his free time he likes to play golf, watch baseball, and spend time with his family. When I asked him if he always wanted to teach he responded with, "At first I wanted to go into a medical field but that changed after some summer camp counseling experiences." He is looking forward to working with new students (the 8th graders) as well as having his former students again. His biggest accomplishment is helping to raise two successful daughters. I asked him where his favorite place to travel to was and he said "I have enjoyed different things from everywhere I have traveled. My international travel is my favorite (Taiwan, China, Thailand, Hong Kong, Japan, Ecuador, The Galapagos Islands, Belize, Qatar, and Tanzania)!!"



STUDENT OF THE MONTH

By Candace Shellenberger

This months student of the month is Natalie Davey, and she was chosen by Mrs. Kenworthy. She loves how Natalie is going above and beyond outside the classroom, and loves having her as a student. When I asked her why she chose her she said "she is part of Reading For a Change and came to me asking questions on how she could better what she is doing."

When I told Natalie, she was surprised and excited to have been chosen.

**STUDENT
SPOTLIGHT**





THE END OF THE MARCHING SEASON



By: Vivien Clark

As we learned last month the band has been killing it, and this month they continue. Over the month they took on three more competitions and STATE! On October 12th the band came home with 8 trophies from their two competitions. They started the day off a little slow lacking energy and leaving Wilmington a little flat. They ended up only getting two trophies at Wilmington winning best percussion and first place in class B. As soon as the band got off the field at Wilmington they packed everything up and left for Piqua. At Piqua the band gained all the energy they needed to do well and even with some technical difficulties that almost caused them to get docked points they got off the field in the nick of time with just 15 seconds to spare. The band earned 6 more trophies, at piqua they finished with; best percussion and first in class B, best visual, music, and general effect in class B/C and finally finishing with grand champion in class B/C. To close out the day the band took their show home and paraded through town followed by a community viewing at the school.

Next the band went to Tecumseh High-School and had a bit of a rough show. However, they still won first place in class A and had their highest score of the year. They finished their last show of the year with all ones and 88.8 points out of 100. They continue on to state on Sunday the 27th at 7:30. But before I tell you how they did here are some interviews from before they perform their final show.

Q: How does it feel to be going to state?

Michaela Flora: "Pretty excited with it being my first year."

James Stucki: "Amazing since we qualified so early which is super exciting."

Ellie Bauer: "Excited to have the opportunity to do better than the past."

Felicity Harbour: "Really good because we have a lot of rookies and deserve it."

Mr. Taylor: "Exciting that we have qualified for state once again but even more because it was so early in our season. Although it does add some pressure, to the band and myself."



Q: How has band been this year?

Michaela Flora: "A little interesting but fun."

James Stucki: "Really good but I miss some components we had last year, especially Ryan."

Ellie Bauer: "Interesting with all the new members but good nonetheless."

Felicity Harbour: "Really good but different with all the rookies."

Mr. Taylor: "It's full of extremely talented and smart musicians."

The band finishes at state with a superior rating and everyone is feeling really good about the end of the year. As a senior in the band I did some last interviews to finish off the year and here is what our people have to say.

Q: How are you feeling now that you have finished your year

Michaela Flora: "Happy we got a 1."

James Stucki: "I feel sad that it's over, and wish there was more, but glad we received a superior rating."

Ellie Bauer: "I'm very relieved that we did well, but also sad because it's over and I am going to miss the seniors."

Felicity Harbor: "Sad yet happy because I don't think we could have a better ending to my senior year."

Mr. Taylor: "I feel all the time and dedication that the students but in paid of very well."



CLUNKER OF THE MONTH

By Vivien Clark

The winner of this month's clunker is Sawyer Renner. Sawyer owns a 1997 Ford Ranger. Sawyer has had his truck for almost a year. It is completed with a shade of green and some nice brown rust. The rattles and clunks when driving are all natural and add to the experience of the truck itself. Sawyer is a proud clunker dad but does plan on fixing it up a bit. He plans on doing some body work to get rid of the rusted body and eventually getting a new engine to hopefully get rid of that check engine light, but until then Sawyer's truck is a clunker at its finest.



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FALL FAIR

By Candace Shellenberger

Earlier this month, the FFA put on the 94th Annual Fall Fair. Many participants throughout the community brought in entries making it, yet another, successful Fall Fair. The top three individuals for entries were first place the Lacey Family, second place Erika Shellabarger, and third place Quinn Hainline. Throughout the day many classes came out to visit. The attractions there included some goats, calves, rabbits, tractors, and the entries inside the fieldhouse. We ended the night with our annual class challenge. This consisted of a series of different games that the different classes competed in. Congratulations to the 2024 winners, the Juniors!

I asked these participants a series of questions about class challenge and here are their responses:

How many times have you participated in class challenge?

What was your favorite game in class challenge?

Who did you think was going to win?

Would you participate in class challenge again?

Dylan Bauer: "I participated 3 years in class challenge. Probably dizzy lizzy. The seniors obviously and yeah I need to run it back."

Estie Rapp: "This was my first year participating in class challenge! My favorite game was musical chairs, and I thought the Juniors were going to win! Yes I definitely would!"

Alec Schaurer: "I have participated twice. My favorite game was musical chairs and I figured the juniors or seniors would win. I wouldn't participate again unless I would have to."

Emma Rapp: "I participated in class challenge once. My favorite game was tug of war. And I thought the Juniors would win. Yes I would!"

QUESTIONS OF THE MONTH

By: Liam Woods

October is finally here and with it comes a lot of fun and spooky activities. But before we get ahead of ourselves let's talk about Homecoming. 41% of people said they had a great time at homecoming, 39% said they had an alright time at homecoming, and the other 20% were party poopers. Everyone was dressed up nice and pretty for homecoming but the more important thing to dress up for is Halloween, and there are many interesting costumes. Some standouts are The cast of Gravity Falls, multiple anime characters like Denji, Light, and Geto, and some other recognizable characters are Snoopy, Scooby Doo, and even a founding father. Keeping it in the spooky mood let's look at some Halloween Movies. In last place with 2% of the votes we have *HalloweenTown High*, Next was *Scared Shrekless* with 8% of the votes Following, was Halloween 1978 with 12% of the votes. In third place with 20% of the votes was *Coraline*. In Second with 26% of votes was *Scooby Doo* live action. And the big winner with 32% of votes was *It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown*. But what is a movie without candy? But if you are buying candy for your friends stay away from these cause they are the least favorite at Newton being Candy Corn, whoppers, smarties and Dots. And what is the Halloween season without fear? The biggest fears were drowning, rats, women, and being alone. Be on a look out for next months questions.

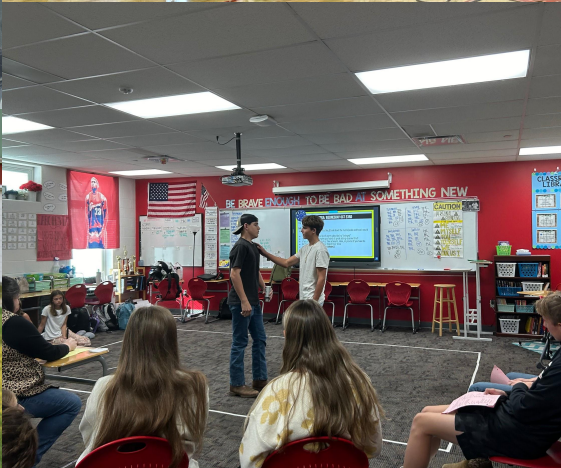
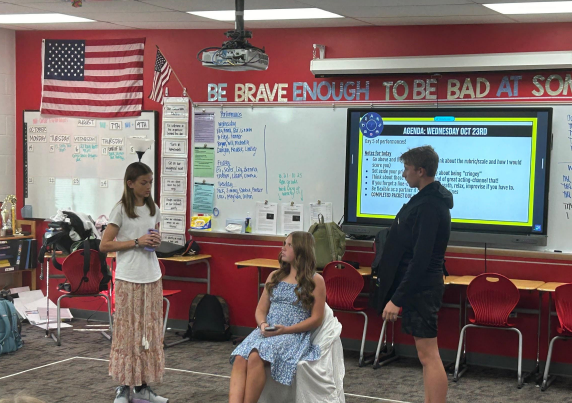
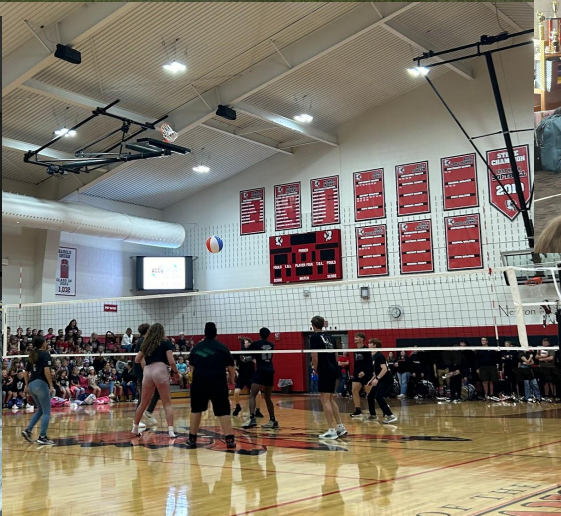
HOMECOMING

By: Liam Woods

Congratulations to the 2024 Homecoming court Ava Rapp, Sienna Montgromy, Layla VanCulin, and Elaine Schieltz. Isaac Beidelman, Seth Coker, Bronson Van Culin, and Brady Wackler. And congratulations to the Queen and King Hannah Williams and Liam Woods. This year's theme was around the World. The float themes were the Freshman with Mexico, the Sophomores with New York, the Juniors with the North Pole, and the Seniors with Hawaii. The winners were the Juniors with a Christmas theme, who went all out with a homemade Santa's workshop and even Mr. Spitler as Santa. Some other standouts where the Sophomores with there creative costumes including taxis, tourist, and even the Statue of Liberty. The Seniors were also very creative with a homemade tiki bar and fun extras like blow up palm trees and real sand. Throughout the crowning ceremony, the dance, and the parade there was smiling faces and people having fun and you could tell people were making memories that will last a lifetime



PHOTO JOURNAL



INTERACTIVE

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HALLOWEEN
CANDYCORN
OCTOBER
SPICE
JACKOLANTERN
CANDLE
SKELETON
COSTUME
TRICK
TREAT



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Olivia Sudduth
Jayla Leland
Ayden Kane
Douglas Goad
Kendall Carver
Makenah Petry
Emila Hild
Max Newhouse
Austin Tippie
Alexus Lankford
Owen Seger
Carson Resides
Kolton Davis
Landry Davis
Macy Davis

STUDENT SUBMISSIONS

SMOKE SIGNAL'S OCTOBER PLAYLIST

“The Giving Tree” by: Plain White T’s
“Hey Daddy (Daddy’s Home)” by: Usher
“Sweet Yamz” by: Fetty Wap
“UP!” by: Forrest Frank and Connor Price
“They Don’t Know About Us” by One Direction
“Rewrite the Stars” by: Zac Efron & Zendaya

The Smoke Signal

BREAKING NEWS

The Smoke Signal is looking for you!

The Smoke Signal is looking for student work to showcase. We are looking for photography, drawings, painting, poetry, short stories, etc. Submit it all!

You may request to remain anonymous but if not specified we will give you credit!

Submitting work gives you the chance of being featured in the paper it is not a guarantee that your work will be chosen.

SUBMIT WORK TO:

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2024-2025 QUARTER ONE ACADEMIC HONORS

HONOR ROLL

UVCC 11th Grade:

AJ Church
Gentri Deaton
Jera Leland

Annelise Taylor

UVCC 12th Grade:

Noah Bayer
Jaden Deaton
Jennica Holly
Makenna Kesling
Korey Nolan
Lillian Szakal
Bronson Van Culin

Lexi Walters

MVCTC 11th Grade:

Brensen Skinner

7th Grade:

Rylee Alexander
Isabella Anderson
Emmett Blair
Rowan Fiely
Ethan Hogan
Lillianna Levan
Tyler Morrow
Israel Mwaura
Henry Ovenshire
Makenah Petry
Payton Schaurer
Bailey Schutz
Celia Stucki
Ava Trimble
Makenzie Voisard

8th Grade:

Izzie Ballard
Austin Barhorst
Vivien Bowser
Trenton Butts
Ivan Chen
Mayson Cosby
Oliver Crow
Brayden Doty
Caroline Forsythe
Bentley Hess
Kyleigh Holbrook
Shayleigh Shoup

Dahlila Stone

Dawson Trost

Dylan Trost

9th Grade:

Khloe Carver
Parker Christman
Tucker Fisher
Bella Garber
Lillian Goad
Garrison Hughes
Ayden Kane
Stephanie Knepper
Allison Kramer
Elijah Leingang
Micah Sagers

Colton Shellenberger

Canyon Sink

Elise Stucki

Jack Van Den Bosch

Anna Wall

10th Grade:

Harlee Adams
Matillie Casey
Parker Coning
Easton Knupp
Emily Laughman
Jayla Leland
Andrew Long
Kellany Merritt
Lee Morrow
Holly Morse
Kaelyn Petry
Trenton Robinson
Peyton Schutz
Travis Stanhope
James Stucki
Meg Yoder

11th Grade:

Zurich Bess
Evelyn Case
Rachel Fisher
Emily Flora
Emilia Hild

Kinzie Peters

Estie Rapp

Carson Resides

Candace

Shellenberger

Matthew Waller

12th Grade:

Carleigh Ashby
Dylan Bauer
Isaac Beidelman
Seth Euton
Felicity Harbour
Rylan Hoy
Breanna Ingle
Adia Leal
Emmy Leingang
Kayla Olander
Brady Wackler
Hayden Wilhelmy
Liam Woods

PRINCIPAL'S LIST

UVCC 11th Grade:

Logan Butts
Douglas Goad
Addison Lyons
Owen Miller

Ava Nolan

Nick Staub

UVCC 12th Grade:

Cori Haines
Parker Kanet
Missy Nance
Max Newhouse
Christopher Olander
Noah Resides
Bekah Shough
Callie Smith
Alysa Stevenson
Layla Van Culin

Alexis West

7th Grade:

Emma Fisher
Abigail Flora
Austin Long
Vienna Long
Leslie Maloney
Clara Shellenberger
Sutton Spitler
Charlotte Will

8th Grade:

Coltyn Adams
Mollie Adams
Havyn Coning
Brooks Flory
Isabella Fullenkamp
Ava Hughes

Tylea Jackson

Nolan Knupp

Louella Liette

Gabriel Miller

Zoey Robinson

Karlee Schwartz

Mckenzie Sheridan

Max Silk

Chase Wackler

9th Grade:

Ella Bayer
Jackson Blair
Eleanor Bradshaw
Brynnasen Fiely
Michaela Flora
Sawyer Hainline

Madilynn Karns

Brenna Locker

Tanner Long

Nolan Meurer

Ava Meyer

Emmaline Rapp

Lindsey Willoughby

10th Grade:

Chloe Adams
Cole Alexander
Wren Bauer
Mya Denlinger
Regan Miller
Tyler Miller
Alec Schaurer
Claire Stull
Amelia Szakal

11th Grade:

Ellie Bauer
Elliot Cook
Evanston Hemphill
Rylee Hess
Audrey Miller
Austin Tippie
Ava Velkoff

12th Grade:

Sienna Montgomery
Hope Morse
Caitlyn Pleiman
Ava Rapp
Erika Shellabarger
Grace Stanhope
Shelby Van Den Bosch