

February 2024 Activities Report

Large Group Speech Contest

Large Group Speech Event participants performed at the District competition held at Decorah High School on Saturday, January 20th. The six groups receiving a district 1 rating and moving on to State contest on Saturday, February 3, are:

- Improvisational Acting - Elleri Eike, Elliot Eiler, and Erin Tierney
- Improvisational Acting - Madi Dreckman, Xander Meyerhoff, and Jarrin Robinson
- Improvisational Acting - Miranda Buckley, Syd Hyer, and Caydence Phillips
- Improvisational Acting - Andi Gebel and Brenna Thronson
- Ensemble Acting - Skyler Bugenhagen, Andi Gebel, AnnaRose Pauley, Josi Singewald, and Brooke Vestel
- Choral Reading - Elleri Eike, Karla Pickar, Beth Pickar, and Brenna Thronson

The three groups who received a district two rating are:

- Ensemble Acting - Miranda Buckley, Natalie Hidding, Beth Pickar, and Ava Thronson
- Radio News Broadcasting - Kael Meyers and Lee Reicks
- Radio News Broadcasting - Aleah Eichenberger, Olivia Hoy, and Karla Pickar

Speech results from State on Saturday, February 3, 2024 at Dubuque HS:

Groups receiving three straight 1s for an overall district 1 rating:

- Choral Reading - *Let America Be America Again* by Langston Hughes - Elleri Eike, Beth Pickar, Karla Pickar, and Brenna Thronson
- Improvisational Acting - Andi Gebel and Brenna Thronson

Groups receiving two district 1 ratings and one district 2 rating for an overall district 1 rating:

- Ensemble Acting - *The Group Session* - Skyler Bugenhagen, Andi Gebel, AnnaRose Pauley, Josi Singewald, and Brooke Vestel
- Improvisational Acting - Elleri Eike, Elliot Eiler, and Erin Tierney
- Improvisational Acting - Miranda Buckley, Syd Hyer, and Caydence Phillips

Groups receiving three district 2 ratings for an overall district 2 rating:

- Improvisational Acting - Madi Dreckman, Xander Meyerhoff, and Jarrin Robinson

Individual Speech Contest

Individual speech students will be performing at District competition in Mason City on Saturday, February 24. Those individuals who earn a district one rating will advance to State competition, held in Hampton-Dumont-CAL this year, on Saturday, March 9.

Spring Sports

Girls' & Boys' track and field starts on February 20th.

Trap Shooting starts March 1st.

Girls' & Boys' golf starts on March 11th.

Girls' & Boys' Soccer starts on March 11th.

Parade of Bands

Middle school & high school Parade of Bands will be held on Monday, March 11th at 7:00 p.m. in the HS gym.

Female wrestlers who made it to state:

Sophie Glaser at 135 - Placed 3rd (State Qualifier)

Kelly Thronson at 145 - Placed 3rd (State Qualifier)

Male wrestlers who made it to state:

Braiden Schaufenbuel at 126 - Placed 2nd (State Qualifier)

Jayden Bucknell at 132 - Placed 2nd (State Qualifier)

Ethan Praska at 144 - Placed 2nd (State Qualifier)

Jax Shekleton at 150 - Placed 1st (State Qualifier)

Karson Kolbet at 157 - Placed 1st (State Qualifier)

Lee Reicks at 175 - Placed 2nd (State Qualifier)

Braden McShane at 215 - Placed 1st (State Qualifier)

Gatlin McCumber at 285 - Placed 2nd (State Qualifier)

Girls' Basketball lost in the first round of postseason play on Saturday, February 10th to Forest City 28-70.

Boys' Basketball lost in the first round of postseason play on Thursday, February 16th to North Fayette Valley 57-74.

Girls' Bowling hosted the district meet at Bowlaway Lanes on Monday, February 12th.

Boys' Bowling hosted the district meet at Bowlaway Lanes on Tuesday, February 13th. Jamison Porath placed 3rd and qualified for the State meet held at Cadillac XBC on Wednesday March 21st, 2024.

Esports concluded their winter season. Overwatch 2 team learned a lot in their first season playing the game. Rocket League ended their second season ranked 7 out of 10. Spring Mario Kart 8 teams will begin in March.

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